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CRMWD to celebrate 50th anniversary

The Colorado River Municipal Water District will celebrate 50 years of continuous service to Snyder and West Texas with an open house and program on Wednesday in Big Spring.

It was Nov. 16, 1950 when voters in Big Spring and Odessa approved bond issues that permitted the water district to sell bonds to finance its first lake – Lake J. B. Thomas. The money also provided for a well field and pipelines to move the water.

Snyder later joined the water district, and Midland and San Angelo would later contract with the district for a significant portion of their water supplies as well.

Historians are quick to point out that the early directors of the water district could hardly have envisioned the growth of the population the CRMWD would eventually serve. But it was their vision and the direction of the men who followed them that has allowed the district to meet the demands of its member cities for water.

R.A. Schooling, Lyle Deffebach, W. James Rosser and W.J. Ely were appointed to the CRMWD board from Snyder in 1951, followed by Forrest G. Sears in 1956, Malven K. Stevenson in 1957 and Dr. John Blum in 1958.

Gene L. Dulaney. William H. Wilson Jr., and W.A. McGlaun were appointed in 1959, followed by Rex D. Fields in 1963.

Russell S. Yorgesen was appointed in 1975 and Hubert W. Cargile was appointed in 1976.

These men were followed by David Holt, Ted Crenwelge and John A. Fagin in 1984, and Rod Waller in 1987 and Mickey Nunley in 1999.

The water district takes great pride in the fact that, in spite of recurring drought cycles, the CRMWD has never had to ration water to its municipal customers. And the district serves one of the driest regions of the state.

Besides Lake Thomas, the district owns and operates two other reservoirs on the Colorado River. These are the E.V. Spence Reservoir near Robert Lee and the O.H. Ivie Reservoir northeast of San Angelo.

In addition, the district operates three developed well fields, and several diverted water facilities, including two in Mitchell County.

More than 600 miles of pipelines cross West Texas to connect water supplies to the member cities and industries that need water.

Joe Pickle, a Big Spring newspaper editor, was assigned to cover the fledging water district, and he was even elected secretary of the first CRMWD board of directors.

From his ringside seat, Pickle chronicled the history of the district and his writings have been the source of a 300-page book, "Water in a Dry and Thirsty Land."

This book gives a colorful account of the district from day one, and continued with its efforts to construct Ivie Reservoir against many odds.

Pickle, current and past board of directors of the district, and staff, will be at the open house at the CRMWD headquarters at 400 3. 24th from 10-11:30 a.m., and from 1:30-4:30 p.m. A video of the history of the district will also be shown that afternoon.

The public is invited to the open house, said John Grant, the district's general manager.



ALMOST FULL — This aerial shot of Lake J.B. Thomas was taken Oct. 20, 1955 when the lake was at 92 percent of its capacity. Lake Thomas was the first lake to be constructed by the Colorado River Municipal Water District. The district will celebrate the construction of Lake Thomas, and the 50th anniversay of the water district on Wednesday. (CRMWD Photo)

Forgeries, burglaries, stolen autos are popular items now

By Joyce May
Staff Writer

The Snyder Police Department is warning businesses and individuals to take extra precautions to prevent forgeries, car burglaries and stolen cars as a high number of the crimes are plaguing the city.

With the holiday season approaching, sergeants Brian Haggard and Terry Luecke said the number of similar crimes, especially forgeries, is likely to increase.

"We are having lots of trouble with forgeries, especially at convenience stores, United and Lawrence IGA," Sgt. Haggard said.

The detectives encourage stores to require persons attempting to pass a check to actually show a form of picture identification.

"Get the identification from the person and verify that it matches the name and driver's license on the check. If it doesn't, you need to ask why," Sgt. Haggard said. "Don't just let people tell you a number."

Sgt. Luecke said businesses should not worry about offending people by asking for I.D.

"Honest people trying to pass a check should not be offended because that is giving them protection."

In addition, businesses are urged to write down the date of birth and driver's license or identification number of the person giving the check.

"If it is a forgery and if we get a driver's license and date of birth, then we have a suspect," Sgt. Haggard said.

Otherwise, it may be difficult to track down the person who forged the check. The situation may be that the forgery is not discovered for a couple of weeks. By that time, the clerk may not remember who passed it, the detectives warned.

Businesses should also be leery of customers who purchase, for example, a $2 item and want $100 in change.

"That ought to present a red flag that that is something they should look at a little more closely," Sgt. Haggard said.

Third party checks — where a personal check is written to an individual — can also be a problem area.

"I'm not saying don't take it, but I'd be leery about taking third party checks," Sgt. Haggard said.

He said convenience stores are highly susceptible to forgeries.

"The store is busy and someone comes in to cash a check. The clerk is trying to get those people to move on to assist the next person. That is where they [the criminals] are hitting for that one reason."

The detectives urge businesses to contact police if a situation arises where they suspect a person may be attempting to pass a forged check.

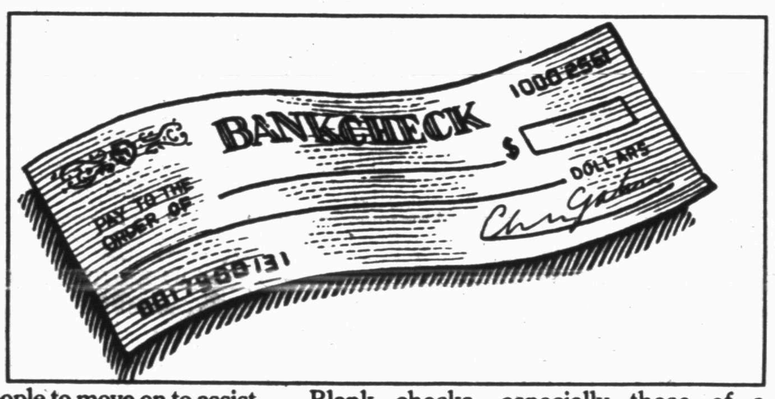
"If someone comes in and tries to pass a check you don't feel comfortable with, feel free to call the police and we'll come out and check," Luecke said.

Preventing forgeries is in the best interest of both the business and consumer.

"Once a forged check is passed, that is a business loss. Eventually that business is going to have to pass that loss back to the consumer," Sgt. Haggard said.

As for individuals, the department urges people to keep their checks in a secure place.

"Don't leave them out, lock them up in a secure place," Sgt. Haggard said, noting that credit cards should be treated in the same cautious manner.



Blank checks, especially those of a deceased person or those from a closed account, are also prime targets.

"If people do close out accounts, they should make sure those blank checks are destroyed," Sgt. Luecke said.

Sgt. Haggard added, "Shred them, don't just throw them away."

Forgery is a state jail felony, punishable by

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WTC program Thursday will focus on water

There will be people making waves on the Western Texas College campus Thursday as the Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa will host a day-long event entitled "Water: The Power Behind Its Presence."

Guest speakers from WTC and the surrounding area will be discussing topics that either deal with, or incorporate water.

The event will begin with opening remarks by WTC President, Dr. Harry Krenek at 8 a.m. in the Fine Arts Theatre and will conclude with a balloon release around 4:30 in the afternoon.

As part of the event and the annual WTC Christmas Happenings, PTK will also host a Talent Show beginning at 7:15 p.m. in the central courtyard. First prize will be $100 and second prize will be $50. In keeping with the PTK theme, all entries must be related to water. Deadline for entries is 5 p.m. Tuesday

Also, a science fair will be taking place on campus Thursday and Friday involving local elementary schools. For more information, contact PTK advisor Jennifer Beard at 573-8511 extension 266 or Ava Russell at extension 317.

Among the featured speakers for the Water Day event will be State Rep. David Counts, discussing legislative actions concerning an adequate water supply in Texas.

Robert Adams will speak on the history of water rights while Steve Divine, weatherman and noon anchor for Lubbock's Channel 11, will talk about the water cycle and weather patterns .

Dr. Jim Durham will discuss the topic: "Possibility of a future world war due to water."

Sam Fare will explain xerioscaping, which involves landscaping according to water availability.

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THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Success depends on knowing what you're doing, believing in what you're doing and above all - liking what you're doing."

Over the years, Snyder's Flo Joyce has clipped little items she describes as "keepers.'

She was digging around in her treasures recently, and found a "truth" that has remained steady all these years.

Mrs. Joyce said her family was living in San Antonio during World War II, and she recalls copying it from a sign from Earl Able's Restaurant. It read:

"The reason a dollar won't do as much for people as it once did, is that people won't do as much for a dollar as they once did."

A story out of New Mexico may have a message for us folks who keep hoping we'll win some sort of sweepstakes. Be careful what you wish for.

A janitor in Santa Fe thought his ship full of money arrived when he found a 9.72 carat diamond.

The custodian became a local celebrity after finding the stone in his vacuum after cleaning carpets at various locations. He initially thought it was a costume-jewelry stone because of its size, but he decided to show it to a jeweler friend.

The "expert" briefly inspected the stone and said it was 9.72 carats, worth at least $19,000.

The janitor turned it over to local police in hopes they could find the owner. After months of waiting, the city attorney called and said the owner had not been located. However, the city planned to auction the stone and deposit the proceeds in the city's coffers.

The city had to back away from that plan after a barrage of negative media coverage and nasty letters from across the country.

The stone was turned over to a district judge who was charged with trying to determine the rightful owner.

Meanwhile, custodian Bruce Buck received a rude awakening. His hoped-for wealth evaporated when it was learned that the stone was actually a cubic zirconia – a relatively inexpensive man-made imitation.

Despite the disappointment, Buck still wants the stone – for sentimental reasons. He explained:

"Finding the jewel has affected every aspect of my life." He added that not all is for the better. "I don't ever want to be called the 'diamond guy' again."

ASK US

Q—Is the chamber of commerce seeking playoff football games for Snyder, and why are there not many played here?

A—Yes. Many factors go into where a playoff game is scheduled, and the first one will be here Friday between Coahoma and New Deal.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday; 64; low, 35; 7 a.m. Saturday, 49; no precipitation; total for 2000, 20.15 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, partly cloudy. Low 30-35, N wind 10-20 mph. Sunday, partly cloudy, high around 50, N wind 10-20 mph.



Brodie Calley
Partly Cloudy

Sunset:
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7:09 a.m.
Of 315 days in 2000, the sun has shone 309 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

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—Bob Richards

Central Awards

Primary Super Kids

Prekindergarten: Adrian Aguilar.

Kindergarten: Paula Aguilar, Ector Gonzalez, Kimberly Hagins, Misael Arellano.

First Grade: Darius Biggers, Randi Sanchez, Jainie Fuentez, Jessica Torres, Ashley Silva, Adalberto Jaimes.

Positive Action Super Kid

Third grade: Stacey Clifton, Gina Guerrero, Matthew Rios, Brailee Sanchez, Samana Arizemdi, Eleanor Ashey, Alicia Chaidez, Kaylie Brewster, Remington Bloom, Ashley Silva.

Most Improved Award

Third grade: Krystal Guerrero, Toby Lopez, Hilary Villarreal, T.J. Williams, Jacob Kemp, Meghan Cooley, Alex Hernandez, Kaden Seale, Kimberly Casarez, Jose Rodarte.

Students who earned 20 or more Accelerated Reader points for the six weeks were recognized. Also recognized were students who have earned 50-200 AR points since school began. Raven Luna, at 200 points, has earned the most.

SJHS slates fun night of math and science for 8th graders, parents

Math and science can be fun. That's the message Snyder Junior High School teachers want to convey to eight graders and their parents.

On Tuesday, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., eighth graders and their parents are invited to a special evening of activities in the cafeteria designed to show that math and science do not have to be dull.

Participants can take part in learning strategies that are designed to help children achieve in math and science.

The goal, according to Marsha Krenek, science teacher, is to increase parent involvement and build competence in parents and students in the two subjects.

Some activities are also designed to provide a greater understanding of TAAS math and science.

Other teachers participating will be math teachers John Richardson, Sue Tidwell, Theresa Vest, Terry Huestis, Stewart Long. In addition to Krenek, other science teachers include Sonja Hanks and Leslie Murphy. Resource teacher Robert Bailey is also involved.

A Southwestern Bell Foundation grant is providing the materials, training and refreshments.

Lt. governor choice on hold for now

AUSTIN (AP) — Democrats in the state Senate say they will withhold their support for any candidates for a potential vacancy in the lieutenant governor's office until all candidates are interviewed by the entire Democratic caucus.

If Gov. George W. Bush is elected president, Republican Lt. Gov. Rick Perry would became governor and the Senate would elect Perry's successor from among its 31 members.

The selection of the lieutenant governor by the Senate would be unprecedented in state history.

Democratic support is considered key to any senator vying for the position because the GOP holds a slim 16-15 majority in the Senate.

Republicans could split their vote among several candidates, putting a united Democratic caucus in a powerful position to elect its favored candidate.

"In our estimation, we don't believe the Republicans would unite," said Senate Democratic Caucus chairman Gonzalo Barrientos of Austin. "That's why we're keeping our options open."

Several candidates have emerged to replace Perry — most of them Republican — if the office becomes vacant.

Among the favorites are Republican Sens. David Sibley of Waco, J.E. "Buster" Brown of Lake Jackson, Teel Bivins of Amarillo, Bill Ratliff of Mt. Pleasant and Jeff Wentworth of San Antonio.

Sen. Ken Armbrister, D-Victoria, is also a possibility.

"The caucus members have asked for certain commitments," said Barrientos. Those include a moderate approach to redistricting, continuation of the rule that requires a two-thirds majority vote to bring legislation up for a vote and placing some Democrats in committee chairmanships, he said.

"You do have one or two Republicans who are moderate enough to meet those standards," said Barrientos, who refused to identify the lawmakers he was talking about.

He also said it is possible the Democrats could support a Republican who wouldn't be likely to run for the office in 2002.

"I can't speak for the entire caucus on this ... (but) that is also a factor for the members," Barrientos said.

Barrientos said Brown and Wentworth are two Republicans who could fall under that scenario. He didn't elaborate.

Wentworth said he won't promise whether or not to run for lieutenant governor in 2002, but added that he believes he fits the moderate characteristics the Democrats want.

"You need to leave partisan politics at the door of the chamber," Wentworth said. "I would go in believing that I could do a good job and would run again."

Brown, who lost a campaign for attorney general in 1990, said he had no plans to run for statewide office again.

Brown was asked by his own local party officials last year to not run for lieutenant governor after he was forced to apologize for allegedly sexually harassing a female office clerk.

"I don't have any intentions of ever being a statewide candidate again," Brown said.

He suggested it will be difficult for either party to be united behind a single candidate.

OSHA to issue sweeping new standard

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite opposition from industry groups and congressional Republicans, the Clinton administration is expected to issue a final rule next week that requires employers to create programs to protect workers from repetitive motion injuries, government officials and business representatives say.

The sweeping new standard, which has been in the making by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration for nearly a decade, covers about 6 million workplaces and more than 100 million workers, The Washington Post said.

The regulation would take effect shortly before Jan. 20, when the new president is inaugurated, The New York Times reported.

Virtually all the nation's employers would have to adapt the workplace to the science of ergonomics, requiring employers to better fit jobs to the physical limitations of their workers. OSHA officials hope to cut in half over the next decade the 600,000 repetitive stress injuries that result in lost work time each year.

The hospital, restaurant, grocery, and trucking and courier industries will need to make the most changes in the workplace, OSHA predicted. The rule also targets the millions of workers who sit in front a computer screen all day, typing and using a mouse.

"We have recognized that musculoskeletal disorders are a significant part of the injuries and illness in America," Charles Jeffress, the assistant secretary of Labor who heads OSHA, told the Post. "We have needed a better tool to address this. These injuries have declined, but they still remain a third of all workplace injuries."

Under the new rule, employers will have to inform their workers about these kinds of workplace ailments and how they can report them, beginning next October. Employees who have a work-related injury would have to receive medical attention, and time off with pay. And the employer would have to work at eliminating or lessening the hazard that caused the problem.

The GOP majority in Congress has been determined to put off the new rule until next year in hopes there would be a Republican president more sympathetic to industry's strong opposition to the rules.

"The important threshold in terms of this argument will be crossed next week when they are published," Scott Lilly, minority staff director of the House Appropriations Committee, told the Times.

Both the House and the Senate this summer voted mainly along party lines to bar OSHA from issuing the standards during the fiscal year that began Oct. 1. The White House said that delay was unacceptable, and the resulting impasse scuttled a year-end budget accord.

Last November, after a decade of studies that began during the Bush administration, OSHA issued proposed standards to protect workers from back injuries, carpal tunnel syndrome and other work-related disorders.

OSHA contends that every year 1.8 million workers suffer from ergonomic injuries and 600,000 workers lose a day or more of work. It says businesses pay out $15 billion to $20 billion each year in compensation related to these disorders, one-third of all worker compensation costs.

OSHA says the rules would cost businesses some $4.5 billion to implement but would reap $9 billion a year in savings from medical expenses and workers' compensation.

Business groups, however, cite a study by the Economic Policy Foundation, a think tank, that estimated costs of more than $90 billion a year over 10 years.

Hermleigh fellowship set Thursday

Following the Hermleigh High School girls basketball game Tuesday, everyone is invited to a community wide fellowship at 8 p.m. in the school cafeteria. The purpose is to show appreciation for the hard work and dedication of the high school football program.

Water Day

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Windi Fuller, Interim Director of the Lone Wolf Groundwater Conservation District, will speak on conservation and the importance of groundwater, while Greg Gruben, Scurry County Extension Agent, will discuss water use in agriculture.

Other speakers include Dr. Andrew Jackson, Texas Tech professor, discussing water resources in West Texas and Dr. David Kattes discussing the chemistry of water.

On the English panel, Dr. Ed Barkowsky and Janet Halbert will speak on the importance of water in literature.

Britt Canada, Joe Carter, and Sue Freemyer will make up the science panel and they will discuss environmental issues with water.

Jack Price will discuss past legislative actions pertaining to water.

In addition, Paula Tonenah with "Keepers of the Earth" will present the topic "Importance and Spirituality of Water in the Native American Culture."

Chris Wingert, assistant manager of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, will also speak.

Forgery

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confinement in a state jail facility for no more than two years or less than 180 days with an optional fine not to exceed $10,000. In addition, the person is required to make restitution in the amount of the forged checks.

Businesses who are concerned about the forgeries can contact the police department.

"We'll be glad to come out and speak to employees. Contact one of the detectives here at the police department," Sgt. Luecke said.

With a high number of stolen vehicles lately, the police department is also urging citizens not to leave keys in their vehicles.

"In the majority of our stolen vehicles, the keys were left in them," Sgt. Haggard said. "Roll up the windows and don't leave anything in your vehicle you don't want stolen."

He said items such as cell phones, CDs and purses should be locked in trunks or taken inside homes.

"It doesn't take much of a crack in the window to get an arm in there," Sgt. Haggard said.

The main point is for citizens to be cautious.

"Especially with the holiday season coming up, people will be leaving a bunch of gifts in their vehicles," Sgt. Haggard said.

"These crimes are costing businesses, costing consumers and making our workload heavier."

FCC waits for review

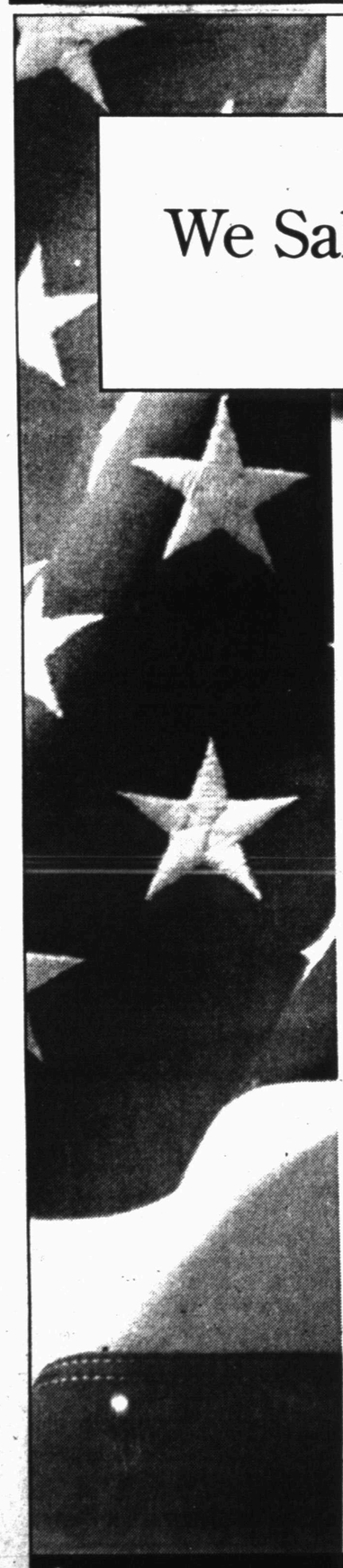
WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's top communications regulator on Friday defended his agency's decision to stop its review of the proposed merger between America Online and Time Warner until antitrust authorities complete their work.

The head of the Federal Communications Commission, in a letter to lawmakers, said that discussions between antitrust officials at the Federal Trade Commission and the two companies could significantly change the structure of the merger still under review.

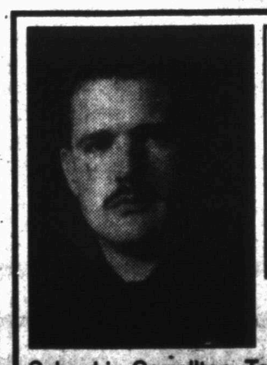
"It would be inconsistent with sound administrative procedure and unfair to the parties for the FCC to rush to a decision under these circumstances," FCC Chairman William Kennard wrote to two top antitrust lawmakers.

On Thursday, the FTC gave the companies three more weeks to address competitive concerns.


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Brian Peterson

City Of Snyder
Employee of the Month
November, 2000

Brian Peterson was born in Gainesville. He graduated from R.L. Turner High School in Carrollton, Texas in 1986. In 1991 Brian graduated from WCTCG Police Academy in Abilene, then attended WTC to receive his Advanced Peace Officer License. Brian has lived in Snyder since August 1991 at which time he began working for the City of Snyder Police Department. Brian and Evette Gruben Peterson were married on October 8, 2000. Brian has two children, a daughter Brooke, 14 years old and a son, Chase, 10 years old. Brian was nominated because he is a hard worker, eager to help, knowledgeable, and represents the City well.

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Ira FFA garners district awards, advance to area

Ira FFA judging teams have won several district awards, with several advancing to area.

The Senior Chapter Conducting Team placed third, and the Junior Chapter Conducting team placed fourth.

Senior team members are Tyler Frey, Candace Sanchez, Geoff Pinkerton, Colter Brown, Michael Allen, Casey Kellner, Josh Gutierrez.

Junior team members are Nathan Wilkins, Phillip Payne, Vanessa Espinoza, Stephan Kirk, Jake Barnes, Jess Wall, Brandon Graves and Bubba Walker.

Senior creed speaker Candace Sanchez placed third and was one of the top three finalists. In junior creed speak #1, Franki Briseno was also third in district.

These teams all advance to the Area II contest in Big Spring next Saturday.

April Lollar won second place junior creed speaker and advanced to Area II.

Junior skill team placed second and also advanced. The team consists of Lacie Thompson, Jacki Thompson, Lindsey Wilson and April Lollar.

The senior skill team placed second in district and advanced to area. Team members include Nathan Smith, Cade Tucker, Case Hardy and Todd Wall.

The radio broadcasting team placed second and advanced to area. The team members are Jeremy Bowden, Bryce Wilkins and Seth Sterling.



ATTEND CONFERENCE — DECCA students who recently attended a district 8 and 9 leadership development conference in Amarillo are from left, bottom row, Charli Boone, Tovarres Brandon, Karyann Rodriguez, Scott Reston, Lisa Martinez; second row, Michael Velasquez, Tiffany Brown, Angelica Gonzales, Kelly Jasso, Kim Moore, Missy French, Kara Herrley, Anjela Quiros, Matt Blocker, Natalie Alexander, Annette Perez, Ryan McKamie; third row, Justin Englert, Bobby Huddleston, Brian Castillo, LaBow Rivers, Scott Vest, Patrick McKamie, Jason French; top row, Lisa Hall. (Contributed Photo)

DECA students attend conference

Snyder High School DECA students attended the District 8 and 9 Leadership Development Conference in Amarillo last month.

The theme for the conference, held at the Radisson Inn, was "Step Up To the Plate — Aim For Your Future."

Approximately 250 DECA students from the area participated in the various leadership group sessions, which incorporated the baseball theme.

Those attending from SHS were Natalie Alexander, Matthew Blocker, Charli Boone, Tovarres Brandon, Tiffany Brown, Brian Castillo, Justin Englert, Jason French, Missy French, Angelica Gonzales, Lisa Hall, Kara Herrley, Bobby Huddleston, Kelly Jasso, Lisa Martinez, Patrick McKamie, Ryan McKamie, Kim Moore, Anjela Quiros, Annette Perez, Scott Reston, LaBow Rivers, Karynn Rodriguez, Michael Velasquez, Scott Vest.

Lisa Williams, who serves as the chapter advisor, accompanied the group.

The current DECA officers for 2000-2001 are Jason French, president; Natalie Alexander, vice-president; Kara Herrley, secretary; Patrick McKamie, treasurer; Lisa Marie Martinez, historian.

Troop 27 sets 50th birthday celebration

Boy Scout Troop 27 will celebrate its 50th anniversary at First United Methodist Church from 2:30-5 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 3.

The troop is seeking past information and memorabilia to share at this celebration.

If anyone has anything to share or would like to attend, contact Joe or Terry Hefner at 863-2446 after 7 p.m. Max Snider at 574-2784 or Chris Smauley at 573-5183.

Gives $15 million

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Bill Gates and his wife are giving about $15 million to the city's public schools.

The grant from the couple's private philanthropic foundation was reported Thursday in The Oakland Tribune. A foundation spokesman said an announcement would be made Tuesday.

The grant is to be administered though the Bay Area Coalition of Essential Schools, a local nonprofit organization that helped write Oakland's small autonomous schools policy.

The money is expected to be used to develop small schools throughout Oakland and to reorganize its large public high schools into smaller ones.

'Hero' pilot gets sentence cut to 2 years in sex case

HURLBURT FIELD, Fla. (AP) — Citing a statute of limitations, a military judge has dismissed child molestation charges against an Air Force pilot once honored for a helicopter rescue.

The Air Force said the seven-year, six-month sentence for Col. James Sills also was reduced to two years by Lt. Gen. Clay Bailey, who overturned the molestation convictions.

Bailey, commander of the Air Force Special Operations Command, cited a federal appellate decision that military personnel must be tried for sex crimes against minors under 16 within five years of the alleged acts.

Sills, 48, was accused of fondling two girls while at Scott Air Force Base, Ill., from 1988 through 1992, and of fondling one of the girls while at Hurlburt in 1994. Those charges were dismissed.

He was not investigated until last year.

Promiscuous monkeys have stronger immune systems

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. (AP) — Promiscuous species of monkeys appear to have stronger immune systems than less-active ones, researchers say.

"The most sexually active species of primates may have evolved elevated immune systems as a defense mechanism against disease," said Charles Nunn, a University of Virginia biology researcher who led the study, published in the latest issue of the journal Science.

Nunn and colleagues studied 20 years of data on 41 primate species from zoos around the world. They found that the most promiscuous have high levels of basal white blood cells, the body's first defense against infection. Monogamous species, like the white-handed gibbon or Titi monkey, have lower levels.

Other risk factors for disease — such as crowded living conditions or contact with other germs — had little effect on immune response, said co-author John Gittleman, a biology professor.

Humans have white blood cell counts similar to those in primarily monogamous species, the researchers said.

Jeffrey Frelinger, a professor of microbiology and immunology at the University of North Carolina, said the correlation between promiscuity and higher white blood cell counts is interesting, but he cautioned that the study "doesn't disentangle causes and effects."

He also noted that the study looks at total white cells but doesn't examine their ability to fight infection.

On the Net: http://www.sciencemag.org

Virginia adopted a state constitution in 1776, and Patrick Henry was made governor.

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Date Books

Saturday, Nov. 11, 2000

Today is the 316th day of 2000 and the 51st day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1925, Robert Millikan announced that he had discovered cosmic rays.

On this day in 1958, Hank Ballard and the Midnighters recorded "The Twist." The song was later recorded by Chubby Checker, whose version of the song achieved wide popularity.

On this day in 1983, President Ronald Reagan became the first U.S. president to address the Diet of Japan.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Abigail Adams (1744-1818), U.S. first lady; Fyodor Dostoyevsky (1821-1881), novelist; George Patton (1885-1945), U.S. Army general; Alger Hiss (1904-1996), State Department official-accused spy; Kurt Vonnegut (1922-), novelist, is 78; Jonathan Winters (1925-), comedian, is 75; Daniel Ortega (1945-), Nicaraguan politician, is 55; Fuzzy Zoeller (1951-), golfer, is 49; Demi Moore (1962-), actress, is 38.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1984, the Philadelphia Flyers defeated the Edmonton Oilers 7-5.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I couldn't wait for success, so I went ahead without it." — Jonathan Winters

TODAY'S MOON: Full moon.

Sunday, Nov. 12, 2000

Today is the 317th day of 2000 and the 52nd day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1799, a meteor shower lit up the evening sky in Florida.

On this day in 1861, petroleum was shipped to Europe from the United States for the first time.

On this day in 1970, in New Orleans, the Doors performed as a group for the last time.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Elizabeth Cady Stanton (1815-1902), reformer; Baha'u'llah (1817-1892), religious leader; Auguste Rodin (1840-1917), sculptor; Harry A. Blackmun (1908-), U.S. jurist, is 92; Grace Kelly (1929-1982), actress-princess of Monaco; Neil Young (1945-), singer-songwriter, is 55; Nadia Comaneci (1961-), gymnast, is 39; Tonya Harding (1970-), figure skater-conspirator, is 30.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1920, Judge Kennesaw Mountain Landis was elected commissioner of baseball.

TODAY'S QUOTE: " The freedom of the press works in such a way that there is not much freedom from it." — Grace Kelly

TODAY'S MOON: Day after full moon (Nov. 11).

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Groce set for revival next week

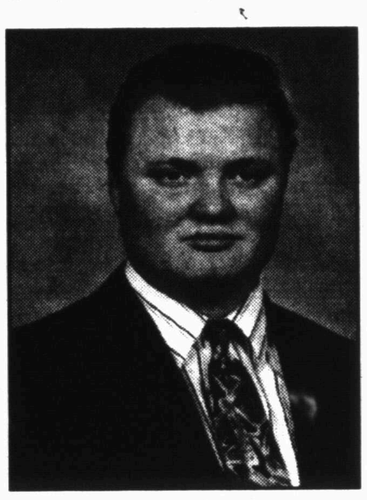
The Church of God will host a revival Monday through Wednesday, with meetings at 7 p.m. nightly.

Rev. Vernon E. Groce, former youth leader of the local church, will be the evangelist.

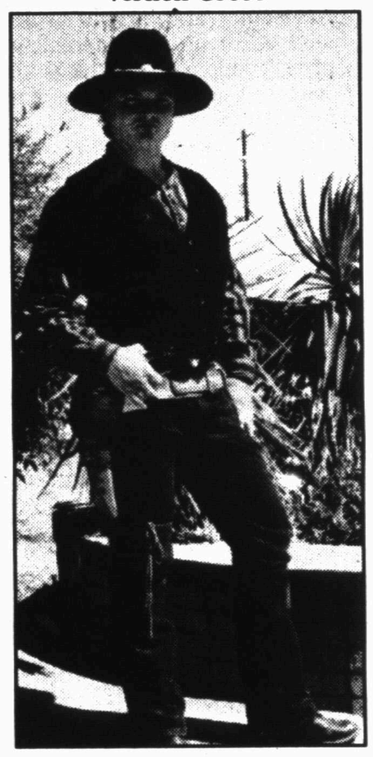
Rev. Groce grew up in Snyder and graduated from Ira High School. At one time, he was an Elvis impersonator. He also performed in Wild West shows, and several Ritz Theatre productions.

He is now a full-time evangelist and will be based in Snyder.

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Students have no problems with butterfly ballots

FORT WORTH (AP) — That so-called butterfly ballot may have been confusing to the grown-ups in Florida, but some suburban Fort Worth elementary school students wondered what the fuss was all about.

"We've been following the election, and one of the kids asked what went wrong with the ballot, and I said we'll have to look into it," Tommy Farquhar, a fifth-grade teacher at Watauga Elementary School, was quoted by the Fort Worth Star-Telegram Saturday.

The Palm Beach County ballot listed candidates in two columns, with a space down the center where the voter could mark his or her choice.

Hundreds of angry Palm Beach voters have said the format was so confusing they mistakenly voted for Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan instead of Al Gore.

Farquhar downloaded copies of the infamous Palm Beach County ballots and asked 9- to 12-year-old students at the school to vote for Gore.

The children were given no instructions and could ask no questions, Farquhar said.

What happened? Ninety-three percent, or 148, of the students voted for Gore with no problem. Of the 11 incorrect votes, four went to Reform candidate Pat Buchanan, one to Republican candidate Gov. George W. Bush and the remaining to six other candidates.

"Most of them didn't think it was that confusing," Farquhar said.

Similar tests of the "butterfly" ballot have been done across the country in recent days.

In Leesburg, Ga., school psychologist Ron McGee and 8-year-olds at Lee County Elementary made the ballots look like child's play.

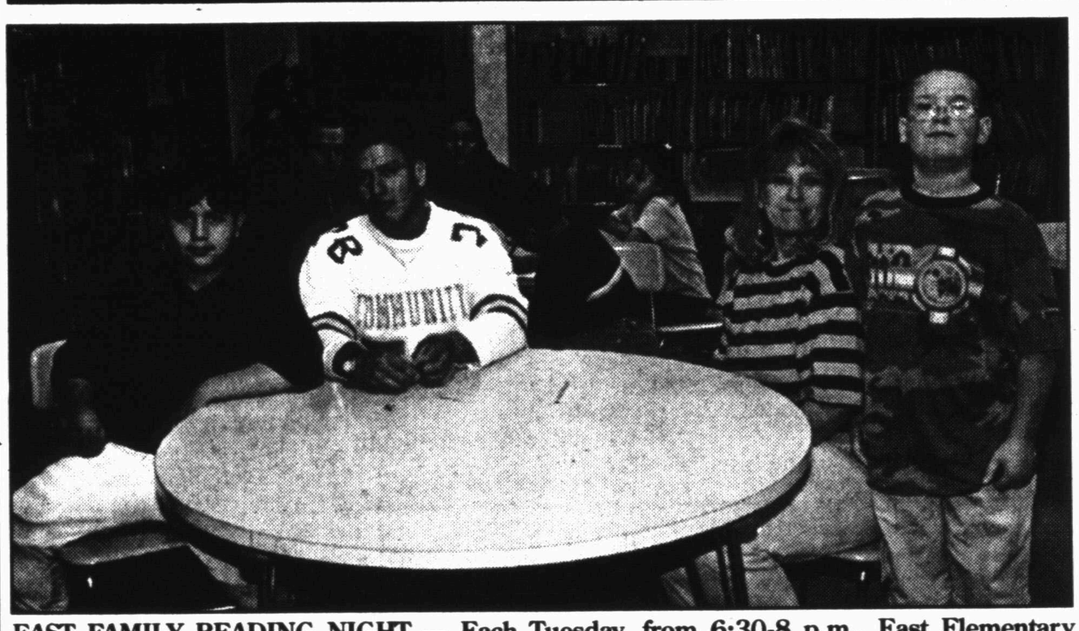
McGee asked the students to vote for their favorite Disney character, using a ballot similar to the Palm Beach ballot.

McGee said not one of his 74 young voters marked a choice they did not intend to mark on the ballot, which instructed them only to "Check the box for the one you choose."

"No other directions were given and questions were not answered by teachers," McGee said.

East Family Reading Night





EAST FAMILY READING NIGHT — Each Tuesday, from 6:30-8 p.m., East Elementary School offers Family Reading Night. Several people attended last Tuesday evening. In the top photo, clockwise, are Betty Richardson, East teacher talking about the importance of reading; Stacy Robbins, Shane Robbins, Casey Eaton, Alicyn Hernandez, Dakota Owens and James Eaton. In the bottom photo, seated from left at the front table are David Guzman Jr., David Guzman Sr., Sandra Brace and J.R. Brace. At the back table, from left are Isaac Flores, Tina Sanchez, Crystal Flores and Daniel Chacon. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)

East Elementary School's Family Reading Nights are made possible through a Texas Education Agency restructuring grant.

As part of this restructuring grant, the administration and staff offer regularly scheduled Family Reading Nights each Tuesday from 6:30–8 p.m.

East also offers a free seminar on effective parenting, the Bowdoin Method II. This award-winning series introduces parents to new methods to improve communication, help teach decision making to children. And skills that can be used to help children improve in math and reading.

The Bowdoin Method II seminar is for parents with children ages five years through 13 years. This program is offered at the same time as the Family Reading Nights.

Parents can attend the Bowdoin Seminar while their children are attending the Family Reading Nights sessions.

Overweight toddler returned to family

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — A 3-year-old girl taken into state custody more than two months ago because she weighed 120 pounds smiled broadly as she returned home with her mother Friday afternoon.

Anamarie Martinez-Regino was allowed to return home under a court-approved agreement.

A "Welcome Back" sign was on the front porch and the house was decorated with purple and pink balloons for a party celebrating the girl's return. Her grandmother hugged her in front of the house, then the girl, her mother and grandmother went inside.

"They're so excited. They're so happy. I'm so happy for them. Our community has pulled together, and it's about time they get her back," said family friend Renee Pacheco.

The family made no comment to reporters gathered outside the family home. A gag order placed on all parties in the case by a state judge remains in effect.

"This is a very happy day for this family, and so we will appreciate your respecting this family's privacy and let them enjoy themselves with this child in peace," said the family's attorney, Troy Pritchard.

Anamarie had been in the custody of the Children, Youth and Families Department since Aug. 25. At 31/2 feet tall, she was three times heavier and 50 percent taller than an average 3-year-old when she was taken away.

It was not known how much she weighed Friday. She did not appear much different from photos released at the time she was taken into state custody.

A state social worker had said the girl would die unless she followed a special diet, exercised more and used a breathing machine when she slept. The state also accused her parents, Adela Martinez and Miguel Regino, of feeding her solid food after a doctor recommended a liquid diet.

Anamarie's parents have defended their care of their only child. They have maintained that her weight problem is probably due to a medical condition, but doctors have been unable to find any such cause.

Financial Focus

Don't Lose IRA Assets to Pay Estate Taxes

When you accumulate wealth in your IRA, you're certainly helping yourself prepare for a comfortable retirement. But if you're not careful, your big IRA could end up making things quite uncomfortable for your heirs.

The problem can arise if you don't actually need all the IRA money you've saved. If you don't use it, where does it go?

In all likelihood, it will end up as part of your estate — and that means your heirs could be looking at a large estate-tax bill. Of course, laws constantly change; in fact, there is a push in Congress to eliminate the estate tax. But it hasn't happened yet — so it's clearly better to take matters into your own hands.

If you don't plan ahead, your heirs will actually be hit with two sets of taxes once they inherit your IRA as part of your estate. First, there's the estate tax. If your taxable estate is worth at least $675,000 in 2000, then it may be subject to estate taxes. (This figure will rise gradually to $1 million over the next several years.) If your heirs don't have the money to pay these taxes, they may have to cash out your IRA — which means they'll also owe income taxes. Together, these two taxes could wipe out more than 70 percent of your IRA's value.

Fortunately, you can take steps to prevent this from happening. For one thing, you may consider "spending down" your IRA while you're alive and saving other assets to pass on at death. You also could name a charity as the beneficiary of your IRA, thus avoiding all taxes on the IRA. Or you could do the same thing you would do to protect against other types of risk — buy some insurance.

Specifically, buy a policy on your self and name your heirs as the beneficiaries. Once your estate is settled, your heirs can use the insurance proceeds to help pay the estate taxes. To avoid having the policy become part of your taxable estate, you may want to establish a life insurance trust as the legal policy owner. Family members also could own the policy. The cost of the premiums will be a lot less than the estate and income taxes your heirs would face if you did nothing.

Actually, your heirs will still have to pay income taxes on the distributions they receive from your IRA. However, IRS regulations allow them to stretch these distributions out over a number of years — or even over the course of a lifetime. This stretch-out allows your heirs to minimize the tax burden by spreading it out over a long period of time. And the money they leave in the IRA will continue to grow tax-deferred — or tax-free, in the case of a Roth IRA.

You should see your tax adviser about how your IRA might affect your taxable estate. By making the right moves today, you can save your beneficiaries headaches — and possibly taxes — in the future.

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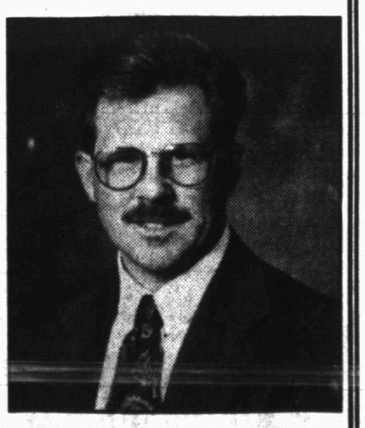


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Parental involvement classes...

SISD: Academics 2000

Through its Academics 2000 project, Snyder Independent School District is building a community of learners.

Parental Involvement

Parental involvement helps students achieve. Academics 2000 allow parents to go beyond volunteering in the classroom and parent organizations.

This school year, for the first time, SISD offers a comprehensive family literacy program.

More than 75 adults are involved in ESL (English as a Second Language), GED and computer skill classes.

Parents have been actively participating in these classes every Tuesday and Thursday evening. Classes meet at the Region 14 ESC satellite office. Parents use the skills learned in these classes by reading with their children at home.

Parents will begin keeping logs with the title of books they have read with their children.

In September, 21 percent of the parents attending the classes had perfect attendance. This number increased to 42 percent in October.

In an effort to promote participation, the district offers childcare and refreshments. A graduation ceremony is planned for the end of the school year.

Last Thursday, school board members visited the satellite office to learn first hand about these projects.

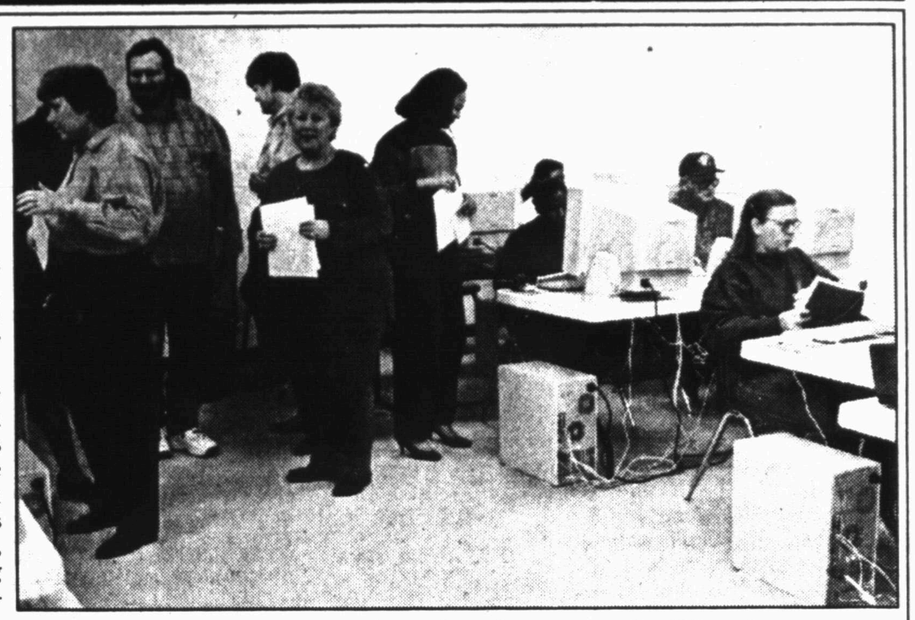


PARENT INVOLVEMENT — Snyder School Board members and administrators visited the Parent Involvement classes Thursday night at the Region 14 ESC satellite office. Classes for parents include GED, ESL and computer skills. In the above photo, Mary Ann Juarez, far left, SISD home/community/school liaison, explains the various classes to school board members, from left, Richard Chamberlain, Glen Clarady, Mark McCormick, Janet Stribling, Louann Burleson, Cathy Peoples; and Supt. Gayle Lomax, and Dr. Melissa Jones and Lee McNair, both assistant superintendent. The visitors observe the computer skills class in the top, right photo. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)

Student Initiatives

Academics 2000 also targets students in grades K-6. The main objective is to support initiatives, programs and services designed to improve elementary education so that all Snyder students are fully proficient in reading.

Activities to fulfill this objective involve students in the Accelerated Reader (AR) Program. Students are given the opportunity to read one to two hours per day take tests on the computer immediately after reading a book.



The students earn points, which can be exchanged for educational incentives. The AR Program allows students to experience rapid growth in language skills such as reading, speaking, writing and comprehension.

AR involves daily practice on the computer that in turn strengthens the student's technological skills. Involvement in the AR Program will result in improved student achievement in reading and other related subjects. Grants funds allowed the district to place 11 new computers in each of the elementary schools and to purchase additional AR literature.

The benefit of the AR Program is that students read at their own pace with little or no help from the teacher. This allows times for the teacher to work with students who are having more trouble and need the one-on-one reinforcement.

Partners in Education

SISD has partnerships with more than 50 businesses and organizations through the Adopt-A-School program. Adopt-A-School partners help to fulfill the objectives of the Academics 2000 project by providing countless resources to the schools.

Besides their volunteer efforts, many of the businesses and organizations provide incentives for the Snyder students for academic success, AR points, perfect attendance, etc. Adopt-A-School partners also serve in the district's Academics 2000 Planning Panel and are involved in campus site-based committees and the District Education Improvement Council.

Businesses and organizations will alternate hosting a reading program at their site once each month during the school year.

Staff Development

Another aspect of the Academics 2000 grant is staff development. The main objective is to enable staff to expand their knowledge and strengthen their skills in classroom practices.

Teachers from each of the elementary schools were involved in a two-day training period by Reading Renaissance. Reading Renaissance is an interactive reading seminar that teaches teachers advanced strategies such as diagnosis, intervention and goal setting designed to take the school to a whole new level of success in reading. Ongoing staff development will be provided through out the school year. Teachers will participate in local, regional and state level conferences.

L.A. policeman's former lover recants murder story

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A surprise recantation of murder allegations by the ex-lover of a disgraced former officer surfaced Friday in a police corruption case already in the hands of a jury. Trial watchers said the timing couldn't be more suspicious.

Sonia Flores, 23, had already turned the case against four Los Angeles Police Department officers on its head when she accused the chief informant, Rafael Perez, of murder on the eve of the trial.

Her claims sent federal authorities to Mexico, where earth-moving equipment was used in an effort to unearth three bodies she said were buried in a Tijuana ravine. But no bodies were found.

When Flores failed a lie detector test this week, the Los Angeles Times reported, she broke down in tears and told federal authorities she made up her accusations.

Her lawyer said it was a simple case of a jilted lover looking for revenge.

"She's a woman scorned," said attorney Marshall Bitkower. "She had everybody fooled."

Flores was not available for comment; Bitkower would not say where she was.

Attorney Gigi Gordon, who has represented many of the approximately 100 people who had their criminal cases dismissed due to alleged police misconduct, doesn't agree with that explanation.

"I don't know the answers. I just know there's something wrong. Where did this woman come from? ... I believe there is someone out there directing this," Gordon said.

Perez, who was convicted of stealing cocaine from an evidence locker and began talking to investigators in a deal for leniency, had been expected to appear at the trial as the star witness.

But his lawyer quickly sent word that he wanted immunity on the murder allegations if he was to testify. Prosecutors refused, so he was never called to testify.

District attorney's spokeswoman Sandi Gibbons refused to comment on Flores. And defense attorneys insisted if there was a conspiracy, they weren't involved. They believe that the prosecution never planned to put Perez on the stand to testify against Sgts. Brian Liddy and Edward Ortiz and Officers Michael Buchanan and Paul Harper.

"We've been harassed by the LAPD. They searched my client's house. And now they're supposed to be conspiring with us?" said Buchanan's attorney, Harland Braun. "It's ridiculous. They've gone hammer and tongs against our guys."

Attorney Barry Levin, who heads the defense team, refuses to absolve prosecutors from blame.

"This is all a ruse for the district attorney's office to explain a failed prosecution," he said. "... The sham is the prosecution never intended to call Perez. They didn't want him destroyed on the witness stand."

The jury has been deliberating since Wednesday.

Loyola University Law School professor Laurie Levenson said she believes the recantation raises questions about the fairness of the trial.

"The timing smells," Levenson said. "It seems like more than coincidence. When something like this happens it makes people wonder if this has been a fair and honest trial."

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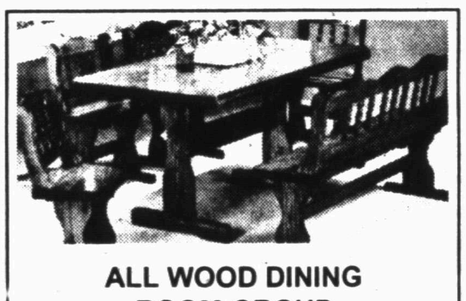
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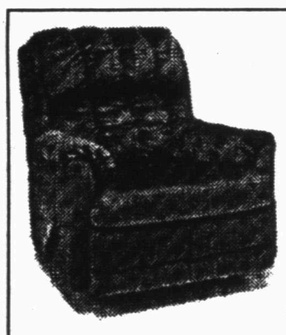




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SPORTS

Cowboys wary of Bengals; Aikman still questionable

IRVING (AP) — According to their coach, the Dallas Cowboys can expect to "be in" all seven of their remaining games.

Realistically, the Cowboys will only be favored to win one of them — on Sunday, at home, against the Cincinnati Bengals.

Yet victory is far from automatic for Dallas. In possibly the ultimate sign of how far Dallas has fallen, the Cowboys are wary of the NFL's least-feared franchise, and it's not the typical, respectful lip service.

"Right now, if you look at what's happened to our club, you would have to conclude that we're just not a real good football team," quarterback Troy Aikman said. "So when you're not a real good football team, it doesn't matter who you play. You've got to play well in order to have a chance to win. We've got our work cut out for us each and every week."

Cincinnati (2-7) has scored the fewest points in the league and is 1-3 on the road, with all three losses by shutout. Quarterback Akili Smith is the least accurate and lowest rated in the NFL.

But the Bengals aren't all bad. They've accomplished something the Cowboys (3-6) haven't done since early last season: win consecutive games, a streak that ended just last week.

And Cincinnati has record-setting running back Corey Dillon leading a ground game that's fourth in the NFL, going against a Dallas defense that's given up the most yards rushing in the league.

"Corey Dillon might be one of the best running backs in the NFL right now," teammate Peter Warrick said. "You've got to give him the ball no matter what. I'm a receiver and I don't mind blocking for him. I like to see him go out there and have a great game."

Being at home is no thrill for the Cowboys, who are 1-3 at Texas Stadium. They've allowed 200-yard rushers in two of those games.

Dallas also is in a two-game losing streak, both in overtime, and has dropped three of the last four.

Coach Dave Campo could agonize over the fact the Cowboys led or were tied in the final four minutes of those last three losses. Instead, he focuses on the positive and prefers to be encouraged by the tight games.

He keeps telling his team he believes it can keep every game close. The unspoken part of the message is that they must find a way to make a big play or get a lucky bounce to pull out a victory.

It's not exactly "Win one for the Gipper," but it has encouraged Dallas players.

"I think it's a realist's attitude," defensive tackle Brandon Noble said. "As long as you're in the game, you have the opportunity to win them. You just have to do the little things — not get penalties, make plays when you need to.

"It's one of those things that can come in spurts. You get in a slump, then all of a sudden it snowballs and you get things rolling again."

To their credit, the Cowboys haven't quit, despite the frustration of two blowout losses and four by six points or less. They seem to play hard every week, just poorly.

Their mettle will be tested the rest of the way. After Cincinnati, Dallas' final six games are against teams with winning records, all likely to make the playoffs.

Making things worse, receiver Raghib Ismail and defensive tackle Chad Hennings went on injured reserve this week, and safety George Teague and Leon Lett, another defensive tackle, also were diagnosed with injuries that are likely to end their seasons. Plus, Aikman's back remains iffy.

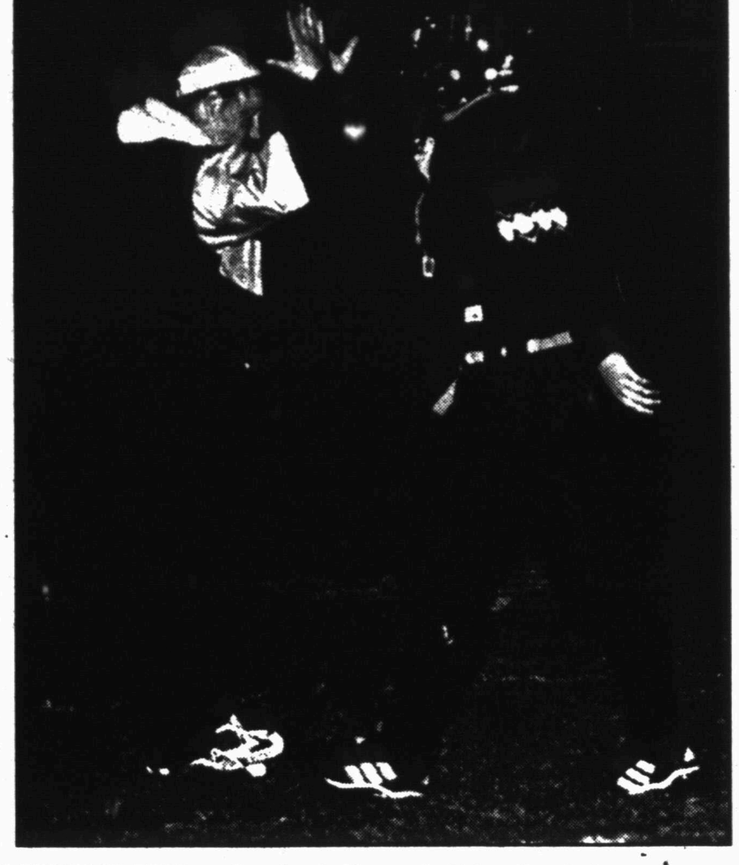
"The defensive group that I have, I won't allow them to quit. If they do, there's going to be some repercussions," safety Darren Woodson said.

Added running back Emmitt Smith, who holds the offensive group accountable: "I think each and every individual is trying their best. Hopefully, eventually, all this hard work we're putting in will pay dividends sometime soon."

The Bengals know all about waiting for things to turn around.

Cincinnati's next loss will make this its 10th straight season without a winning record. That's not the way the NFL team with the most losses in the 1990s wanted to start the 2000s.

"Good things can't happen to you until you play well and play well consistently and play for 60 minutes," said coach Dick LeBeau, who is 2-4 since replacing Bruce Coslet.



GIVE ME FIVE — Ira football coach Toby Goodwin congratulates Seth Sterling during one of the Bulldogs' district games earlier this season. Ira will make its first playoff appearance since 1991 when it takes on Wellman-Union at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Borden County's Coyote Stadium. (SDN Staff Photo)

In district finale...

Highland rolls over Coyotes

GAIL — The Highland Hornets scored early and often Friday night against the Borden County Coyotes.

Highland used a 44-point outburst in the first half Friday to pull away from Borden County for a 52-6 victory in the District 6 six-man football finale at Coyote Stadium.

The game was halted early in the third quarter on the 45-point rule.

The Coyotes finish the season with a mark of 2-8, while the top-ranked Hornets enter the playoffs at 10-0.

Borden County managed only 39 yards on the ground and another 67 through the air. Highland rushing attack rolled up 308 yards and all seven scores.

The Coyotes lone score came in the second quarter when Tom Griffin hauled in a 51-yard touchdown pass from Rowdy Dunlap.

District 6 Six-Man Football

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Highland	5	0	10	0
Ira	4	1	6	4
Westbrook	2	3	6	3
Borden County	2	3	2	8
Loraine	2	3	3	7
Hermleigh	0	5	0	10

Friday's results: Hermleigh forfeits to Ira; Highland 52, Borden County 6; Loraine 50, Westbrook 28.

End of regular season

Finley sinks shot at buzzer to lift Mavs over Spurs, 79-77

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Mavericks want the ball in the hands of clutch-shooting swingman Michael Finley in crunch time.

Finley delivered Friday night, hitting an off-balance 22-foot jumper as time expired to lift the Mavericks to a 79-77 victory over the San Antonio Spurs.

"He can make a shot out of nothing," Mavericks guard Steve Nash said. "We're always confident he can get a good look."

San Antonio's Avery Johnson had tied the game at 77 with a 3-pointer from the right corner with 4.1 seconds left.

Finley, who finished with 20 points, took Greg Buckner's inbound pass, dribbled to his left and launched a fallaway jumper over Sean Elliott with just over a second left. The shot swished as the final buzzer sounded, and Finley was mobbed by his teammates.

"It's a play we work on quite a bit in practice," said Finley. "Sometimes it works, sometimes it doesn't. The ball felt good when it left my hands. Luckily, it went in."

Playing with a bruised left shoulder, Dirk Nowitzki added 18 points and 10 rebounds for the Mavericks, who wanted to put on a good show for free agent forward Joe Smith. Dallas owner Mark Cuban spent the afternoon trying to convince Smith to sign with the Mavericks.

Smith and his agent, Dan Fegan, sat beside Cuban in baseline seats. Smith visited the Mavericks locker room before the game and at halftime.

The Reunion Arena public address announcer introduced Smith to the crowd, and Smith smiled as he was cheered when his image was shown on the arena's big screen.

Fegan has said Dallas, Chicago, Atlanta, Miami and the New York Knicks are all in the running for Smith.

Cuban said he wanted Smith to come to Dallas to see the city and meet with the players.

"I didn't want to put on the hard sell," said Cuban. "Joe wanted to see what Dallas is all about. We just want to let him know we want him to be here."

Finley said the players were receptive to Smith.

"What more could you ask for?" said Finley. "A packed house, we win at the buzzer, that's the best selling you can do. We'd love to get him."

Derek Anderson had 17 points to pace the Spurs, who were coming off a victory over the Los Angeles Lakers on Wednesday.

National Football League

All Times EST

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	7	2	0	.778	200	119
Indianapolis	6	3	0	.667	256	198
N.Y. Jets	6	3	0	.667	208	193
Buffalo	5	4	0	.556	179	186
New England	2	7	0	.222	156	187
Central						
Tennessee	8	1	0	.889	181	125
Baltimore	6	4	0	.600	167	105
Pittsburgh	5	4	0	.556	137	80
Jacksonville	3	6	0	.333	165	207
Cincinnati	2	7	0	.222	87	194
Cleveland	2	8	0	.200	101	233
West						
Oakland	8	1	0	.889	256	172
Denver	5	4	0	.556	288	201
Kansas City	5	4	0	.556	243	215
Seattle	3	7	0	.300	157	239
San Diego	0	9	0	.000	145	236

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	7	2	0	.778	168	115
Philadelphia	6	4	0	.600	204	147
Washington	6	4	0	.600	185	158
Arizona	3	6	0	.333	147	246
Dallas	3	6	0	.333	204	213
Central						
Minnesota	7	2	0	.778	217	204
Detroit	5	4	0	.556	169	187
Tampa Bay	5	4	0	.556	232	152
Green Bay	4	5	0	.444	194	187
Chicago	2	7	0	.222	137	226
West						
St. Louis	7	2	0	.778	354	279
New Orleans	6	3	0	.667	183	142
Carolina	4	5	0	.444	183	153
Atlanta	3	7	0	.300	176	277
San Francisco	2	8	0	.200	253	323

Sunday's Games

Atlanta at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Dallas, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Carolina, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
Baltimore at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Arizona at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
New England at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Miami at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.
Kansas City at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.
St. Louis at N.Y. Giants, 4:15 p.m.
Green Bay at Tampa Bay, 4:15 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Indianapolis, 8:20 p.m.

Monday's Game

Oakland at Denver, 9 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 19

Arizona at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at New England, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Detroit at New York Giants, 1 p.m.
Oakland at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Denver, 4:05 p.m.
New York Jets at Miami, 4:15 p.m.
Dallas at Baltimore, 4:15 p.m.
Atlanta at San Francisco, 4:15 p.m.
Jacksonville at Pittsburgh, 8:20 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 20

Washington at St. Louis, 9 p.m.

Free agent wars get underway

NEW YORK (AP) — After all the talk, teams could finally start bidding on free agents Saturday.

Alex Rodriguez, Manny Ramirez and Mike Mussina hit the open market, along with Mike Hampton and Darren Dreifort.

Seven more players filed for free agency on the final day, three of them conditionally because decisions still have not been made on their contract options for 2001. A total of 137 are in this year's free-agent class, which is likely to produce record contracts.

Ramirez already has asked the Cleveland Indians for a $200 million, 10-year contract, which would be a record for a professional athlete,

Rodriguez, considered by many the top player in baseball, might wind up with a higher average salary, depending on the length of deal he wants.

Scott Boras, the shortstop's agent, hasn't put a price on his client, and Rodriguez is expected to attract the interest of baseball's biggest spenders, including the Atlanta Braves, Los Angeles Dodgers, New York Mets and New York Yankees.

"Who knows what Scott's going to ask for?" Mets general manager Steve Phillips said Friday.

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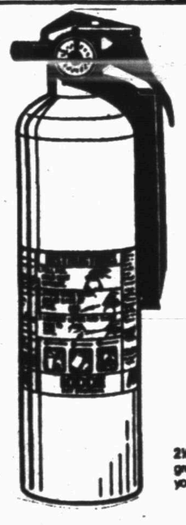


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SPORTS

Sports Whirl

By SDN Sports Editor Eric Drennan

News and notes from the gridiron...

If I had a dollar for every time in the past two weeks I've been asked the question, "Is Coach Baugh going to come back for next season?" then I wouldn't need to worry about saving for my son's college fund.

The Snyder head football coach finished his 13th on the Tigers' sideline Thursday night, and has made no indication he is leaving.

The thing to remember is that Baugh doesn't have to announce that he's staying. If he doesn't announce his retirement, then he'll be back for next year.

I honestly don't know what his plans are, but here are a few things I do know about Coach Baugh.

—He won the 800-meter state title twice while in high school at Rotan, and can still outrun just about any coach in the area over a long distance.

—Never play him for money on the golf course. He's won enough of my quarters that he can retire comfortably, when he decides to.

—He is the all-time victory leader among Snyder High School coaches with 69 wins.

—Don't ask him a non-football related question on game day. It will go in one ear and out the other.

—When asking him a question following a game, be specific. After one of the first Snyder games that I ever covered, he was asked by another reporter what he thought the difference in the game was. The replay was, "They scored more points than we did. Next."

—In the coaching circle, he is one of the most respected in this half of the state.

—He'll be hard to replace.

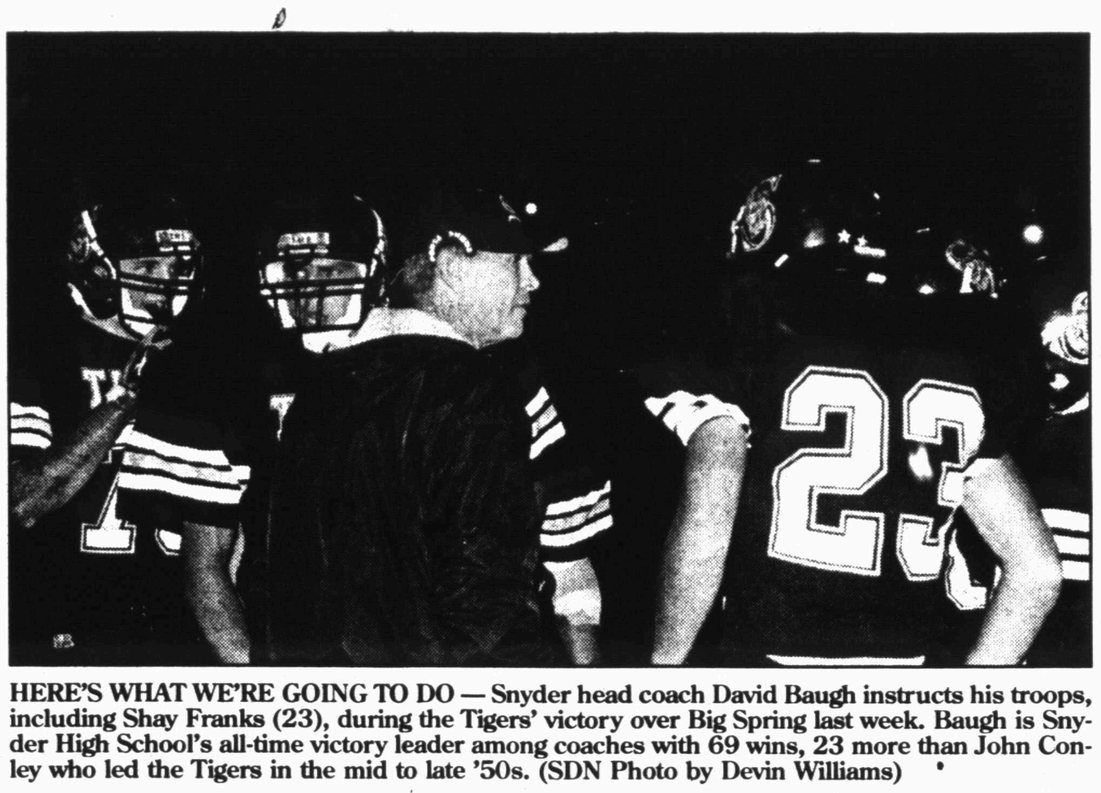
The Ira Bulldogs will make their first playoff appearance since 1991 when they take on the Welman-Union Wildcats at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Borden County's Coyote Stadium.

"They're not real fancy," said Ira coach Toby Goodwin. "They're just big and they like to line up and try to run over you."

Ira will be the visitor for Friday's tilt. Ticket prices will be set on Monday.

In Friday night's District 4-4A action, Frenship's victory over Big Spring, and Andrews' win over Levelland, left Frenship and Andrews as district co-champions.

The Mustangs and Tigers will split the crown, but Andrews will advance as the top seed due to its victory over Frenship.



HERE'S WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO — Snyder head coach David Baugh instructs his troops, including Shay Franks (23), during the Tigers' victory over Big Spring last week. Baugh is Snyder High School's all-time victory leader among coaches with 69 wins, 23 more than John Conley who led the Tigers in the mid to late '50s. (SDN Photo by Devin Williams)

JV edged by Mats in finale

Snyder and Estacado traded punches for most of the game Friday night, before the Matadors finally held on for a 28-20 victory in junior varsity football finale at Travis Field.

The Tigers opened the scoring in the first quarter when Danny Hoyle rumbled in from 5 yards out. Colby Driggers threw to Tyler Pollard for the two-point conversion and an 8-0 Snyder lead.

After Estacado knotted the tally before halftime, the Tigers reclaimed a 14-8 advantage midway through the third quarter on a 5-yard run from Mario Saenz.

But the Matadors would post the next three touchdowns, their final one coming with less than two minutes left in the game for a 28-14 deficit.

Snyder mounted a rally, and pulled within eight points when Saenz plunged in from the 1 with 44 seconds left on the clock.

Estacado recovered the ensuing onside kick to preserve the win.

Neck injury leaves Permian player fighting for his life

ODESSA (AP) — Crosstown rivals Odessa and Odessa Permian renewed their annual grudge match Friday night, but the emotions leading up to the game were different this time, after an Odessa Permian player suffered a broken neck during practice.

Joe Beene, 17, remained in critical condition Friday, unable to move from the chin down, at Zale Lipshy University Hospital in Dallas as both teams took to the field.

The team doctor said Beene has very little chance of recovering and could face life-threatening complications. Doctors performed surgery on Beene to fuse his vertebrae back together shortly Friday evening. Results of the procedure were not immediately released.

The injury cast a pall over a high school rivalry that grabs the attention of this entire West Texas city every fall and has been celebrated in books.

"I know it's a cross-town rival and everyone wants to win, but we just all have to come together," said Odessa High guard Randy Gouard.

"Black and white and red and white," Gouard said, referring to the teams' respective colors, "he's human too."

At one point, Odessa Permian coach T.J. Mills considered canceling the game.

"I didn't think there was anyway we could or should," Mills said at a news conference Thursday. "But after talking to the Beenes last night, they were insistent that we play and play for Joe.

"His parents indicated to me that that's what Joe wants."

Odessa Permian ended up beating Odessa 28-0.

Permian co-captain and linebacker Brian Williams said he wore Beene's No. 11 jersey as a show of respect. "The win still feels good, but it still hurts. There were a lot of emotions all over school. So we just had to pick it up and come out and play," he said.

During practice Wednesday, Beene, playing outside linebacker, snapped one of the upper vertebrae in his neck when he tackled teammate receiver James Johnson.

"From where I was, it looked like a routine tackle," Permian player Keith Robinson told the Odessa American. "Both of them were on their backs. James got up, but Joe was just lying there."

Officials hoped the injury was limited to swelling, but a magnetic resonance imaging test on Thursday showed that a broken vertebrae partially cut the spinal cord between the first and second cervical vertebrae, said Dr. Weldon Butler, the Permian team physician.

"The chance is very slim that this can be repaired unless a miracle happens," Butler said. "It could mean he's a quadriplegic if he's able to get off the ventilator. It could cost him his life if he's not able to get off a ventilator and feeding tube."

Butler said the injury wasn't necessarily caused by a violent collision.

"It was just a freak thing. It was just the wrong angle and wrong position," he said. "He's probably been hit five times harder with no problem."

District 4-4A Football

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Andrews	6	1	7	3
Frenship	6	1	8	2
Big Spring	5	2	6	4
Snyder	4	3	6	4
Levelland	2	5	4	6
Plainview	2	5	3	7
Estacado	2	5	2	8
Lake View	1	6	2	8

Thursday's result: Snyder 23, Estacado 19.

Friday's results: Andrews 40, Levelland 6; Frenship 25, Big Spring 23; Lake View 41, Plainview 27.

End of regular season

Hidemichi leads by one over Calcavecchia, Weir

SOTOGRANDE, Spain (AP) — Little-known Japanese Hidemichi Tanaka put some of golf's biggest names behind him, shooting a 2-under 70 Saturday for a one-stroke lead after three rounds in the American Express Championship.

The 29-year-old Tanaka, who's won twice on the Japan Tour this season and is No. 3 on its money list, was 9-under overall at 207 and one shot ahead of Canadian Mike Weir (65) and American Mark Calcavecchia (69).

Tiger Woods (69) and Nick Price (74), the leader for the first two rounds, were two strokes off the pace in the chase for the $1 million winner's share in this season-ending tournament.

Woods, who had landed his ball in the pond guarding the green at the par-5 17th in three straight rounds at Valderrama, reached the putting surface in two Saturday and managed a birdie. After the fairway shot, he took a deep bow and swept his right hand under his waist with his cap in hand, breaking into a huge smile.

"I was able to grind myself around the golf course and get myself in position to win the tournament," Woods said.

"I hit three good shots in a row (at 17). The balls got over the water. They just didn't stay there."

Tanaka was not to be outdone. He hit his third shot over the pond to a foot, then duplicated Woods' cap-in-hand bow. Cracking into a smile, he walked down the fairway tugging on his shirt to imitate a thumping heart.

"That's to tell everybody I'm so nervous and scared," said Tanaka, who had joked after Friday's second round that his big goal was to get Woods' autograph.

Local Schedule

SATURDAY

BASKETBALL: Snyder boys at Lubbock Monterey, scrimmage, 2 p.m.

TUESDAY

BASKETBALL: Snyder JV and varsity boys at San Angelo Central, 6 and 7:30

BASKETBALL: Midland Lee at Snyder JV and varsity girls, 6 and 7:30

National Basketball Association

All Times Eastern

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	6	0	1.000	—
New York	4	2	.667	2
Miami	3	2	.600	2½
Orlando	3	4	.429	3½
Boston	2	3	.400	3½
New Jersey	2	3	.400	3½
Washington	2	5	.286	4½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	4	1	.800	—
Charlotte	4	2	.667	½
Indiana	3	2	.600	1
Toronto	3	3	.500	1½
Detroit	2	4	.333	2½
Chicago	1	4	.200	3
Milwaukee	1	4	.200	3
Atlanta	0	7	.000	5

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	5	1	.833	—
Dallas	4	2	.667	1
San Antonio	4	2	.667	1
Vancouver	4	2	.667	1
Houston	3	3	.500	2
Denver	2	4	.333	3
Minnesota	2	4	.333	3

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	5	1	.833	—
Sacramento	5	2	.714	½
L.A. Lakers	3	3	.500	2
Portland	3	3	.500	2
L.A. Clippers	2	4	.333	3
Seattle	2	4	.333	3
Golden State	1	4	.200	3½

Friday's Games

Indiana 86, Washington, 74
Toronto 115, Cleveland 88
Dallas 79, San Antonio 77
New York 103, Boston 101, OT
Miami 87, Utah 80
L.A. Clippers 115, Atlanta 106
Sacramento 114, Golden State 107, OT

Saturday's Games

Seattle at New Jersey, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Washington at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Philadelphia, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Toronto at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Vancouver at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Miami at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Houston at Portland, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Seattle at Detroit, 6 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Denver, 9 p.m.
Orlando at Golden State, 9 p.m.
Dallas at Sacramento, 9 p.m.
Houston at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

Sports Briefs

Nelson falls to Vicente

DORADO, Puerto Rico (AP) — Argentina's Vicente Fernandez beat defending champion Larry Nelson 2 and 1 in the first round of the Chrysler Senior Match Play Challenge.

Fernandez, seeded last in the 16-player field, will face John Jacobs in the quarterfinals. Jacobs edged Spain's Jose Maria Canizares 2 and 1.

In other matches, Ray Floyd beat Allen Doyle 1-up, Mike McCullough defeated Hubert Green 1-up, Dana Quigley beat Bruce Summerhays 1-up, Leonard Thompson edged Tom Kite 2 and 1, Lanny Wadkins beat Jim Thorpe 1-up, and Ed Dougherty defeated Tom Jenkins 4 and 3.

Yankees hire batting coach

NEW YORK (AP) — Gary Denbo was hired by the New York Yankees to replace Chris Chambliss, fired last week as their batting coach.

Denbo was the Yankees' assistant director of player development this year and has been the organization's hitting coordinator since 1996.

Carruth trial continues jury selection

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — The third week of jury selection in former NFL player Rae Carruth's murder trial ended with two alternate jurors still to be selected before opening statements and testimony can begin.

Clemson's Bowden signs extension

CLEMSON, S.C. (AP) — Clemson football coach Tommy Bowden agreed to a three-year contract extension through 2007 that guarantees him at least $1.1 million annually.

National Hockey League

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	8	5	2	0	18	47	43
N.Y. Rangers	8	7	0	0	16	55	48
N.Y. Islanders	6	5	2	1	15	34	35
New Jersey	6	6	3	0	15	55	44
Philadelphia	5	7	4	0	14	39	48

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Ottawa	9	2	4	0	22	55	35
Toronto	9	6	1	0	19	44	31
Buffalo	7	4	1	1	16	37	33
Boston	6	8	1	1	14	40	60
Montreal	5	9	2	0	12	44	52

Southeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	5	7	1	1	12	44	57
Carolina	4	8	3	0	11	36	50
Washington	3	8	4	1	11	37	50
Atlanta	2	5	5	0	9	36	39
Florida	1	6	4	3	9	28	42

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	10	2	3	0	23	46	25
Detroit	9	5	0	1	19	44	39
Nashville	6	4	4	1	17	36	35
Chicago	5	9	0	2	12	38	50
Columbus	4	10	1	1	10	31	52

Northwest Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	11	2	3	0	25	49	29
Edmonton	9	7	2	0	20	50	46
Vancouver	8	4	3	1	20	55	44
Calgary	4	9	3	1	12	35	45
Minnesota	4	10	3	0	11	31	47

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Phoenix	9	2	5	0	23	50	33
Los Angeles	9	6	3	0	21	62	49
San Jose	9	3	2	0	20	39	30
Dallas	7	4	2	1	17	39	33
Anaheim	6	6	3	2	17	48	60

Two points for a win, one point for a tie and overtime loss.

Friday's Games

Carolina 3, Toronto 1
Pittsburgh 4, New Jersey 2
Tampa Bay 3, Montreal 1
Calgary 3, Florida 3, tie
Minnesota 5, Chicago 2

Saturday's Games

Ottawa at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Montreal at Dallas, 7 p.m.
Nashville at Boston, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Toronto, 7 p.m.
San Jose at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Calgary at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.
Buffalo at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Anaheim at Colorado, 9 p.m.
St. Louis at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Detroit at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Ottawa at Carolina, 1:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Washington, 3 p.m.
Phoenix at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
Edmonton at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Detroit at Anaheim, 8 p.m.

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The Colony 35, Flower Mound Marcus 28
The Woodlands 42, Conroe 27
Tomball 44, Klein Oak 27
Waco 18, Temple 14
Weatherford 60, FW Paschal 7

Class 4A

Alice 44, CC Tuloso-Midway 0
Andrews 40, Levelland 6
Athens 13, Palestine 7
Austin Anderson 56, Austin Johnston 0
Austin LBJ 15, Austin Reagan 0
Austin McCallum 33, Austin Travis 21
Azle 13, Burkburnett 6
Bay City 34, Angleton 3
Beaumont Ozen 41, Livingston 16
Beeville 40, Calhoun 0
Belton 33, Marble Falls 15
Borger 13, Pampa 0
Brazosport 32, Columbia 7
Brenham 21, Montgomery 18
Brownwood 21, Crowley 0
Burleson 52, North Crowley 0
Caney Creek 7, Conroe Oak Ridge 6
Canyon Randall 10, Amarillo Palo Duro 7
Cedar Park 35, Killeen Shoemaker 6
Cleburne 49, Joshua 17
Corsicana 38, Tyler Chapel Hill 0
Dallas Jefferson 34, Dallas Lincoln 0
Dallas Lincoln 28, Dallas Sunset 6
Dallas White 34, Dallas Madison 14
Dallas Wilson 34, Seagoville 26
Dayton 34, New Caney 30
Denison 10, Sherman 7
Denton Ryan 40, Denton 17
Dripping Springs 40, Del Valle 7
Dumas 35, Amarillo Caprock 26
EP Mountain View 55, Fabens 21
EP Parkland 38, EP Burges 17
EP Riverside 47, EP Ysleta 15
El Campo 26, Lamar Consolidated 16
El Paso 38, EP Bowie 29
Ennis 56, Waxahachie 0
FW Brewer 49, Birdville 18
FW Dunbar 15, FW Wyatt 2
FW Eastern Hills 68, FW South Hills 8
FW Western Hills 44, FW Arlington Heights 19
Frenship 25, Big Spring 23
Friendswood 42, Dickinson 20
Frisco 27, Lewisville Hebron 6
Grapevine 28, Justin Northwest 16
Greenville 30, Sulphur Springs 9
Gregory-Portland 24, Pleasanton 17
Harker Heights 31, Lampasas 3
Hays 39, Austin Bowie 6
Hereford 32, Canyon 22
Hewitt Midway 32, Red Oak 8
Houston Davis 25, Houston Wheatley 18
Houston Forest Brook 54, Houston Smiley 21
Houston Kashmere 27, Houston Furr 21
Huntsville 28, Navasota 21
Jacksonville 21, Terrell 13
Jasper 30, Silsbee 7
Kerrville Tivy 29, Fredericksburg 12
La Marque 42, Houston King 26
Longview Pine Tree 28, Whitehouse 7
Magnolia 45, Waller 28
Medina Valley 47, Uvalde 21
Mount Pleasant 28, Paris 7
Nederland 21, Port Neches-Groves 19
New Braunfels 21, Boerne 7
PA Jefferson 34, PA Lincoln 0
SA Alamo Heights 50, SA Houston 8
SA Kennedy 45, SA Memorial 24
SA McCollum 47, SA Southside 29
SA Roosevelt 47, SA Burbank 0
San Angelo Lakeview 41, Plainview 27
San Marcos 49, Lockhart 7
Santa Fe 12, Channelview 0
Smithson Valley 38, New Braunfels Canyon 0
Snyder 23, Lubbock Estacado 19
Southlake Carroll 24, FW Boswell 7
Stephenville 21, Granbury 14
Texas City 42, Galena Park 0
Texas High 13, North Lamar 0
Vidor 15, Lumberton 7
WF Hirschi 19, Mineral Wells 7
Waco University 38, Midlothian 15
West Orange-Stark 53, LC Mauriceville 0
Wichita Falls 35, WF Rider 0
Willis 35, Crosby 7
Wylie 20, West Mesquite 14

Class 3A

Abilene Wylie 7, Ballinger 0
Alvarado 36, Ferris 9
Bandera 53, SA West Campus 13
Barbers Hill 18, Hardin-Jefferson 16
Bellville 31, Smithville 0
Bridge City 35, Orangefield 6
Bridgeport 48, Bowie 14
Brownfield 36, Slaton 14
Burnet 27, Llano 0
CC West Oso 35, George West 13
Cameron 45, Hearne 6
Canton 17, Mabank 7
Center 21, Rusk 13
Childress 60, Tulia 14
China Spring 53, West 13
Clarksville 18, New Boston 8
Cleveland 23, Madisonville 12
Coldspring 13, Shepherd 7
Columbus 32, Hallettsville 16
Commerce 20, Princeton 0
Crandall 14, Wills Point 6
Daingerfield 47, Linden-Kildare 0
Decatur 23, Iowa Park 7
Devine 33, Poteet 7
Diboll 13, Crockett 12
Elgin 21, Giddings 16
Eustace 37, Van 0
Everman 28, Castleberry 0
Forney 32, Quinlan Ford 0
Gainesville 21, Sanger 14
Gatesville 21, Lorena 7
Giddings 21, Elgin 16
Gilmer 23, Jefferson 14
Gladewater 22, Brownsboro 14
Glen Rose 32, Breckenridge 6
Gonzales 23, Edna 12
Graham 36, Vernon 20
Greenwood 49, Denver City 20
Hebbronville 14, Bishop 8
Hillsboro 13, Venus 0
Hondo 28, Carrizo Springs 0
Hooks 14, Queen City 7
Ingram 42, Liberty Hill 12
Kaufman 47, Kemp 21
Kennedale 32, Whitney 19
Kountze 36, Huffman 34
La Grange 49, Hempstead 7
La Vernia 42, Marion 14
Lake Dallas 9, Little Elm 7
Lake Travis 22, Bastrop 0
Lake Worth 35, Dublin 11
Lamesa 54, Seminole 3
Liberty 40, Hamshire-Fannett 10
Littlefield 14, Lubbock Cooper 13
Luling 28, Industrial 18
Lytle 14, Somerset 7
Marlin 75, Groesbeck 0
Merkel 28, Clyde 20
Mexia 28, Fairfield 9
Midland Greenwood 49, Denver City 20
Monahans 34, Kermit 14
Muleshoe 54, Dimmitt 6
Newton 47, Buna 0
Palestine Westwood 42, Huntington 26
Perryton 42, Amarillo River Road 14
Pittsburg 19, Rains 9
Quitman 41, Mineola 0
Rice Consolidated 16, Sealy 3
Rockdale 28, Taylor 12
Royse City 12, Bonham 7
Sanford-Fritch 33, Dalhart 8
Shallowater 41, Lubbock Roosevelt 2
Splendora 43, Tarkington 7
Springtown 41, Eastland 0
Stafford 21, Hitchcock 20
Sweeny 38, Needville 0
Sweetwater 25, Early 20
Texarkana Liberty-Eylau 63, Redwater 6
Texarkana Pleasant Grove 28, Atlanta 20
Troy 52, Waco LaVega 28
Wilmer-Hutchins 48, FW Carter-Riverside 2
Wimberley 31, Brady 6

Class 2A

Abernathy 32, Lockney 6
Albany 21, Stamford 16
Archer City 26, Seymour 19
Arp 9, Alto 2
Bangs 51, Jim Ned 14
Blanco 56, Florence 7
Brookshire Royal 22, Weimar 8
Canadian 22, Sunray 21
Celina 41, Aubrey 0
Clifton 20, Italy 7
Coleman 14, Hawley 12
Colorado City 24, Coahoma 23
Comanche 17, Goldthwaite 7
Comfort 71, Lago Vista 0
Community 23, Blue Ridge 0
Como-Pickton 49, Winona 0
Cooper 53, Caddo Mills 12
Corrigan-Camden 35, Trinity 6
Crawford 18, Axtell 7
DeKalb 8, Omaha Paul Pewitt 7
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East Chambers 42, PA Austin 7
Farmersville 35, Leonard 13
Frankston 44, Cayuga 20
Freer 35, Banquete 14
Friona 46, Morton 0
Ganado 49, Boling 0
Grandview 48, Palmer 7
Groveton 20, Grapeland 0
Hamlin 63, Haskell 14
Hardin 62, Warren 41
Hemphill 43, Garrison 12
Henrietta 10, Boyd 7
Hico 21, Hamilton 12
Holliday 49, WF City View 6
Honey Grove 31, Wolfe City 0
Howe 33, S&S Consolidated 0
Hubbard 35, Blooming Grove 0
Hull-Daisetta 54, Anahuac 52
Idalou 25, Post 6
Jacksboro 35, Millsap 6
Jarrell 21, Hutto 12
Johnson City 7, Center Point 0
Karnes City 14, Woodsboro 7
Lorenzo 27, Smyer 0
Malakoff 35, Malakoff Crossroads 0
Mart 35, Franklin 0
Mason 42, Grape Creek 20
McCamey 7, Reagan County 0
Moody 29, Salado 7
Navarro 37, Flatonia 19
New Deal 28, Ralls 0
Nixon-Smiley 21, Randolph 14
Olney 48, Anson 0
Olton 21, Floydada 7
Ozona 40, Van Horn 7
Paradise 39, Nocona 7
Pilot Point 54, Callisburg 0
Plains 18, Forsan 13
Poth 41, Natalia 6
Quanah 28, Memphis 16
Rio Vista 41, Godley 6
Rogers 44, Lexington 0
Rosebud-Lott 25, Riesel 12
San Saba 35, DeLeon 21
Skidmore-Tynan 34, La Villa 13
Sonora 21, Eldorado 0
Spearman 23, Panhandle 8
Stanton 28, Seagraves 8
Thorndale 27, Little River Academy 26
Three Rivers 42, Pettus 0
Troup 23, Kerens 14
Union Grove 59, Ore City 0
Valley View 40, Prosper 14
Van Vleck 25, Danbury 13
Wall 44, Junction 7
Wallis Brazos 37, Somerville 6
West Hardin 32, Deweyville 20
West Texas 35, Clarendon 18
Whitewright 41, Tom Bean 6
Winters 34, Cisco 14
Yorktown 30, Bloomington 17

Class 1A

Agua Dulce 41, Bruni 0
Anton 40, Farwell 39
Baird 28, Cross Plains 12
Beckville 44, Cushing 0
Booker 17, Gruver 15
Bremond 19, Iola 8
Bryson 63, Moran 0
Burkeville 35, High Island 0
Burton 32, Holland 0
Celeste 27, Savoy 0
Chico 35, Perrin-Whitt 2
Christoval 32, Irion County 16
Dawson 33, Wilson 32
Evadale 8, West Sabine 6
Gorman 20, Rising Star 0
Gunter 34, Van Alstyne 7
Harper 51, Nueces Canyon 12
Iraan 58, Fort Davis 0
Itasca 42, Covington 0
Kress 16, Hart 8
Medina 58, La Pryor 0
Meridian 14, Bosqueville 7
Milano 50, Thrall 20
Mildred 28, Rice Consolidated 12
Miles 21, Menard 6
Mount Enterprise 39, Tenaha 0
Munday 41, Aspermont 8
Paducah 23, Knox City 20
Petersburg 28, Spur 0
Petrolia 77, Alvord 12
Rankin 41, Marfa 12
Roby 34, Robert Lee 21
Roscoe 46, Garden City 16
Rotan 28, Sterling City 0
Santa Anna 26, May 10
Simms Bowie 34, Maud 0
Springlake-Earth 55, Whiteface 0
Stratford 30, Nazareth 16
Sundown 38, Tahoka 0
Tolar 35, Throckmorton 13
Valley 52, Silverton 50
Vega 68, Boys Ranch 0
Water Valley 26, Eden 14
Wheeler 45, Shamrock 6
White Deer 35, Claude 7
Windthorst 22, Saint Jo 16
Wink 70, Fort Hancock 0
Wortham 61, Oakwood 26

Six-Man

Blackwell 58, Lueders-Avoca 13
Blum 62, Kopperl 14
Bynum 61, Penelope 12
Calvert 32, Jonesboro 6
Chillicothe 83, Benjamin 17
Coolidge 45, Milford 0
Follett 48, Miami 28
Grady 40, Klondike 16
Grandfalls-Royalty 48, Sands 18
Groom 60, Happy 20
Guthrie 61, Vernon Northside 40
Highland 52, Borden County 6
Jayton 76, Rochester 60
Lefors 66, Fort Elliott 31
Loraine 50, Westbrook 28
McLean 63, Higgins 14
Meadow 14, O'Donnell 0
Paint Rock 49, Novice 48
Panther Creek 64, Cherokee 24
Richland Springs 60, Brookesmith 14
Ropesville 60, Southland 12
Rule 46, Paint Creek 21
Sanderson 58, Balmorhea 34
Strawn 46, Gordon 0
Wellman 54, New Home 6
Woodson 66, Newcastle 30

Private Schools

Abilene Christian 59, Dallas Academy 22
Arlington Grace 20, Carrollton American Heritage 18
Dallas Metro 63, Lewisville Temple 25
FW Southwest Christian 55, Bryan Allen Academy 0
GP Evangel Temple 51, Porter Triumph 0
Galveston O'Connell 69, WF Notre Dame 20
Houston Baptist 38, Austin St. Michael's 7
Katy Faith West 48, Tyler Gorman 20
Strake Jesuit 42, Wharton 12
Waco Parkview 28, Lakehill 6

Inexperienced Red Raiders say added depth will help

LUBBOCK (AP) — Texas Tech's basketball team has found new energy and determination after adding six players, including five freshmen, who could help overcome depth problems which plagued the Red Raiders last year.

The catch: lots of inexperience coming off a losing season when the Red Raiders finished 12-16 overall and 3-13 in the Big 12.

"We're cautiously optimistic," Tech head Coach James Dickey said. "We are going to have to rely on some young guys this season and it depends on how fast they rise to the occasion"

It also depends on how fast 6-foot-11 center Andy Ellis and 6-8 forward Cliff Owens can get back into their game after sitting out most or all of last season with injuries.

Ellis dislocated his shoulder as he blocked a Nebraska player. He missed the remaining 13 games after averaging 16.9 points and 8.9 rebounds.

A losing streak gripped the Red Raiders following Ellis' loss on the heels of a controversial 88-86 loss to Texas A&M when a final basket by the Aggies was counted, not counted and then counted again.

"We felt like last year we were in a position to make a run at the tournament," Dickey said. "But losing that ball game to A&M and then losing Andy during the following game at Nebraska — it was downhill from there."

Ellis' injury was just one among many as the beat-up Red Raiders continued a season in which they had already lost one player because of scholarship limitations imposed by the NCAA.

Owens, a starter, was redshirted because of ankle surgery. During his junior year, the forward had led his team with seven rebounds a game and secured an average of 10 points.

"I think depth hurt us a lot last year," guard Ron Hobbs said. "We had guys who were playing a lot of minutes."

"There were many times when you saw Coach Dickey look at the bench and he had his hands tied," Owens said. "It's tough to sit there watching and know you could be helping."

But after spending last season on the bench, Ellis and Owens are determined to get the newcomers up to speed.

"You have got to treat them like your little brother," Ellis said. "You've got to treat them like you love them to death because you know they are going to screw up, but you don't want them to do it too often."

By taking an approach that is firm but understanding, Ellis and Owens think their talented recruits, including 6-8 guard Jamal Brown from Fort Scott Community College in Kansas, might just be able to pull off a winning season.

"I want us to win 20 plus games and get in the NCAA tournament," Dickey said. "We're a young team to win the conference, but I would like to be a factor in the conference race."

Longhorns face life without Mihm

AUSTIN (AP) — The big man in the middle is gone. Texas can only hope its NCAA Tournament chances didn't leave with him.

When 7-foot center Chris Mihm left for the NBA after his junior year, Longhorns fans started wondering what their team would look like.

"We'll be quicker," says Coach Rick Barnes. "With Mihm, you were making sure you ran everything through him. We'll have more balance probably."

Mihm led Texas to a 24-9 finish and to the second round of the NCAA tournament last season.

But Mihm's departure and the expired eligibility of hot-headed forward Gabe Muoneke leaves the Longhorns looking elsewhere for scoring and rebounding.

Barnes will depend heavily on junior forward Chris Owens and a slew of new players to step up.

Owens, at 6-9 and a muscular 245 pounds, came on strong late in the season when he replaced Muoneke in the starting lineup. Owens averaged 9.4 points and 5.6 rebounds last season.

The Longhorns also expect a lot of offense from transfer swingman Maurice Evans, who averaged 22.9 points as a sophomore at Wichita State in 1998-99.

Those two must show some defensive savvy as well. For Barnes, winning starts with defense, and the Longhorns don't have Mihm's shot-blocking and big body to clog up the middle anymore.

"Owens and Evans know they can't get by just on their offense," Barnes said. "They have to do it on the defensive end, too."

Depth at guard will be a problem when the season starts. Sophomore point guard Roosevelt Brown broke a bone in his hand, and shooting guard Darren Kelly is academically ineligible for the fall semester.

Snyder Bowling Leagues

Men's Commercial League

Team	W	L
Larry's Trucks	84	56
YZ Systems	82	58
Timely Finance	75.5	64.5
The Shack	75	65
Tiger Mart	72	68
Tinder Storage	71	69
Blue Sunco	70.5	69.5
Cutting Edge	63.5	76.5
Snyder Lanes	60.5	79.5
Snyder Iron	46	94

High series: Kevin Jones, scratch, 611; Stacey Browning, handicap, 710.
High game: Mark Glasscock, scratch, 211; Toby Roemer, handicap, 251.
Splits and special mentions: Jesse Salas and Eddie Abell, 3-10; Stacey Browning, 5-7; Wayne Monroney, 5-6; Kevin Jones, 2-4-10; Bobby Hateway, 156 (3).

Roll N Hope League

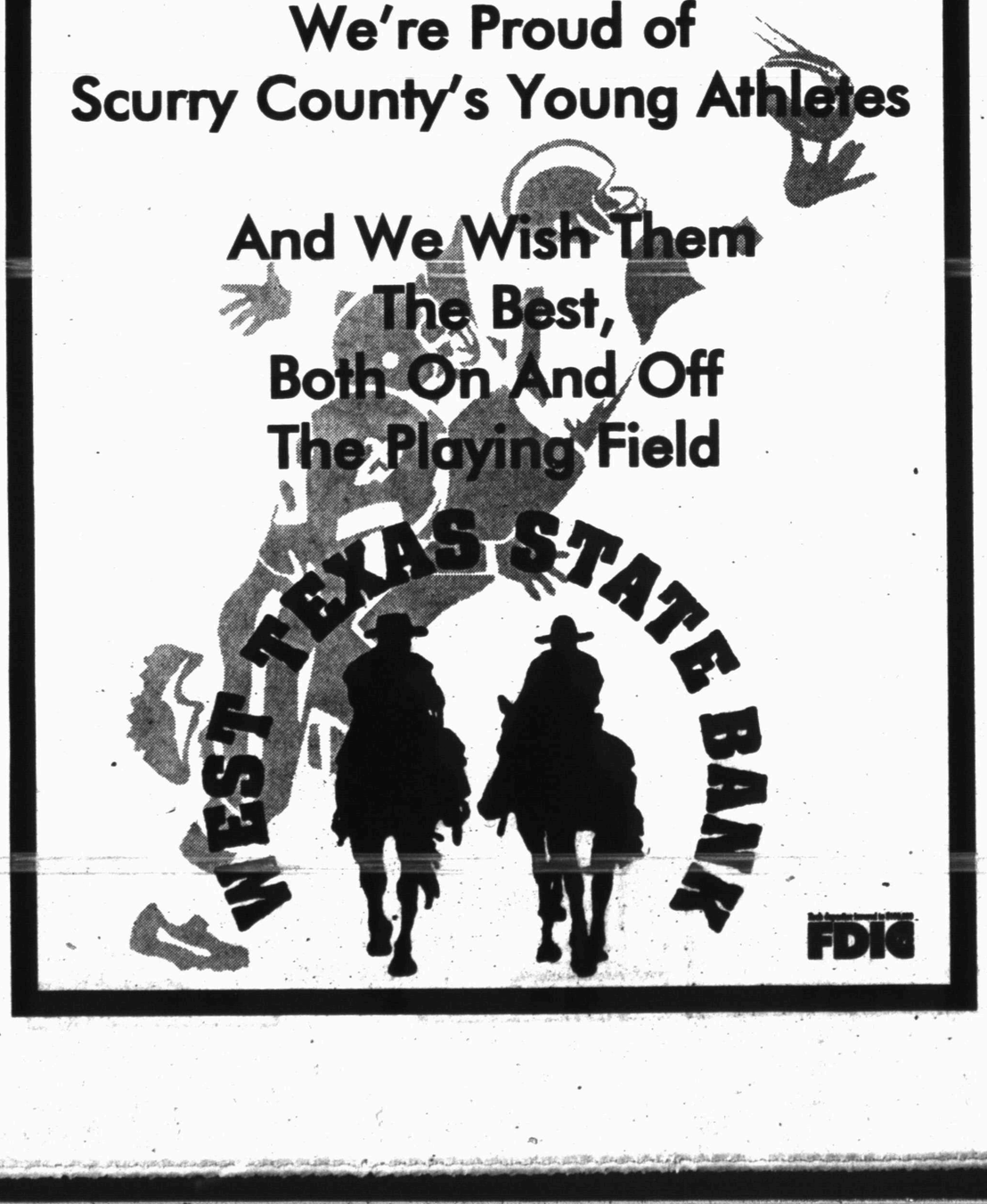
Team	W	L
Sny. National Bank	25	3
Martin Herefords	19	9
Sny. Machine Shop	14.5	13.5
Napa Auto Parts	13	15
Allen Compressor	9.5	18.5

High series: Wanda Johnson, scratch, 500; Michelle Ewing, handicap, 621.
High game: Sherry Walker, scratch, 178; Michelle Ewing, handicap, 233.
Splits and special mentions: Terri Blocker and Wanda Johnson (2), 5-10; Cindy Aikin, 5-7; Jackie Martinez, 4-5.

Jack N Jill League

Team	W	L
Renegades	19	13
Countryplace	18	14
BCEC	18	14
Do Overs	17	15
Team 2	15	17
Team 1	9	23

High series: Scratch: Jeff Smith, 594; Daphene Thompson, 542. Handicap: Jeff Smith, 657; Daphene Thompson, 662.
High game: Handicap: Jeff Smith, 257; Daphene Thompson, 241.



Senior Center Menu

Monday

Vegetable soup, grilled cheese sandwich, french fried potato rounds, dill pickle spears, chocolate chip cookie

Tuesday

Baked ham, spinach, baked potato, tossed salad, spice cake

Wednesday

Oven fried chicken w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, jellied citrus salad, cherry orchard bars

Thursday

Creole steak, wild rice, chopped broccoli, peaches & cottage cheese, apple cutie pie

Friday (Thanksgiving dinner)

Sliced turkey, dressing with giblet gravy, sweet potato souffle, herbed green beans, Waldorf salad, pumpkin pie

Senior Center News

The second public sing will be held at the Senior Center beginning at 6 p.m. Saturday. Aubrey Wilson is the volunteer in charge of planning the event. Everyone is invited and there is no charge.

The Thanksgiving dinner is scheduled for Friday at 11:30 a.m. Seniors should pre-register for the dinner by Wednesday. Barbara and Bill Tune will provide entertainment.

The Senior Center Memorial Fund is a way to show tribute to a friend or loved one. To make a donation or for more information, call 573-4035. All donations will be appreciated and will go to the operation of the center.

The Christmas holidays will soon be here. "Tasty Traditions," the center's cookbook will make a great gift. The cookbooks have over 900 recipes donated by seniors and friends of the center. Each sells for $17.50.

Unique Christmas gifts for a senior citizen are Senior Center meal coupons. These can be printed up in any size packet. Call the center for more information.

Monday

Daily activities at the center include dominoes, pool, daily exercise at 11 a.m. and quilting. Seniors may walk in Travis Gym or use the treadmill and exercise bikes in the center. Bridge play begins at 9:30 a.m. and swimnastics at Western Texas College at 10 a.m.

Tuesday

"88" play begins at 10 a.m. Golden K Kiwanis will meet at noon in the conference room.

Wednesday

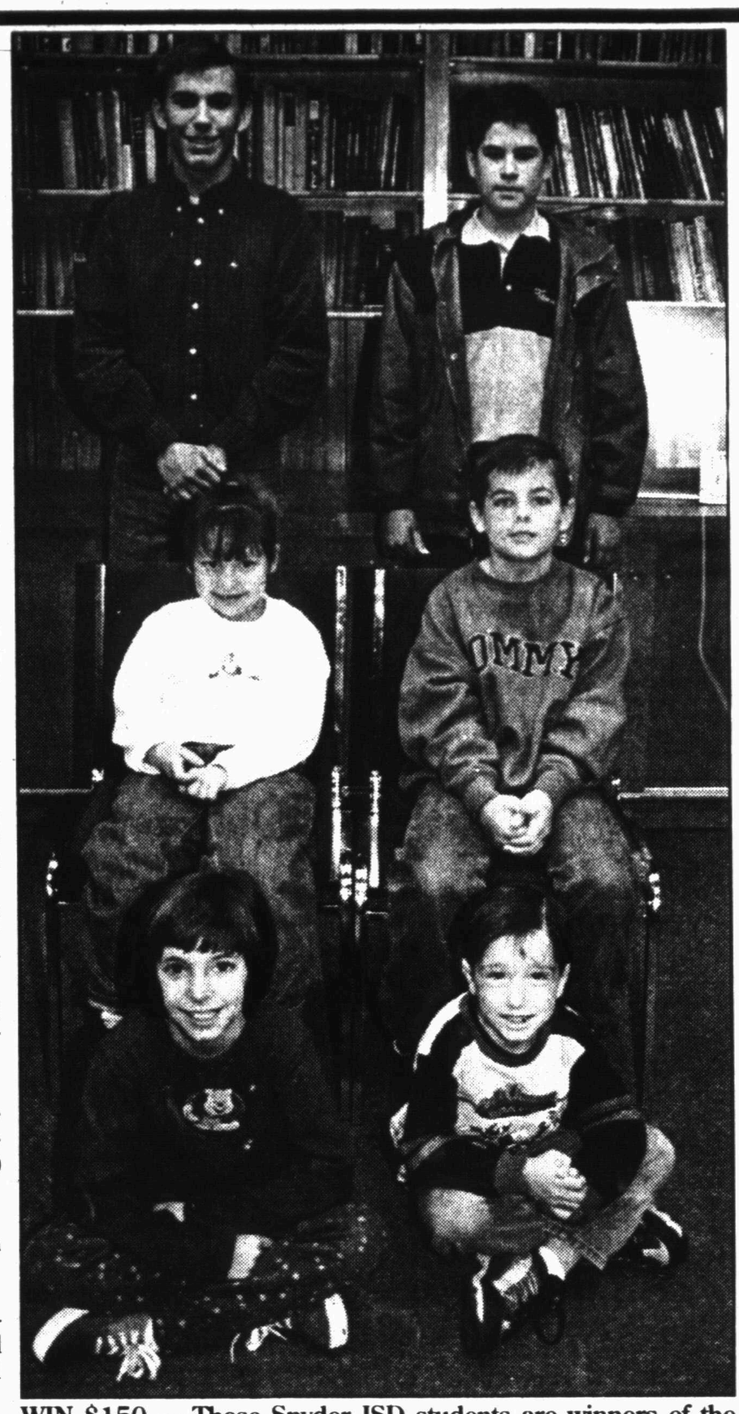
Seniors may enjoy bingo from 10-11:45 a.m. with a break for stretching and exercise. Bingo is a favorite activity and all seniors are invited to join. Line dancers and cloggers will practice in the dining room at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. respectively.

Thursday

The fabric painting class begins at 9 a.m. The Sunshine Choir will entertain at Snyder Healthcare at 10 a.m. Seniors may take part in swimnastics at WTC between 1 and 2 p.m.

Friday

Thanksgiving dinner will be served at 11:30 a.m. Blood pressure clinic, bridge, 88, dominoes and pool will begin at their regular times. Seniors will also be able to purchase quilt raffle tickets for $1 each. The drawing will be held at noon on Dec. 15.



WIN $150 — These Snyder ISD students are winners of the perfect attendance drawings at their respective schools. Each month each campus has a drawing from the names of students who were not absent. Each winner gets $150, Back row, Ryan McAnally, Snyder High School; Omar Alcala, Snyder Junior High School; middle row, Chelsea Meeker, West; Jake Crenwelge, Central; front row, Sarah Cearley, Stanfield; Shane Robbins, East. Layton Westmoreland, Northeast's winner, is not pictured. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Rain turns Guadalupe River into white water rapids

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Forget the beer. The only foam on the Guadalupe River these days is in the water.

Flood releases from the Canyon Dam have turned the normally leisurely Guadalupe into white water rapids.

"You're not going to see any tubers today," Blake Rothstein of San Antonio, who headed to the river, was quoted by the San Antonio Express-News Saturday. "This is definitely premium kayaking conditions."

River officials Friday began draining rain-swelled Canyon Lake at rates as fast as 2,000 cubic feet of water per second, turning the tranquil tube ride between the dam and New Braunfels into Class 2 and Class 3 rapids that can chew up inner tubes and challenge even experienced kayakers.

The trip from the first crossing to Gruene, which took a tranquil four hours in the summer, can now be covered in 45 minutes.

Officials plan to increase the flow to close to 5,000 cubic feet per second early next week.

"If you don't know what you are doing, or you don't have the right equipment to handle this volume of water, it's not smart to try it," river guide Red McFarland said. "It's a little chilly and the water temperature is low. It does not take long to get hypothermia."

In hopes to keep people with more bravery than brains off the now-roiling river, outfitters are renting rafts only to those who pay for a guide.



FUND-RAISER — Jean Everett holds a copy of her book, "From The Cookie To The Chef," which will be raffled next Sunday at the rummage and bake sale beginning at 8 a.m. at the Dermott School. To donate an item, call 573-7854. Proceeds will benefit Historic Scurry County, Inc., which operates the Dermott School and the Dodson House. (Contributed Photo)

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Program struggles, but feds find homes for burros, horses

PHOENIX (AP) — Cady Ness-Smith can't say enough about Seymour, a wild burro she adopted over the Internet in May.

"I wouldn't trade him for anything," said Ness-Smith, of Eagle, Mich., who got Seymour through the Bureau of Land Management's Wild Horse and Burro Adoption Program.

Ten more wild burros and 30 mustangs will be auctioned under the program this weekend in Buckeye, west of Phoenix. Bidding starts at $125. The next online sale begins Jan. 10.

The adoptions were established under a 1971 law designed to prevent starvation among quickly multiplying horses and burros roaming the West and to protect them from poachers. According to the bureau, there are some 42,000 wild horses in Nevada, Arizona, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado and California.

Nationally, 6,000 to 8,000 horse and burro adoptions — via the Internet and at auctions like this weekend's — are expected this year. Of these, about 2,000 were rescued from areas devastated by wildfires this summer.

While the program has had problems with people adopting animals only to sell them for slaughter, participants say it remains the best alternative for keeping the wild horse population in check.

Ellen Elford of Buckeye adopted a pinto mustang last year. "On the whole, it's been a real positive experience," she said.

For all the success stories, though, the national program has struggled.

In 1997, an Associated Press investigation showed hundreds of horses had wound up in slaughter houses.

To prevent abuse, the bureau screens prospective adopters, assessing their ability to care for an animal. Follow-up inspections are conducted within six months. Also, ownership of the animal is not transferred for a year.

Still, critics say the program suffers from poor record-keeping and lax enforcement.

In August, the Fund for Animals, an animal rights group, asked a federal court to enforce a 1997 bureau rule requiring people to sign a pledge not to sell adopted animals for slaughter or to rodeos.

The group alleged that the year after the rule was instituted, 575 adopted wild horses ended up at butchering plants. Such violators can be charged with perjury.

George Berrier, chief executive officer of the American Mustang and Burro Association in Lincoln, Calif., shares concerns over inadequate screening and enforcement. Even so, he salutes the federal agency's work.

"The adoptions, so far, are the best answer anyone's come up with," Berrier said. "What else are you going to do with (the animals)?"

Advisers narrow list of domain names

NEW YORK (AP) — Advisers to an Internet naming organization narrowed recommendations for new domain names Friday by dropping ".kids," ".xxx" and other proposals as unworkable.

Although nonbinding, the recommendations should carry a lot of weight with board members of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers. But Mike Roberts, ICANN'S chief executive, warned that the board could ignore the advice and even order more research on proposals recommended for rejection.

Adding suffixes to the Internet is akin to adding area codes to the national phone system to accommodate the growing number of customers.

Without a workable naming structure, Internet users could have trouble finding Web sites. Three suffixes exist for general use: .com, .net and .org. And .com is getting crowded, with more than 24 million registrations.

ICANN could make its picks as early as Thursday at its annual meeting in Marina del Rey, Calif. New suffixes could be in use by mid-2001 and would be the first major additions since the 1980s.

The advisers — eight people selected for their technical, business and legal expertise — recommended against setting up a channel for kids because of potential difficulties determining who counts as kids and what content should be OK for them.

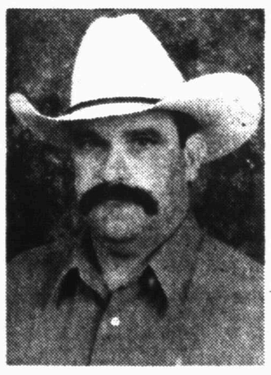
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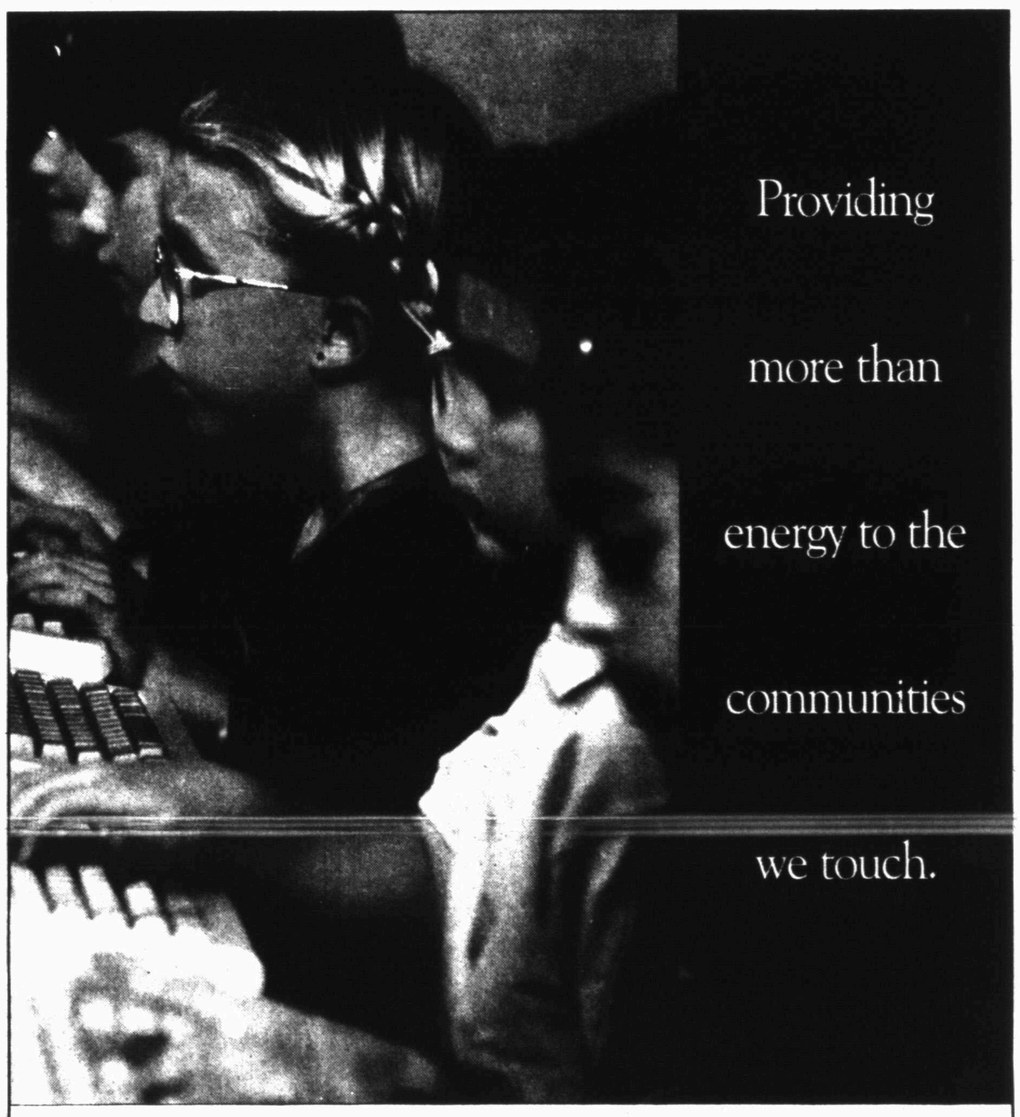
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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ORDER DEMOLITION

ATTENTION: **Robert Ramirez;** I have surveyed the property located at **102 Chestnut St.**, (Lot 13-16, Block 23, Belmont Park Addition to the City of Snyder). I declare the structure to be unsafe as defined by Ordinance No. 324 and intend to order demolition of the structure on or about December 11, 2000. If no objections are received by this date the demolition order will be issued.

Tom Valentine
Code Enforcement Officer
City of Snyder
(915) 573-4959

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ATTENTION: **Jessie Carrisalez Jr. ;** I have surveyed the property located at **1900 Ave. T.**, (N114' W158' lot 1, Block 4, Scarborough Addition to the City of Snyder). I declare the structure(s) to be unsafe as defined by Ordinance No. 324 and intend to order demolition of the structure(s) on or about December 11, 2000. If no objections are received by this date the demolition order will be issued.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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COUNTY OF SCURRY §

To those indebted to, or holding claims against the Estate of WILMA LEE DILLARD, deceased, Probate Case Number 5,625:

The undersigned, having been duly appointed Independent Executor of the Estate of WILMA LEE DILLARD, deceased, late of Scurry County, Texas, by RICKY FRITZ, Judge of the County Court of said County, on the 9th day of November, 2000, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said Estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said Estate to present them to DAVID COTTON, Attorney for the Estate and Resident Agent, P.O. Box 841, Snyder, Texas 79550-0841 within the time prescribed by law.

EXECUTED this 9th day of November, 2000.

(s)KENNETH WAYNE MORAN
Independent Executor
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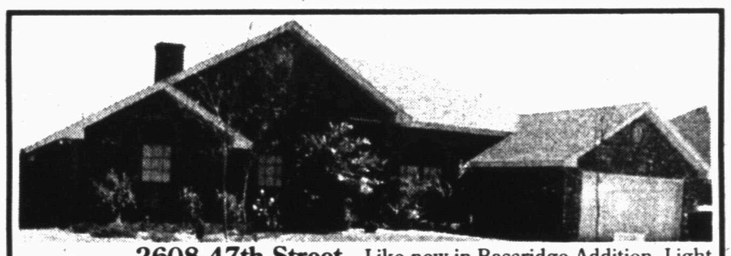
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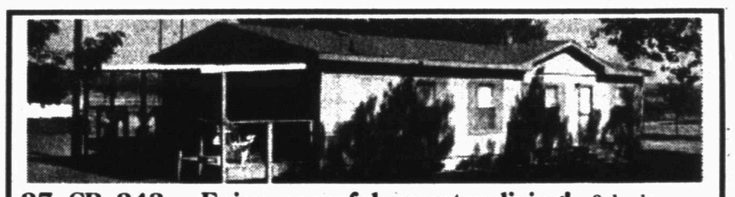
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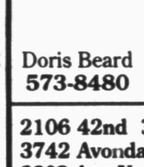
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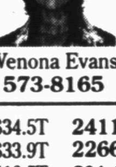


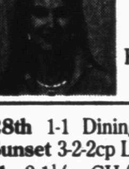
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Astro-graph
By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Sunday, Nov. 12, 2000
The financial factors in your life look better than ever for you in the year ahead. Handle your accounts competently and your bank balance can grow considerably, giving you much security.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Others may find you far more quiet than usual today, but it won't be because of disturbing factors. You could be deep in thought, preoccupied with designing important plans. Astro-Graph year ahead predictions make great Christmas stocking stuffers for all signs of the Zodiac. Mail $2 for each to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10158. Be sure to state the Zodiac signs you desire.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Do not treat a social event indifferently today, because it could turn out to be far more important than you initially anticipated. Something big could come out of meeting a new person.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Major accomplishments are possible today, even though it may not normally be a work day for you. Success is inevitable, because you're amply equipped to deal with anything thrown at you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Social involvements are more easily aroused in you today. You'll know how to have fun while still making your mark in the world, and others will find this inspirational.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Don't be content with the status quo today. If you feel you can change something for the better, by all means do so. It's an excellent time to alter that which needs a new face lift.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Because you're such an agreeable person today, be it in casual conversations or when discussing serious issues, you will win the respect and cooperation of your peers.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) The industrious frame of mind you're in today will serve you well. It will not only help you accomplish your objectives, but it may help you make money or save you a bundle.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) There is no challenge that'll be too great for you today. This will have much to do with the fact that you'll be in a frame of mind to welcome such situations.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Operate in an atmosphere free from outside influence or interference and you'll be able to get a lot done today. It'll be up to you to keep others out of your affairs.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you want to have your efforts prove to be meaningful for you today, associate only with those who are doers. You tend to emulate the behavior of those around you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Any endeavor that affords you the opportunity to vent your ambitious aspirations will work out best for you today. This is especially true if it pertains your work or career.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Whether it be teaching, selling, promoting or merely conveying information to others, you'll be a skillful orator today. You'll easily get all your points across.

Monday, Nov. 13, 2000

You could be quite lucky in the year ahead when getting involved in unusual products or activities. This will be true both socially and commercially.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) With a little attention to your creative juices today, you could spruce up drab surroundings with some very imaginative touches. Work your wonders in brightening up your surroundings. Major changes are ahead for Scorpio in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Chances are you'll be far superior today in handling intangible situations than you will be in coping with tangible ones, so focus your attention in this direction for best results.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your chances for generating returns today might come from the least expected source. Don't be so stuck in routine that you fail to acknowledge its presence.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) There's a good possibility today that you could encounter a fascinating individual to whom you'll be attracted through a social situation. A new relationship could ensue.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If something for which you had other plans is trending in a different but good direction today, it would be wise to be flexible enough to go with the flow.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A chance meeting today with an imaginative friend may prove very fortuitous. Something that comes up in your conversation could give you a fresh perspective on stale thinking.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Something good may pop up today that could benefit your financial picture, but you'll need to act on it immediately. Opportunity to take advantage of it will be fleeting.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Fresh, progressive thoughts on your part today could propel a commercial arrangement in which you're involved from conventional lines into new-century thinking.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your own unique way of handling things today could work out quite well in serving your best interest. Don't be dissuaded from doing what might appear unusual to another.

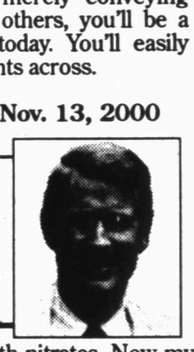
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Through teamwork and cooperation, you could derive some benefits today you didn't anticipate. They might come about through a fresh face that joins your unit.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Seek fresh approaches or procedures today that can help circumvent obstacles on the job that have stymied your efforts recently. Chances are you'll find what you need.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It might be wise today not to lock yourself into any one social interaction today, because a spur-of-the-moment development could turn out to be the most exciting.

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Dr. Gott
By Peter Gott, M.D.



DEAR DR. GOTT: I had my right ovary removed because of endometriosis. Now my OB-GYN has me on birth control pills to prevent menstruation. Will these pills suppress sexual desire?

DEAR READER: Endometriosis is the presence of small "islands" of uterine tissue in abnormal locations, such as the abdominal cavity, bowel or lungs. It is a common condition in women of reproductive age and often causes infertility.

During menstruation, these abnormal islands bleed because they are under the same hormonal control as the uterine lining. However, the blood is trapped in tissue, leading to pain, inflammation and eventual scarring.

The diagnosis is usually established during laparoscopy, a simple surgical procedure during which a gynecologist passes a lighted tube through a tiny abdominal incision to examine the contents of the abdomen and pelvis. Sometimes a biopsy is necessary if endometrial tissue affects organs outside the abdomen.

At the time of laparoscopy, the gynecologist usually attempts to remove as much of the endometriosis as possible. This probably explains why the surgeon took out one of your ovaries.

The purpose of non-surgical therapy is to suppress menstruation, thereby preventing endometrial bleeding. Birth control pills are often used for this purpose; however, they may be associated with side effects, such as fluid retention, bloating, breast tenderness and slight vaginal bleeding ("spotting"). While some studies show that certain dosages may dampen sexual desire, as a general rule, these pills do not affect sexual urges or performance.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am a 66-year-old man with angina, successfully treated with nitrates. Now my left ankle is swelling. This concerns me, but not my doctor. Should I worry?

DEAR READER: Angina pectoris is chest pain due to cramping of cardiac muscle, when the amount of oxygen reaching the heart is insufficient to satisfy metabolic demands. Angina usually indicates a significant degree of arterial obstruction (coronary stenosis), which may herald a heart attack or heart failure.

The medical therapy for angina helps reduce the work (and the metabolic demands) of the heart. However, even when anginal pain is controlled, some patients may show signs of early heart failure. These include ankle swelling (edema), exercise intolerance, shortness of breath and difficulty breathing when lying down. These complications require the use of prescription diuretics, medicine to stimulate the kidneys to excrete the excess fluid that is literally drowning the patient.

Although some degree of fluid retention and edema is common in older patients and may not be serious enough to warrant treatment, I'm concerned that your swollen ankle could represent an early sign of heart failure. I would be even more suspicious if you admitted to breathlessness and fatigue.

I suggest that you ask your doctor to refer you to a cardiologist for a second opinion. Such advice surely wouldn't hurt and might relieve your symptom, as well as prevent more serious future consequences. **To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Understanding Heart Disease." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.**

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In Loving Memory of Harold Lee Holladay

We would like to say "thank you" for all the love and concern shown Harold in his illness and to the family after he passed away.

A special thanks to Dr. Nussey, Dr. Cooper and all the hospital staff. You were super.

We greatly appreciate all the food, cards, flowers, memorials and everything else. The lunch served by the people of Ira was wonderful. He truly loved Ira and that "Old Poverty Hill" as he called his home.

Thanks to Rev. Mark McMillan, Rev. Kenneth Martin and Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home - the service was perfect.

God bless each of you.

The Family of Harold Lee Holladay

events
WHAT'S UP?
IN SNYDER CHURCHES

Children's fall carnival
Calvary Baptist Church, will host a Children's Fall Carnival from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday in Towle Park Barn. Carnival-type games with prizes and refreshments will be available for K-6th grades. For more information, call 573-2191.

Colonial Hill fall festival
Colonial Hill Baptist Church will have its fall festival Saturday from 6-8 p.m. Indoor and outdoor games and events for all ages are planned. Everyone is invited to this youth-group fund-raiser.

LCC Chorus at East Side
The Lubbock Christian College Chorus will perform at 7 p.m. Saturday at the East Side Church of Christ. The public is invited.

Lord's Acre Festival
First United Methodist Church's annual Lord's Acre Festival will be held Sunday at the Scurry County Coliseum. A barbecue lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. followed by a live auction of handmade and special items. There will also be a large buffet of booths with gifts and baked goods open to the public from 1:30 to 5 p.m. A silent auction and free concession will run concurrent with the booths.

Veteran's Day worship
First United Methodist Church will honor those who have made sacrifices for freedom at a Veteran's Day Worship Celebration from 9:30 to 10:40 a.m. Sunday at the Scurry County Coliseum. Use the west entrance.

Church of God revival
The Church of God, 21st and Ave. O, will have a revival starting Monday through Wednesday. Services will be at 7 p.m. Rev. Vernon Groce will be the evangelist.

Bible study tapes
Bible study tapes air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "Seeing Scripture as Jesus Did," followed by "The Word of God."

FBC worship service
The First Baptist Church worship service airs at 3 p.m. every Thursday on TV Channel 2.

Discovery School open house
Discovery School will have an open house at 7 p.m. Thursday at the First United Methodist Church. The community is invited to meet the staff and tour the facility. The school provides daycare for children between the ages of six weeks and four years old. For more information, call Barbara at 573-4770.

Thanksgiving Service
The Scurry County Ministerial Alliance is sponsoring a Thanksgiving Service at 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19, at the First Baptist Church. Guest speaker is Dr. W. E. Thorn, former president of Dallas Baptist University.

Glory Room open
The Glory Room, a Christian library located at Trinity United Methodist Church, is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, and from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Everyone is asked to return materials so that others may check them out. If other hours are needed, contact the church at 573-3988.

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Bush goes to court to stop recount

By The Associated Press

George W. Bush's campaign went to federal court in Florida on Saturday, determined to block Democratic requests for hand recounts of votes of portions of the state that holds the key to the 2000 presidential election.

Former Secretary of State James A. Baker III said the Republicans had acted "to preserve the integrity and the consistency and the equality and finality" of Tuesday's close vote between the Texas governor and Vice President Al Gore.

Within moments of Baker's announcement in Tallahassee, Gore's spokesman, Chris Lehane, accused the GOP presidential candidate of trying "to use every legal means available, including lawyers and court injunctions, to block the speedy and accurate count of Florida votes. We are confident that Americans will reject Mr. Bush's arrogant stance and will demand a full fair and accurate counting of Florida's votes."

The stakes couldn't have been higher. The winner of Florida's 25 electoral votes stands to take the oath of office on Jan. 20, 2001 as the nation's 43rd president. An unofficial tally by The Associated Press of the recount in Florida's 67 counties showed the Texas governor with a 327-vote lead over the vice president in the state whose 25 electoral votes will determine the next president.

State officials said their recount showed Bush leading by 960 votes with 66 counties reporting. The 67th county, Palm Beach, is under a court order not to certify results after a court hearing on Tuesday. The order, handed down by Circuit Judge Kathleen Kroll, is the result of one of eight lawsuits filed by voters who say a faulty ballot design may have caused them to vote inadvertently for Pat Buchanan when they intended to cast ballots for Gore.

Not counting the Sunshine State, Bush had won 29 states for 246 electoral votes. Gore, who added Oregon to his column on Friday, had won 19 states plus the District of Columbia for 262, with 270 needed for victory. Nearlier to undertake.

Baker insisted that a manual recount would be more susceptible to error than a machine tally.

"Machines are neither Republicans nor Democrats and therefore can be neither consciously or unconsciously biased," he said.

For the second day in a row, he said Bush had won the election day count over Democrat Gore, and won a recount conducted by machine and said the outcome should now be subject only to the count of an unknown number of ballots cast by Floridians living overseas.

Austrian cable car fire kills 170

KAPRUN, Austria (AP) — A cable car pulling skiers and snowboarders to an Alpine glacier resort caught fire deep inside a mountain tunnel Saturday, trapping passengers and killing about 170 people — many of them children and teen-agers, the provincial governor said.

Among those not located hours after the fire were 23 Americans. Their fate was not immediately clear.

Salzburg Gov. Franz Schausberger told reporters in Salzburg that only eight people managed to save themselves from the burning car, which apparently was full to its capacity of about 180 people.

The car, pulled by cable through a tunnel for most of the more than 3,200 yards up the Kitzsteinhorn mountain to the ski slopes, was reportedly stopped about 600 yards inside the tunnel. Rescuers were unable to reach the compartment where fire broke out at about 9:30 a.m.

Reporters near the scene were told that fresh air sucked into the tunnel fed the flames, which apparently broke out in the front compartment occupied by a cable car attendant. The blaze "spread at a raging speed — like a fireplace," Schausberger said.

State radio said the survivors managed to push out a rear window of the flaming compartment.

With thousands enjoying late fall sunshine and balmy temperatures on the glacier slopes, it was unclear who was inside the compartment when it caught fire, leaving many with friends and relatives unaccounted for distraught. The area is popular not only with Europeans but Americans living in or visiting Europe.

Among those missing more than six hours after the fire broke out were 23 Americans, including two children, from a ski club.

$1,000 charged on stolen card

• ***Stolen card used***

Kem Fogleman contacted the police department at 6:54 p.m. Friday to report that a $1,000 had been charged on the credit card she had reported stolen on Oct. 17. She said the charge was made the day after she reported the incident.

• ***Close patrol requested***

Officers were asked to keep a close patrol in the area of 120 Browning in reference to a vehicle being egged.

• ***Burglary***

At 9:31 a.m. Friday, Hermleigh school superintendent Jerry Church notified deputies that the concession stand at the football field had been burglarized.

• ***Gas drive-offs***

A clerk with Town & Country on East Coliseum reported a gas drive-off in the amount of $10 at 2:29 p.m. Friday. Another incident involving a subject driving off from the store without paying for $12.72 worth of gasoline was reported at 9:16 p.m.

At 6:43 p.m. Friday, a clerk with Town & Country on North College reported a gas drive-off in the amount of $10.

• ***Arrests***

Four subjects were taken into custody in the 1800 block of 40th Street at 11:37 p.m. A 20-year-old man was jailed on a city warrant for no liability insurance and on a charge of minor consuming alcohol.

A 19-year-old man was taken into custody for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated while two men, ages 25 and 21, were arrested for making alcohol available to minors.

At 1:08 a.m. Saturday, three people were arrested at Skinny's on 37th Street. A 21-year-old woman was taken into custody on outstanding Department of Public Safety warrants for allowing a child to ride unsecured and for failure to appear.

A 31-year-old man and a 37-year-old woman were arrested for public intoxication.

Gunshot death is ruled self-inflicted

A 72-year-old Snyder man died Saturday morning at his residence in northwest Snyder.

Nelson Jones was pronounced dead of a gunshot wound sustained in the front yard of the home at 1902 KSNY Drive. Justice of the Peace Deborah Boyd ruled the shooting self-inflicted.

Snyder police officers and EMS personnel responded to the report of the shooting at 9:24 a.m. following a 911 call from a neighbor's house. Mr. Jones was alone at his residence at the time of his death.

Services for Mr. Jones are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

FUMC to have Lord's Acre on Sunday

First United Methodist Church's annual Lord's Acre Festival will be held Sunday at Scurry County Coliseum. A barbecue lunch will also be served from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m., followed by a live auction of handmade and other special items.

There will be a large selection of booths full of gifts, and baked goods. They will be open at 1:30 to 5 p.m..

Weather delays utility assistance

Due to the weather conditions last Monday and Tuesday, representatives from People for Progress were unable to be in Snyder to meet with citizens to aid in utility assistance.

The representatives will be in Snyder on Monday at the Emmanuel United Methodist Church at 1911 21st St.

Representatives will be at the church from 10 a.m. until noon and from 1 until 4 p.m.

All applicants should bring a Social Security card for everyone in their household, a driver's license of other picture ID, proof of income for the past 30 days, and the current gas, electric or propane bill.

Obituaries

Linda Byrum

1945-2000

Funeral service for Linda N. Byrum is set for 11 a.m. Monday in the Union Baptist Church. The Rev. Jim Mosley of Abilene and the Rev. Clifton Griffith, pastor of Union Baptist Church, will officiate.



Linda Byrum

Interment is set for 3 p.m. Monday in the Throckmorton Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

Mrs. Byrum, 55, died Thursday, Nov. 9, at her home northwest of Snyder following a two-year battle with cancer.

Born March 8, 1945 in Woodson, Tex., she married Malcolm Ray Byrum on May 16, 1984 in El Paso.

Mrs. Byrum was a cook at Western Texas College for 12 years and she was the former owner of Linda's Crossroads Café in Ira. She most recently was employed by Rusty Spur Café at the Wagon Wheel Ranch. She also played the piano at the Union Baptist Church for a number of years.

Survivors include her husband, Ray Byrum of Snyder; a daughter, Rene Byrum of Snyder; two stepsons, Tony Byrum of Baton Rouge, La., and Gary Byrum of Corpus Christi; a stepdaughter, Carol Thibodeaux of Baton Rouge; two brothers, Robert Bailes of Breckenridge and Terry Bailes of Lubbock; two grandsons, Corey Aucutt of Clearwater, Fla., and Brent Byrum of Snyder; and several nieces and nephews.

Family visitation will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday at Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

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Jesse Owens

1920-2000

SWEETWATER — Jesse Henry Owens, father of Jay Owens of Snyder, died Thursday, Nov. 9, at his home.

Service for Mr. Owens, 80, is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in the Sweetwater Cemetery with military graveside rites, conducted by the Nolan County Honor Guard who will serve as pallbearers.

Born Sept. 14, 1920 in Merkel, Mr. Owens had lived in Sweetwater most of his life. A graduate of Sweetwater High School, he was an Army Air Force veteran of World War II.

Mr. Owens was a carpenter and a member of the VFW and American Legion. He was a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father, Ellington and Velma Owens; and a brother, Henry Owens.

Survivors include two other sons, Philip Sprinkle of Leonardtown, Md., and Ellington Owens of Sweetwater; a daughter, Pam Hanzel of Sweetwater; and six grandchildren.

Jack Yancey

1926-2000

SAN ANGELO – Jack Dean Yancey, the father of Janet Kay Scott of Snyder, died Friday, Nov. 10, at his home on the Hudman Ranch near Miles.

A private family service for Mr. Yancey, 74, was held Saturday.

Born March 4, 1926 in Rector, Ark., he attended school in San Antonio and graduated from Brackenridge High School in 1943.

A U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, Mr. Yancey married Dottie Ethel Wernli in 1943. He married Irma Sandoval in 1990.

Mr. Yancey was a sales representative for E.R. Squibb & Sons for 25 years and then worked for H.B. Zachry & Sons until his retirement. He was a member of the Glen Meadows Baptist Church.

Survivors also include his wife, Irma Yancey of San Angelo; two other daughters, Deanna Morrell and Linda Lawrence, both of San Angelo; two sons, Guy Yancey and Gary Yancey, both of San Angelo; a stepson, Arturo Sandoval; and two stepdaughters, Cordelia Fuentes and Mildred Ibarra; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandsons.

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ONGOINGS

Country and gospel music

A country and gospel music program will be held the second Saturday of each month at the Scurry County Senior Citizens Center. The next event is at 6 p.m. Saturday. Everyone is invited and there is no charge. Call 573-3996 for more information.

Cub Scout pushmobile race

Weather permitting, Scurry County Cub Scouts will have their pushmobile races from 2 until 4 p.m. Sunday at the West Elementary parking lot. For more information, call 573-3310.

Scurry County UW

Scurry County United Way board meeting will be held at noon Monday in the chamber of commerce board room.

AARP board meeting

The AARP Chapter 2063 board will meet at 10 a.m. Monday at the Senior Center.

West Elementary PTO

West Elementary's Parent-Teacher Organization will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in Room 4. All parents and teachers are welcome.

Lions Club

The Snyder Lions Club will not meet at its regular time, but will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Snyder Country Club for a Partners in Service night.

4H horse club

The Scurry County 4H horse club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in the East Elementary cafeteria.

Scout popcorn sales

Boy and Cub Scouts are selling popcorn through Tuesday. Contact any member or call Jo Schooler at 573-7807, or Trina Garvin at 573-3310 or Rhonda Fletcher at 573-7065.

Vocational nurse program testing

Testing for the next class of the vocational nursing program at WTC is set for 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, and again Nov. 29. Testing will also be at 1:30 p.m. on Dec. 6 and 9 a.m. on Jan. 5. An extended application process will allow students to take the exam at 1:30 p.m. on Jan. 31, or 9 a.m. on Feb. 9. Classes begin March 1. To schedule an appointment, call the counseling center at 573-8511, ext. 313.

Senior citizen swimnastics

Snyder Senior Citizen Center swimnastics is held from 10-11 a.m. on Monday, and 1-2 p.m. on Thursdays. For additional information, call 573-4035.

West Family Reading Night

West Elementary's Family Reading Night is held every Thursday from 6-7:30 p.m. Refreshment, prizes and childcare are provided.

PTK talent show

Phi Theta Kappa honor society will host a talent show Thursday at the courtyard at Western Texas College. First prize will be $100 and second prize will be $50. Entry fee is $5, and all entries must be related to water. Deadline for entries is 5 p.m. Tuesday. For more information, contact Jennifer Beard at 573-8511, ext. 266.

Enchilada dinner

An enchilada dinner to benefit the Lady Drillers traveling basketball team will be held Friday from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center. Adult tickets are $5 and children tickets 10 and under are $3. Tickets are available at Permian Communications and The Cuttery.

Garage and bake sale

Historic Scurry County will have a garage sale and a bake sale beginning at 8 a.m. next Saturday at the Dermott School. Donations of items may be brought to the school on Friday, Nov. 17. Call Billy Haynes at 573-7167 to have donated items picked up.

Ira 2001 annuals

The 2001 Bulldog annuals are on sale. The cost is $26 with your name on the cover or $22 without. They will be offered for sale until Nov. 21. The supply is limited. To order, contact Ira ISD's principal's office at 573-2628.

Tiger Times yearbook

The 2000-01 Tiger Times yearbook are on sale at the junior high until Nov. 21 in room 110 or the office. The full $14 may be paid now, or a deposit of $7 may be paid with the balance due in the spring. Checks must be made out to Snyder Junior High School. No extra copies will be available.

Arts and crafts show vendors

The VFW will hold an arts and crafts show on Sunday, Dec. 10, and vendors are needed. Contact Jim Bailey at 573-5338 after 3 p.m.

Windbreak trees

The Upper Colorado SWCD will take orders for windbreak trees until Jan. 31. Evergreens are $2 and hardwoods are $1 for 12 to 18 inches tall. Come by 5309 Big Spring Hwy or call 573-6317.

Adult basic education classes

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

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients is available every day free of charge to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland. For more information call Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

Darryl Strawberry bows out

NEW YORK (AP) — Darryl Strawberry says he no longer has the desire to play sports anymore.

"I've called it over for me. That's it. I'm done. I'm not going to play sports anymore," the suspended New York Yankees slugger said in an interview to be broadcast Sunday on "Dateline."

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AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Fr6day by the Texas Lottery, in order:
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Comedy course ends run

ATHENS, Ohio (AP) — No longer will Ohio University professor Mel Helitzer have to put up with insults and sex jokes from his students during their final exam. His humor-writing class, in which applause determines the test grade, has ended its 16-year run.

Thirteen students teased smiles, chuckles and guffaws out of about 200 people Thursday night for the last Comedy Class Live final.

Students could tell jokes, recite poems, sing songs or do magic tricks during their stint in the dimly lit coffeehouse in Baker Center. But they had to be funny for five minutes.

The louder the applause, the higher the grade in Humor Writing 488.

"I teach the only class at OU where you get points for insulting the professor. And they do," said Helitzer, 76, who is retiring at the end of the school year.

The class was the first of its kind at a U.S. university when Helitzer started it in 1985. About 70 colleges and universities have started humor writing classes since.

Jake Jacobson, a former student turned actor/comedian, was the master of ceremonies for the test takers, and told the audience about his traumatic childhood.

"I was ignored by my imaginary playmate, but at least he quit beating me up," he said.

Jacobson credited his ability to make people laugh to Helitzer, who has as many one-liners as Henny Youngman.

"It's not what's taught at a university but what's caught. And if we can get our students' mouths open for laughter, we can slip in a little food for thought," Helitzer said.



PERFECT ATTENDANCE — Perfect attendance pays off. Bill Dryden, far right, owner of Stevenson Real Estate, a new adopt-a-school partner with East Elementary, presents Cindy Putnam, fourth grade teacher, with a gift certificate to a local restaurant. A drawing is held every six weeks from the names of all teachers who were not absent during that period. Jim Rosson, principal, also congratulates Mrs. Putnam. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

8 Firestone lawsuits heading to Indiana court

HOUSTON (AP) — Eight Texas lawsuits that allege defective Bridgestone/Firestone tire failures caused injuries or deaths are among 63 complaints that have been consolidated and moved to Indiana federal court, according to court documents filed in Houston.

The Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation, which oversees multidistrict, class-action lawsuits, ruled Oct. 24 to consolidate the cases before Chief Judge Sarah Evans Barker of the Southern District of Indiana.

All the cases claim that Bridgestone/Firestone and usually Ford Motor Co. are responsible for harm caused by defective tires, including property damages, personal injuries and deaths. Many allege that Bridgestone/Firestone's Aug. 9 recall of 6.5 million ATX, ATX II and Wilderness AT tires — most used on the Ford Explorer — was not broad enough to include all defective models.

The government has been investigating more than 3,500 complaints about the tires, including reports of 119 deaths and more than 500 injuries.

One lawsuit has been allowed to stay in Texas because it alleges a defect in a different type of tire, U.S. District Judge John F. Nangle told the Houston Chronicle.

The lawsuit was filed by Javier and Gloria Jimenez of Laredo, who sued Bridgestone/Firestone after a March 1999 car crash.

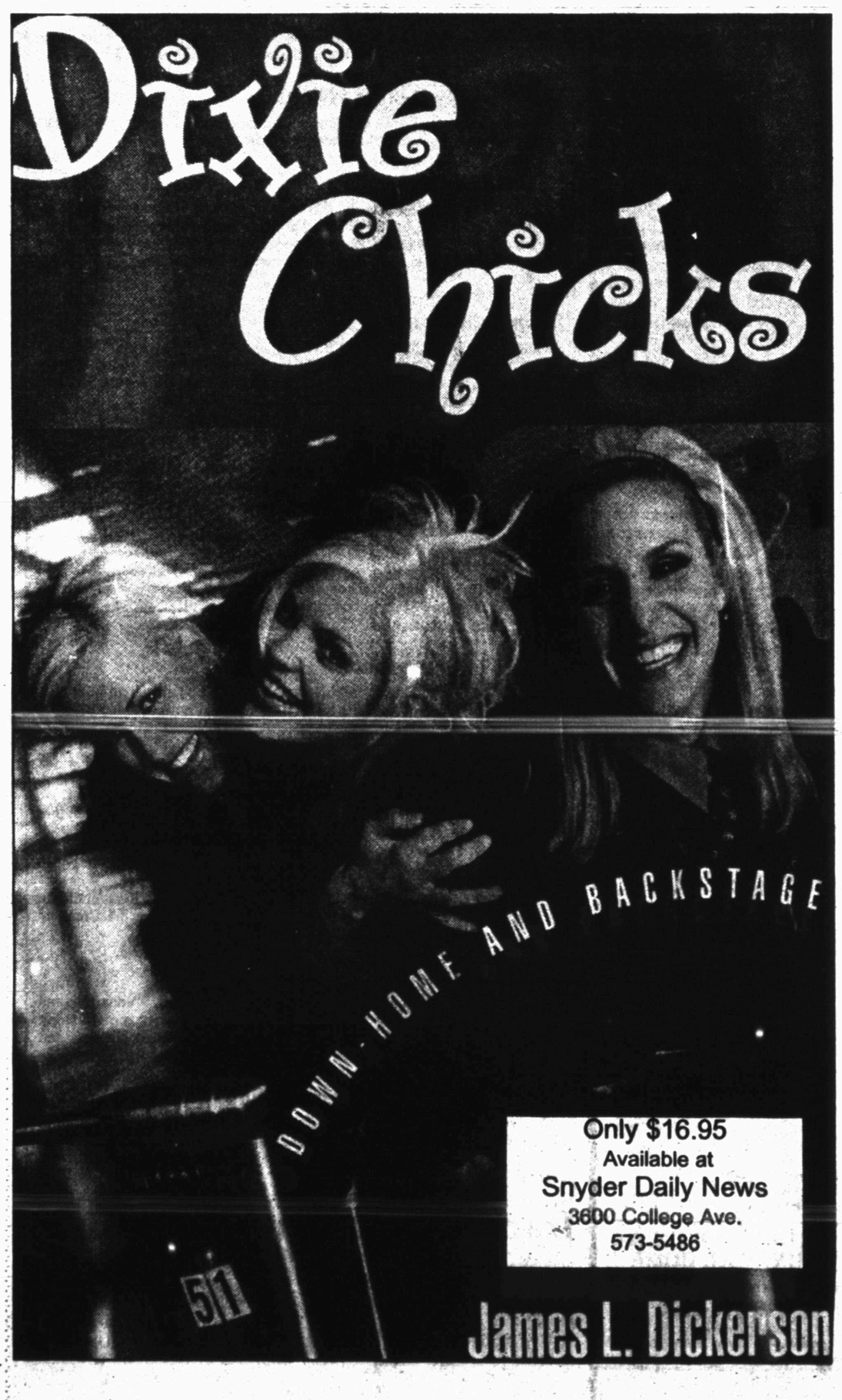
They allege that the tread peeled off the Firestone ATX tires on their Ford Explorer as they drove on Interstate 35 from San Antonio to Laredo, causing the vehicle to roll over. Their 24-year-old daughter Denise was killed. Another daughter, Melissa, 27, suffered a head injury and is recovering.

Lawyers for the couple earlier this week traveled to Nashville, Tenn., to depose Bridgestone chief executive John Lampe and three other executives at Bridgestone/Firestone's headquarters.

Lampe became chief executive Oct. 10, replacing Masatoshi Ono, who resigned.

A trial in that case is scheduled for Jan. 21.

Complaints not included in the panel's initial review will be treated as part of the consolidated case until they can be considered individually.





WTC will debut 2 Christmas plays Thursday night

By Shirley A. Gorman
News Editor

Even though Western Texas College does not have a drama instructor, several students have joined together, under the direction of fellow student Angel Ociel Castelan, to present two Christmas plays next week.

"Rudolf the Day After" will take to the stage first, followed by "Christmas Crisis at Mistletoe Mesa." A 10-minute intermission between plays is also planned.

The action begins at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Fine Arts Theatre. Additional performances are set for 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The final show will be a 2:30 matinee next Sunday.

Ticket prices include $5 for adults and $3 for students and senior citizens.

Castelan said "Rudolf The Day After" is a sketch comedy, and delves into what happens to Rudolf after the Great Ride on Christmas Eve. It examines in a funny way how Rudolf changes and the repercussions those changes have on his friends.

Castelan describes "Christmas Crisis at Mistletoe Mesa" as a "melodrama and over-the-top, western comedy/Christmas play."

A mother and her son want to take over the town, so they decide to ban Christmas. The heros have to "save the day."

The resignation of Dr. Helen Cogan, who had been the drama instructor for two years, put the drama department on hold.

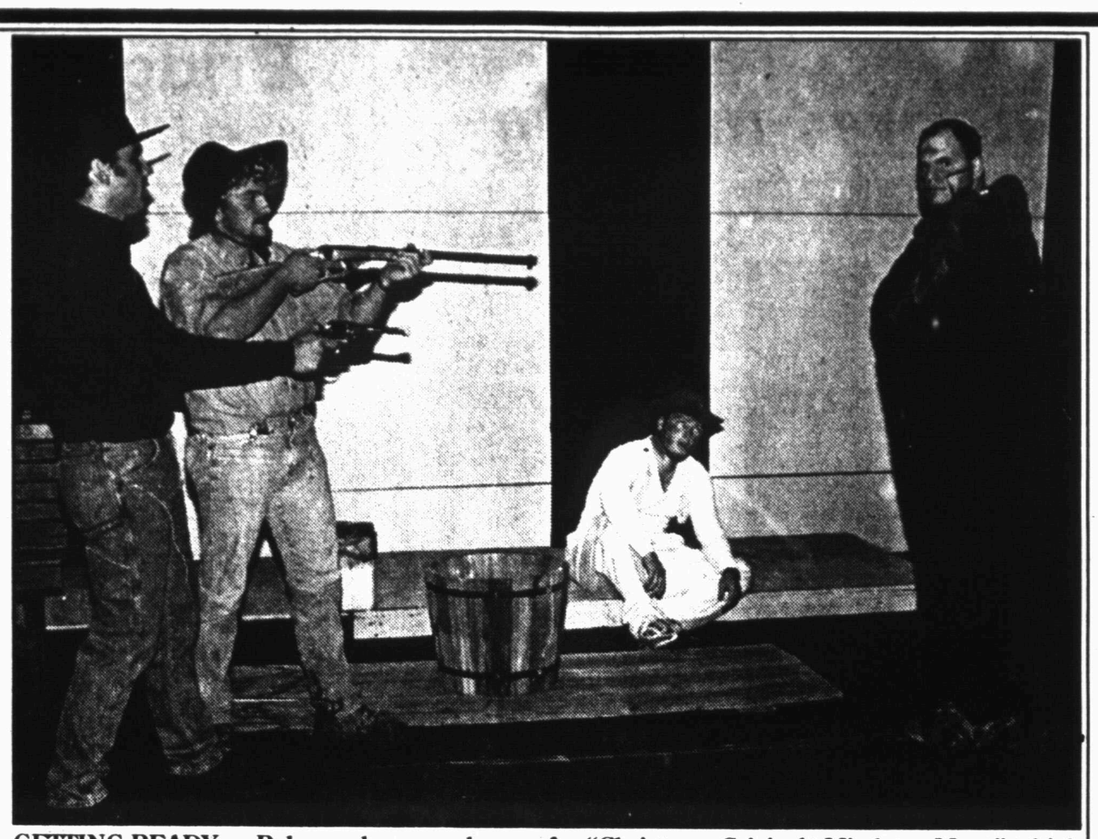
In the interest of keeping the drama department up and running," Castelan said he agreed to spearhead the Christmas production. Several WTC drama students and one from Snyder High School also came on board.

In "Rudolf: The Day After," written by Marcel Nunis, Trey Shirley plays Rudolf and Cody Slatton is Santa. Other characters are Vern, played by Thomas Lowery; Sheila, Amber Atkinson; Morty, Justin Guy; Guido, Wes Hardin; Donner, Jeff Ellis; Blitzen, Chris Jones.

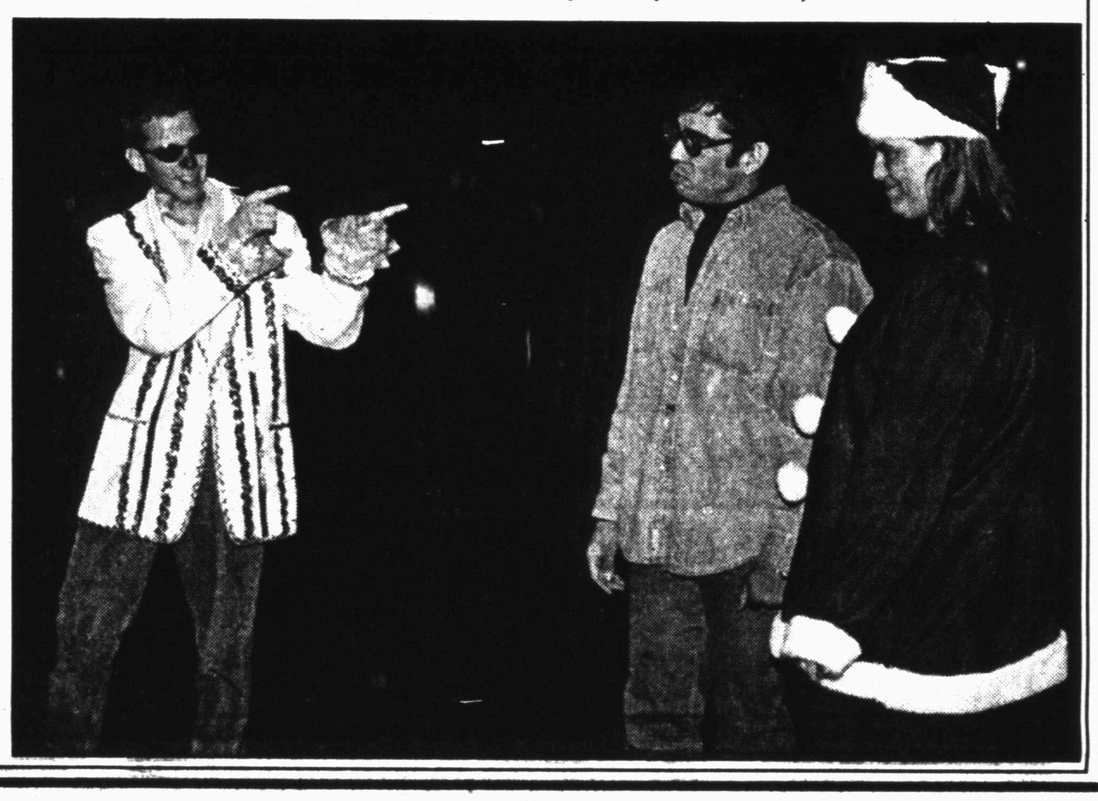
In "Christmas Crisis at Mistletoe Mesa," written by R. Eugene Jackson, Cody Slatton plays a bully; and, adding a comedic touch, Damon Early plays Mamma Grunch. Diedra West is Tiny Kim; Chris Jones, Happy Holiday; Kris Hollis and Thomas Lowery, Ebenezer Grunch; Amber Atkinson, Holly Bush; Cody Slatton, Chief Dashing Through Snow; Justin Guy, prospector. Kara Babcock, SHS senior, plays Mary Christmas.

Castelan, a 1996 graduate of Ira High School, has been involved with theatre since junior high. He has performed in numerous school plays, including college and community productions since graduating.

He is pursuing a humanities degree in anthropology and social studies and hopes to teach at a university someday.



GETTING READY — Rehearsals are underway for "Christmas Crisis At Mistletoe Mesa" which debuts next Thursday in the Fine Arts Theatre at Western Texas College. Players are from left, Thomas Lowery who plays Eb; Damon Early, mamma; Justin Guy, the prospector; Cody Statton, Chief Dashing Through Snow. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)



"RUDOLFO" SUAVE — After the great ride on Christmas Eve, Rudolf, played by Trey Shirley, left, is a changed reindeer. He now believes he is cool and suave, much to the dismay of his friends, Vern, played by Thomas Lowery; and Sheila, played by Amber Atkinson. "Rudolf: The Day After" debuts next Thursday in the Fine Arts Theatre at Western Texas College. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Urban sewage fertilizer leads to controversy

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — If it weren't for the constant shipments of human waste from Southern California's cities, Kern County farmer Shaen Magen says his farm would dry up and blow away.

Magen grows barley, wheat and milo for animal feed on 7,000 acres he describes as "highly alkaline and really very marginal." It's so marginal, in fact, that without regular truckloads of treated sewer sludge to be used as fertilizer, the land would be useless, he said.

Magen is paid roughly $25 a ton to dump the sludge on his land.

"The only reason we survive here is that we get a fee for removing the sludge and incorporating it on our farm. We also make our money out of the crop we grow because we get it subsidized by free fertilizer," Magen said.

The growing use of urban sewage as fertilizer on industrial farms, however, is unpopular in the San Joaquin Valley. Over the past two years, several county governments have waged legal and political battles against a few local farmers and Southern California sanitation districts over where and how the stuff is used.

Kern, Fresno, Tulare and Kings counties have enacted or are drafting ordinances intended to ban or tighten regulations on the practice.

The counties, which account for roughly a third of the state's $28.4 billion annual agricultural output, fear a consumer backlash.

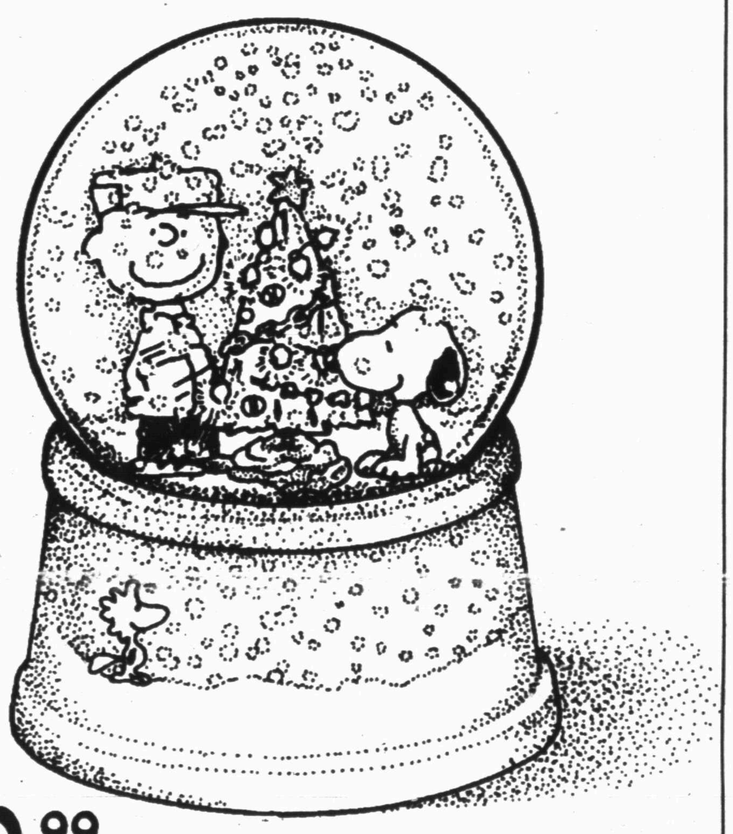
"Folks are concerned that the perception would be that Kern County crops were poisoned with sewage sludge. We know that isn't true, but that is the concern people have," said David Price, who as chief of the Kern County Resource Management Agency helped draft the new rules.

Since 1994, federal and state regulations have allowed use of sludge, also called biosolids, to grow animal feed or fiber crops such as cotton.

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Asbury Methodist Church...

Wall, McCann wed in Tulsa

TULSA, Okla. — Angie Gail Wall and Michael Bryan McCann were married Oct. 21 in Asbury Methodist Church in Tulsa with the Rev. Mark McAdow officiating.



Mrs. Michael Bryan McCann

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Wall of Tulsa. She is the granddaughter of Helen Hodges of Snyder and the late W.C. Hodges, and Maurine Wall of Amarillo, formerly of Hermleigh, and the late Grover Wall.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael McCann of Tulsa. His is the grandson of the late Riley and Wonita McCann and George and Isabel Smith.

The church flowers were in memory of her grandfather, Grover Wall, who died two weeks before the wedding.

Honor attendants were Joanne Myers and Brad Kruse. Bridesmaids were Katie McCann, Ann Cook, Shannon Beeson, Sarah Fleming and Mikey Hess. Groomsmen were Matt Barber, Jason Wilkerson, Stephen Dixon, Derek Dunn and Neil Jay. Attendants included sorority sisters of the bride and fraternity brothers of the groom at Oklahoma State University.

The reception followed in the Adams' Mark Hotel in downtown Tulsa.

The bride is a graduate of Memorial High School and the University of Oklahoma. The groom is a graduate of Jenks High School and Oklahoma State University.

Their honeymoon trip was to Maui, Hawaii and the couple resides in Tulsa.

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KAROMY DRUM AND DAVE PURKEY
SUSAN SHOULTS AND WES EVERETT
AMANDA SORRELLS AND JEFF STREETMAN
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Community Calendar

MONDAY

Rock and Roll Quilting Club; Hermleigh Community Center; everyone is invited for free quilting lessons, and special projects are to help someone in need; call 863-2426 for more information; 8 a.m. to noon.

Al-Anon Brown Bag Open Meeting, Snyder Park Club in Winston Park; noon.

Scurry County Museum's hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Weight Watchers meeting; Trinity United Methodist Church; for more information call Nathalie at 573-1868 during the Martha Ann Woman's Club directors meeting; clubhouse; all members are urged to attend; 4 p.m. evening; weigh-in is at 5 p.m.

Defensive Driving Course; Monday and Tuesday from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Texas Savings Bank, 27th & College; form more information call 573-2850.

Manic Depression (Bipolar) support group; Family Life Community Church, 904 26th Street; 7 p.m.

American Legion Layne Kite Post 181 and Auxiliary; 7:30 p.m.

Scurry County AA; closed meeting; Park Club; for more information, call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292, 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Atheneum Study Club; MAWC; program "Belgium Trip" by M.J. Merritt; hostesses, LaDean Rhodes and Nona Williams; 4:15 p.m.

Snyder Shrine Club; call 863-2702 for meeting place; 6 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous, Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 574-1254, 573-8322 or 573-3733; 6:30 p.m.

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

AA Beginner's Meeting-Open; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 7 p.m.

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; for more information call 573-4203, 573-8626, 573-2101 or 573-0695; 8 p.m.

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5 to 6 p.m.; 2501 35th. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

WEDNESDAY

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

Spiritual Solutions for Living Problems Book Study; Snyder Park Club; 6 p.m.

Just For Today NA, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 574-1292 or 573-8018 p.m.

THURSDAY

Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary; board room; all members are urged to attend; 10 a.m.

Al-Anon brown bag; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 574-1292, 573-2101 or 573-0695; noon to 1 p.m.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; horseshoe courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762.

Rock and Roll Quilting Club evening meeting; Hermleigh Community Center; for more information call 863-2426; 6:30 p.m.

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

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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♦ K 7 6
♣ J 8 7 4 3

West
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East
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♣ Q 10 9 6 5

South
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♥ Q 10 5
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♣ A K

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Dealer: North

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Opening lead: ♠ K

Saturday, Nov. 11, 2000

Small change, big discard

By Phillip Alder

In "Travels with Charley: In Search of America, Part 2," John Steinbeck wrote, "It is the nature of a man as he grows older, a small bridge in time, to protest against change, particularly change for the better."

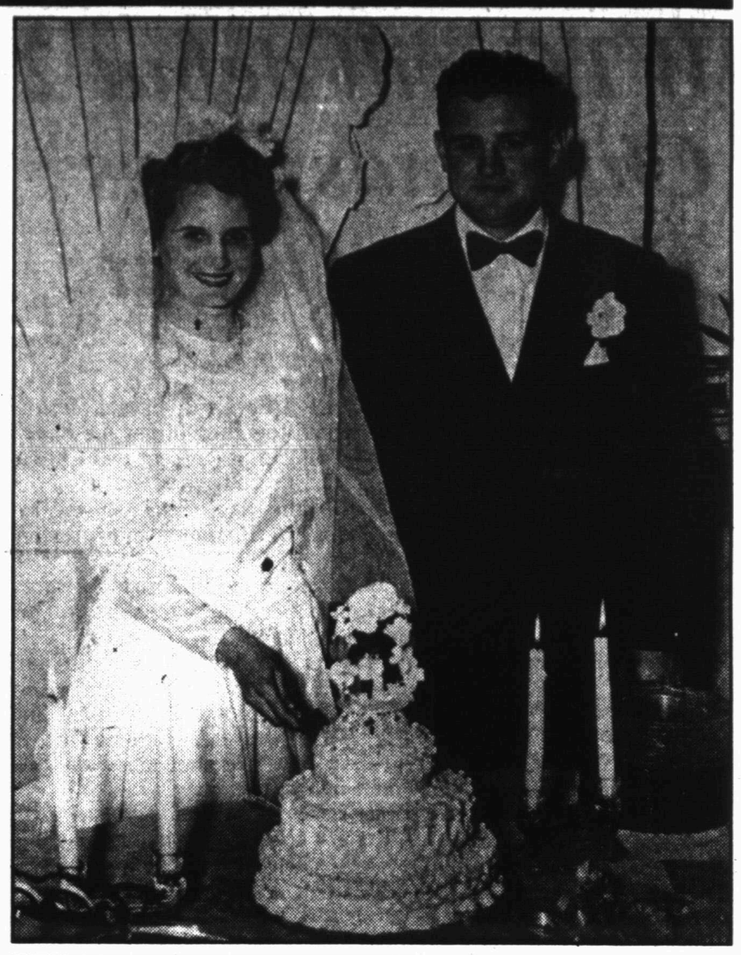
Whether you are young, middle-aged or old, I hope you won't object to the changes made in the deal during the small bridge in time between yesterday and today. To try to make life easier, the contract — three no-trump — is the same. And the key question is unchanged: Assuming South will guess the diamond position correctly, should he make the contract or be defeated? A variation is in the opening lead: Today, it is the spade king.

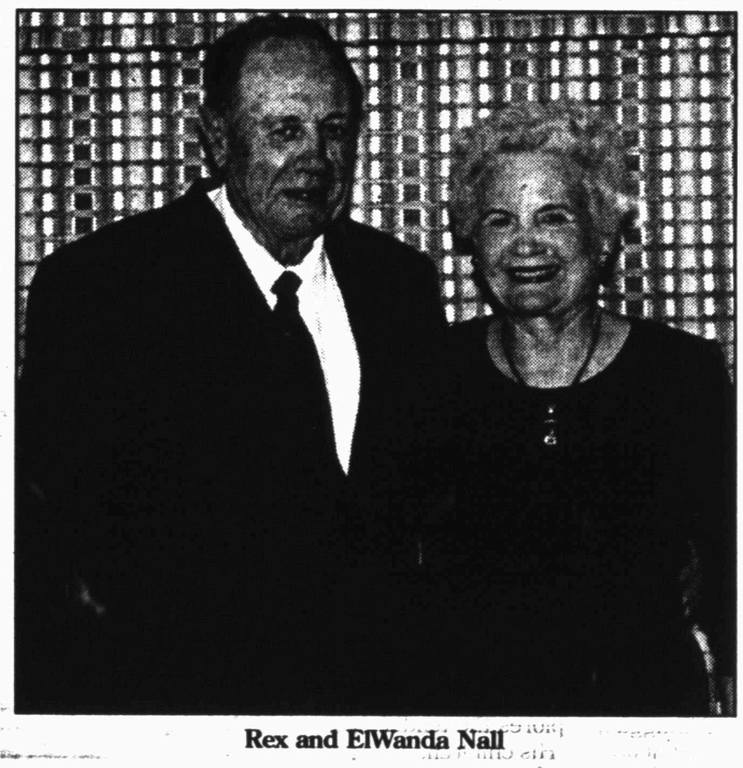
While you're mulling that over, here's another question: If North's club jack were the club two, would you still open that hand?

To answer this question first — maybe! It is a matter of partnership preference. If you like to be aggressive bidders, open. But if you are ever going to pass a 12-point hand, this is a candidate, because you must open in a weak minor.

South starts with seven tricks: two spades, three hearts and two clubs. Having to work on diamonds, declarer wins trick one (best) and promptly leads a low diamond, ducking when West produces the 10. Now the defenders have only one way to defeat the contract. West must continue with the queen and another spade, and East must discard — did you spot it? — the diamond ace! With the bad club break, South cannot get anything going there. Alternatively, if declarer establishes the diamonds, West gets in to cash his spade winners.

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Rex and ElWanda Nall

Nalls to celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Rex D. Nall will celebrate their 50 wedding anniversary on Nov. 18.

Rex married ElWanda McGee on Nov. 23, 1950 in the Loving Methodist Church in Loving, Tex., by the Rev. W. Roberts. They have enjoyed living in Snyder since their marriage.

Rex is retired from Monsanto Chemical Company and ElWanda is a retired teacher from the Snyder Public Schools.

They have two sons and a daughter-in-law, Doug and Paula Nall of San Antonio, and Steve Nall of Houston, and two grandsons, Ford Nall of Lubbock and Jerrod Nall of San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Nall are Young County natives and met while attending Graham High School.

They are active members of the First United Methodist Church and enjoy church and civic work. The Nalls also enjoy traveling and playing bridge.

Their children and grandchildren invite friends to a reception in Wesley Hall of First United Methodist on Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. The presence of friends and family is the only gift desired

Bridge Scores

Friday, Nov. 3

Jane Hinton directed at the Snyder Country Club.

North-South

TIE: 1. Gracie Craig, Charles Blakey tied with Anita Talbott, Ann Davis.

TIE: 2. Margaret Birdwell, Maribeth Vestal tied with Nona Morrison, LaVerne Hood.

East-West

1. Dot Casey, Johnye Van Dever.

2. Dora Blakey, Barbara Yorgesen.

3. Pat Floyd, Durelle Gorman.

Sunday, Nov. 5

Monte West directed.

1. Anita Talbott, Charles Blakey.

2. Dot Casey, Margaret Birdwell.

3. Dora Blakey, Shirley Stewart.

4. TIE: Billisue Stuard, Jane Hinton tied with Barbara Yorgesen, Nona Morrison.

Tuesday, Nov. 7

Monte West directed.

1. Margaret Birdwell, Barbara Yorgesen.

2. Shirley Stewart, Nona Morrison.

3. Jane Hinton, Dot Casey.

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The Yukon Territory was established in 1898, two years after the discovey of gold in the Klondike brought thousands of new residents to the area. The area first was explored in 1842 by agents of the Hudson's Bay Co.

Bayer Group helping to keep music director

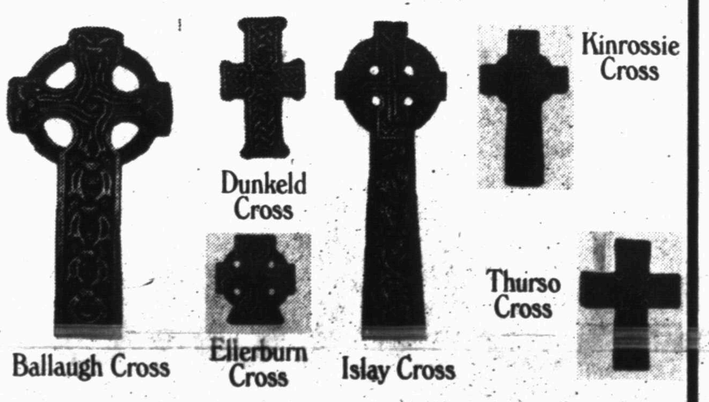
PITTSBURGH (AP) — The head of the Bayer Corp. is doing everything he can to keep the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra music director in town.

The company's lighted sign reads "Mariss Jansons, Pittsburgh loves you." Jansons is reported to be a candidate to replace Kurt Mazur as music director of the New York Philharmonic.

"We have an orchestra that plays better than ever before ... because Mariss Jansons makes it all happen," said Helge H. Wehmeier, president of the health care and research company known for Bayer aspirin.

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CLOGGERS PERFORM — The Deep Creek Cloggers perform for groups including the recent Holiday Ramblers at the Scurry County Coliseum. Members include Shirley Miller, Pat Guynes, Gini Grimmett, Betty Robinette, Juanita Ellington, Gary Poe, Peggy Fowler, Cheryl Lee, Una Vay Orms, Dee Chasteen and Susan Rogers and instructor Helen Cassady of Denver City. Others are from Lovington, N.M. (Contributed Photo)

Scurry County Library News & Views

By Janie Romine

With the holiday season just around the corner, take a break and read a book. While you are fleeing cold, messy weather in the comfort of your home, reflect on your life. What better way to do this than by reading some of the new books in the philosophy and religion section of the Scurry County Library? We have a large number of new books just waiting for you.

"Standing For Something," by Gordon B. Hinckley, deals with 10 neglected virtues that will heal our hearts and homes.

"Habits of the Mind," by James W. Sire, addresses the question of intellectuals and Christianity.

"Reinventing Paul," by Gohn G. Gager, uses the Apostle Paul's writings to search for the "real" Paul. The author argues that many of Paul's writings have been taken out of context, and have been distorted and misconstrued.

"The God of the Towel," by Jim McGuiggan, explores the tender heart of god for His children.

If you are looking for some inspiration or a lift of your spirit, read "Hugs From Heaven," by Caron Loveless, which gives short narratives and devotionals. "Mary Lou Retton's Gateways to Happiness," by Mary Lou Retton will inspire you to overcome any obstacle in life.

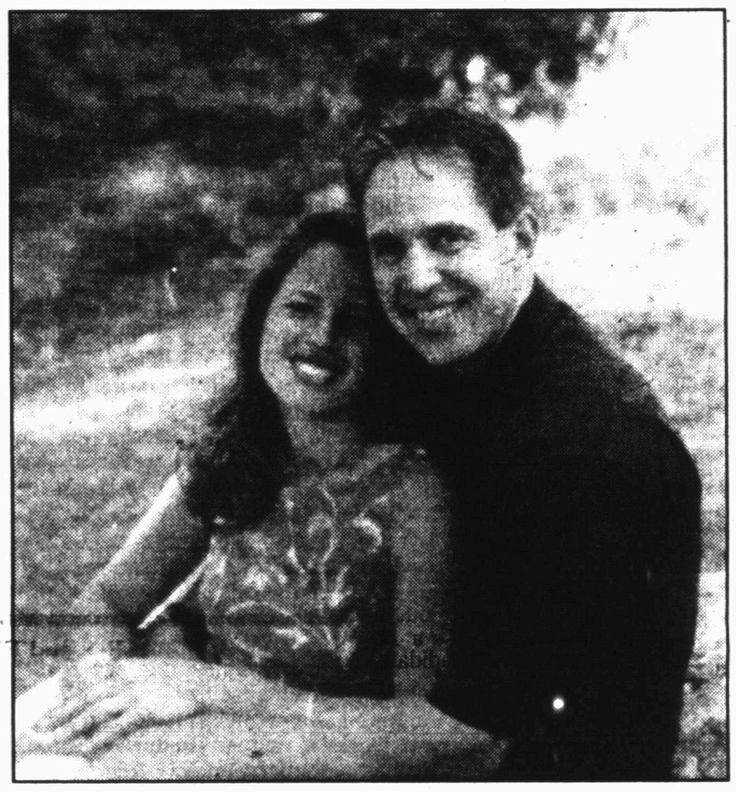
While at the library, look in the children's section for Bible stories and books about holidays. We are receiving new books everyday. Don't forget Children's Storytime every Wednesday at 10 a.m. See you there.

Library Hours:

Mon., Wed., Fri.—10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Mr. and Mrs. John Yepiz of Cloverdale, Calif., announce the engagement of their daughter, Ms. Jennifer Yepiz Eckhart, to Mark Mehus Swanson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Swanson of Snyder. The wedding is planned for Nov. 11. Ms. Eckhart was graduated from the University of Santa Clara, Santa Clara, Calif., and Swanson graduated from Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo, Calif. Both hold management positions for Oracle in Redwood Shores, Calif. (Contributed Photo)

Ask Anne and Nan

By Anne B. Adams and Nancy Nash-Cummings

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I have double General Electric ovens and a GE drop-in oven. They are only about two or three years old. I find that when I am baking, the temperature drops 20 to 40 F. The man GE sent out from the factory told me all ovens do it. Is this true, and if so, how can delicate cakes, etc., come out perfectly? - FRAN, Baton Rouge, La.

DEAR FRAN: Anne also has a double GE wall oven and is pretty sure she has solved the temperature-drop problem. When the oven control beeps to tell you the oven has preheated to the required temperature, the built-in thermostat is measuring air temperature only. Once the beep sounds, Anne presses the "start" control and leaves the empty oven on for another five to 10 minutes. This allows the oven walls, which retain heat far better than the air, to heat up, as well.

When putting cakes, cookies and other baked goods in the oven, she opens the oven door as little as possible and moves as quickly as possible. It seems to work!

On the same subject (sort of), Vida Logan of Baker, La., has a Maytag wall oven with the self-cleaning feature. She is reluctant to use this feature after hearing some horror stories about damage to the controls, and she wonders if there is an oven-cleaning product that would be safe to use. Our answer is that, as far as we know, there isn't. Any oven cleaner (including our favorite — ammonia left in the oven in a dish overnight) will harm the oven lining. We went onto the Internet trying to find more info on self-cleaning ovens. For instance, what is the liner made of? If you never intend to use the self-cleaning feature, does it matter if you damage the liner? We came up with a big, fat zero.

Readers, do any of you have any info on this? And finally, what are the odds of damage to the controls when using the self-cleaning feature? It's news to us.

STUMPED: The following letter, which we're printing in its entirety, has us well and truly baffled. We hope some heating engineer or resourceful plumber has a solution, because we sure don't — unless there is a possibility that the problem is due to dirty filters and mold or mildew in the central air-conditioning ducts. Anyway, here goes.

Bob Middleton of Queenstown, Md., writes: "We have electric baseboard heating in our 14 1/2-year-old home. About four or five years ago, we started seeing what looked like soot gathering around the central air-conditioning vents in the ceiling. The carpets in our house also started taking on dark rings around furniture, and it won't clean out with a carpet shampoo machine. When I asked someone about it, they inquired if we'd been cleaning the baseboard heaters every year, and I had to plead ignorance and say no.

"Two questions: One — what is the best way to clean the heaters and how often? I use a paintbrush on the heater fins and a washcloth with cleaner on the rest of the heater. Two — what, if any, recommendation would you have on replacing the electric baseboard heaters? I recently started checking in to replacement heaters and was surprised to learn that the technology hasn't changed in 20 years, though they now have a baseboard heater that uses an oil-filled cylinder. Is this a good replacement? Any information you can provide would be most appreciated."

Write to "Ask Anne & Nan" at P.O. Box 240, Hartland, VT 05048. Our new book, "Clean It, Fix It, Find It," is ready. The price is $14.95 plus $4 shipping and handling. Add $1 shipping and handling for each additional book ordered. Mail your order to Enfield Distribution, P.O. Box 699, Enfield, NH 03748. Or call toll-free (888) 216-7611.

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School Menus

Snyder

Classroom Breakfast Menu (East, Northeast and Stanfield)

Monday
Strawberry Toaster Pastry
Juice and Milk each day

Tuesday
Donut Holes

Wednesday
Sausage in a Biscuit

Thursday
Blueberry Muffins

Friday
Teddy Grahams

BREAKFAST (remaining schools)

Monday
Breakfast Pizza or
Assorted Dry Cereal
Toast w/Jelly
Juice

Tuesday
Donut or
Assorted Dry cereal
Toast w/Jelly
Juice

Wednesday
Waffles w/Syrup or
Assorted Dry Cereal
Toast w/Jelly
Juice

Thursday
Breakfast Burrito or
Assorted Dry Cereal
Toast w/Jelly
Juice

Friday
Bacon, Egg & Cheese Sandwich or
Assorted Dry Cereal
Toast w/Jelly
Juice

LUNCH

Monday
Hamburger on a Bun or
Salisbury Steak
Carrots
Oven Fries
Chilled Pears

Tuesday
Oven Fried Chicken
Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce
Mashed Potatoes
Green Peas
Apple Wedges

Wednesday
Turkey w/Dressing
Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy
Seasoned Green Beans
Dinner Roll
Cranberry Sauce
Sugar Cookie

Thursday
Pizza or
Burrito
Broccoli w/Ranch Dip
Tater Tots
Chilled Peaches

Friday
Crunchy Corn Dog or
Toasted Cheese Sandwich w/Vegetable Beef Soup
Ranch Beans
Oven Fries

Hermleigh

All meals are served with milk.

BREAKFAST

Monday
Juice
French Toast Sticks

Tuesday
Fruit
Buttered Oatmeal
Toast

Wednesday
Juice
Cheese Toast

Thursday
Fruit
Dry Cereal
Toast

Friday
Juice
Cinnamon Rolls

LUNCH

Monday
Barbecued Hamburger Patties
Mashed Potatoes
Relish Cup
Hot Rolls
Apple Crisp

Tuesday
Steak Fingers/Gravy
Tater Tots
English Peas
Hot Rolls
Vanilla Pudding

Wednesday
Texas Hash
Buttered Spinach
Corn Bread
Orange Slices

Thursday
Turkey/Dressing/Giblet Gravy
Sweet Potatoes
Green Beans/Almonds
Hot Rolls
Fruit Salad

Friday
Tuna Sandwiches
Lettuce & Tomatoes
Potato Chips
Chilled Peaches

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All meals are served with choice of milk.

BREAKFAST

Monday
Breakfast Pizza
Grape Juice

Tuesday
French Toast
Grape Juice

Wednesday
Cinnamon Rolls
Orange Juice

Thursday
Breakfast Burritos
Orange Juice

Friday
Cereal
Toast
Juice

LUNCH

Monday
Nachos
Refried Beans
Vegetable Salad
Brownies

Tuesday
Pizza
Vegetable Salad
Corn
Shape-ups

Wednesday
Chicken Patties
Parsley Potatoes
carrots
Bread
Cookies

Thursday
Corn Dogs
Chips
Pork & Beans
Pears

Friday
Turkey & Dressing
Sweet Potatoes
Italian Green Beans
Stuffed Celery
Hot Rolls
Pumpkin Pie

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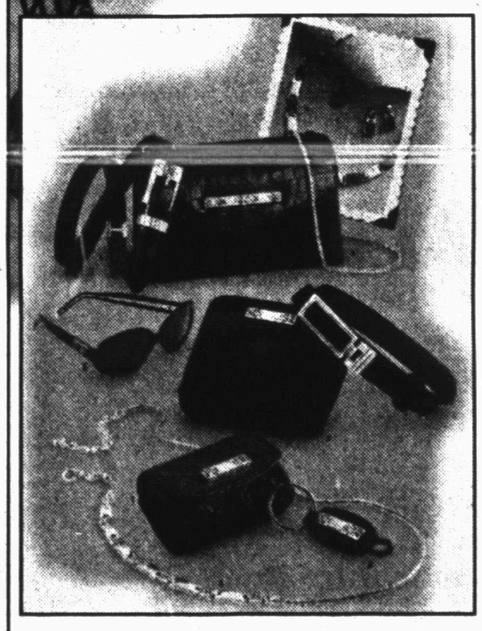
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Q & A

Great American Smokeout

(The Snyder Daily News, in cooperation with Al-Anon support groups and the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, are devoting this column to current information and your questions about the increasing threat of substance abuse.)

Great American Smokeout.

Millions of Americans will quit smoking on November 16, the American Cancer Society's 24th Annual Great American Smokeout. Smokers are encouraged to quit at least one day, in hopes they will quit forever.

It's never too late to quit. Along with helping adults quit smoking, the American Cancer Society's Great American Smokeout focuses on helping children and teenagers understand why they should never start.

History of the Great American Smokeout

In 1971, Arthur P. Mullaney created an event in Randolph, Mass., asking people to give up cigarettes for a day and donate the money they would have spent on cigarettes to a high school scholarship fund. In just five years, the event spread across the country, and in California, one million of the state's five million smokers quit for the day on the "Great American Smokeout."

The American Cancer Society organized the first Great American Smokeout in 1977. Each year, more Americans try to quit smoking on the day of the Great American Smokeout than any other day of the year — including New Year's Day.

To Get Ready to Quit Smoking, Ask Yourself These 3 Questions

1. Why do I want to quit smoking?2. What method will I use to quit smoking?3. How do I stay smoke free?

Cigarettes and cigarette smoke contain over 4,000 chemicals, including 43 known to cause cancer. Many of these chemicals are added in the process of tobacco farming and cigarette production. The tobacco burns while a cigarette is smoked, exposing the smoker to these deadly chemicals, tars and gases.

Nicotine occurs naturally in tobacco and does not cause cancer, but it does keep many people addicted to smoking. Nicotine in cigarettes can be very addictive. Each puff of a cigarette delivers a concentrated dose of nicotine straight to the brain – and reinforces the need for the next puff. Even after you've given up nicotine, you may still have the urge to puff. To maximize your chances of staying smoke-free for good, you need a Commit To Quit Plan. (Look for it in next weeks Q & A)

In 1986, the US Surgeon General concluded that the use of smokeless tobacco is not a safe substitute for smoking cigarettes. It can cause cancer and a number of non-cancerous oral conditions and can lead to nicotine addiction and dependence.

Oral cancer occurs several times more frequently among snuff dippers compared with non-tobacco users.

The excess risk of cancer of the cheek and gum may reach nearly 50-fold among long-term snuff users.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the U.S. output of moist snuff has risen 50% in the past decade, from 41 million pounds in 1988 to an estimated 61 million pounds in 1998.

Among adults aged 18 and older, 5.9% of men and 0.6% of women were current users of chewing tobacco or snuff according to aggregated 1987 and 1991 NHIS data. American Indian/Alaska Native (7.8%) and white (6.8%) men were more likely than black (3.1%), Hispanic (1.5%), and Asian/Pacific Islander men (1.2%) to use smokeless tobacco.

The Great American Smokeout takes place each year on the third Thursday of November. Millions of Americans will stub out their cigarettes on that day. Join with them and make the Great American Smokeout the first day of your smoke-free life!

The Above information was provided by the American Cancer Society Website

Please send your questions on drugs or addiction to P.O. Box 695, Snyder, Texas 79550. All questions and personal inquires may be submitted anonymously. Twenty-four-hour confidential information is available by calling (915) 573-1141 or 1-800-658-6722. Information on help groups and individual's phone numbers can be found in the SDN Community Calendar.

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Faked war tales common

CLEVELAND (AP) — If Joseph Shearer could say one thing to men and women in uniform this Veterans Day, it would be this: I'm sorry.

Shearer, 64, is an Army veteran who was caught lying about his military record.

Shearer isn't the first man to exaggerate his military exploits. Fabricated stories of battlefield heroics are as old as war itself. But each time, it seems, other veterans react with pity, puzzlement and anger.

"I get irritated — they're pretending to be something they're not. Most veterans don't even talk about their service," said Joe Hrusch, a member of a Veterans of Foreign Wars post in suburban Cleveland.

B.G. "Jug" Burkett, a Vietnam veteran from Dallas, has made it his hobby to expose fraudulent vets. In more than a decade, Burkett estimates he has examined 2,000 newspaper stories and TV reports involving veterans' service records. About 75 percent of the vets' claims in those stories contained at least some element of fabrication, he said.

"The majority tend to be lower-income, working-class guys who haven't done much in life," he said. But as war heroes, "everybody sees them differently."

Lying about military records goes back even further than the days when the Roman legions marched across Europe, he said.

In the 1950s, about a dozen men to claiming to be the last living Civil War veteran all turned out to be phonies, Burkett said.

More recently, Darrow "Duke" Tully resigned in 1985 as publisher of the Phoenix Gazette and the Arizona Republic after admitting he fabricated a heroic military record that included service in Vietnam and Korea.

Convicted killer Joseph Yandle managed to get his life sentence in Massachusetts commuted in 1995 after claiming on national television that he was a Vietnam hero. The former Marine had really served as a clerk in Japan. He was sent back to prison in 1998 after being exposed.

Former Rep. Wes Cooley of Oregon was convicted in 1997 of lying on official documents for claiming to have served with the Army in Korea during the war there. Actually, he hadn't left the United States.

In 1996, Adm. Jeremy "Mike" Boorda, chief of naval operations, committed suicide after it was learned that he was wearing Vietnam combat decorations he did not earn.

Earlier this year, Edward L. Daily of Clarksville, Tenn., conceded that war records show he could not have been at the Korean hamlet of No Gun Ri, where he claimed to have witnessed the killing of a large number of civilians during the Korean War in 1950. Daily was among a dozen ex-GIs cited in a Pulitzer-Prize winning story by The Associated Press.

Public Records

New Vehicle Registrations

Herman Dunham, 2001 Ford from Wilson Motors.

Brad and Kathrine Wikse, 2000 Ford Expedition from Wilson Motors.

Billy W. and Nita D. Brooks, 2000 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Terry Davis, 2000 Mercury Mountaineer from Wilson Motors.

Bill and Janet Halbert, 2001 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

Pryor and Sue Blackwell, 2001 Chevrolet Suburban from Big Country Autoland.

Doug Foster, 2001 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Renderbrook Spade Ranch, 2001 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Jonathan Holley, 2000 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Physical Medicine Association, 2001 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Benjamin Courtney, 2000 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Thomas McDonnell, 2001 Chevrolet Suburban from Big Country Autoland.

Ambar Drilling Fluids, 2001 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Stan Blagrave, 2001 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Orvel Griffith, 2001 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Chris Gaskins, 2001 Chevrolet Suburban from Big County Autoland.

William H. Lowell, 2001 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Eddie A. Turnbow, 2001 Ford truck from Wilson Motors.

Vartech Inc., 2001 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Marriage License

Fedincio Ramon and Anniely Martinez, both of Snyder.

Eric David Doskocil of Morgan and Christin Danae Curry of Snyder.

Von Edwards Reynolds and Lois Creswell Collier, both of Snyder.

Kevin Lee Gutierrez and Amy Ramirez, both of Snyder.

Filed in District Court

American State Bank vs. Jo Ann Cagle, suit on sworn account.

Providian National Bank vs. Tommy Green, suit on sworn account.

Action in District Court

Lynx Disposal Co. vs. Complete Services Inc., final default judgment.

Tracy Hopper, individually and as next friend of Jessica Hopper, a minor, vs. Daren Hopper, final judgment for plaintiff.

Deed Records

John A. and Kathleen Ware to John J. and Dorothy Jo Williams, the east 50.5 feet of Lot 28 and the west 11.5 feet of Lot 29, Block 7 of the Replat of the south one-half of Block 7 and the Replat of all of Blocks 6 and 11 of the Highland Addition.

Secretary of Veteran Affairs to Fernando and Mary Romero, Lot 25 in Block 3 of the Eastridge Addition.

Eldon Wayne Fowler, Joe Vernon Fowler, Henerietta Gail Henson, Rebecca Vaughan Beaver, Jimmie Kay Callison to William S. and Miseon Whitley, all of Lot 5 and the south 5 feet of Lot 6, both in Block 1 of the Jordan Subdivision of the southeast one-quarter of Section 181, Block 3, H&GN survey.

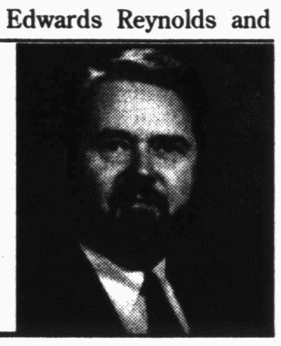
Judy and Gary Hubbard to Dennis D. and Rhonda C. Taylor, 1.431 acres in the southwest one-quarter of Section 135, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Robert Don England II to Ramona Lawallen England and Robert Don England II, the north 35 feet of the middle 50 feet of the east 100 feet of Lot 1 in Block 36 of the Blankenship Addition.

James Franklin and Celissa Kay Simmons to Rodolfo and Ambrosia Rodriguez, the east 72 feet of Lot 1 in Block 35, Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition.

Minding Your Own Business

By Don Taylor



Think Outside the box, but...

Recently, an old friend and business associate came by to see my new office. While we were visiting he threw out this little gem of wisdom. He said, "I know you've got to think outside the box, but somebody has to stay in the box or it will blow away."

Every year I work with business owners who become so enamored with new ideas that they forget to take care of the customers who are paying the bills. Now, I believe in forward thinking, and I certainly believe in thinking outside the box. However, if you forget to guard your box it may blow away or a competitor may take it from you.

Small-business owners seem to struggle with this concept. Some know they must change, but are reluctant to. Others spend so much time creating change that they create nothing of value. Both types are likely to go broke in today's environment.

When I think of resistance to change I remember a little story regarding former U.S. President Martin Van Buren. Seven years before he became president, Van Buren wrote a letter to then president Andrew Jackson complaining that the new-fangled railroads were threatening the canal system of the states. Van Buren pointed out that if railroads replaced its canals, serious unemployment would result and America would lose its ability to defend itself.

Van Buren wrote this paragraph in fierce resistance to this technological change: "As you may well know, railroad carriages are pulled at the enormous speed of 15 miles per hour by engines, which in addition to endangering life and limb of passengers, roar and snort their way through the countryside. The Almighty certainly never intended that people should travel at such breakneck speed."

Ah, Mr. President, if you could only see us now. Hurtling through space at the speed of sound. Yes, the times are still changing.

Change is positive

Change is positive, but needs balance to succeed. We can still stand in our box while we're thinking outside it.

The best possible attitude you can take toward change is to embrace it. Don't try to resist change, because you can no more stop it than you can hold back a river by standing in it. The water will pass you by. So it is with change. You may advance your business by learning to swim with the current. Use change to get ahead, accomplish more and travel faster.

Your objective must be to master change. Learning about life and life's lessons, gives you a real competitive advantage. Since change is the only constant in life, we will benefit if we learn more about it.

The learning process is only the beginning. Knowledge (the product of learning) is ineffective without action. I know a few folks so filled with knowledge that they can talk about anything. However, what you know should never prevent you from doing what needs to be done. When you know what to do, get right after it. While learning never stops, you must supersede talking with action.

Swim upstream

Sometimes change means going against established trends. There are times when you may have to swim upstream. Regardless of the latest fads, you'll find that doing the right thing is more important than doing things right. For example, stealing a car — no matter how well you do it — is not a right or proper thing to do.

Always ask yourself, "Is this fair to everyone?" "Is it honest?" "Would I want to appear on a national TV show and defend my decisions?" If you can answer yes to these questions, you're learning about positive change. Your actions are appropriate and you will be making the right changes.

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Book's claims disputed

NEW YORK (AP) — One of the nation's most prestigious scientific bodies on Thursday disputed claims that reckless experiments by one of its members killed hundreds of South American Indians.

The claims are contained in the book "Darkness in El Dorado," published this month by W.W. Norton & Co. The author, anthropologist and journalist Patrick Tierney, charges that U.S. scientists inoculated thousands of Yanomami Indians in 1968 with a dangerous measles vaccine that sparked a deadly epidemic.

In a statement Thursday, the National Academy of Sciences said the book contains multiple factual errors and misstatements.

"Although 'Darkness in El Dorado' gives the appearance of being well-researched, in many instances the author's conclusions are either contradicted or not supported by the references he cites," the academy said.

Last month, an Associated Press article raised similar issues and cited several epidemiologists who said the vaccine given to the Yanomami by University of Michigan geneticist James Neel and his colleagues was proven safe and could not have transmitted measles.

Neel, who died in February, was elected to the National Academy of Sciences in 1963. "Darkness in El Dorado" disparages him as a controversial figure "whose eugenic views made him a pariah outside his own specialty."

In reality, Neel was a highly respected scientist and well-loved by his colleagues, sai Ken Fulton, executive director of membership for the academy.

"It seemed only right to defend him when he couldn't defend himself," Fulton said.

Reached in Venezuela, Tierney disagreed vehemently with the National Academy of Sciences statement.

"I feel it's a gross misrepresentation of what I say in my book," Tierney said.

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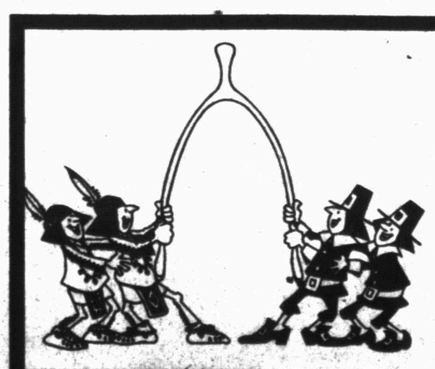
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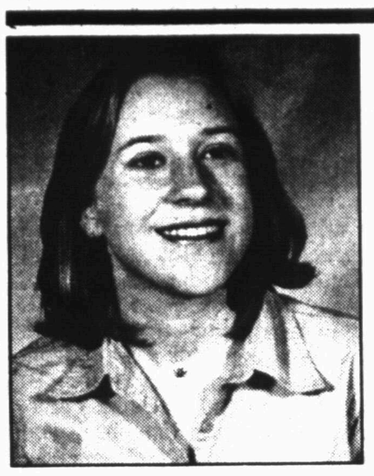
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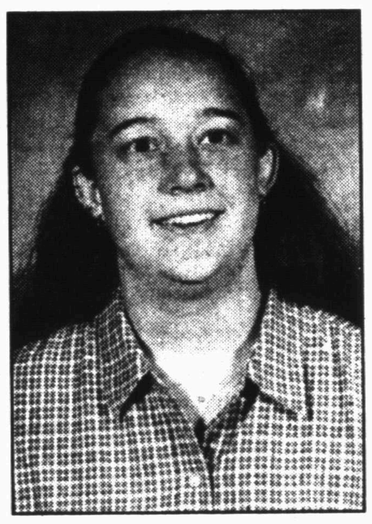


Lynn Fogleman

Fogleman in Who's Who

Lynn Fogleman, a junior at Snyder High School, is featured in the 34th edition of "Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1999-2000.

She is the daughter of Thomas and Kem Fogleman of Snyder and the granddaughter of Burl and Lane Moffett of Throckmorton and Rayford and Shirley Fogleman of Teague.



Kayla Phillips

Phillips in Who's Who

Kayla Phillips, a senior at Snyder High School, has received the Multiple Year Award recognition from "Who's Who Among American High School Students." Her third biography will be published in the 1999-2000 edition.

During her school years, Kayla has been an active member of the National Honor Society, Student Council, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and class officer. She is also the manager of the Lady Tigers Basketball team.

Kayla is the daughter of Al and Debbie Phillips of Snyder. Her grandparents are Richard and Peggy Payne and Anson and Billie Phillips of Lubbock.

Writers guild seeks poems, limmericks

The Mesquite Country Writers Guild is seeking original poems and limmericks (3) to be published in the Jan.-March issue of "Bards of a Feather." The deadline is Wednesday. All submissions should be mailed to MCWG, 9221 S. Hwy 208, Hermleigh, Tex. 79526 or e-mailed to dade@bigcountry.net.

To establish camp

0CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — The legendary Petty racing family plans to establish a camp for chronically ill children in memory of their youngest member, Adam, who was killed in a crash.

The Victory Junction Gang Camp will be the seventh member of the Hole in the Wall Gang Camps founded by actor Paul Newman. It will be built on land owned by stock car king Richard Petty.

"Children suffering from long-term childhood diseases just don't get to experience life and childhood the way other children do," said Pattie Huffman Petty, Adam's mother and co-founder of the camp near Level Cross, N.C. "Chronic illness means you can't share in something many other children do all the time."

Adam Petty died at New Hampshire International Speedway in May.

The camps provide children with chronic or terminal diseases a weeklong haven to ride horses, swim, paddle canoes or perform on a stage.

Arizona governor calls special meet to cut subsidies

PHOENIX (AP) — Gov. Jane Hull is urging the state to backtrack on a deal offering subsidies to motorists who drive alternative-fuel vehicles, now that costs of the program are spiraling out of control.

"The bottom line on this whole process is we cannot let this state hemorrhage money. We cannot let this go on," Hull said Thursday as she called the Legislature into special session beginning Monday.

Hull outlined a plan to revamp the program, which had offered tax credits to residents who bought vehicles using so-called clean fuels like natural gas, propane or electricity, or who converted conventional vehicles to use such fuels.

She could not immediately say how much her proposals — designed to close loopholes in the program, which proved more popular than anyone imagined — would save. The latest estimates show the program will cost taxpayers $483 million.

Her proposed legislation includes tax credits only for vehicles in-state as of Thursday, and reimbursements for people who cancel vehicle orders and lose deposits and similar out-of-pocket expenses.

The program had been on the books buf drew little attention until April, when lawmakers added incentives designed to encourage motorists to take part.

Under the sweetened deal, residents were to get lump-sum tax refunds equal to about half the price of a new vehicle. Many orders were placed for expensive sport utility vehicles and large pickups.

In September, state leaders learned the cost of the program, originally estimated as low as $3 million, was skyrocketing. The Legislature suspended it on Oct. 20, meaning vehicles bought or converted after that date were not eligible for subsidies.

Under Hull's plan, tax credits would be paid out with interest over 10 years — not as a lump sum — and credits based on a vehicle's purchase price would not include televisions or other add-ons "that do not improve air quality."

Additionally, taxpayers claiming credits must prove that the vehicles primarily use an alternative fuel — not regular gasoline — and that the vehicle is driven chiefly in Arizona.

Hull said her plan would slash the program's costs, but that reliable numbers will not be available until next week.

A total of $40 million would be set aside for reimbursements for canceled car and truck orders.

State Attorney General Janet Napolitano said Hull's retroactive changes would be legal because they would be made in the same tax year as the changes that made the program more generous.

"Those people will not be able to claim anything against the state," Napolitano said of the possibility of lawsuits by people denied the subsidies they expected.

Chuck Coughlin, a lobbyist for alternative-fuel vehicle dealerships and conversion shops, said his clients were reviewing the plan and had no immediate comment.

Caelen Armijo, training manager at a Toyota dealership in Phoenix, said he knows of salesmen at other shops who have not been paid for alternative-fuel vehicles they sold.

Tenured scholar won't be fired

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — The Institute for Advanced Study, which fostered work by the likes of Albert Einstein and J. Robert Oppenheimer, has abandoned efforts to oust a tenured professor it accused of failing to uphold the institution's high standards.

Dutch astrophysicist Piet Hut, who has been at the Princeton institute since 1985, said Thursday that he expects his work to continue there as usual. He said, however, that the lawsuit irreparably damaged his reputation.

"It is the worst thing that can happen to somebody in academia, to have your reputation smeared," he said. "It can never be brought back as if nothing happened. People will always remember that there were problems."

News of the institute's decision was posted on its Web site Wednesday and said: "Although the institute continues to believe in the validity of its position, in the end its desire to resolve the legal question is far outweighed by its commitment to preserve the institute's highly productive scholarly environment for the benefit of all who are, and will be in future, members of the institute community."

A telephone call placed Thursday afternoon to an attorney for the institute was not immediately returned.

Hut was earning $140,000 a year when his salary was frozen four years ago. The institute said that Hut had agreed to find another job within five years and that it had freed him of any obligations in the meantime. It said Hut is the first academician to fall short of its standards.

The institute, founded in 1930 to increase scholarship across a range of academic fields, has been home to more than a dozen Nobel laureates.

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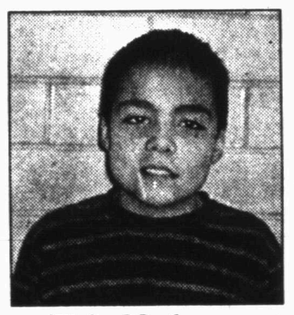
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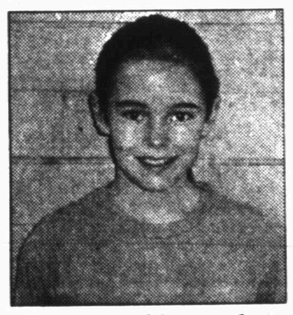
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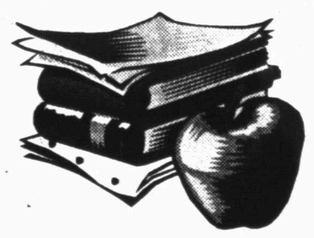
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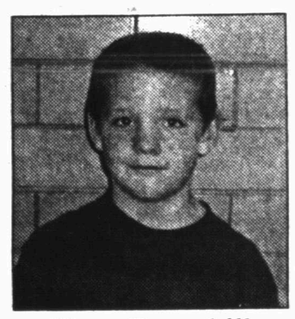


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Letters to the editor

Vote for Collier is for Jackson

Dear Editor:

The votes have spoken. Everyone knew that when they voted for Sheriff Collier it was a vote for Sheriff Jackson.

In reference to the statement made by Judge Fritz, when a vacant position exists they will appoint someone to fill that position, then advertise for people to be interviewed to be selected for the position. That normally takes place if someone in office dies or resigns, but in this case nobody died or resigned.

They seem to be ready to spend a lot of taxpayers' money while trying to override the will of the people. Sheriff Jackson has earned a well deserved second full four-year term.

The people of Scurry County and Sheriff Jackson are being held hostage while a heavy Republican Commissioners' Court is trying to prove this is not a democracy.

Help us prove our vote does count. Act now.

Thank you,
Truman L. Wilson

Trick or Treat on the square

Dear Editor:

I would like to express my gratitude to the Snyder Area CADA (Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse) for organizing the trick-or-treating on the square. It was great to see how many merchants participated.

The merchants who supported red ribbon week and gave our children a safe way of gathering Halloween treats will always be given first consideration when I need a product or service.

The lack of interest in the Fourth of July Celebration and White Buffalo Days, along with the cancellation of the Scurry County Fair was very disappointing to me.

I grew up in Snyder and when I returned here with my husband to raise our son, I was very excited that they would see the enthusiastic, involved community I remembered.

Maybe with such a good response to Halloween on the Square, the citizens of Snyder will remember that we need both volunteers and participants to make events like this successful.

I hope we're on the way back to being that tight-knit, involved community where I grew up.

Sincerely,
Wendy Barnett
Snyder



Think Tank By Ben Wattenberg

Comes the evolution!

At about 10 p.m. on election night, I was preparing a column the thrust of which was this: I was wrong, Gore won, but The Evolution is only slowed, not stymied.

By 2 a.m., when Florida was called for Bush, I changed the beginning of the column: Bush won, and the Evolution will proceed, slowly.

I write this as the Florida results are being recounted. As I understand it, Bush is the more likely victor there, so we'll use my second opening.

The Republicans, with the help of some Democratic moderates, will move The Evolution ahead. And that offers them — thanks to some luck, which can be utilized by the deserving — the opportunity to capture the long-awaited and possibly ephemeral political prize: The Great Realignment. That could yield for the Republicans in the first third of the 21st century what the Democrats had in the middle third of the 20th century: political dominance.

That's a lot of capital letters. Let me explain quickly, lest Florida goes the other way before I finish.

The Evolution is sometimes mistakenly called "a move to the right." In fact, it concerns the further extension of liberty in America, both economic and social. On the economic side, it includes the drive toward a more market-driven economy, de-regulation, free trade, broader stock ownership and much more. On the social side, it involves more tolerance, more choice in education, with a continued recriminalization of criminality, so that greater tolerance can take hold, unafraid.

The Republicans will "control" virtually the whole edifice of federal and state government. They have a solid lead among the state governors, the folks who set the Bush candidacy in motion. They have barely retained the House, but this is the fourth straight time and that no longer looks accidental. Through the tie-breaking vote in the Senate of Vice President Richard Cheney, the Republicans will organize that body, from where it can confirm Bush's Supreme Court nominations — if they are moderates. Even the state legislatures, which not long ago were solidly Democratic, are very close now. The new re-apportionment that will follow the announcement of Census 2000 results should give the Republicans some further help.

So, George W. Bush and his party are now accountable for the whole government. Bush said he could bring Republicans and Democrats together to do the country's business. Your serve, Governor.

But will he have a mandate to act? My dear friend and sometimes co-author Richard M. Scammon worked as a political analyst with the 1960 presidential campaign of John F. Kennedy. JFK won by the thinnest of margins. After the election, Kennedy and some political advisers met, Scammon among them, and discussed the moment. One aide asked the president-elect, "But what about the mandate?" To which Kennedy replied (according to Scammon), "Mandate schmandate; I'm here, he's there..."

Yes, the president has 100 percent of the executive power even when he wins with 49 percent of the vote.

Bush's test will be to show that The Evolution is healthy, unthreatening and realistic. The partial privatization of Social Security is a case in point. It can be the greatest anti-poverty program since what? —since most anything. It helps poorer people most, giving them what their economic betters have always had: accrued wealth (not just income). The workers of the world will finally own the means of production! (I overstate, but not by much.)

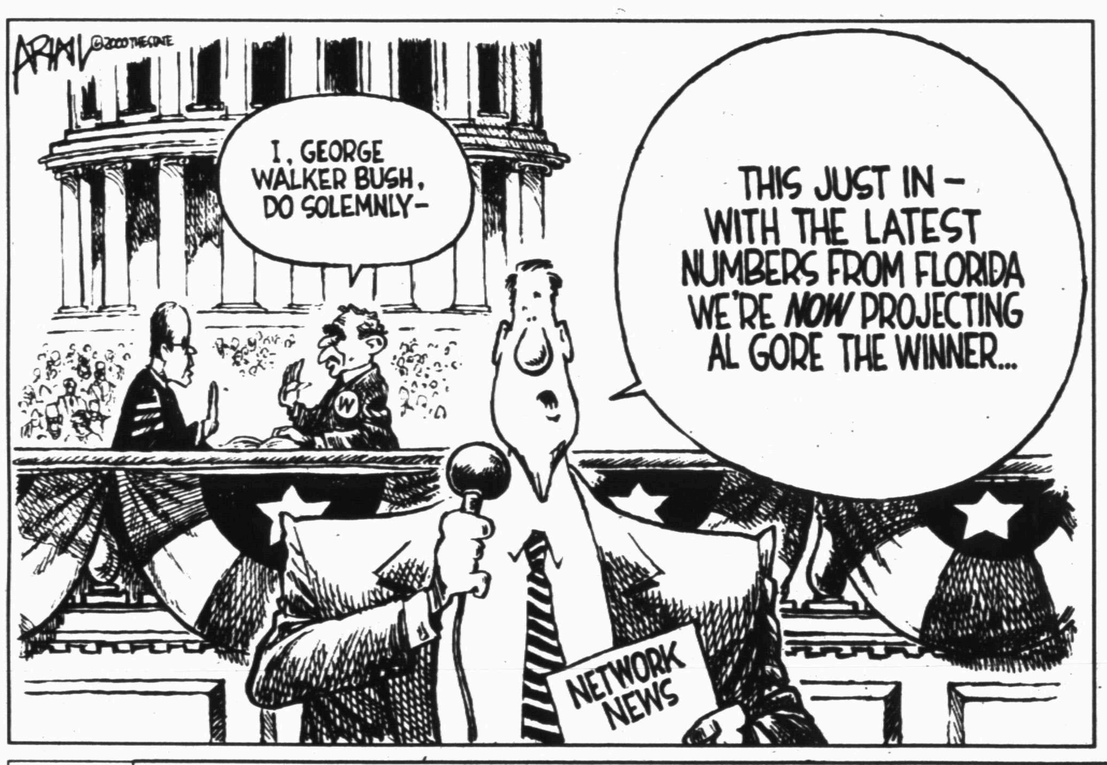
Similarly, some small federal school voucher programs, and some larger state ones, will yield more liberty to parents and children, particularly poor ones.

Interestingly, were Gore to be elected, it would take longer, but the direction on these matters would likely be the same. There will be a 21st century opportunity society. (And it's going to be damned good, no matter which party harnesses the beast.)

The election can offer something else, big, to Democrats. The vaunted "economic modelers" in their academic nests were wrong, dead wrong. The economy does not determine national elections. Period. This is more than just a silly academic debate. Many liberal Democrats have chosen to believe it, at their peril. They think they can do most anything, stand for most anything, provided the economy grows. That may have been true in the middle third of the 20th century. It will not be true in the first third of the 21st. Recent Wall Street Journal polling, for example, shows conclusively that even in a time of robust economic growth, Americans say that moral and social values trump economics.

Let good feeling reign. It's a hell of a process. I will forget about Gore's scabrous statements in black churches over the final weekend, if Gore supporters loosen up and give the new guy a chance. And so I close, lest Florida shift again.

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North of Forty By Red Green

Come out of the closet

I'm having a problem with my closet these days. It's full of clothes that I never wear. I spent an hour or so looking at the situation, trying to figure out what went wrong, and it seems to be a combination of factors.

First of all, there are the clothes that my wife has bought for me. These tend to be at the stylish, suave, Euro-dork end of the spectrum and are always bought when she's been to a movie or read a romance novel and has forgotten what I look like.

Then there are the clothes that I bought while shopping with my wife. These purchases are always made in a hurry, without trying anything on, and for the sole purpose of satisfying her and getting out of the store as quickly as possible.

Then we have a small group of clothes that actually fit me but I refuse to wear because they're made for a much fatter, older man.

That leaves us with the clothes that I actually do wear, and they're all at least 10 years old. They tend to be a little tight, and I have to suck my stomach in so hard that I sometimes get back spasms. But I hate to throw them out because guys like me prefer a wardrobe that's been lived in.

So instead, I have a plan. All I need to do is meet a guy my age who's my height but 10 pounds heavier than me. I'll throw out everything I have now and buy all of his old clothes.

CARS OF THE FUTURE

I'm looking to buy a new car in the near future, and it's turning into a real life moment for me. I've started to realize that since they're making cars that last 10 years, I won't need a whole lot more of them. That changes everything.

That means that I'd better make sure I get a car that I feel good about. I don't want to end my days in a Yugo. No, I'm thinking I'd better get that sports car I've always wanted. The clock is ticking here. So I went looking at Corvettes and Vipers, that kind of thing. I noticed the salesman trying to look away as I struggled for a full five minutes to get into the vehicle. But that was like an eyeblink compared to the time it took me to get out.

And while I was in there, about three inches off the ground in the prone position, I didn't look like a macho racer at the Indy 500. I looked like an old guy on a stretcher. People would think I was driving my grandson's car. And on the self-preservation level, bad things happen when reflexes like mine are going 150 miles an hour.

I'm calling the salesman today and ordering a small gutless sedan with plastic doors and airbags. Please don't say "You are what you drive."

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— While the policeman is writing out the ticket

— When your Minister asks if you know any good jokes

— While you're at your in-laws' house sitting at the dining room table staring at the contents of your dinner plate

— When the boss asks how you like his haircut

— When your wife says, "What's your problem?"

FORGIVE AND FORGET

I've always had difficulty with the phrase "Forgive and forget." I think it's a great ideal, but it's one of those phrases like "I promise I'll respect you in the morning." It seldom happens.

I'm just not spiritually evolved enough to forgive and forget. I was feeling bad about that until I realized that it's not really necessary to forgive and forget. All you have to do is forget. If you can forget that somebody did something, that's good enough. You don't have to forgive them. You have no idea what you'd even be forgiving them for.

This has given me new hope. Forgiving has always been difficult, but forgetting is something I just seem to get better and better at.

Quote of the Day: "If you smile at everyone you meet, they will eventually suspect you of something." — Red Green

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

The Dallas Morning News

Archer, Moynihan elevated political life

When Bill Archer and Daniel Patrick Moynihan came to Congress in the 1970s, politics was practiced differently. Leaders had sharp, pointed disagreements. But blood rarely flowed in the halls.

That equation has changed. Today, both houses of Congress have many fierce believers who fail to separate ideas from individuals. They prefer to turn their philosophical opponents into demons and escalate political disagreements into personal antagonisms.

The modern approach contrasts sharply with the politics practiced over the last 30 years by Rep. Archer, a Texas Republican, and Sen. Moynihan, a New York Democrat. Those two legislators, who will retire this winter, forcefully championed their ideas in Congress and on talk shows. And they often were persistent to the point of being stubborn. But the conservative Mr. Archer and the more centrist Mr. Moynihan also restrained themselves. Rarely did they descend into politics as personal warfare. The House and Senate where they respectively served will miss that example.

A former Democrat, Rep. Archer's congressional career started when he was elected in 1970 to take George Bush's Houston congressional seat. The former state senator eventually rose to chair the powerful House Ways and Means Committee. He used his leadership post to balance the budget, overhaul welfare, reform the Internal Revenue Service and lower taxes.

The soft-spoken congressman will retire without realizing his dream of a national sales tax, or seeing Social Security transformed so workers can invest some of their contributions in stocks and bonds. Still, he can proudly depart knowing that he played a quiet, effective role in the U.S. House.

Mr. Moynihan also once led the Senate's powerful Finance Committee. But his greatest service in the Senate over the last 24 years has been that of a public intellectual.

Victoria Advocate

Feds play shell game with surplus

The federal government's game of hoodwinking taxpayers with the pretense of building up huge surpluses that politicians say will save Social Security and produce other wonders must cease.

The myth credits the current economic boom with producing surpluses that will soar past $3 trillion — yes, $3 trillion — by 2009 in the Social Security trust fund.

The presidential campaign is full of plans for how to spend or otherwise dispose of all this money. The trouble is: The surplus is fictitious. It does not exist. It will not be there to pay future Social Security benefits or relieve overburdened taxpayers or strengthen the military or much of anything else.

The source of the alleged surplus is the federal government's cooking of the books, which if it were done by a private citizen would land him in jail.

The scheme is complicated enough to give a headache to the average taxpayer. It centers around the 12.4 percent FICA payroll taxes that go into the payment of Social Security checks to some 40 million beneficiaries, with about 25 percent of the amount collected left over. This money is poured into the general fund along with other tax monies that, like the FICA funds, were supposed to be saved for their original purposes but are now available for current spending.

Under the unified budget system, the dollars are replaced by unmarketable treasury bonds, essentially IOUs, while the government spends, in many cases lavishes, the real money on day-to-day expenses. The IOUs are then counted toward the trust fund surplus.

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Aging rail lines

Although the Union Pacific Railroad disputes a contention by the Texas Railroad Commission that the UP's rail from Arlington to Fort Worth is worn out, if there's error to be made, it should be made on the side of caution.

The rail currently consists of two main lines running from Fort Worth to Dallas through the heart of Arlington and Grand Prairie, with maximum speeds of 60 mph for freight and 70 mph for passenger traffic. One set of rails was replaced 41 years ago, the other 35 years ago.

Concern increases with the realization that the Union Pacific routinely ships chemicals such as propane, anhydrous ammonia, sulfuric acid, chlorine and other potentially dangerous substances along the route. A derailment involving chemicals might well be calamitous.

Although derailments along the Arlington-Fort Worth section have been few — one in the 1800s and apparently only two in the 1900s — the most recent involved the derailment of an Amtrak train in Arlington on Dec. 20, 1998. The Amtrak at the time was only traveling 38 mph. Nevertheless, 28 people were injured.

That event alone would be cause for fretting, but state inspectors also recently walked the Fort Worth-to-Arlington track, finding 162 defects including defective railroad ties and broken joint bars. Joint bars connect sections of rail.

Union Pacific reportedly has repaired the problems, but state inspectors now contend that the lines are simply reaching their life expectancy and need to be replaced.

And although such repairs definitely would make a dent in the Union Pacific bottom line, there's also the harsh reality of what a serious derailment could mean in the midst of the crowded Metroplex.

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One for the whistle-blowers

It was a cloak-and-dagger drama, a spy special, but you might have missed the ending to this political saga over the weekend. A presidential campaign, after all, fueled the competition for news.

The mission began in Washington, in the intelligence authorization bill to set spending for the CIA, the National Security Agency and other intelligence activities. Tucked into the bill was a provision taking a hammer to would-be whistle-blowers. It established a restrictive mode of operation akin to an official secrets act such as Britain's.

The provision created a felony punishable by a fine and up to three years in prison for active or retired government officials or employees to willfully disclose "classified information" to people they knew were unauthorized to receive it. The bill permitted the executive branch to broaden the definition of classified information in order to initiate a leak investigation.

News organizations jumped into action. CNN, The Washington Post, The New York Times, the Newspaper Association of America, the American Society of Newspaper Editors and the Radio-Television News Directors Association urged President Clinton to veto the bill. Other critics included a coalition of opponents in Congress, librarians, historians and civil liberties groups.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



It's for your benefit that earnings history is correct

DEAR ABBY: I recently received a Social Security statement of earnings, going back to the beginning of my work history in 1958. When I read it, I realized that one employer never reported my earnings during the four years I worked for him at two different companies. He told me it made no difference because Social Security uses only the last eight quarters to determine what would be available when I retire. Wrong!

I contacted Social Security and told them there was a mistake in my statement. (Luckily I had not thrown out any of my 1040s or W-2s.) They advised me how to correct the statement of earnings, and within two weeks I received a correction.

My advice to everyone who is employed: Save all your 1040s and W-2s, and check the statement you receive from Social Security to be certain all your income was reported. — **ANNETTE M. ZELKO, WEST CLARKSVILLE, N.Y.**

DEAR ANNETTE: This year the Social Security Administration (SSA) has begun sending annual statements to workers age 25 and over who are not currently receiving benefits. These statements include the worker's Social Security-covered earnings history and estimates of future benefits.

Although there was a time when only certain work quarters were considered in determining benefits, the rules have changed, so it is important to be certain your statements are a true reflection of your earnings and the taxes withheld for Social Security. It's easier to correct errors when they are fresh and you have the forms to prove your earnings. For more information, call (800) 772-1213 or visit www.ssa.gov.

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DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Pamela in Slidell, La.," who was upset about parents in her neighborhood allowing toddlers to play in the street, prompts me to write about my mother's experience with a young, supervised child — me. When I was 4, we were going to the barber shop for my haircut. I was riding my tricycle; my mother was pushing my baby brother in a pram. We were on the sidewalk and came to a short driveway, when I thoughtlessly pedaled down it and straight into the path of a pickup truck. The elderly man who was driving couldn't stop in time. He hit me and both my legs were broken! The driver was devastated. I'm told he came to the hospital every day to see me. He told my parents he would never drive again.

The point being: Even SUPERVISED children can get hurt. A neighborhood street is never a place for small children to play. Too many things can go wrong. What happened to me occurred 54 years ago, when there were fewer vehicles on the roads, and even fewer teen-agers with their own cars racing up and down the streets. Those parents in Pamela's neighborhood would be sick and angry if one of those children were hurt — even if it wasn't their fault.

I hope this letter isn't too long. I just had to comment. — **DOUGLAS M. PHILLIPS, FORT MYERS, FLA.**

DEAR DOUGLAS: Too long? It's just the right length if it causes just one preoccupied parent to take a moment to see what his or her unsupervised child is doing.

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Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

DEAR ABBY: I am 18 and have been seeing a 21-year-old college man for the past two years. Both of us were the products of teen-age marriages. Our parents met in high school, married shortly thereafter, and had children in their 20s. Our parents are happy and have stayed together. However, both sets of parents have tried to "warn" us not to be tied down so young; that we should have more experience before selecting a mate. It's like they are saying, "Don't do what we did."

My boyfriend and I have discussed this and decided we're very happy together. I don't see the point in playing the field when I am already with the man I wholeheartedly love and enjoy.

Are our parents bestowing their wisdom upon us — or are they voicing midlife regret? — **DONE SHOPPING**

DEAR DONE SHOPPING: Probably a little of both. Your parents are also conveying an important message. People grow and change as they mature. What attracts someone as a teen-ager may not seem as important at 35. That's why I advise couples to wait until they have completed their educations and are self-supporting before they marry.

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DEAR ABBY: I am 14 years old and looking for a girlfriend. I can wash up — dress up — but when it comes to asking a girl out, I choke up.

When I see a girl, I turn red and run the other way. What should I do? — **FEELING BLUE IN SOUTH DAKOTA**

DEAR FEELING BLUE: Most people your age feel awkward asking for that "first date," so forget about it for a while. You've placed too great an importance on "dating" and psyched yourself out.

Get involved in clubs or activities that appeal to both sexes. Learn to be part of a group of friends. Start making casual conversations with girls you like. Examples: Talk about the weather, a recent news event, a classroom assignment, or a new movie opening this weekend. Maybe she and others would like to see it, too.

If she doesn't want to go — or has other plans — don't take it personally. Ask another girl. Suggest some other activity. Soon you will be part of a group, feeling more comfortable and less shy.

Then, when you want a date for a school dance or sporting event, you'll naturally ask someone you've gotten to know, and you won't turn red and run away again. Trust me.

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DEAR ABBY: The other night I went out alone to eat at a national seafood chain restaurant. I took along my newspaper, and as I sat there reading, with my paper spread out across the table, it occurred to me that what I was doing might be considered bad manners.

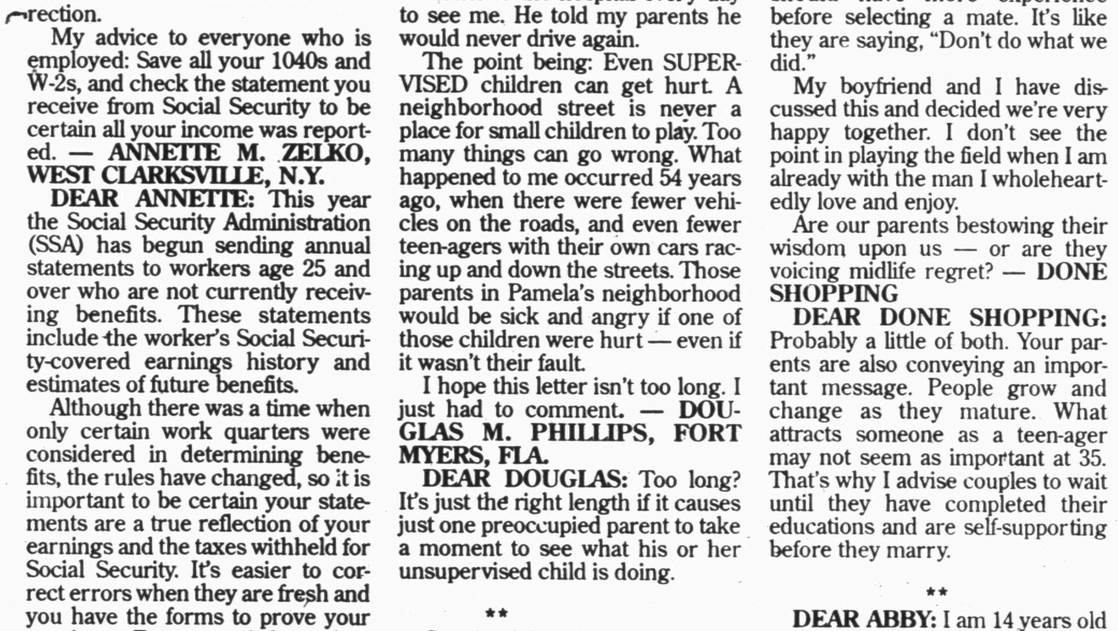
I'm pretty sure that reading a newspaper at the table in a diner or fast-food restaurant is permissible. But how about at an upscale restaurant? Can I read Dear Abby anywhere? — **WILLIAM IN GLENDALE, CALIF.**

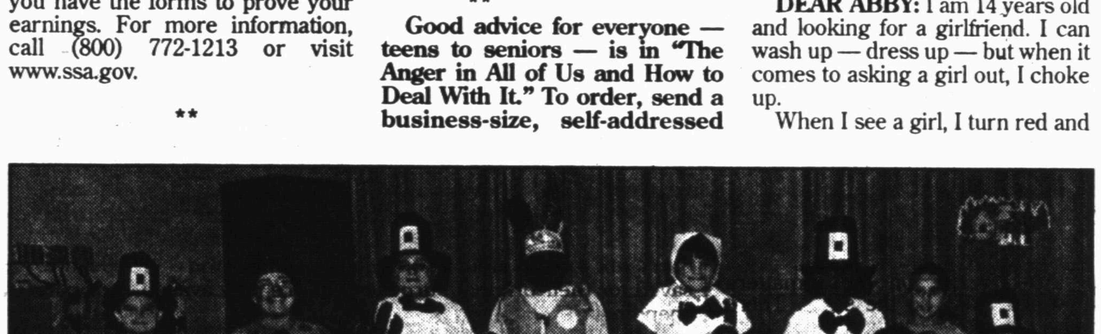
DEAR WILLIAM: As far as I'm concerned, you may read my column anywhere, anytime — and I'll defend to the end your right to do it. However, sometimes it's not what you say or what you do, but how you do it. If you're eating alone in an upscale restaurant, instead of spreading the newspaper like a blanket over the tablecloth, fold it neatly and enjoy it. That way there will be fewer smudges from the newsprint — and no dirty looks coming your way.

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WE ARE THANKFUL — June Holcomb's and Paula Bowden's classes at Central Elementary recently presented "We Are Thankful." Holcomb's students (top photo) are from left, back row, Matthew Velasquez, Alex Yruegas, Jose Lopez, Bradley Emerson, Brailee Sanchez, T.J. Williams, Chelcea Roemisch; middle row, Kelcey Stafford, LaTekka Richardson, Dillard Almanza, Janie Ornelas, Paige Tovar, Autumn Castillo, Monique Torres, Lee McGinty; front row, Junior Castro, Lindsey Urias, Seth Naizer, Nan'kta Davis, Brodie Calley, Evian Olvera. Bowden's students (bottom photo) back row, Juan Estrada, Toby Lopez, Tosha McGlouthin, Hayden Chandler, Avery Ware, Marissa Jackson, Jonathan Verduzco, Kelly Martinez; middle row, Gina Guerrero, Justin Rivera, Cassie Cochran, John Wilson, Mallory Silva, Josie Ornelas, Colton Lane; bottom row, Dylan Carrizales, Yvette Hernandez, Branden Porter, Micayla Redman, Justin Knoche, Monica Escareno. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)

Cache of largely unknown Cassatts on display in Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — A century-old collection of 204 artworks by the American Impressionist Mary Cassatt is almost literally seeing the light of day for the first time.

Cassatt, considered one of the most important artists of the 19th century, sold the drawings, prints and etchings to a Paris art dealer early in the 1900s. They have been in private hands ever since.

Houston's Meredith Long & Co. and New York's Adelson Galleries began exhibiting the pieces for the first time Friday and are offering them for sale at prices ranging from about $5,000 to $600,000.

"These are so pure. It's as if they haven't even been out of the studio," said Barry Walker, curator of prints and drawings for the Museum of Fine Arts in Houston.

Most of the pieces are drawings and prints. Though the works are roughly 100 years old, the white paper has retained its brightness, and the colors remain rich.

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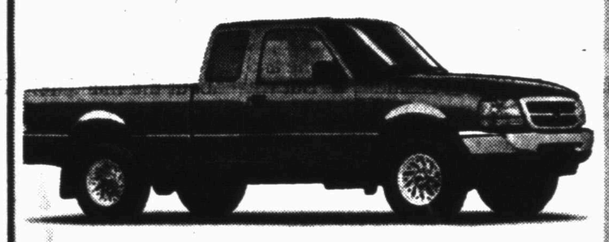
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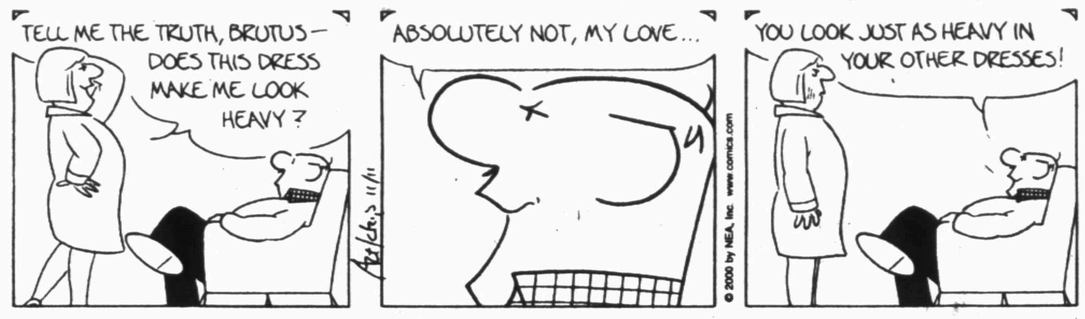
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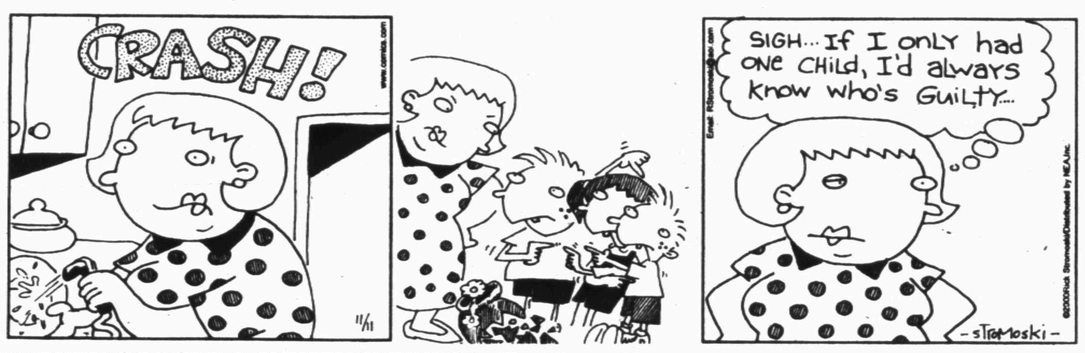
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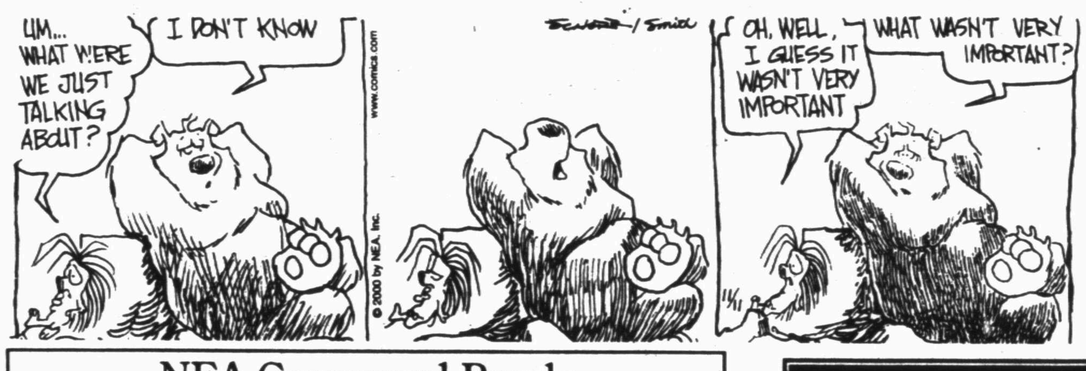
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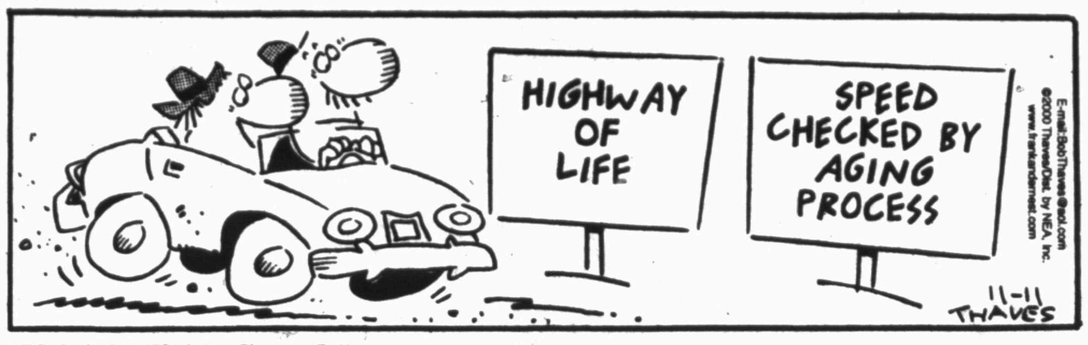
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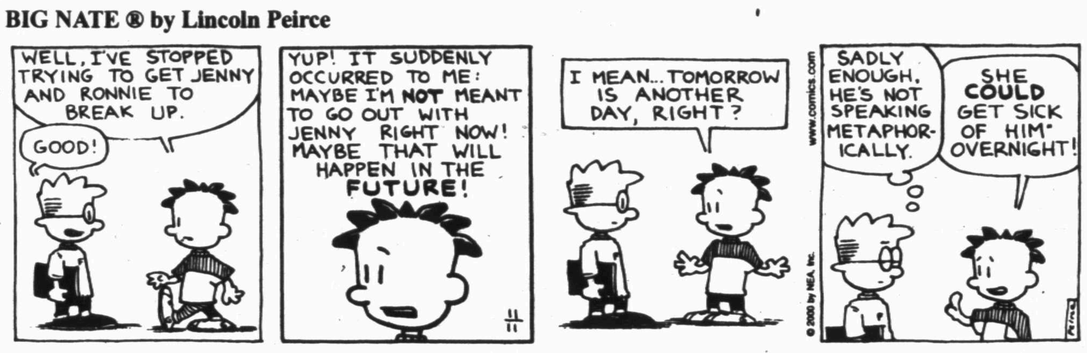
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1 More gentle
7 Pope's representative
13 Piece of pasta
14 Exit
15 Make precious
16 Moby Dick and kin
17 Type of curve
18 "Mod" finish
20 Meadow
21 Viscera (sl.)
25 She has "will" power
28 Picture puzzle
32 Author Joyce Carol —
33 Conference site, 1945
34 Publish
35 Princeton vines
36 Cow's name
37 Aromatic substance often burned in a holder
39 Bishop's symbol of office
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54 Bacall or Hutton
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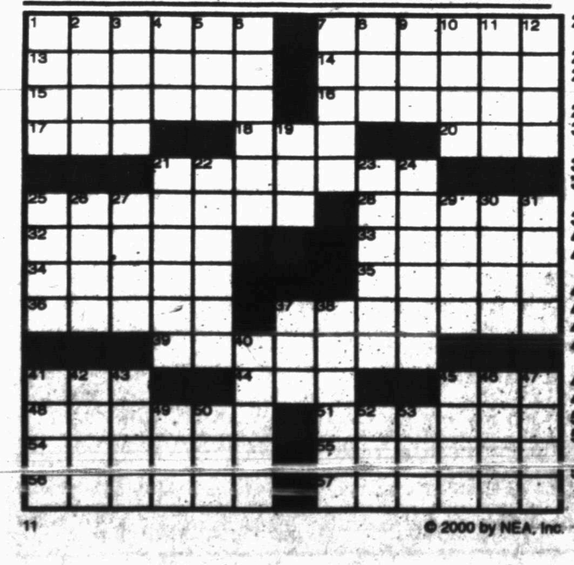
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5 Guido's high note
6 Many summer TV shows
7 More recent
8 "Yucky!"
9 Gun grp.
10 Con's "room"
11 "Got it!" (2 wds.)
12 Greek peak
19 — Vegas
21 Peaceful
22 Homesteader
23 It keeps food cold (2 wds.)
24 Baseballer Tom —
25 Clinton's birthplace
26 Nobleman
27 "How sweet — —"
29 Thin pancake
30 Southwestern Indians
31 Writer's encl.
37 "Rose — — rose"
38 Bit
40 Unlocks
41 Between Tex. and Ark.
42 Harvest
43 Needle case
45 Individuals
46 Comedian Jay —
47 First garden
49 Whale
50 Once named
52 Busy — — bee
53 Doctrine

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RED RIBBON WINNERS — West Elementary School recently celebrated Red Ribbon Week with several activities. The primary grades had a coloring contest and sixth graders participated in an essay contest, "Why I Should Be Drug Free." T-shirts were presented to the top six in both events. The entire campus decorated classroom doors with "drug free" slogans. Four classes were awarded Coke float parties. They include Sheryll Reed, Jo Ann Williams, Esther Clarady and Shilla Kinney. CADA representatives judged the door contest. Essay winners include (top photo) from left, Shannon Mangis, Brianna Bernal, Ricky Sanchez, Whitley Fulford, Chelsey Drummond, Ami Foreman. Coloring contest winners (bottom photo) from left, Jonnie Porter, Reid Pinson, Robbie Rinehart, Kyle Kirby, Morgan DeLoera. (Contributed Photos)

Bernard Shaw will leave CNN in 2001

NEW YORK (AP) — Bernard Shaw, chief anchorman for most major stories during CNN's 20-year history, told The Associated Press on Friday he will leave the network early next year to write books and spend more time with his family.

Shaw, 60, said he planned to tell viewers about his decision Friday at the end of "Inside Politics," the daily show he anchors with Judy Woodruff.

Along with Larry King and Christiane Amanpour, Shaw is the most visible face on the cable news network. He's been there since the beginning, leaving a job as reporter for ABC News to join CNN in 1980 when it was an idea, not a network.

"Harder than entering this business is leaving it and leaving CNN," he said. "But you know, some roses are so fragrant. And as a gardener, I want to grow and smell them more, when I'm not writing."

Shaw's reports from Baghdad at the beginning of the Gulf War in 1991, with bombs bursting outside his hotel window, were arguably the pivotal moment in establishing CNN as a network many Americans turn to during major stories.

He was the last of the remaining chief on-air reporters with CNN at that pivotal moment. Peter Arnett left CNN under a cloud after the retracted Tailwind story, which accused the U.S. military of using nerve gas on Vietnam War-era defectors, and John Holliman died in a car crash in 1998.

As a moderator of a 1988 presidential debate between George Bush and Michael Dukakis, Shaw grabbed headlines with his opening question: "Governor, if Kitty Dukakis were raped and murdered, would you favor an irrevocable death penalty for the killer?" Dukakis' unemotional response was widely criticized.

Shaw said later the question "will follow me to my grave."

Shaw will leave when his contract expires Feb. 28, 2001. He said he may be enticed into occasional on-air work, and network founder Ted Turner said Shaw "will always have a home at CNN."

"Bernie Shaw is one of a handful of CNN 'founders' who helped take 24-hour news from an exciting concept 20 years ago to a fact of life for one billion people around the globe today," Turner said.

Many of his colleagues "thought I was crazy" for leaving ABC to work at CNN, he said. "I thought it was the last frontier in network television news."

He grew up in Chicago and wanted to be a journalist since he was 13. Shaw set a goal of working for CBS News by age 30, and missed it by a year. He was a CBS correspondent in Washington from 1971 to 1977 before leaving for ABC.

"Bernie brought credibility," said Tom Johnson, chairman and CEO of the CNN News Group. "He brought a reputation for journalistic independence. He demonstrated that we were quite serious about providing an authentic news service, one that would be highly respected in the U.S. and in the profession."

CBS anchor Dan Rather, who once worked with Shaw in the CBS Washington bureau, called him "one of the all-time great pros."

Condors to be set free in 'Canyon'

PHOENIX (AP) — More California condors are scheduled to be released over the Grand Canyon in an effort to triple the population of the bird that was rescued from the brink of extinction in the late 1980s.

Fifteen of the giant birds already soar over the canyon cliffs as part of a reintroduction program that raises the birds in captivity and releases them into the wild. Thirteen more are scheduled to be released by late next month.

Ultimately, biologists hope to have a population of 150 condors in the Arizona wilds along with 150 more off California's mountainous northern coast and 150 others in captivity.

"Maybe in 10 to 20 years. That is the goal," Jeff Cilek, vice president for the Idaho-based Peregrine Fund that is heading the condor reintroduction program, said Thursday.

If reached, that goal would almost triple the current condor count of 164, which includes 40 in the wild, plus 124 in breeding facilities in California and Idaho.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has assisted the federally funded reintroduction program since 1987, when just 27 California condors existed.

North America's largest flying bird with a 10-foot wingspan, the vulture-like scavenger was once abundant from Texas to British Columbia.

But by 1849, miners in the California gold rush discovered that condor quills — light, hollow and nearly half an inch in diameter — were ideal containers for gold dust.

The birds also were shot because they preyed on hunters' kills, and still more died when they ingested shotgun pellets and got lead poisoning or flew into high-tension electrical wires.

By 1924, there were no wild condors left outside California. It was named an endangered species in 1967.

The Peregrine Fund, a nonprofit conservation group that helped save the peregrine falcon in the 1970s, started the condor reintroduction program in 1996. The first birds were released from captivity into the wild from the towering Vermilion Cliffs, 60 miles northeast of the Grand Canyon.

In November 1998, more condors were released from holding pens atop Hurricane Cliffs near the Arizona-Utah border. The condors were first reintroduced to the California wild, near Big Sur, in 1998.



RECEIVE CERTIFICATES — Joel Nesmith, left, and Billy Adams, right, employees with the Texas Department of Transportation, received five-year service certificates from Bill Hale during a recent supervisors meeting in Abilene. Nesmith is a crew chief in the Scurry County maintenance section and Adams is an engineer technician in the Snyder area office. Hale is the Abilene district engineer. (TxDOT photo by Mary Beth Kilgore)

No retrial for Charles Keating

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Prosecutors reluctantly said Thursday they will not retry financier Charles Keating on state fraud charges in a case that made him a symbol of the savings-and-loan scandals of the 1980s.

Keating remains convicted of some federal charges involving Lincoln Savings and Loan, which collapsed at a cost to taxpayers of $3.4 billion, and its parent, American Continental Corp.

At their request, Superior Court Judge Lance Ito dismissed the case in which Keating was convicted but won a reversal on appeal due to improper jury instructions.

"We take no satisfaction in the request we made today," Deputy District Attorney Bill Hodgman told the judge as the case quietly came to an end.

Hodgman said a conviction would have resulted in no more than a six-month jail sentence. He also said that many witnesses who testified in the 1992 trial overseen by Ito have either died or are in bad health.

The fraud convictions were thrown out because Ito's instructions eight years ago improperly allowed the jury to convict Keating without deciding whether he intended to swindle them.

He planned to celebrate anyway. If the government had left him alone, Keating said outside court, investors "would all be rich."

Investors lost nearly $200 million when American Continental's unsecured "junk" bonds turned out to be worthless. Many investors were elderly Lincoln Savings customers who claimed they were duped.

In separate state and federal trials, prosecutors alleged that Keating looted Lincoln of its assets to prop up American Continental. They claimed that bond buyers were not told of the risky nature of their investments.

Keating was sentenced to 10 years in prison on the original state charges. He was then convicted in the federal case and served nearly five years of a 121/2-year prison sentence before that conviction was reversed on grounds that some jurors learned of his state court conviction and discussed it in the jury room.

Federal prosecutors had said they would retry their case but in 1999 accepted Keating's guilty pleas to three counts of wire fraud and one of bankruptcy fraud in a deal that allowed him to remain free, with no fines or restitution required. Investors won a $1.5 billion judgment against Keating in a civil suit, but his lawyer has said he can't pay it.

The Western Texas College
Scholarship Foundation
Salutes

Jack Smartt

The Jack Smartt Memorial Scholarship fund created a fully endowed scholarship in 1994 through memorial gifts from friends and family members at the time of his death.

Mr. Smartt was a strong supporter of Western Texas College. He was a member and former chairman of the Economic Development Committee and the Board of County Development.

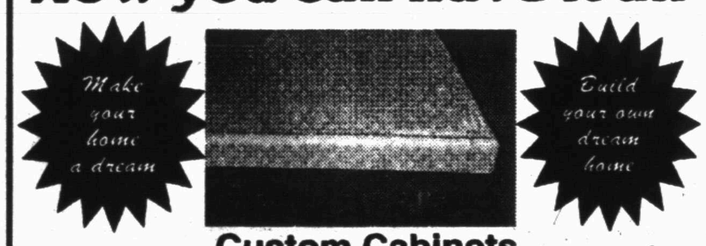
Following years of dedicated support of the United Way, the local chapter established the "Jack Smartt Award" to recognize the individual, business, or organization with the greatest contribution to the United Way each year.

Mr. Smartt worked actively to locate the Price Daniel Unit in Snyder and, in 1989, was the recipient of the Vestal Award for his work in the community.

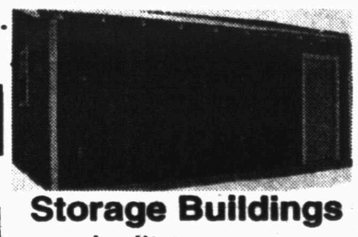
He was also a member of the hospital foundation advisory board and a Rotarian. He retired in 1992 as the manager of TU Electric.

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Is spinach unhealthy?

DEAR DR. BLONZ: A few weeks ago, you wrote an article about nitrates. You said they are found in spinach and deli meats. I've been worrying ever since. I eat spinach in my salad every day. Also, a while ago, I read that it wasn't recommended to eat spinach on a regular basis. Maybe it was because of the nitrates? Spinach is such a good food, and it's recommended in a book I read for my blood type (O). Should I stop eating too much of it? Thank you very much. - **M.H., Nashua N.H.**

Dear M.H.: I apologize if what I wrote frightened you. Spinach is great food. The nitrates found in spinach are not as problematic as the nitrites (notice the different spelling) found in deli meets. The concern is when a nitrate turns into a nitrite and combines with protein to form nitrosoamine. With the deli meats, you have the nitrite and the protein present at the same time in the same food. With spinach, you have the nitrate, but you also have a number of helpful phytochemicals that make the conversion less likely.

As an aside, I must admit that I am not a big proponent of the blood-type approach to dieting. If you are getting good results, that's great, but I have trouble with some of the underlying tenets of this approach.

Stay well.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I am looking for a book on prescription drug/herbal supplement interactions. I heard that St. John's Wort should not be taken by those on heart medication, and people taking ginseng shouldn't also take aspirin — even baby aspirin. I would like to learn more and hope you can help. - **C.M., Los Angeles, Calif.**

Dear C.M.: There has been a veritable explosion of interest in the use of herbs. A downside to increased use is that we will undoubtedly be discovering more potential interactions between herbs, drugs, vitamins and existing health conditions.

Pharmaceutical companies have to research possible drug conflicts before drugs can be approved, but this is not the case with herbs. Although they have been in use for hundreds of years, the are the new kid on the block in terms of potential interactions.

Books as resources provide good background, but they become out of date quickly as new research emerges. There are number of online sources. One at The Natural Pharmacist (www.tnp.com) can be helpful. You should also consult the online pharmacies for data.

There are many books, but few are tailored to consumers. Ones to consider are "A-Z guide to drug-herb-vitamin interactions" from Healthnotes (Prima Publishing), "Herb Contraindications and Drug Interactions" by Francis Brinker (Eclectic Medical Publications), and "The Natural Pharmacist: Drug-Herb-Vitamin Interactions Bible" by D. Kroll, et al (Prima Communications). As I learn of new resources, I will be sure to pass them along.

Be sure to play it safe. Anyone using medication, especially heart medication, should proceed cautiously and not without touching base with his or her physician. Good luck.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I need information about lutein. Recently, 250 micrograms of this compound were added to Centrum Silver capsules. A San Diego health-food store is selling lutein in 20-milligram capsules.

This is 80 times as much! Either one is a megadose, the other is a minuscule token amount, or neither manufacturer has an idea of what is an appropriate dose. Please comment. - **M.J., San Diego, Calif.**

Dear M.J.: Estimates of therapeutic doses for lutein cover a wide range from 6 milligrams per day on up. One recent study used 40 milligrams per day for nine weeks, then shifted to 20 milligrams per day thereafter. Another got results using 20 milligrams per day, and yet another had good results with 30 milligrams of lutein per day. This varying of amounts stems from the fact that this is a relatively new regimen, and it takes many years to identify an effective dose with any precision.

Needless to say, as a therapeutic dose, the amount in Centrum misses the mark. It is unclear whether this level of intake would work as a preventive for people who show no signs of macular degeneration.

Send questions to: "On Nutrition," Ed Blonz, c/o Newspaper Enterprise Association, 200 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. For e-mail, address inquiries to: ed@blonz.com. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

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Hagman writes book

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Is he as evil in real life as oil baron J.R. Ewing of television's "Dallas," or is Larry Hagman's personality closer to that of the lovable astronaut who wooed Barbara Eden in "I Dream of Jeannie"?

We'll just have to wait for the tell-all book to find out.

The industry newspaper Daily Variety reported Thursday that Simon & Schuster editor Michael Korda has landed the rights to "Hello, Darlin': Tall (and Absolutely True) Tales About My Life," that Hagman has promised to write.

The publisher agreed to a "low-six-figure deal," according to the newspaper. Hagman, 69, is writing the book with Us Weekly bureau chief Todd Gold in Los Angeles.

The actor promised the book will touch on his experimentation with the drug LSD, his recent liver transplant and his Harley-Davidson motorcycles, among other things. He plans to support its publication with a traveling stage show based on his life.

Attack exposes racism and police brutality in new SA

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — A videotape showing white police officers setting dogs on three black men, beating them and shouting racial slurs has outraged a nation ashamed of its apartheid past and sharpened debate on the pace of change.

The videotape, broadcast Tuesday on state television, apparently was filmed two years ago by one of the policemen during the attack. The officers said the attack was staged as a training exercise for the dogs. News reports said the officers later showed the tape for entertainment.

South Africans have flooded newspapers with letters expressing outrage, some calling for the death penalty to be reinstated. The story has dominated South Africa's media, even overshadowing the undecided U.S. election.

Although most South Africans have reacted by demanding tough measures to root out police racism, a few wrote newspapers to support the policemen, underlining the deep divisions that remain in post-apartheid South Africa.

"We don't have a lot of time to solve these kind of problems. The event should be dealt with like a national emergency," Abdul Minty, deputy director-general of the Department of Foreign Affairs, told reporters Friday in Pretoria.

The six officers were charged with attempted murder Wednesday and remanded into custody until Nov. 17, when they are scheduled for a bail hearing.

Sally de Beer, a spokeswoman for Police Commissioner Jackie Selebi, said the black men in the attack were accused of being illegal immigrants. The attack took place at a field northeast of Johannesburg, he said.

The videotape showed the officers punching the men when they tried to defend themselves. The bleeding victims, their clothes in tatters from the dog attacks, were then forced to stand in a line as some of the officers hit them.

Now, police aren't releasing any details about the victims.

Zizamele Cebekhulu, president of the Police and Prisoners Civil Rights Union, said racism had been institutionalized in the police service and it is very far from ending.

Although 58 percent of police officers are black, according to official statistics, specialized squads remain largely white, Cebekhulu said.

De Beer said there are several programs to deal with racism in the police force and that Selebi, after seeing the videotape, is considering more.

Since the broadcast, people have complained about police attacking them with dogs.

"The misuse of police dogs seems to be a regular occurrence in some dog units in the country," the Independent Complaints Directorate, which investigates complaints against police, said in a statement Friday. It listed four incidents in which suspects were mauled by dogs dating to May 1999.

Tuesday's broadcast comes four months after two white police officers received suspended jail sentences for beating two black hijacking suspects and setting a dog on them. The British Broadcast Corp. aired footage of that attack last year.

Such brutality still occurs regularly, Cebekhulu said. Amnesty International said Friday it "has continued to receive corroborated evidence ... of the torture and severe ill-treatment of individuals in the custody of law enforcement agents."

On Friday, the tiny right-wing white Herstige Nasionale Party issued a statement saying "hysteria" over the attack was misplaced.

"The continued excessive publicity on the incident will only encourage racial hatred against whites," party general secretary Louis van der Schyff said.

Jody Kollapen, a member of South Africa's Human Rights Commission, said the attack indicates the country's hopes of quickly turning into a "Rainbow Nation" where people all colors live in harmony were too high.

Lorillard says punitive damage talks are off

NEW YORK (AP) — Lorillard Tobacco Co. said its negotiations to reach a nationwide settlement that would protect it against punitive damage claims from sick smokers have been suspended.

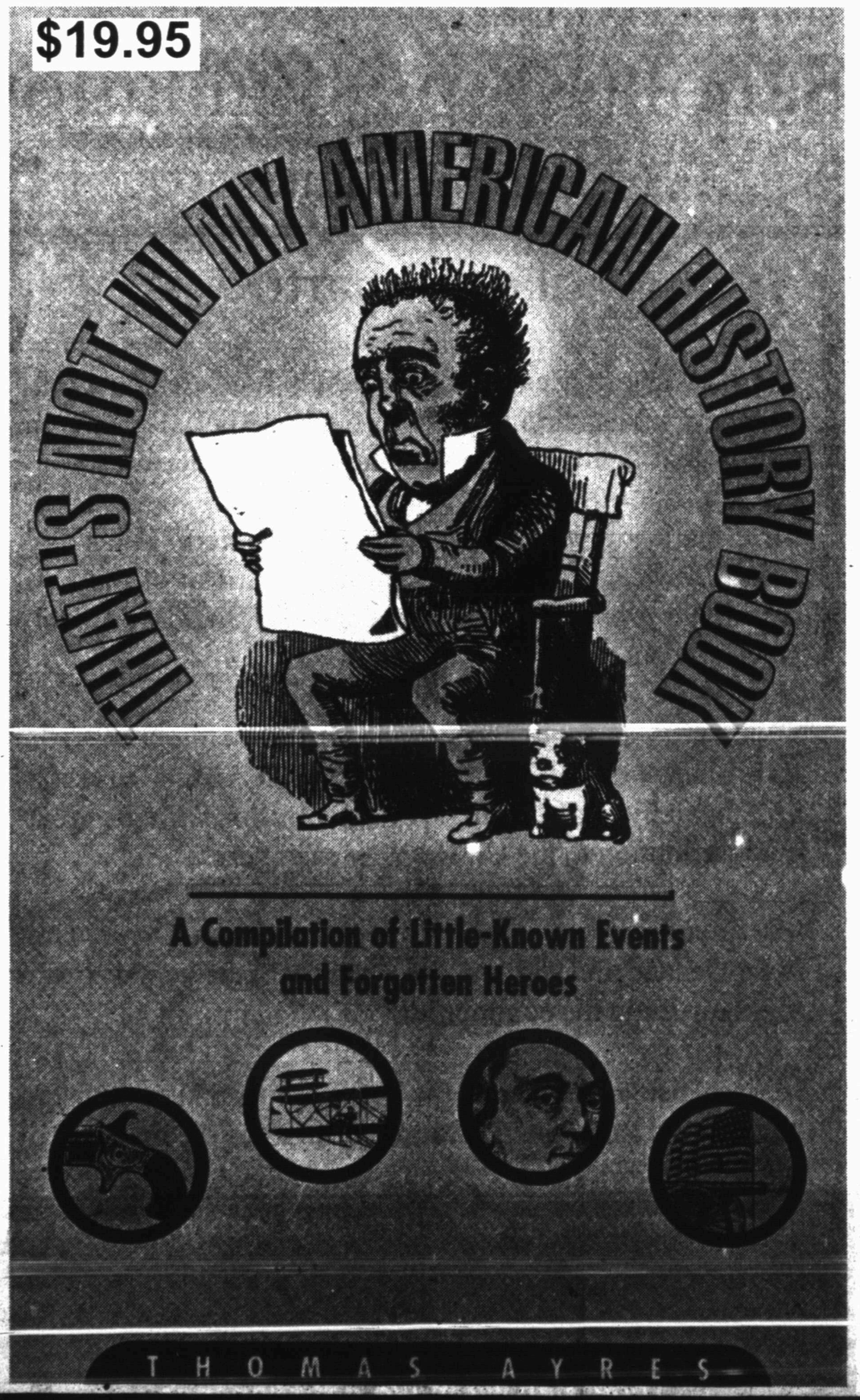
"We have not been able to resolve the differences we have with the plaintiffs' group," said Ronald S. Milstein, general counsel for Lorillard, the nation's fourth biggest cigarette maker, whose brands include Newport and Kent.

He said in a telephone interview Thursday the differences involved major issues but declined to specify what they were. The negotiations were suspended earlier this week, he said.

Lorillard, a division of Loews Corp., and Liggett Group, the nation's fifth biggest tobacco company, have been in separate talks to settle numerous class-action lawsuits pending before U.S. District Judge Jack B. Weinstein in New York.

The cases against the tobacco companies have been brought on behalf of sick smokers and health insurers and union heath funds seeking reimbursement for their treatment.

The status of the talks involving Liggett, whose brands include Eve cigarettes, could not be determined.



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