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THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "The guy who brags about wearing the pants in the family is likely wearing the pair his wife picked out for him."

Now that school is back in session, teachers hear frequently the educational buzzword, "accountability."

In the ole days, only students got report cards. Now teachers are tested and evaluated, school districts are given grades and individual campuses are ranked.

Maybe you saw a recent headline on a wire story: "Pennsylvania school district weighing a report card for parents."

The article basically said that the school district in Lebanon, Pa., is considering grading parents on how involved they are in their children's education.

That sigh of relief you just heard was likely from parents who thought they were going to be graded on their knowledge of junior high math or elementary geography.

It could be that the concept of holding parents accountable for their involvement in their children's school activities is a positive thing.

But who would have believed that forcing parental involvement would become necessary. Those of us who began public education in the 1950s just assumed that either mom or dad, and likely both, would be keeping tabs on what was going on at school — be it a school play, Christmas party or upcoming test.

And they certainly asked personal questions. For instance, "Do you have any homework this evening?" could not be bluffed. It was a 'yes' or 'no' answer to which the inquisitor already knew the answer.

And one of the worst things that could happen to a student in those days was to be sent home with a note asking that the parent show up at school the next day.

The kid likely already knew the motivation for the summons, and he realized that the outcome would not be positive or pleasant. Rarely did a teacher ask for a parent conference because Junior had excelled in both academics and conduct.

In the old days, students hoped, and sometimes even prayed, that teachers would merely take care of any discipline without any outside interference from nosy folks like parents.

But the suggestion for parental report cards is already being steamrolled with criticism. One parent said, "It comes across as demeaning and insulting. It's inappropriate for a government agency to be critiquing and evaluating people's parenting skills."

"You're not going to tell me how to raise my kids," said another mother with great indignation.

While the idea may have merit — we suspect that little will change. Some kids will have overly-involved parents, some will have involved parents with a sense of balance, and then there will be those who appear to have little concern.

It's too bad, but that's life.

Interviews set next week...

Finalists named for chamber post

Snyder chamber of commerce board directors named three individuals as finalists for the chamber's executive director position.

The trio of finalists were announced this morning following a executive session held Monday to narrow the list of 27 applicants.

On the short list are Richard Waters of Grapevine, Susie Henry of Odessa and Susie White of Snyder.

Waters is president of Waters Investments Inc. and is a past sales manager for NCR.

Henry has been in retail project management at Lajitas Resort and has been manager of Odessa Country Club.

White currently works for Cogdell Memorial Hospital and formerly was manager of the Wagon Wheel Guest Ranch.

An interview by the entire board with each applicant is set for Sept. 25 at the chamber office. Application deadline was Aug. 29 to replace the late Donna Fowler.

"The nine-member search committee represented a diverse representation of chamber members," said Mike Thornton, chamber president. "The committee has worked hard to come to three finalists from 27 good applicants."

In other business, directors approved the downtown road construction.the request of $1,500 to the White Buffalo Festival committee to promote the event set for Oct. 10-11 at the Scurry County Coliseum.

Following the approval of minutes and financial statements, board members were urged to attend the United Way kickoff luncheon Thursday at the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

The chamber will have a booth at White Buffalo Festival where the public can meet the new executive director and tickets will be sold for admission to *Cindrella, a* broadway musical that will be shown Dec. 6, the same day of the lighted Christmas parade and Santa Claus visit. The parade will be held in Towle Park due to the downtown road construction.

Also, Snyder Goldcoats will meet Friday in the cafeteria at WTC.

To fill the chamber's need for storage, including the city's Christmas decorations, board member Jeffrey Martin located a ready-made building for $2,600. The cost of the building will be shared by the city and the chamber and it will be placed behind the chamber building later this week.

Assistant executive director Sandra Salinas said plans have been made for inmates to move the decorations from a city building and they will begin preparing the lighted decorations early in November so the city can start hanging them Nov. 28.

Attending the meeting held at WTC cafeteria were Anita Talbott, Joni Rodriguez, Ann Smartt, Thornton, Elois Pruitt, Elliott Cox, Dr. Greg Williams, David Harrell, Martin and Sandra Salinas.

Robberies occur at car wash, Sonic

An 18-year-old Snyder man was arrested Monday night for attempted robbery of the Oasis Car Wash on Coliseum Drive.

Charged with attempted robbery was Louis Leonardo Leyva of 811 2th Street.

According to Snyder Police Sgt. Terry Luecke, owner Stanley Clark was contacted by one of his employees around 9:30 p.m., reporting that the lock was gone from the door.

Clark and the employee found Leyva in the building attempting to take money from a coin-operated machine. Leyva reportedly came at the men and a struggle ensued. Before police arrive, Clark said they fought with Leyva for about 10 minutes tackling him four or five times, nearly letting him get away. "I was sure glad to see them get there," said Clark.

Luecke, Sgt. David Holley, Cpl. Mike Ward and officer Mike Counts responded.

A robbery that occurred early this morning at Sonic Drive In remains under investigation, Luecke said. An employee arriving for work today found the door to the establishment standing open.

Manager Michael Humphrey said that two inside cameras had been damaged and an undetermined amount of money was taken. There are no suspects at this time. Sgt. Kevin Fritz and officer Lee Ortiz responded to the burglary at the Sonic.

Suspects identified in Allsup's staged theft

Five people have been identified as being involved in a staged robbery Saturday morning at Allsup's in Snyder.

"Our investigation has shown this was not a robbery as it was first reported to us, but a pre-planned theft by an employee and her associates," said Sgt. Keith Ward of the Snyder Police Department.

The other four are not employees of the convenience store, police said.

Sgt. Ward said the clerk's story of the robbery began to unwind early on in the investigation.

No formal charges have been filed against any of those involved, said Sgt. Ward.

"The case will be presented to District Attorney Dana Cooley and further action will come from her office," said Sgt. Ward.

He said warrants could immediately be issued for the arrest of the five, or could wait on grand jury action.

"The majority of the money taken has been recovered," said Sgt. Ward.

Ward said all five of the persons involved are from Snyder.

The incident started at 5:40 a.m. Saturday when store clerk Angel Southern sounded her personal alarm.

Ward, Cpl. Dennis Young and officer Lee Ortiz responded and were told by Southern that a white male had walked into the store and demanded the day's receipts that she was counting.

The clerk said the man did not display a weapon, but demanded the money in a "forceful way."

Gym renovation will be topic of Hermleigh ISD

Hermleigh school trustees will meet 7 tonight to discuss plans for renovating the school gymnasium.

John Baker, construction administrator for McLarty Baker Associates, will present renovation plans for approval by the board.

Other action items include approving the issuance of maintenance notes, time warrants and reimbursement notes; approving an additional bank account; and approving a survey of school property.

A superintendent's report and a time set for board training also are on the agenda.

The meeting will be held in the high school homemaking room.



GREEN THUMB – Debbie Tubb and her mother, Jean Jones, collect okra from giant plants that Tubb has grown in her garden. The tallest plant is 8¾ feet. (SDN Staff Photo)

Reissuance of bonds will save city $236,000

By Wade Warren
SDN Managing Editor

Snyder's city council Monday night agreed to reissue water and sewer bonds that originated in 1992.

The council's action in passing the ordinance is designed to save the city $35,720 in the coming fiscal year, and a total of $236,186.19 over the life of the bonds through 2013.

In presenting information to the council about the bond reissue, Vince Viaille, vice president of First Southwest, said the savings would come through a lower interest rate.

Viaille said the new interest rate is 3.375 as compared to the original 5.5 in 1992.

The investment also made note of the city's financial rating of A- by Standard & Poor.

"An A- rating is very good for a city with the population of Snyder," said Viaille.

Rationale for the rating was given and it listed the city as having a limited, but stable, local economy tied to agriculture, education and the Price Daniel Unit.

It also stated the community has a diverse tax base that has exhibited a steady growth.

As for the city's finances, the report stated the city exhibits sound financial performance with a consistently high general fund balance. It added the city has a low overall debt burden with limited capital needs and no additional future bond issues expected.

The report continued by stating the community's below-average-wealth and income levels were offsetting factors in the rating.

In other action, the council appointed Ricky Daniell, owner of Arrow Construction, and Jeffrey Martin, president of Texas Savings Bank, to the Development Corporation of Snyder board of directors. The two will replace Mark Cypert and Mike McWilliams as their terms expire Sept. 30.

The council also voted to authorize the city manager or his designee to sign an electrical agreement with Cities Aggregation Power Project for electrical service for city facilities beginning Jan. 1.

Mayor pro-tem Vernest Tippens presided in the absence of Mayor Francene Noah. Council members present were David Harrell, Stephanie Ducheneaux, Terry Martin and Ron Shaw. James Ashley was absent.

Tie breaker determines top winner

Four was the magic number in last week's SDN Football Contest, with all three money winners wrong on four picks. The order of finish was determined using the tie breaker procedure.

Wesley K. Evans of 3725 Highland Drive won the first place $50, predicting that Borden County would defeat Ropes, and choosing 90 total points, just a mere point off the actual total of 89.

Ron Randolph of 3001 Ave. W took the second place $25, guessing the total score would be 73 points. Jimmie Cornett of 2406 40th St. chose 42 as the total, earning him third place and $15.

Winners will be mailed their checks. Another contest appears in today's edition.

ASK US

Q—Is the Western Texas College library open on Saturday?
A—No, but it is open on Sunday from 2-5 p.m.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Mary Thames...

...has been living in Snyder since last December. She and her husband, Willie, is a welder with WSI, are here temporarily for his job. Their permanent home is in Midland where they have two grown children and five grandchildren. Her hobbies include ceramics, sewing and working in the yard.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Money is a terrible master but an excellent servant.
—P. T. Barnum

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Girl Scout fundraiser

Snyder Girl Scouts are taking orders for their fall sale of nuts and calendars. To order, call Judy Martin at 573-7556.

Drama boosters to meet

Snyder's Drama Booster Club will meet at 7 this evening in the foyer of Worsham Auditorium. All parents of drama students are encouraged to attend.

Mesquite Country Emmaus meeting

Mesquite Country Emmaus will have a community meeting at 7 tonight at Colonial Hill Baptist Church. Babe Chicks meet at 6 p.m.

Scurry Masonic Lodge #706 meeting

Scurry Masonic Lodge #706 will meet at 7 p.m. this evening for a 50-year pin award night. All Masons, families and friends are invited.

Drivers license office

The drivers license office is closed for vacation and will reopen Wednesday.

West Elementary pictures

West Elementary School will have school pictures made Thursday morning in the auditorium.

Cogdell auxiliary to meet

The Cogdell Hospital Auxiliary will meet at 9:30 a.m. Thursday in the hospital boardroom. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer is invited.

Snyder Eastern Star to meet

Eastern Star Snyder Chapter #450 has set its stated meeting for 7:30 p.m. Thursday. All members are encouraged to attend.

Fajita dinner

Snyder High Band Boosters will sponsor a fajita dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday in the cafeteria prior to the Snyder-Midland Greenwood game. Tickets can be purchased from any band student for $5.

Word is Life fundraiser

The Word is Life Deliverance Church is having a fundraiser to benefit its Youth Group Mission. The group is selling 2004 God's Creation calendars for $6 each. Call Davina Douglass at 573-2949. Persons needing a ride to children's church at 7 p.m. or the regular services at that time can contact William Clayton at 573-5305.

Canyon community reunion

The Canyon community reunion will be held Saturday in the fellowship hall of the Ira Baptist Church. Doughnuts and coffee will be served at 9:30 a.m. Meat, paper goods and drinks will be furnished for lunch. Bring vegetable or salad and desert. For more information cal Louise Layne at 573-2012 or Lorita Keller at 573-3825.

Youth group car wash

The First United Methodist Church youth group will hold a car wash from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday in the Wal-Mart parking lot. Cost is by donation and proceeds will go to mission expenses and a youth ski trip.

Antique Tractor, Equipment Club

Scurry County Antique Tractor and Equipment Club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, at Jack's Road Boring on the Colorado City Hwy. For more information, call 573-4414.

Annual Jamaica

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church has set its annual Jamaica for Sunday, Sept. 28, from 8 a.m-8 p.m. Besides food, DJ and live music, the event will also feature volleyball, horseshoe and washers tournament and a talent show for all ages. Folkorico Dancers will perform and there will also be a celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

Important GED dates

Mandatory pre-registration for the GED test will be Thursday, Oct. 2, at the GED testing center, Western Texas College, Building 7B, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The math segment of the GED will begin promptly at 8 a.m. on the following day, Friday, Oct. 3. For more information about the GED test, call Betty Thompson, 573-2310, or Emily Hataway, 573-8511, ext. 297 or 574-2112. It is recommended that candidates receive some preparation before attempting the test.

First Christian fajita dinner

First Christian Church, 37th and Austin, has set its annual park and eat fajita dinner for Friday, Oct. 3, from 5-7 p.m. Call 573-6115 or 573-6687 for advance tickets. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

First Baptist support group

First Baptist Church is sponsoring a support group for people facing difficulties, including cancer, divorce, grief, etc. on the second Thursday of each month. The group meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first floor Adult 6 Department.

Quilt showing

Quilts are needed for the quilt display during White Buffalo Days Oct. 10-11 at the Scurry County Coliseum. Persons wishing to put a quilt on display should call Joan Bunch at 573-7404. After 5 p.m. call 573-0047.

Addresses sought

E-mail addresses or phone numbers are still needed for members of Snyder High School class of 1963 to plan a reunion. Information may be sent to t.dolan@mail.utexas or call 325-207-1718 and leave a message.

1950s dance contest

A '50s dance contest will be held Saturday, Oct. 11, in conjunction with the White Buffalo Festival. Judging for the $100 prize will be 50% costume and 50% dance skills. The White Buffalo Committee also solicits 1950s yearbooks for the display. For more information call Jackie at the coliseum at 573-9811.

Organize riding club

Anyone interested in forming a riding club for families is asked to contact Debbie Elder at 325-574-1622.

Band fundraiser

SHS band boosters and students are spray painting Tiger Paws on sidewalks and driveways for donations. For information, call 573-5061.

Today's chuckle

Dentist wants 14-foot toothbrush returned

LIMA, Ohio (AP) — A dentist is offering a $100 reward for the return of a toothbrush.

The 14-foot red wooden toothbrush was stolen from Dr. Ruhl Warden's dental practice in this northwest Ohio city over the weekend. Warden has used it as a yard sign for about 20 years. It weighs between 80 and 100 pounds.



"Everybody sort of identified my office with it," said Warden. "Everybody's seen the big red toothbrush."

Warden, 74, said he filed a theft report Monday morning when he discovered the toothbrush was missing. He believes the rain Sunday allowed thieves to pull the toothbrush and its mount out of the ground.

The toothbrush was tilting two weeks earlier in a way that made Warden think someone tried then to grab it.

"Every once in a while, someone tried to pull it out," he said. "I could tell because it was sitting at an angle."

Warden, whose hobby is woodworking, crafted the base of the toothbrush out of yellow pine and the bristles from 10-inch-long cedar poles.

Someone stole it the morning of New Year's Eve 1996. It eventually turned up, damaged and painted blue, about six miles from his office.

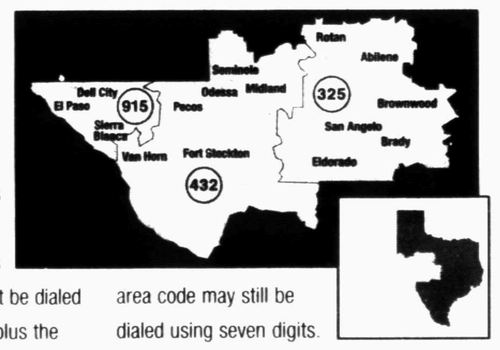
"It turned up once before," said Warden. "There's a chance it will turn up again."

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Just a little reminder to start using the new area codes in western Texas by October 4, 2003.

To accommodate new phone, fax, pager and wireless numbers in western Texas, the 915 area code has been divided into three area codes: 915, 432 and 325. As a result, beginning October 4th, calls made from one area code to a different area code (including calls to and from wireless phones) must be dialed using the appropriate area code plus the seven-digit phone number. Start using the new area codes now — after October 4th, your calls won't be completed as dialed without them. Local calls made within one area code may still be dialed using seven digits. Please note that rates are not changing — a local call is still a local call. For the big picture about these changes, visit us online at www.texas-code.com.



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Family, friends, fellow musicians mourn Cash

HENDERSONVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — American music legend Johnny Cash was remembered at his funeral as a man who kept his dignity while struggling with demons, and who made it a habit to help others.



Johnny Cash

"He was so modest and humble, and so willing to live with his pain and not make anybody else pay for it," said daughter Rosanne Cash during the 21/2-hour service Monday.

The private event at First Baptist Church will be followed by a public memorial still being planned. A service for Cash's wife June Carter Cash was held at the same church after her death in May.

Cash, 71, died Friday of respiratory failure caused by complications from diabetes. His death followed years of precarious health.

More than 1,000 mourners listened to tributes from Rosanne Cash, Kris Kristofferson, preacher Franklin Graham, former Vice President Al Gore, and other family members and friends.

Emmylou Harris and Sheryl Crow performed two songs, "The Old Rugged Cross" and Bob Dylan's "Every Grain of Sand."

Kristofferson called Cash "Abraham Lincoln with a wild side," a nod to the singer's dual reputations as a champion of the poor, prisoners, and other underdogs, and decades-long battle with drug addiction.

"Cowboy" Jack Clement, an engineer and producer who had been friends with Cash since the 1950s, read a poem about Cash that said in part: "It takes a good man to take success, and not misplace his soul."

Cash's career stretched from rockabilly hits like "Cry, Cry, Cry" and "Get Rhythm" in the 1950s to his renditions of rock songs in recent years like "Hurt," by Nine Inch Nails. In between, he was one of country music's biggest stars, scoring dozens of hits like "A Boy Named Sue," "Man in Black" and "It Ain't Me Babe," a duet with Carter Cash on a Dylan song.

"There was something about Johnny Cash that went beyond the music," Gore said. "There were hundreds of millions all over the world who felt a connection with Johnny Cash. ... He felt deeply for people, those who didn't have jobs or were suffering in any way."

Cash, known as "The Man in Black" for his preferred attire, said in a hit song that he wore the color in honor of the poor and oppressed.

Famous and not-so-famous members of the Cash and Carter clans wept, with Cash's body set in a black coffin at the front of the church.

Many musicians who owed their start to Cash attended, including the Statler Brothers, Larry Gatlin and the Oak Ridge Boys. Also paying their respects were Vince Gill, Hank Williams Jr., Travis Tritt, Dwight Yoakam, George Jones, Ricky Skaggs, Ronnie Dunn and actress Jane Seymour.

As the service came to an end, country singer Gatlin addressed his own son, Joshua Cash Gatlin, from the pulpit: "Son, this man fed your mama and me when we couldn't afford food. He paid rent for us when we couldn't pay rent."

After the death of June Carter Cash, Cash spent most of his time recording, leaving more than 30 songs yet to be released.

Date Book

Tuesday, Sept. 16, 2003

Today is the 259th day of 2003 and the 88th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1620, the Pilgrims set sail from Plymouth, England.

On this day in 1920, a horse-drawn wagon full of explosives detonated on Wall Street in New York City, killing over 30 people and injuring about 300 others.

On this day in 1949, Warner Bros. introduced the Road Runner in the cartoon short "Fast and Furry-ous."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Henry V (1387-1422), king of England; Allen Funt (1914-1999), television host; Lauren Bacall (1924-), actress, is 79; B.B. (Riley B.) King (1925-), musician, is 78; Mickey Rourke (1956-), actor, is 47; Molly Shannon (1964-), actress, is 39; Marc Anthony (1969-), singer, is 34.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1890, sportswriter George Whitney Calhoun named Green Bay's football team the Packers.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Imagination is the highest kite that one can fly." — Lauren Bacall

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Sept. 10) and last quarter (Sept. 18).

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Monday's Lottery Numbers

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 6-16-17-20-31.

Number matching five of five: None.

Matching four of five: 145. Prize: $511.

Matching three of five: 4,772. Prize: $11.

Matching two of five: 48,163. Prize: $2.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Tuesday night.

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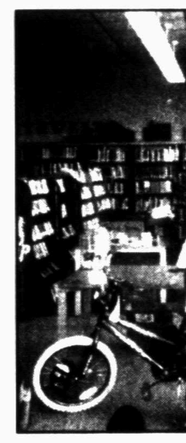
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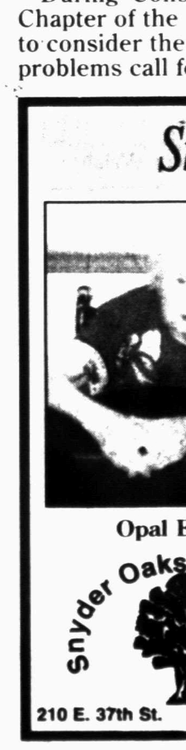


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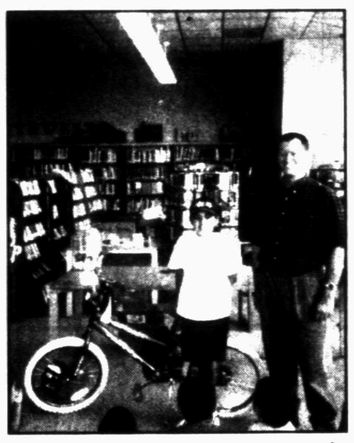
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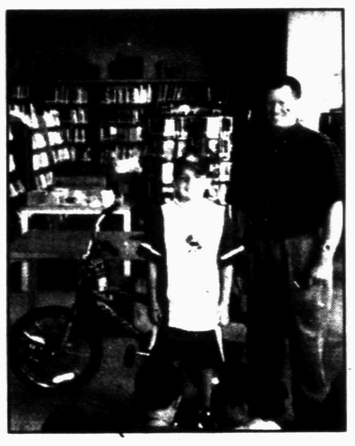


CONSTITUTION WEEK — Mayor Francene Noah signed a document proclaiming Oct. 17-23 Constitution Week in Snyder. Witnessing the signing were members of the Martin Preuitt Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Seated with Noah from left are Ann Smartt and Jo Flynn. Standing are Virginia Clark, Maggie Barnes, Helen Hatter, Kathy Nelson, Maribeth Vestal and Joanne Sterling. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)



ATHENEUM MEETS AT MAWC — Members and guests of Atheneum Study Club met for the first meeting of the club year last Tuesday at the woman's club. Burnell Hargrove, left, introduced Glenda Hollingsworth who presented a musical program. The Oct. 14 meeting will be on antiques by Billy and Carole Haynes. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)





READING PAYS — At the awards presentation for the Scurry County Library Summer Reading Program in July, two readers went home with new bikes donated by Wal-Mart. Shown with manager R.J. Youngclaus are Ivana Valadez, left, winner of the girl's bicycle, and Orlando Murillo, winner of the boy's bicycle. (Contributed Photos)

As the cornerstone of our freedoms, the Constitution of the United States of America was written to protect every American from the abuse of power by government. Without restraint, the excesses of political power will cause our Republic to perish.

During Constitution Week, Sept. 17-23, the Martin Preuitt Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution asks you to consider the value of participating in public service. Today's problems call for the highest ethical leadership.

DAR chapter holds its first meeting of year at library

Martin Preuitt Jr. Chapter of the Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution held its first meeting of the new year of 2003-2004 on Tuesday in the Scurry County Library's meeting room.

The "coffee cup" business-only meeting was called to order by Regent Ann Smartt. Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Maribeth Vestal, recording secretary, and the treasurer's report was given by Lois Bartels.

In place of various committee chairmen reports, folders containing information and reports pertaining to the respective committees were distributed to the chairmen. Discussions followed regarding the plans for the coming year and activities in which the chapter would be involved.

Correspondence was read by Helen Hatter that included an invitation to attend a Constitution Week luncheon for the Panhandle chapters of Division I on Sept. 20 in Amarillo.

Kathy Nelson, Constitution Week committee chairman, advised members of plans for Constitution Week, Sept. 17-23.

It began with distribution of Constitution Week bookmarks to all fourth graders in Snyder schools, and the proclamation signed by Mayor Francene Noah.

It will continue with posters commemorating Constitution Week placed at vantage points in the city, and a presentation given by several members of the Martin Preuitt Jr. Chapter on the American Revolution.

In addition, a program will be presented to an American History class at Western Texas College during the designated week.

Refreshments were served by Smartt to members including Jo Flynn, Virginia Clark, Joanne Sterling, Dorothy Campbell, Maggie Barnes, Vestal, Hatter and Nelson.

The next DAR business session will be at 11:30 on Oct. 14 at the Snyder Country Club with Millie Sentell will presenting a book review.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

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

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; at the coliseum annex; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

AA Big Book Study; closed meeting; contact numbers are 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th Street; 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

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

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

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

Hermleigh Community Center Family Night; 6:30 p.m.

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

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 573-3733, 573-2101 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment, call 573-0538 or 573-0770.

SATURDAY

NA-Just For Today open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-1438; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County AA open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 574-1292 or 573-9458; 10 a.m.

Births

Whitley and Shelly Bradberry of Snyder announce the birth of their daughter, Abigail Ruth Bradberry at 2:37 p.m. on Sept. 12 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Abigail weighed six pounds, nine ounces.

Paternal grandparents are Wallace and Gayla Bradberry of Billings, Mont. Maternal grandparents are Jerry and Linda Englert of Snyder.

Richard and Janet Magee of Snyder announce the birth of their son, Bryson Terry Magee, weighing six pounds, nine ounces. Bryson was born at 8:20 a.m. on Sept. 12 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

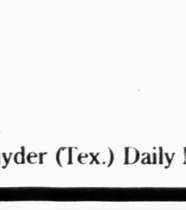
Paternal grandparents are Mickey and Joyce Rogers of Roscoe. Maternal grandparents are Cindy Porter of Rotan and Terry Porter of Munday.

Owen Bart Bynum announces the birth of his brother, Aidan Edward Bynum, of Ovalo. Aidan was born weighing seven pounds eight ounces, and was 20¼ inches long, on Sept. 10 in Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. Parents are Holly and Bart Bynum of Ovalo.

Grandparents are Ed and Judy Barkowsky of Snyder, and Larry and Cheryl Bynum of Ovalo. Maternal great-grandmother is Mossie Self of Los Alamos, N.M., and paternal great-grandparents are Ola Joyce Bynum of Ovalo and Bertha Clower Moore of Matador.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



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West ♠ A K J 8 5 ♥ 5 2 ♦ 7 4 3 ♣ K J 10		East ♠ Q 10 7 ♥ 8 7 3 ♦ 9 6 2 ♣ A Q 8 4
	South ♠ 9 6 4 2 ♥ A K J 9 4 ♦ A Q 5 ♣ 7	

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: East-West

South	West	North	East
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Opening lead: ♠ A

Tuesday, Sept. 16, 2003

When the cards fit well, bid up

By Phillip Alder

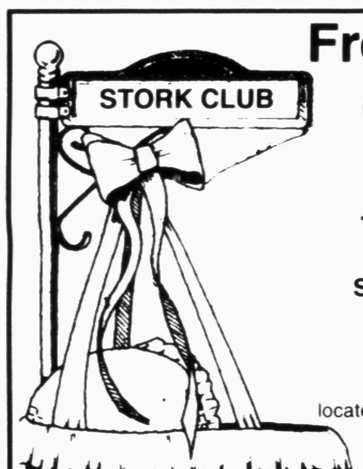
Adolph S. Ochs, who was the publisher of The New York Times from 1896 to 1935, came up with the motto "All the News That's Fit to Print." In bridge, we could modify it to: All the Hands with Fit Should Bid Up. Look at today's South hand. You open one heart, your left-hand opponent overcalls one spade, your partner raises to two hearts, and your right-hand opponent competes with two spades. What would you do now?

Usually, 14 points are not enough to consider game opposite a single raise, but here the indications are good. How many spades does partner hold? At most one. So, since you can ruff spade losers in the dummy, there is a case for jumping straight to four hearts. However, if partner's side-suit values are in clubs, 10 tricks might be unattainable. If cautious, rebid three diamonds. This is a game-try, asking partner to evaluate his hand based on both its strength and diamond holding. (This bid is forcing to three hearts, making it safe on a three-card suit.) Now North, despite his minimum high-card count, accepts the game invitation because of his great red-suit holdings.

Against four hearts, West leads the spade ace and shifts to a trump. How would you continue?

There should be little to the play. You have nine top red-suit tricks, so need only one spade ruff in the dummy for number 10. Win trick two in hand, ruff a spade in the dummy, draw trumps, and claim. Or, if you are feeling greedy, after the first spade ruff, cross back to hand with a diamond, trump a second spade, return to hand with another diamond, draw trumps, and register an overtrick.

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A change takes place when anyone becomes a Christian. II Corinthians 5: 17 describes this change in dramatic terms. "The old has gone, the new has come," Paul writes. Jesus said that the change that takes place in our life when we come to Him is a new birth. In John 3:3-5 Jesus tells us emphatically we must be born again. If we want to be a part of the kingdom of God, we must be born of water and the Spirit.

This change is a product of human will and the Spirit of God. Philippians 2: 12 and 13 call for intense effort on the part of the Christian in serving and obeying Jesus Christ. As we make this effort, Paul tells us that God is working in us to will and act according to what pleases Him. Human effort and the Spirit of God are essential for real changes to take place in our lives. Galatians 5: 22, 23 describes this new life as the fruit of the Spirit. In verse 24 we are told that we must crucify the flesh with its passions and desires.

How do we get rid of the things in our life that we know are sinful and wrong? Where do we start? In Matthew 15:18 and 19 Jesus points us to our real problem, the heart. Our inner life has to really change if we are going to change. Jesus tells the people of his day who wanted to be righteous that real change begins on the inside. Evil thoughts, malice, hatred, lust and envy have to be cut out at the root, in the heart. When Jesus talks with the very religious of his day, this is what he tells them in Matthew 23: 26. First, clean the inside of the dish and then the outside will be clean as well. Where do we start? Jesus says to start on the inside and really do it right!

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Snyder Oaks Corner



Opal Eades

The resident of the week is Opal Eades. She was born October 24, 1917. Opal and her husband, Chester, farmed at Camp Springs and ran a laundry located where Noah's Attic is now. She has always loved animals. Opal doesn't have any children, but has always been close to a niece. She has one brother, Johnny Woods, who lives in Mesquite.

We are proud to have Opal as part of our Snyder Oaks family.

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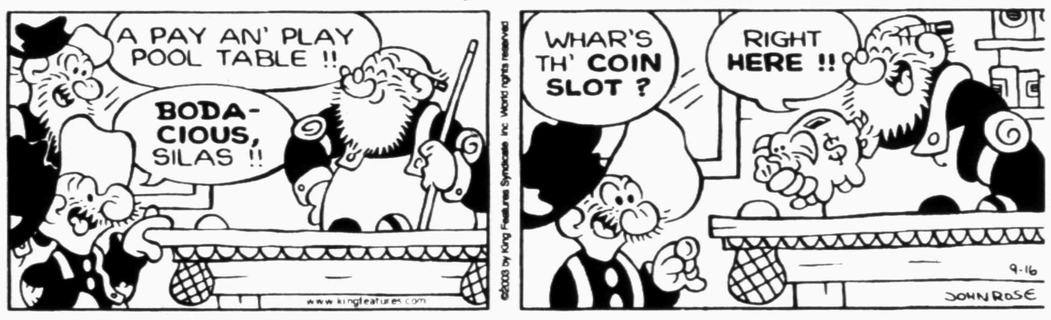
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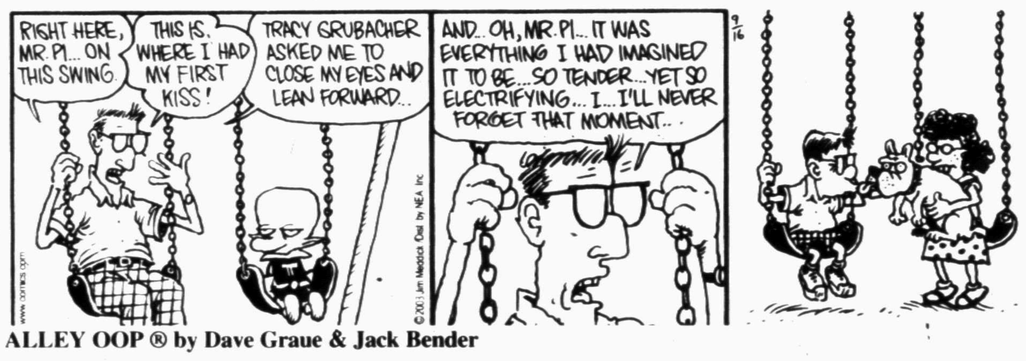
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15 Golden Rule word
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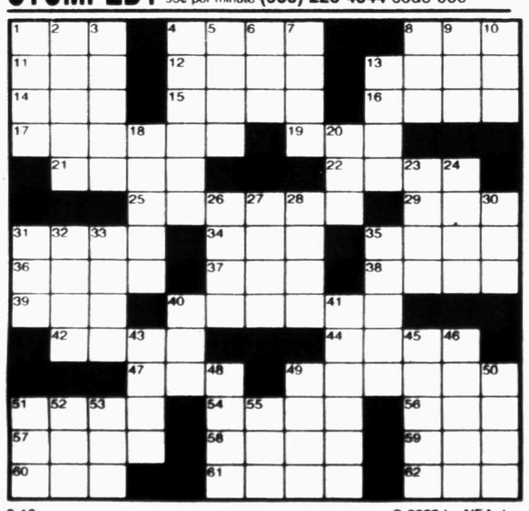
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13 Cookbook qty.
18 Camel stops
20 Pony up
23 Makes ends meet
24 Frisbee
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27 Wine valley
28 Aphrodite's child
30 High pts.
31 "Where — you?"
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35 Burnt out
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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Snyder Daily News Comics

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"I NEED TO BOIL MY HARMONICA, QUICK! MARGARET JUST PUT HER MOUTH ON IT!"

SPORTS



UNITED BACKS BOOSTERS — Mike Tyrrell, president of the Snyder Tigers Booster Club, left, accepts $1,000 worth of gift cards from Gary Shiflett, United Supermarket store director. The cards were donated by United as the top prize in the booster club give-away. Winners will be announced at the Denver City football game on Nov. 7. (SDN Staff Photo)

Spikers sweep Sweetwater

The Snyder Junior High volleyball teams cruised past the junior high Lady Mustangs at Sweetwater Monday, not losing a game in winning all three matches.

The eighth-grade Gold squad used powerful serves from Crystal Brown and Alayna Alexander — who posted eight aces between them — to coast to a 25-13, 25-16 victory.

Brown finished with 10 points and Alexander delivered 11.

Jordan Derryberry had an ace in her four service points, and Crystal Rogers also added four.

The Gold team got six aces, combined from Allison Sharrock, Devin Davidson and Audrey Jones to top the Lady Mustangs, 25-20, 25-11.

Kelly Holdren tallied five points for the ladies.

"The girls did great," coach Bradi Johnson said. "Our serving was very dominant."

The seventh-grade Black club also used improved serving to blister their Sweetwater counterparts, 25-6, 25-13.

Ryanna Alexander recorded 11 points, with four aces, while Shaquita Sneed and Heather Vasquez each had five points.

Major League Baseball

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	93	57	.620	—
Boston	87	62	.584	5½
Toronto	76	73	.510	16½
Baltimore	67	82	.450	25½
Tampa Bay	59	90	.396	33½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	81	69	.540	—
Chicago	80	69	.537	½
Kansas City	77	72	.517	3½
Cleveland	65	86	.430	16½
Detroit	38	111	.255	42½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	91	60	.603	—
Seattle	86	64	.573	4½
Anaheim	71	80	.470	20
Texas	66	84	.440	24½

Monday's Games

Boston 8, Tampa Bay 2
N.Y. Yankees 13, Baltimore 1
Minnesota 13, Cleveland 6
Kansas City 10, Detroit 4
Texas 6, Seattle 4
Oakland 7, Anaheim 4

Today's Games

Toronto (Walker 1-2) at Detroit (Cornejo 6-15), 6:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Gonzalez 6-9) at Boston (P.Martinez 12-4), 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 14-9) at Baltimore (Johnson 10-7), 6:05 p.m.
Kansas City (May 8-7) at Cleveland (Traber 6-8), 6:05 p.m.
Seattle (Meche 15-10) at Texas (Thomson 12-13), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Loaiza 19-7) at Minnesota (Radke 12-10), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Harden 5-4) at Anaheim (Washburn 10-14), 9:05 p.m.

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	94	57	.623	—
Florida	83	66	.557	10
Philadelphia	82	68	.547	11½
Montreal	76	75	.503	18
New York	63	86	.423	30

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	81	68	.544	—
Chicago	80	70	.533	1½
St. Louis	77	74	.510	5
Pittsburgh	69	80	.463	12
Cincinnati	64	86	.427	17½
Milwaukee	64	86	.427	17½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	91	57	.615	—
Los Angeles	80	68	.541	11
Arizona	77	73	.513	15
Colorado	68	82	.453	24
San Diego	59	90	.396	32½

Monday's Games

Atlanta 10, Montreal 6
Pittsburgh 6, Cincinnati 3
Chicago Cubs 4, N.Y. Mets 1
St. Louis 11, Milwaukee 2
San Francisco 8, San Diego 7

Today's Games

Atlanta (Maddux 14-11) at Montreal (Ohka 9-12), 6:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Harang 3-2) at Pittsburgh (Ol.Perez 4-8), 6:05 p.m.
Florida (Pavano 11-11) at Philadelphia (Padilla 13-10), 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Seo 8-11) at Chicago Cubs (Prior 15-6), 7:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Martinez 0-1) at St. Louis (Hitchcock 2-1), 7:10 p.m.
Houston (Robertson 14-7) at Colorado (Tsao 2-2), 8:05 p.m.
Arizona (Schilling 7-8) at Los Angeles (Ishii 9-5), 9:10 p.m.
San Diego (Eaton 8-10) at SF (J.Williams 6-4), 9:15 p.m.



Happy Birthday Jordan Derryberry

Cowboys 35, Giants 32...

Dallas hangs on, wins OT thriller

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Bill Parcells stood outside the locker room and congratulated each and every passing player.

He had just escaped with his first victory as coach of the Dallas Cowboys and did it against the New York Giants, the team he led to two Super Bowl victories.

"I feel fortunate to win," Parcells said. "I would have been very disappointed to lose. It was one of the greatest games I've ever been involved in."

It took a record-tying game from a relatively unknown kicker and some help from those notoriously inept guys on New York's special teams to give Parcells the unlikely victory, a 35-32 overtime thriller Monday night.

"That was about as wild a win as I've ever been in," Parcells said a few minutes after Billy Cundiff kicked his seventh field goal with 5:56 left in sudden death.

Cundiff's winning 25-yard kick came after he forced overtime with a career-long 52-yarder that barely got over the crossbar on the final play of regulation.

Cundiff probably never should have had a chance to tie it after Matt Bryant kicked a 30-yarder to give New York a 32-29 lead with 11 seconds to play.

All the Giants — who passed up a chance to run the clock down before the field goal — had to do was put the kickoff in play so that the clock would start. That would have left the Cowboys with one desperation play, but they wound up with just enough time to tie it.

Jim Fassel said he told Bryant to squib the kickoff down the middle. Bryant said his instructions were to squib it to the left.

The kick skidded on the artificial surface and went out of bounds at the 1, giving the Cowboys the ball at their own 40.

"They gave us a chance when they kicked the ball out of bounds on that kickoff," Parcells said.

Quincy Carter then hit Antonio Bryant with a 26-yard pass in front of the New York bench to put Cundiff in position to tie it.

"You've got to give a lot of credit to coach Parcells," said Carter, 25-of-40 for 321 yards. "All through training camp we've been working on situational things. You never know when they'll come up. We were prepared for it. No one panicked."

An emotionally drained Fassel had trouble explaining what happened on the squib kick after the last of the Giants' 18 fourth-quarter points.

"I didn't plan on having the ball at the 40-yard line with no time off the clock," said Fassel, whose red eyes showed his deep disappointment of blowing what should have been a 2-0 start.

Matt Bryant seemed just as frustrated after another special teams fiasco. Remember, the Giants missed two fourth-quarter field goal attempts because of bad snaps in dropping a 39-38 decision to San Francisco in the playoffs last season.

"We should have won, but that ... happened at the end," Matt Bryant said. "I know what's about to happen, but I did what I was supposed to do."

Cundiff, who had never kicked more than two field goals in a game, made the Giants pay.

"To be honest, I felt I just did my job," said Cundiff, the fourth NFL kicker to make seven field goals in a game.

Cundiff's kicks covered 37, 49, 42, 21, 36, 52 and 25 yards. In Dallas' season-opening loss to Atlanta, he missed a 33-yarder on his only attempt and he had an extra point blocked.

Carter added an 8-yard touchdown run and linebacker Al Singleton scored on a 41-yard interception return for Dallas.

New York's Kerry Collins was 21-for-51 for 265 yards and threw three touchdown passes, and cornerback Ralph Brown scored on a 29-yard interception return.

Collins' TD passes covered 6 yards to Ike Hilliard, 1 to Jeremy Shockey, and 20 to Amani Toomer. Tiki Barber ran for a 2-point conversion to tie it at 29 with 6:20 to go in the fourth quarter.

"They just made plays at the end and we didn't," Giants defensive end Michael Strahan said. "We can't be mad at anybody but ourselves for coming back at the end and then letting it slip away."

Singh claims rain-soaked John Deere

SILVIS, Ill. (AP) — Vijay Singh played a quick 13 holes and earned a hefty check that moved him closer to one of his career goals: winning the PGA Tour's season money title.

Singh collected $630,000 for his four-shot win at the rain-delayed John Deere Classic on Monday, moving ahead of Davis Love III on this year's tour earnings list.

"My goal is to really be able to win the money list just once before I finish. This will probably be the best opportunity I get," said Singh, who now has collected $5.7 million and a career-high three wins this year.

With three more PGA Tour events on his schedule this year, Singh likes his chances.

"If I can win one more time, I think I've got it sealed," said Singh, who also moved past Phil Mickelson for third place on the career money list with nearly $24 million in 11 years on the tour.

Singh closed with a 6-under-par 65 for a total of 16-under 268. He had six birdies in a bogey-free final round that was held over a day after darkness suspended play Sunday night.

Chris Riley (71), J.L. Lewis (71) and Jonathan Byrd (68) shared second at 12-under 272.

Riley said Singh is tough to catch when he has the lead in the final round.

"He's in the Tiger Woods, Davis Love, Mike Weir, their class. I'm trying to get there," said Riley, who now has six top-10 finishes this year.

Byrd said consistency is the key to Singh's game, especially with his short irons.

"He's hitting it (within) 15, 20, 10 feet all day. You do that for enough holes, you're going to make something," Byrd said.

Singh also is being mentioned as player of the year.

"I can control the money list. I cannot control the player of the year," he said.

Singh started play Monday at 12 under, tied with Lewis, who posted his lone career win at the Deere Classic in 1999.

Bonds hammers number 655

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Watch out, Hammerin' Hank — Barry Bonds is just 100 homers away.

Bonds hit his 655th career home run and also reached a milestone in walks as the San Francisco Giants rallied to beat the San Diego Padres 8-7 on Monday night.

Bonds connected for a solo shot off Brian Lawrence in the first inning for his 42nd homer of the season. The slugger is five shy of tying his godfather, Willie Mays, for third on the career list.

Palmeiro ties record Monday

ARLINGTON (AP) — Rafael Palmeiro of the Rangers hit his 35th homer Monday night, joining Hall of Famer Jimmie Foxx as the only players with 35 homers and 100 RBIs in nine straight seasons.

Palmeiro's 525th career homer, a solo shot, came in the fourth inning off Seattle's Joel Pineiro. Palmeiro has 103 RBIs.

Foxx's streak of 35-homer, 100-RBI seasons was from 1932-40.

Sammy Sosa of the Chicago Cubs also entered this season with an eight-year streak.

Area Sports Calendar

TODAY

Volleyball: Snyder JV and freshmen at Lubbock Cooper, district, 5:30 p.m.
Volleyball: Snyder varsity at Lubbock Cooper, district opener, 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Football: Greenwood junior high at Snyder junior high, 5 p.m.
Football: Borden County JV at Ira JV, 7 p.m.
Football: Borden County junior high at Ira junior high, 5:30 p.m.
Rodeo: WTC at ENMU

FRIDAY

Football: Snyder varsity vs. Greenwood, 7:30 p.m.
Football: Ira at Borden County, 7:30 p.m.
Rodeo: WTC at ENMU

SATURDAY

Volleyball: Seminole at Snyder varsity, 1 p.m.
Rodeo:WTC at ENMU

Sports Briefs

Correction

The picture of the Hermleigh Cardinals on page four in the weekend edition incorrectly listed the quarterback as Jonathon McClure. The quarterback in the photo was Justin Williamson.

Alumni hats

The SHS football booster club is selling hats for Snyder alumni for $30 for homecoming week. The caps feature the name, class and organization, if any. All orders should be put in by Sept. 26 for the Oct. 3 homecoming game against Levelland. Contact Mike Tyrrell at 207-2315 for more information.

15th annual Blowout Partnership on tap

The Scurry County golf course will host the 15th annual Blowout Partnership Sept. 27-28. Cost is $300 per team, and all participants must be 21 or older. The field is limited to 56 and the first 56 paid teams will determine entries.

Shotgun will start at 8 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. both days of the tournament, with scramble being the first round format and lowball the format for the final round. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top four teams. There also will be a welcome and registration date on Sept. 26, with a practice round available. Call Rick Mammolite at the pro shop at 573-7101 for more information.

Jamaica volleyball tournament

Our Lady of Guadalupe will be hosting the Jamaica Volleyball Tournament Sept. 28. Call Louis at 573-7321 for more information.

Flag football league forming

Any teams interested in playing men's flag football should contact Earl Ware at 573-0800. The season begins in October.

WTC golf tournament

The third annual Western Texas College Student Government Association Golf Tournament will be held Oct. 4 at the WTC golf course. Format is four-person scramble, and cost is $120 per team. Shotgun will start at 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Cash prizes will be awarded for the top three teams, and deadline to register is 5 p.m. on Oct. 3. Contact the WTC pro shop at 573-9291 for more information.

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The undersigned, having been duly appointed Independent Executrix of the Estate of ROY CARTER, deceased, late of Scurry County, Texas, by ROD WALLER, Judge of the County Court of said County, on the 11th day of September, 2003, 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 RITA BRANSCUM CARTER, 2901 33rd, Snyder, TX 79549, within the time prescribed by law.

EXECUTED this 11th day of September, 2003.

(s)RITA BRANSCUM CARTER
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Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I always enjoy your column and hope you will do one on impotence.

DEAR READER: I receive a constant stream of letters inquiring about impotence (now known as erectile dysfunction, or E.D.), one of mankind's most ubiquitous ailments — the inability to achieve (or sustain) an erection. The causes of E.D. are legion and range from circulatory deficiencies (common) to psychological factors (rare).

In my practice of general internal medicine, the most frequent cause of E.D. is prescription medication. Almost any drug used for hypertension, heart ailments or depression can affect sexual functioning, often with disastrous consequences to an intimate relation. Consequently, my standard approach for such patients is to alter, stop or change the drugs. In many cases, potency returns in a matter of days.

Another surprising cause of E.D. is alcohol abuse. I'm not referring to the skid-row bum. In contrast, I see perfectly normal, successful men who are "social drinkers" — with sexual problems. Many of these men are retired, and it is in this group that the effects of moderate alcohol can be most damaging, because, as we age, we become less tolerant of the substance. In a male of 70, a couple of stiff drinks before dinner followed by a nightcap at bedtime can have a disastrous effect on potency. Therefore, in such situations, I urge them to cut down on alcohol (or, better yet, eliminate it) for a few days. This can produce astonishing results.

Of course, many cases of E.D. are due to severe circulatory problems, such as the premature arteriosclerosis seen in male diabetics. In these instances, referral to a urologist is prudent because special therapy — such as vascular surgery or penile implants — may be necessary.

Finally, there is no doubt that Viagra has revolutionized the treatment of E.D. The prescription drug is safe and effective, but should be avoided by men who take nitrate drugs for cardiac conditions.

The good news: Most cases of E.D. are treatable, even curable; which therapy depends on the cause.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: My mother suffers from what she calls "nervous sores" on her scalp and back. Her dermatologist doesn't think this is unusual, and actually has admitted it is quite common. Please help us understand her problem.

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If readers would like to contact Dr. Gott, they may write him through your newspaper or send their mail directly to Dr. Gott c/o United Media, 200 Madison Ave., 4th fl., New York, NY 10016.

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BMW Z4 convertible wins highest rating on rollover tests

WASHINGTON (AP) — The BMW Z4 convertible was the only one of 21 vehicles tested to win the government's highest rating for its ability to resist rollovers, according to test results released Monday by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The Ford Explorer Sport Trac sport utility vehicle and a rear-wheel drive version of the Jeep Liberty performed worst, earning two-star rollover ratings on NHTSA's five-star scale.

Both the four-wheel drive and rear-wheel drive versions of the Sport Trac were tested. Ford Motor Co. spokeswoman Carolyn Brown said NHTSA's test — which measures rollover propensity through a mathematical formula, not a moving test — fails to reflect the vehicle's performance on the road.

"We believe that it is among the most competitive vehicles out there," she said.

NHTSA insists the test as a good predictor of vehicle behavior. But the agency also plans to adopt a moving test this year that will measure the way a vehicle negotiates sharp turns.

A four-wheel drive version of the Jeep Liberty got three stars in NHTSA's ratings, the only vehicle tested in which different versions received different rollover ratings. A DaimlerChrysler Corp. spokeswoman didn't return a telephone message seeking comment about the Jeep Liberty's performance.

The test measured the performance of 17 SUVs. Two of the four smaller vehicles tested — the Subaru Outback wagon and the compact Saturn Ion — got four stars, while the Subaru Forester earned three stars.

Man leaps to death

VENICE, Italy (AP) — Ignoring pleas from tourists, a man jumped to his death from the famed bell-tower in Venice's St. Mark's Square just as the clock struck noon on Monday.

Fabian Alejandro Hoiman, 39, was a street performer in the Venice area, police said. He held an Argentine passport but lived in Padua, 15 miles west of Venice.

Hoiman climbed over fencing at the top of the 300-foot tower. Police and tourists begged him to come down as he prepared to leap, Venice police official Francesco Vergine said.

World's oldest woman turns 116 in Japan

TOKYO (AP) — A Japanese woman believed to be the oldest person in the world turned 116 today.

Born in 1887, when Japan was still in the throes of its conversion from samurai rule to modern democracy, Kamato Hongo was recognized as the world's oldest living person by the Guinness Book of Records after an American woman — Maude Farris-Luse — died last March at the age of 115.

Hongo, whose husband died when she was 77, is famous throughout Japan for her habit of sleeping for two days and then staying awake for two days.

She has seven children — three of whom have died — 27 grandchildren, 57 great-grandchildren and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

An Internet homepage devoted to her lists her favorite snack as unrefined brown sugar and also reveals her secret to long life.

"Not moping around," it says.

Hongo is now bedridden and shares a hospital room with her 77-year-old daughter.

She was raised on a small, rural island on Japan's southern fringe, and grew up tending to cows and farming potatoes. The same island also produced the Japanese record-holder for longevity, a woman who died at the age of 120.

Hongo symbolizes the graying of Japan's society.

The world's oldest documented man, 114-year-old Yukichi Chuganji, is Japanese. Japan's life expectancy is the longest in the world.

The average age of the population is also steadily rising.

An annual government survey released Monday in conjunction with Respect for the Aged Day, a national holiday, showed a record 24.3 million Japanese have reached their 65th birthday.

Japan marked a record low 1.32 births per woman last year, a figure that been falling for the last three decades and reflects changing values that have led more women to choose careers over children.

The changing demographic has raised fears the nation's pension and health care systems will be badly strained in the years ahead by a population consisting of fewer and fewer Japanese of working age.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2003

A bolder and more adventurous you could emerge in the year ahead. Your dealings could lead you to explore other facets of life involving both personal and business experiences that you have previously avoided.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — The pressure cooker could be boiling over in your household today, so don't do anything to add more fuel to the fire. Volatile issues must not be allowed to run the family.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Strong opinions that you have on opposing issues, such as politics, religion or family feuds, need to be kept under wraps today. Don't introduce topics that antagonize others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Be extra security-conscious today with finances and possessions, or even when around individuals with questionable reputations. Keep all that is yours under a watchful eye at this time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Even if the opposition to a personal interest of yours turns out to be rather strong today, be careful not to vent your rage on innocent bystanders. Address the dissenters directly.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — The larger problems that you'll have to confront today are apt to be of your own making. Try not to be your own worst enemy by making mountains out of molehills.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Be wise today and avoid gatherings where you know you might confront a few people who you don't feel too friendly around. The slightest infraction could set off a verbal battle.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — You could have a tendency today to assert some rather strong opinions to others, yet you may be totally unprepared for the reaction that comes from the opposition to your beliefs.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — You're gifted with great creativity, but you must be careful today not to use it to imagine all types of negative happenings. Stop worrying about things that may never happen.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — It's not like you to leave things until the last minute, but today there's a possibility that you might be pressed into a corner trying to clear up an old obligation. Don't waste time grumbling — just do it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Important one-to-one relationships must be handled with attention and care today. When in one of your carefree moments, take care not to blurt out anything that could be construed as tactless.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Those protective instincts of yours might cause you to assume some burdens of another when you have enough on your plate today handling your own duties. Let others fend for themselves.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Resist temptations today to plunge good money into speculative ventures just because associates do so. Expect returns only from productive work and not something for nothing.

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Snow, wind block S. Pole rescue attempt

By The Associated Press

A raging spring storm swirling across the South Pole has stalled attempts to send a rugged twin-engine plane on a 1,346-mile mission to rescue a seriously ill research worker.

Rescuers hoped to try again during a forecasted break in the storm this morning, said Steve Penikett, general manager of the Kenn Borek Air charter company of Calgary, Alberta.

The ailing worker who is suffering from bladder problems was stuck at the Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station and works for Raytheon Polar Services of Centennial, Colo. His name was withheld.

"This time of year in Antarctica is spring time so the weather is quite challenging," said Valerie Carroll, spokeswoman for Raytheon Polar Services.

Two de Havilland Twin Otter planes, built to fly in rough weather, were flown over the weekend from the southern tip of Chile to the Rothera Air Station on Antarctica, where they were forced to wait Monday because of bad weather, Carroll said.

"They're still sitting in a raging storm, blowing snow, 50-knot winds, so it's pretty ugly," said Steve Penikett.

One plane was to make the trip to the Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station, while the other was to remain at Rothera as a backup.

Conservation, tillage topic of Thursday meet

The benefits of conservation tillage will be discussed Thursday at the Brad Hinton Farm. Those interested are asked to meet at the Farmers' Co-op Gin on Hwy, 180 before traveling to the farm.

Minimum tillage, weed management and herbicide techniques are the topic for an hour-long session beginning at 3 p.m.

At 4 p.m. everyone will travel to The Shack for dinner and presentations. Monsanto will sponsor the meal.

From 4:30-6 p.m. the topics of discussion will be building a residue in the field, moisture management and implementation of a conservation tillage program on your farm.

Speakers will include John Bradley, Monsanto conservation tillage specialist; and Shea Murdock, Monsanto technical development manager.

Two CEUs will be offered.

For more information, contact Greg Gruben, Scurry Co. CEA-Ag at 325-573-5423; Dennis Poole, Borden Co. CEA-Ag, 806-756-4336; John Farris, Dawson Co. CEA-Ag, 806-872-7539; Greg Jones, Garza Co. CEA-Ag, 806-998-4562; John Senter, Mitchell CO. CEA-Ag, 325-573-5423.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Man's Internet masquerade lures teen into romance

DEAR ABBY: I am the mother of a 15-year-old girl who is in the ninth grade. She has been chatting with a man on the Internet for the last 10 months. He said he was a teenager. However, we have recently learned that he is 30-plus, married, and the father of a 4-year-old child. He says he is going to divorce his wife and marry my daughter.

We have tried to make her understand that this relationship won't work. She insists they are both waiting for her to turn 18 so they can be married.

My husband and I are devastated. Can you please make her understand the pros and cons? I'm begging with tears in my eyes. She won't listen to us. — **BROKEN-HEARTED MOM IN VIRGINIA**

DEAR BROKENHEARTED: Pick up the phone and inform the police that your underage daughter is being stalked by an Internet predator. He belongs in jail. And they can help to ensure that he winds up there. Pronto.

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DEAR ABBY: I am 20 and used to be an outgoing, smart and attractive female. I planned to attend college, but I put it off because of a tight money situation at home.

After I turned 18, I began to have what I think are panic attacks. I don't sleep well and wake up during the night sweating and shaking. I'm nervous around people, short-tempered, can't make decisions, and I'm paranoid.

A few months ago, I told my mother that I think I need to see a doctor. She acted concerned, but never mentioned it again. I am getting worse every day. Some days I wish I would die. I know this isn't normal. What can I do? Whom do I see? — **BARELY HERE IN INDIANA**

DEAR BARELY HERE: Your mother may have assumed that since you didn't mention it again that you were feeling better. It's time to pick up a phone and schedule a consultation with your doctor. You need a thorough physical examination and a psychological assessment. Please don't wait.

If you are not employed or do not have health insurance, you may qualify for Medicaid. Contact your state or county medical assistance office to see if you meet the eligibility requirements.

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DEAR ABBY: My 85-year-old husband is a cash cow for charities. For years, he has given away all of his Social Security money to charitable causes. He says, "If I don't give, who will?" He says we "don't really need" the money. Abby, he gives away more than $15,000 a year!

I am 80. My blood pressure is going through the roof. We live on a fixed income, but he thinks since it's "his" money, he can give it away as he sees fit. He seems to be on everyone's list. He spreads the letters out in a semicircle around his chair every day and sends them all $50 checks! Help! — **GOING BROKE IN MARYLAND**

DEAR G.B.: Talk to an accountant or a trusted lawyer and explain what's going on. Perhaps if he hears it from a professional, your husband will be more receptive to the message. If that fails, he may need a conservator.

Also, your wills can be written so that whatever is left in your estate after you are both gone will be left to charities.

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Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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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 $5 (U.S. funds only) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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There will be fun for the entire family. Only one entry blank will be permitted for any one person. More than one will disqualify all that person's entries. ENTRIES MUST BE ON THE OFFICIAL ENTRY BLANK (NO COPIES). Scores listed on the entry blank will have no bearing except in the case of a tie-breaker. Sign your entry blank and list your address and phone number and watch for the winner's story in next Tuesday's SDN. Employees of the SDN and families are not eligible to enter.

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Clark to enter presidential race

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Wesley Clark, the retired general with a four-star military resume but no political experience, decided today to become the 10th Democratic presidential candidate, officials close to him said.

"He's made his decision and will announce it tomorrow in Little Rock," said Mark Fabiani, a spokesman for Clark. The announcement will be made at noon CDT Wednesday in Arkansas, sources said.

Fabiani did not reveal Clark's decision, but officials close to the former Army general said he told his fledgling campaign team that he's in the race.

Clark, who was careful not to confirm that he is a candidate, said in an interview with The Associated Press that there's still room and time for another White House campaign.

"It's not too late to get in the race if I decide to run," he said outside his headquarters.

Asked if he was ready to start telling Americans his positions on domestic policy, Clark said, "I'll do my best, but there will be a lot of things that I don't know right away."

"I want to learn," he said. "I've got a whole period of time. I've got to go around America. I want to talk to people about the issues."

Clark's decision came as Democratic strategists from around the country gathered at his small, low-slung brick headquarters on the banks of the Arkansas river to discuss strategy for mounting a late-starting presidential campaign.

U.S. forces in Iraq hold eight people

ABU GHRAIB, Iraq (AP) — U.S. forces are holding six people who claim to be Americans and two who say they are British for alleged attacks against coalition troops in Iraq, an American general said today. It was the first time the military reported holding Westerners in the attacks.

The disclosure came a day after troops from the 4th Infantry Division killed two Iraqis and wounded two others in a battle outside an ammunition dump in Tikrit. One man was captured and two others fled in the apparent attempt to loot the depot, spokeswoman Maj. Josslyn Aberle said.

Brig. Gen. Janis Karpinski, who is in charge of coalition detention centers in Iraq, said the men claiming to be Americans and British are suspected of involvement in guerrilla attacks. They were not identified.

The eight alleged Westerners are being held 12 miles west of Baghdad at the notorious Abu Ghraib prison, where Saddam Hussein imprisoned many political opponents.

U.S. officials said troops of the 4th Infantry Division carried out 242 patrols in three provinces late Monday. They arrested 28 Iraqis.

In the town of Samarra, troops captured two people and confiscated 13 sticks of plastic explosives, blasting caps and nine mortar rounds from them, officials said.

The raids came a day after the police chief in the Sunni Muslim town of Khaldiya was killed in a roadside ambush as he was returning to his home in Fallujah, scene of growing criminal violence and guerrilla resistance to the American occupation of Iraq.

The attack was likely to undermine U.S. efforts to build local police and militia structures to handle security in the region.

See You At The Pole scheduled tomorrow

See You at the Pole, a nationwide prayer meeting that may impact 56,000 schools this year, is planned to take place on local campuses Wednesday.

The prayer time is youth-led and will be held at Snyder Junior High at 7:15 and Snyder High School at 7:17. Students have gathered at their flagpoles around the world for a dozen years.

Students have consulted with Matt Prescott at Colonial Hill Baptist Church, Brent Schneider at First Baptist Church and Beau Taft at First United Methodist.

Students from Ira, Hermleigh and Snyder will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Worsham Auditorium for a *Saw You at the Pole* rally.

See You at the Pole gatherings include singing and prayer.

The student-initiated movement began in Burleson in 1990 and grew to more than three million by 1998. Youth in all 50 states and more than 20 countries on six continents participated last year.

The campus prayer session is open to any church or individual.

Bitter redistricting fight continues

AUSTIN (AP) — With the dramatics of their return behind them, Texas legislators say they're ready to work during a third special session in a Senate chamber permeated by hard feelings over a walkout by Democrats.

"I'm glad our senators are back," said Republican Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, who presides over the Senate. "We've got a lot of work in front of us."

Ten Democrats who spent six weeks at a hotel in Albuquerque, N.M., to thwart a vote on redrawing Texas' congressional map gave up their protest after an 11th member, Sen. John Whitmire, broke ranks and returned to the Senate floor Monday.

His return gave Republicans the quorum needed to hold a vote.

Republican Gov. Rick Perry ordered the special session as part of a bitter, monthslong battle.

Democrats arriving at the Capitol as a group were greeted with loud and long cheers from supporters in the Senate gallery as they stood in the middle of the chamber, hands joined and raised in unity.

"It's been six weeks since Senate Democrats took a stand based on principle, based on voting rights, based on our belief that only in the rule of law can there be true liberty," Sen. Leticia Van de Putte, D-San Antonio, said.

The Democrats' entrance into the chamber came just minutes after Dewhurst gaveled the session to order and then quickly adjourned it before their arrival. The crowd hissed and booed the Republicans as they left.

"Boy, that's class," said Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano.

21-year-old arrested for sexual assault of a child

Arrests

Anthony Rogers, 21, of 506 N.E 4th Street in Andrews, was arrested Monday on County Road 221 on a warrant for sexual assault of a child and city warrants for public intoxication and failure to appear.

Family violence

A woman requested an officer at the Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency room Monday in reference to being assaulted by her husband on Sunday. A report for family violence was submitted.

Monday at 9:48 p.m., a man reported a woman causing a disturbance at his residence and tore his shirt off. A family violence report was filed.

Forgery

Anita Hopkins at Allsup's requested to speak to a deputy in reference to a returned check. A report for forgery was filed.

Rattlesnake

Monday at 5:49 p.m. in the 3600 block of 44th Street, a woman reported one shot fired to kill a rattlesnake at her residence.

Ira ISD board to meet tonight

Ira school board members will hold a regular board meeting today at 6:30 p.m. at the Ira Community center. Trustees will consider nominees to be placed on the ballot for election to the Scurry County Appraisal District board of directors. They will also discuss the superintendent's appraisal process.

Dr. Larry Devitt will give his monthly report to the board.

A principal's report will be given as well.

Also on the agenda is planning of the 2004 senior trip to include destination, mode of travel and trip guidelines.

There will be a discussion regarding the financial integrity rating system of Texas (FIRST), and an executive session regarding personnel is also on the agenda.

Obituaries

Oletha Gibson

1921-2003

Oletha Gibson, 82, died Tuesday, Sept. 16, in Mitchell County Hospital in Colorado City.

Services are pending at Wright Colonial Funeral Home in Snyder.

Rev. Vergauwen

1917-2003

BALLINGER — The Rev. Peter Vergauwen, former priest of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Snyder, died Monday, Sept. 15, in Padua Place, a retirement home for priests in San Antonio.



Vergauwen

A wake for Rev. Vergauwen, 86, is set for 5 p.m. Wednesday at St. Boniface Church in Olfen and a mass is set for 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Boniface.

Born Oct. 6, 1917 in Oppuurs, Belgium, he served in the Belgian Medical Army Air Corps. He was captured by the German army and taken on foot to a forced labor camp in Silezia, Poland where he escaped and returned to the seminary. He was ordained as a priest on July 19, 1942 and was appointed teacher of chemistry and physics at the Apostolic School in Waregem, Belgium.

He moved to Texas in 1951, serving churches in Snyder (1962-65), Coyanosa, Imperial, Sweetwater, San Angelo, Menard, Andrews, Abilene and Olfen.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Josephine Vergauwen; and two brothers.

Dorothy Gaurcia

1925-2003

McKINNEY — Dorothy Gaurcia, a former resident of Snyder, died Monday, Sept. 15, in McKinney.

Graveside service for Mrs. Gaurcia, 78, is set for 10:30 a.m. Friday in the Ridgeview Memorial Park with Zerlene Simpson, minister, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Turrentine-Jackson and Morrow Funeral Home.

Born Feb. 19, 1925 in Lubbock, she married Lorinza Gaurcia in 1974 in Snyder. He preceded her in death.

Mrs. Gaurcia, a resident of McKinney, was a housekeeper and a member of The Word is Life Deliverance Church in Snyder.

She also was preceded in death by her parents, Charles Henry and Rosie Turner; two sisters, Ruth Bell and Ruby Turner; and a nephew, Marcus Anderson.

Survivors include a daughter, Norma Archie of Albuquerque, N.M.; a sister, Jearldene Anderson of Abilene; a brother, Charles Turner Jr. of Arizona; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

DCOS awards $40,000 to Snyder Brick and Tile

The Development Corporation of Snyder directors this morning unanimously voted to award $40,000 to Snyder Brick and Tile as part of a job-creation incentive agreement. "This satisfies the DCOS' financial obligation to the company," said board chairman Dayton Robertson.

Robertson added that although the payment was not actually due until Oct. 1, he felt it could be paid today since the company had met its employee quota and the data has been verified.

"They have met the requirements for the payment," said Robertson.

Mitchell Goodger, manager of the plant, said company business had picked up considerably in recent weeks.

"Last week, we sold over a half million bricks," said Goodger, noting that number actually exceeded the plant's capacity.

Goodger added that the company also has picked up business in Salt Lake City, plus a 90-unit housing project in Arkansas, and has gained business in Missouri, Louisiana, Mississippi and Florida.

Robertson presided at the meeting and all board members were in attendance to include James Brown, Mike McWilliams, Mark Cypert and Roy McQueen.

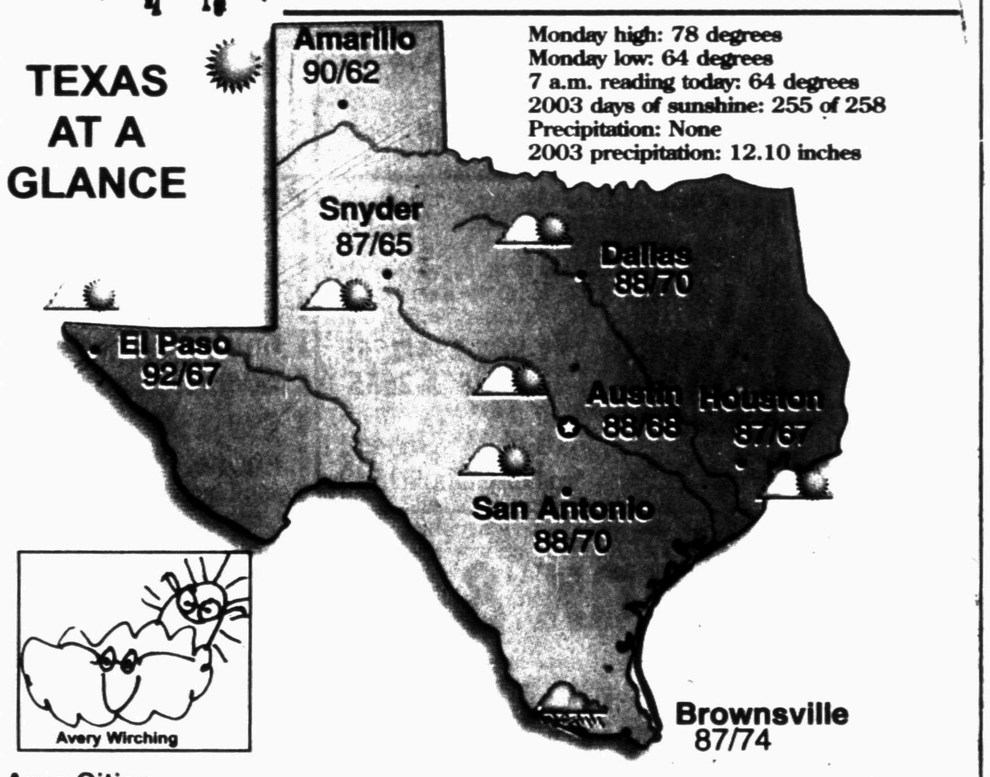
Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Wed 9/17	Thu 9/18	Fri 9/19
87/65	81/56	76/55
Intervals of clouds and sunshine. High 87F. Winds S at 10 to 20 mph.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 50s.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the mid 50s.
Sunrise 7:28 AM, Sunset 7:47 PM	Sunrise 7:29 AM, Sunset 7:46 PM	Sunrise 7:30 AM, Sunset 7:45 PM

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Monday high: 78 degrees
Monday low: 64 degrees
7 a.m. reading today: 64 degrees
2003 days of sunshine: 255 of 258
Precipitation: None
2003 precipitation: 12.10 inches

Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	88	69	mst sunny	El Paso	92	67	pt sunny	Midland	90	68	pt sunny
Amarillo	90	62	sunny	Fort Stockton	90	67	pt sunny	Raymondville	88	72	t-storm
Austin	88	68	pt sunny	Gainesville	86	66	pt sunny	Rosenberg	87	66	pt sunny
Beaumont	86	65	mst sunny	Greenville	86	65	pt sunny	San Antonio	88	70	pt sunny
Brownsville	87	74	t-storm	Houston	87	67	pt sunny	San Marcos	89	68	pt sunny
Brownwood	90	67	pt sunny	Kingsville	88	71	t-storm	Sulphur Springs	86	63	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	87	73	pt sunny	Livingston	87	62	pt sunny	Sweetwater	88	67	pt sunny
Corsicana	88	66	pt sunny	Longview	86	62	mst sunny	Tyler	88	64	mst sunny
Dallas	88	70	pt sunny	Lubbock	90	65	pt sunny	Weatherford	87	65	pt sunny
Del Rio	90	73	pt sunny	Lufkin	88	62	mst sunny	Wichita Falls	91	69	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	82	55	mst sunny	Houston	87	67	pt sunny	Phoenix	101	78	sunny
Boston	73	58	mst sunny	Los Angeles	77	61	mst sunny	San Francisco	75	56	windy
Chicago	83	61	sunny	Miami	91	74	pt sunny	Seattle	62	51	cloudy
Dallas	88	70	pt sunny	Minneapolis	79	55	windy	St. Louis	82	61	sunny
Denver	77	39	pt sunny	New York	77	62	mst sunny	Washington, DC	78	63	mst sunny

Moon Phases

Full	Last	New	First
Sep 10	Sep 18	Sep 26	Oct 2

UV Index

Wed 9/17	Thu 9/18	Fri 9/19
High	High	High

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV index showing the need for greater skin protection. 0 — 11

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