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Western Swing Festival underway

By Jeff West
SDN Staff Writer

One of the bands playing in today's opening session of the 8th annual West Texas Western Swing Music Festival started by chance.

"There were several musicians hired individually by a club in Houston," said founding member Clyde Brewer. "We liked each other and decided we should form our own band."

That was 33 years ago when the band known as the River Road Boys came together.

Since that time, a few members of the group have passed away and others moved on, but Brewer and drummer Tommy Howser have stayed with the band and kept it going.

Five other musicians form the rest of the band, including steel guitar player Herb Remington who is 78 and played steel guitar for Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys.

The band will be on stage twice today with their first performance set from 1:45-3:15 p.m., and in the evening session from 8-9:15.

"We've been at almost every one of these Snyder events since it started," Brewer said. "This is probably the finest Western Swing festival around."

While band members will do all western swing music here it is not the only music they play. "Last week we did a Hawaiian show and next week we'll do a show featuring older pop standards."

In fact the band will have to leave Thursday because they have another gig on Saturday.

A lot of people retire and take it easy once they reach their seventh decade, Brewer said. While the band doesn't play as many dates as before, it isn't planning to quit yet.

"This is still fun to me so as long as I can keep it up I'll continue to play," he said.

The festival got underway with welcoming ceremonies around noon today, and continues at Scurry County Coliseum until 11 o'clock this evening.

In addition to Brewer's group, other bands performing today are Ted Scanlon and the Desperadoes and Billy Mata and the Texas Tradition.

Scanlon will take the stage following the dinner break and will play from 6:30 until 7:45. The River Road Boys will perform at 8 o'clock, and Billy Mata will close out the event this evening with a performance from 9:30 until 11.

Evening tickets with admission starting at 6:30 are $12.

The event will continue through Saturday.

Thursday's schedule has Jake Hooker and the Outsiders opening at noon. They will be followed by Curtis Potter, Snuffy Elmore and Travis Bishop.

READY TO JAM — Clyde Brewer, on keyboard, founded the River Road Boys with drummer Tommy Howser 33 years ago. Other members of the band at a jam session Tuesday were Bill Dessens on fiddle, Shelly Alley Jr. on bass and vocalist Jim Nelson (SDN Staff Photo by Jeff West)

Houston officer shot while serving warrant

HOUSTON (AP) — A police officer was hospitalized after being shot four times today while trying to make an arrest.

Houston police spokesman John Cannon said the officer, who started with the department in September 1994, was hit by bullets in both legs, his hip and his side.

"The one in the side was deflected by his bulletproof vest," Cannon said. "He was breathing and conscious at the scene."

The officer was being treated at Memorial Hermann Hospital, where his condition wasn't immediately known. The officer's identity also was being withheld until his family could be notified.

Cannon said two suspects were being held as material witnesses and police were continuing to search for the assailant.

The officers were attempting to serve a felony weapons warrant.

PD adds patrolmen to staff

There are two more police officers patrolling Snyder streets this week and two more could be here before the end of summer.

The city was short four officers last month but could be up to full strength soon, according to Snyder police chief Steve Warren.

The two additions include one officer new to the force and one returning.

Officer Trey Wilson has several years experience as a Snyder police officer, but left recently to investigate other opportunities. Wilson returned to the department last week.

Also starting late last week was Jeff Israel, who is a five-year veteran of the Cochran County sheriff's department.

"We came here because of better opportunities for my wife, Cameron, who is a teacher, and myself. Morton, the main city only has about 2,500 people and about 500 more out in the county, so the opportunities are more limited there," Israel said.

Israel earned his law enforcement certificate at South Plains College in his hometown of Levelland. He says he knows exactly why he decided to wear a badge.

"There's no other job that will have the impact or can help as many people the way this one can," he said.

Although he is still very new to the community his first impressions are good.

"Everyone I've dealt with here, both in the department and the community, has welcomed us with open arms. The people in the department are like a family and that's what you look for."

Jeff Israel

Warren told the city council earlier this week that an individual about to graduate from a law enforcement academy has expressed a desire to work for the department.

"He still has to pass his state license exam and pass his drug tests, but we don't see a problem there. If he passes those final hurdles, he could be here by July," the chief added.

Warren said he has talked with another candidate who could also be here by the end of summer. If those two positions are filled, the department would be at full strength.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM BEGINS — Javin Nakamura, left, and his brother, Christian Nakamura, joined 45 others being served banana splits by CADA personnel to launch the Scurry County Library "Color Your World" summer read-to-me program for Storytime at 10 a.m. each Monday. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Cable TV lineup adds racing show

Cox Cable is offering two new services to Snyder customers.

The first is a new channel, added to the sports and information tier of Cox's digital service, call Fuel, which will be on channel 255.

"This is an extreme speed and racing channel," said Cox system manager Michelle Harper

The second change may not affect anyone in Snyder, according to Harper.

"We now support the CableCard device. It is a card that slips into specially-designed TVs to replace the cable box for movie and other premium channels," she said. "As far as I know no one in this area sells TVs that support the card."

If someone has been to Dallas or other larger cities and purchased one of the CableCard-enabled sets, the service will cost $2.99 a month with an installation charge of $49.99. Harper said the service was begun as a result of a FCC mandate.

THE SDN COLUMN
MY TURN
by Jo Ann Nunley

Look ahead, think — be ready for situations you can control, plan for tomorrow all seem to be the deep-seated thoughts that fill our minds continuously.

Being encouraged to plan ahead is invaluable advice but for 15 inches lets look back at some of Snyder's serious and frivolous happenings.

Five years ago on June 9 in Snyder, Garlan Williams, owner of A-1 Air Conditioning Inc. took his J-3 Piper Cub model airplane and his Sport 500 helicopter to show children attending the first Scurry County Library reading program. Linda Jones was the children's librarian.

Snyder ISD trustees approved a 10-year contract with Coca-Cola that said at the time that could mean as much as $285,000 to the district over the length of the contract. SISD received a $40,000 up-front check and the district was also to be paid $5,000 per year for the next nine years.

Ten years ago — Krista Kirkland Gerlick, former Texas Tech University Red Raider standout and head coach at Lockney High School, was speaker at the opening ceremonies of the Girls' Little Dribblers National Tournament.

The temperature had been in the 100s for several days.

The top five seniors at Ira High School were Wendy Wilson, Michelle Gernandt, Lee Haddox, Lana Gaston and Cory Bettz. Top five juniors were Amanda Davis, Kristi Sorrells, Justin Donelson, Jay Nettles and Brian Garmer. Top five sophomores were Jeremy Howard, Misty Chana, Ociel Castilan, Michah Brown and Jody Rankin. Top five freshmen were Kasey Calley, Jessica Williams, Adam Davis, Machia Chaney and Stacy Taylor.

The Snyder Bass Club announced that Lane Martin was winner of the club's May tourney at Lake Colorado City and Lake Champion. Martin had a total weight of 14.30 pounds; Doug Foster had 10.25 pounds; and Gay Hickman had a total of 7.70 pounds.

Twenty years ago — Janice Mitchell came to Snyder from Comfort to be the head librarian at the Scurry County Library.

Gov. Mark White said "I believe raising taxes from four cents on the dollar to five cents is a better approach than taxing some services which now are exempt."

President Ronald Reagan and leaders of six other countries sat down for talks at an economic summit immediately overshadowed by political concerns including terrorism, arms control and the deep chill in East-West relations.

"Runaway," a musical drama based on Onesimus, a character in the New Testament book of Philemon, was presented at the First Baptist Church.

Twenty years ago — 20 men entered the local Centennial beard-growing contest. A few dropped out of the two-week old contest for reasons "too itchy," "too hot" and "I have places to go where the beard just isn't right." Pictured in the SDN flaunting their wiry faces were five contestants - Joe Fowler, Mickey Nunley, Rex Robinson, Benny Hollis and Amado Montalvo. The winner remains a mystery.

Reading past SDN issues can be an interesting way to spend summer time.

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ASK US

Q—Will the July Fourth celebration be held one or two days this year?

A—Two days – Saturday and Sunday, July 3-4.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Sheila Sorrells...

...has spent all but three years of her life in Snyder and she teaches music at Central Elementary. Her husband, Todd, works for Anadarko. He also runs a custom grain harvest business. She has a stepson Chris Sorrells, 19, who lives in Snyder and a step-granddaughter Kalie, who is nine-months old and lives in Mineral Wells. She enjoys gardening, singing, walking and working with children in her spare time.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

The foundations of character are built not by lecture, but by bricks of good example, laid day by day.

—Leo B. Blessing

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

East Side VBS

East Side Church of Christ will have Vacation Bible School from 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday nights through July 7. Call 573-3583 for more information.

Love and Logic classes

East Side Church of Christ will offer Love and Logic classes from 6-8 p.m. on Wednesdays through July 7. Pam Hart is the instructor. The classes are geared toward parents and grandparents. A meal will be served at 5:15 p.m. Wednesday at the Family Life Building.

Postmaster to be sworn in

Willie Wilhelm will be sworn in as postmaster at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Snyder post office. The public is invited.

First Baptist support group

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

SISD computer, ESL classes

SISD is offering free classes in basic computer skills and beginning ESL from 8 a.m. to noon in the Region XIV Service Center every Friday in June. Call 574-6012 for more information.

GED, ESL classes

GED and ESL classes at Western Texas College are held from 8 a.m. until noon every Tuesday through Thursday and from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays through June 30. Classes will then resume in August. For more information call 573-8511, ext. 322.

Water aerobics

Water aerobics for seniors is held from 10-11 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday at the WTC pool.

What's up guidelines

Items for What's Up will be published twice at no charge, the day before and the day of the event. Events or activities requiring additional publicity will be referred to the advertising department where a special non-profit rate is available.

Autopsy reveals boy smothered

HOUSTON (AP) — A 6-year-old boy whose body was found in an oven in April died from asphyxia due to smothering, according to an autopsy report released Tuesday.

Tre-Devin Odoms had cuts and scratches on his face and chin, according to the autopsy performed by Jefferson County forensic pathologist Tommy Brown. The report did not reveal how or when the boy was smothered.

It did find that despite Odoms being retrieved from a closed oven with the gas on, no methane or propane gas were detected in his blood or "tracheal air."

Defense attorney Raquel Galle, who represents Kenneth Pierott, the 28-year-old Beaumont man charged with murder in the boy's death, said the report indicates to her that Odoms was killed before his body was placed in the oven.

Galle said Pierott, who in 1998 was found innocent by reason of insanity in the fatal beating of his sister, will use the insanity defense again.

Pierott's trial is set for Sept. 13 in Beaumont.

"We still believe he is insane," Galle said. She said the autopsy "just shows technically how the child died, but it doesn't change anything for us."

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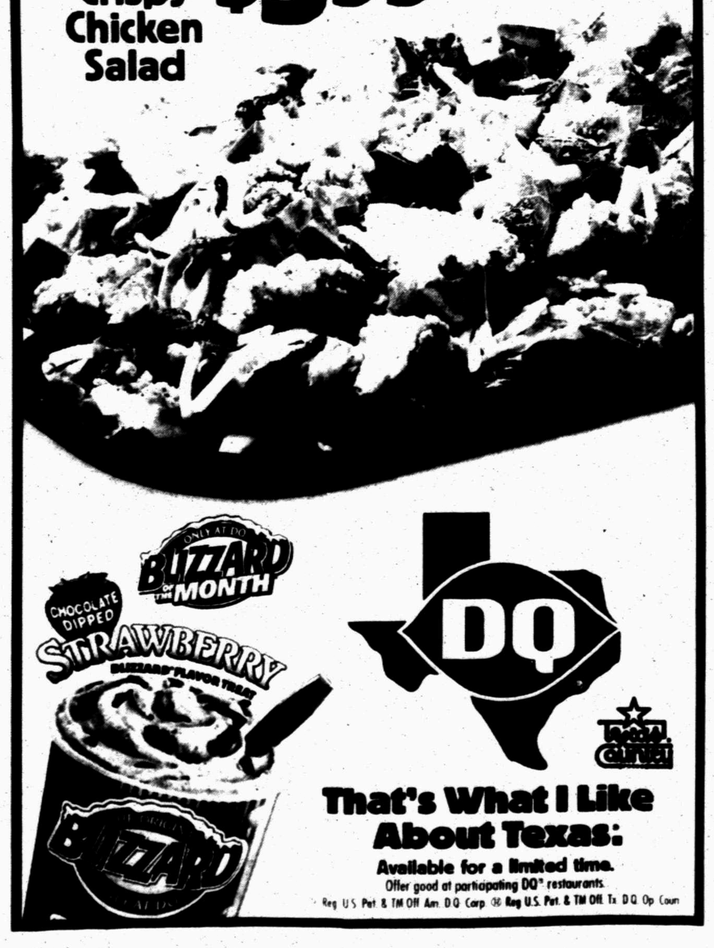

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KINDERGARTEN GRADUATES — Ira School's kindergarten students graduated in May. Back row from left are Lauren Dennis, Jayson Bohannon, Hope Barker, Dakota Green, Shawn Deere, Savannah Juarez and Jordan Ruiz; front row, Kaci Archer, Justin Graham, Brianna Helm, Kurt Dryden, Ragan Hollingsworth, Hannah Womack and Martha Ornelas. (Contributed Photo)

RECEIVE CERTIFICATES — Vera Arrendono's morning pre-kindergarten students at West Elementary received certificates in May. Bottom row from left are Emanuel Cabrera, Melissa Gutierrez, Brittany Hernandez and Zoe Jones; middle row, Cameron Clements, Brianna Haddox, Danyell Hester, Jasime Montoya, Hannah Kosler and Bronc Darnell; top row, Courtney Velasquez, Gavin Belman, Jordyn Hunter, Analicia Jaimes, Marquise Silva, Emily Guerra and Eddie Ervin. (Contributed Photo)

ALSO RECEIVE CERTIFICATES — Vera Arredondo's afternoon pre-kindergarten students at West Elementary also received certificates. Bottom row from left, Makenna Huggins, Tarryn Velasquez, Samantha Yanez and Anthoni Gonzales; second row, Brandon Martinez, Kaitlyn Hardy and Miguel Martinez; third row, Jacob Gonzales, Raven Ballard, Steven Beck, Ragan Rice and Diamond Escobedo; fourth row, Alisha Sanchez, Tristan Hernandez, Veda Poe, Joel Ortegon and Michael Northcutt. (Contributed Photo)

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Brothers drown near river dam

WATSON, Minn. (AP) — A 12-year-old boy drowned after he tried to ride the middle chute of a dam like a water slide, and his older brother died trying to save him.

Brandon Dornbusch, 12, became trapped Monday in the hydraulics of the water below the small spillway, a narrow channel that carries water from the Chippewa River beneath a road bridge, authorities said.

"It looks like something you'd see in a water park, but it isn't. Not anywhere near that. It's deadly," said deputy Tim Christensen of Chippewa County in southwestern Minnesota.

Brandon's older brother, Justin, 14, tried to help, first using a fishing pole but then following his brother down the same, smooth-looking chute. He, too, was caught in the powerful waters.

Their 11-year-old stepsister, Chelsea, pedaled her mother's bicycle nearly a mile to town to summon help. Rescuers later found the boys' bodies downstream.

Mona Dornbusch, the boys' stepmother, said they had gone to the dam to fish and that she had warned them to stay on shore.

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Today is the 161st day of 2004 and the 82nd day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1534, French navigator Jacques Cartier discovered the St. Lawrence River in present-day Quebec, Canada.

In 1934, Donald Duck first appeared in the cartoon, "The Wise Little Hen."

In 1954, Joseph Welch, special counsel for the U.S. Army, confronted Sen. Joseph McCarthy during the Army-McCarthy hearings.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Cole Porter (1891-1964), composer/lyricist; Robert Cummings (1908-1990), actor; Michael J. Fox (1961-), actor, is 43; Johnny Depp (1963-), actor, is 41; Natalie Portman (1981-), actress, is 23.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1946, Mel Ott of the New York Giants became the first manager to be thrown out of both games of a doubleheader.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Until this moment, Senator, I think I had never gauged your cruelty or your recklessness.... Have you no sense of decency, sir, at long last? " — Joseph Welch, at the Army-McCarthy hearings

TODAY'S FACT: Donald Duck's middle name is Fauntleroy.

TODAY'S NUMBER: 5 — percent of Serbia and Montenegro population that is Montenegrin.

TODAY'S MOON: Last quarter (June 9)

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RESULTS

Tuesday's Lottery Numbers

Mega Millions

ATLANTA (AP) — The jackpot in the multi-state Mega Millions lottery drawing grew to $85 million Wednesday.

None of the tickets sold for Tuesday's $71 million drawing matched all five lotto numbers and the Mega Ball. The next drawing will be Friday.

There were four second-prize winners from Tuesday night's drawing. Those tickets are each worth $175,000. Thirty-six players matched four of the five lotto numbers, plus the Mega Ball number. Those tickets are each worth $5,000.

The winning numbers from Tuesday's drawing were: 17, 24, 29, 37, and 45. The Mega Ball number was 43.

Texas Two Step

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery: 7-9-22-28. Bonus ball 10.

Estimated jackpot: $225,000

Cash Five

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

Winning numbers drawn: 1-11-22-25-29.

Number matching five of five: 5.

Prize per winner: $7,493.

Winning tickets sold in: ADDISON, STAFFORD, DALLAS, MOUNT, AUSTIN.

Matching four of five: 123. Prize: $137.

Matching three of five: 3,922. Prize: $10.

Matching two of five: 39,605. Prize: $2.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

Pick 3

(Day) 9-1-6

(Night) 9-7-8

Settlement reached

CLEVELAND (AP) — The city has agreed to pay more than $1 million to a man cleared of rape after serving 13 years in prison and allow an independent review of its police laboratory, officials said Tuesday.

Michael Green, 38, was released in 2001 after DNA tests on a rag used by the rapist to wipe himself proved he was innocent. Another man later confessed to the attack and is serving a five-year sentence.

The city agreed in a settlement to pay Green $1.6 million and to allow an independent audit of more than 100 cases handled by its crime laboratory since 1987.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Teens budding relationship gives parent cause for concern

DEAR ABBY: My daughter, "Chris," is 14. She'll be graduating from eighth grade in a couple of weeks. Over the last few months, I have been driving her and a group of boys and girls to the movies on Friday nights. This has evolved into a romantic relationship with a 15-year-old boy, "Bob," who lives close by and is in her class. In her junior high school, this is described as "going out."

I know they kiss. They also dance together at a local hangout on Saturday nights. I could refuse to drive them to the movies together, but they would probably meet there anyway.

Chris has a level head on her shoulders. She's a good girl and active in our church. We talk openly together.

Abby, can you guide me in this? I trust my daughter, but I am also aware that 14- and 15-year-olds have a lot of raging hormones. Please advise. — **WISHES KIDS CAME WITH HANDBOOKS**

DEAR WISHES: I agree that teenagers have raging hormones, and the most intelligent way to deal with it is to keep the teens occupied. You are already on the right track, keeping the lines of communication open, for which I applaud you.

I see no harm in your daughter being at the movies with this boy and a group of friends on weekends in light of the fact that you are providing the transportation and they are in a group. But much of her free time should be occupied with constructive pursuits such as sports, volunteer work, music and activities that will give her "service credits" toward college. Develop her interests. Keep her goal-oriented. Encourage her to develop platonic friendships. You can't prevent your daughter from growing up, but you can give her guidelines and make sure her time is well spent.

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DEAR ABBY: From fourth to ninth grade, I attended a small Christian school in Delaware. It was a great experience because the teachers and the students were able to really get to know one another.

One of the teachers, Mr. C., was one of the best a student could ever hope to have. Learning was fun in the subjects he taught, especially U.S. history. Can you imagine taking a class of 20 on an overnight camping trip to Gettysburg?

While talking to my mom, who was a co-teacher with Mr. C., about an upcoming business trip to Asheville, N.C., Mom mentioned that Mr. C. lives there and encouraged me to try to find him. Well, it turned out that Mr. C. was the only Mr. C. in the Asheville phone book.

We spent a wonderful afternoon reminiscing about his days as a teacher and mine as a student. Although I don't remember much about the subjects he taught, I will never forget the time he spent with us — laughing while we played football on the playground, crying when a classmate passed away. He was always there for us.

One of his favorite lines was: "Don't hurt him! He is the only one we have like him!" Now that I work with children, I find myself using his favorite phrase.

Abby, please encourage your readers to take the time to look back and thank those teachers who made a difference in their lives. They helped to make us who we are today, and it would be rewarding for them to see the fruits of their labors. — **GRATEFUL IN NORTHERN OHIO**

DEAR GRATEFUL: I have said it before and I'm pleased to say it again: Everyone wants to know that he or she has made a difference. Teachers don't earn much in the way of salaries; letters and calls of appreciation from former students can be extremely gratifying to former teachers who have helped to shape our lives. So if you've been putting it off, why not do it now?

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Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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EAST A HONOR ROLL — These East Elementary students were named to the A honor roll for 2003-2004. Back row from left are Slade Birkenfeld, Alicyn Hernandez, Armando Monroy, Aleya Sharp, Amber Steelman, Jessica Guardado, Miriam Arellano and Samantha Mitchell; middle row, Taylor Garcia, Audrey Miller, Matthew Martinez, Dakota Owens, Jesse Domingüez, Damian Donaldson and Dalton Toland; front row, Alberto Resendiz. Heraclio Juarez, Kaitlin Stewart, Sadee Bernal, Adalberto Jaimes, Samantha Aviles and Regan Head. (Staff Photo by Jeff West)

Agreement reached with FFC

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Communications Commission has reached a nearly $2 million settlement with Texas-based Clear Channel Communications to resolve a number of indecency complaints that include shock jock Howard Stern, according to published reports.

The agreement, which could be announced as early as today, would settle fines proposed by the agency for sexually explicit remarks Stern made in an April 2003 broadcast.

The agreement also would cover any and all outstanding listener complaints lodged against Clear Channel, including dozens of cases that haven't even been reviewed yet, according to reports in today editions of The Washington Post and The New York Times.

Telephone calls to several FCC officials and representatives of Clear Channel were not returned early today.

Researchers pin down symptoms of ovarian cancer

CHICAGO (AP) — A cluster of three common symptoms in women — a swollen abdomen, a bloated feeling and urgent urination — should raise suspicions of ovarian cancer if they are persistent, severe and began recently, a study says.

The three symptoms are among many that have been associated with ovarian cancer before. But because they also affect most healthy women at some point in their lives, they are often not seen as a tip-off to cancer.

The lack of clearly identifiable symptoms has contributed to the relatively poor prognosis for women with ovarian cancer. While cure rates are high when the disease is detected early, about 75 percent of women are diagnosed when the cancer is in advanced stages.

Nearly 26,000 U.S. women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer this year and more than 16,000 will die from it, the American Cancer Society estimates.

The new study may help narrow the list of symptoms that might signal a need for further tests, said lead author Dr. Barbara Goff, a gynecologic cancer specialist at the University of Washington.

All three symptoms were found in 43 percent of women later diagnosed with ovarian cancer, but in just 8 percent of women without the disease.

Women with ovarian cancer also were more likely than others to report that symptoms began within the preceding several weeks rather than several months or years earlier. Their symptoms also were more likely to be severe and to occur as often as every day or most days.

The cluster of symptoms occurred in women with early-stage disease and in those with more advanced cases. They also occurred in women who had non-cancerous ovarian tumors, so their presence did not necessarily signal a dire diagnosis, Goff said.

The study appears in today's Journal of the American Medical Association.

The study helps explode the myth that ovarian cancer is a silent killer, said Dr. Ed Partridge, a gynecologic cancer specialist at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. Even women in early stages of the disease had symptoms, he said.

Doctors who suspect ovarian cancer often order ultrasound or blood tests first. But the only definitive way to diagnose the disease is surgery.

The three symptoms, if recent and persistent, should indicate to doctors that these women "have to be evaluated instead of just giving them relief for bloating or saying, 'That's normal,'" said Dr. Carmen Rodriguez of the American Cancer Society.

The study is based on surveys of 1,709 cancer-free women and 128 women awaiting surgery for pelvic tumors including ovarian cancer.

A JAMA editorial said the study still leaves doctors uncertain about exactly when to order diagnostic tests.

Testing only women with the three symptoms cited would still miss a considerable number of women with cancer, Drs. Mary Daly and Robert Ozols of Fox Chase Cancer Center in Philadelphia wrote.

Today's chuckle

Suspects' maps lead officials to pot plot

DRESDEN, Tenn. (AP) — Investigators made a quick hit finding 150 marijuana plants along the Tennessee-Kentucky state line.

The suspected growers left maps in their car that led to the pot plot. As many as 120 plants were found in a cornfield, Weakley County sheriff's investigator Marty Plunk said.

Robert Pounds, 49, and Joseph Beard Jr., 45, were arrested Monday. The pair were charged with manufacturing and possessing marijuana with intent to resell and tampering with evidence.

The tampering charge is for tossing marijuana cigarettes out of their car, authorities said.

Kentucky police searched Beard's residence in New Concord, Ky., and arrested his wife, Joan Beard, on charges of growing the plants inside their home, officials said.

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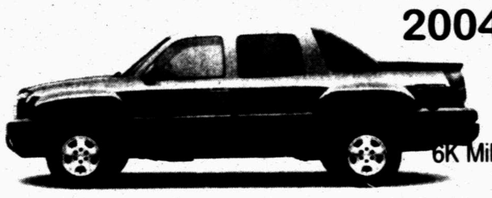

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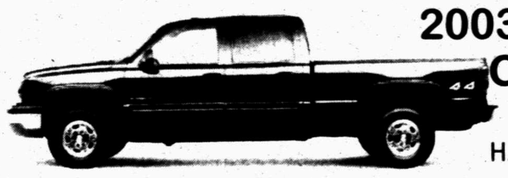

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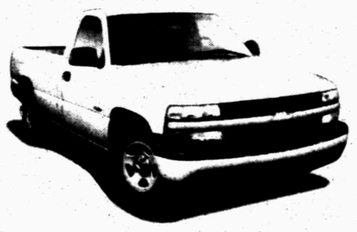

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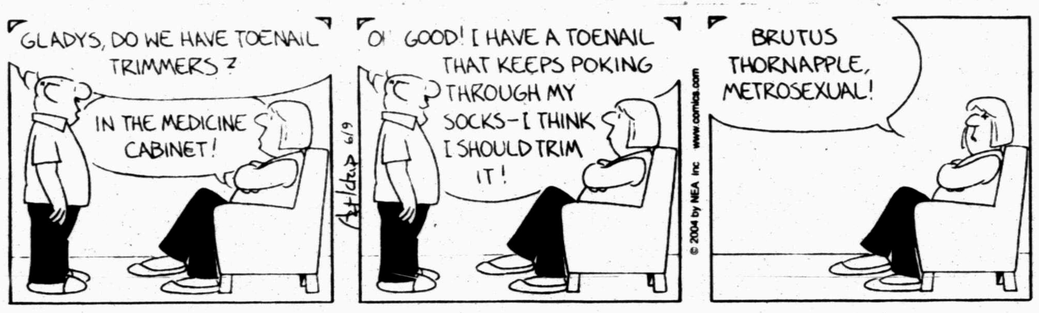

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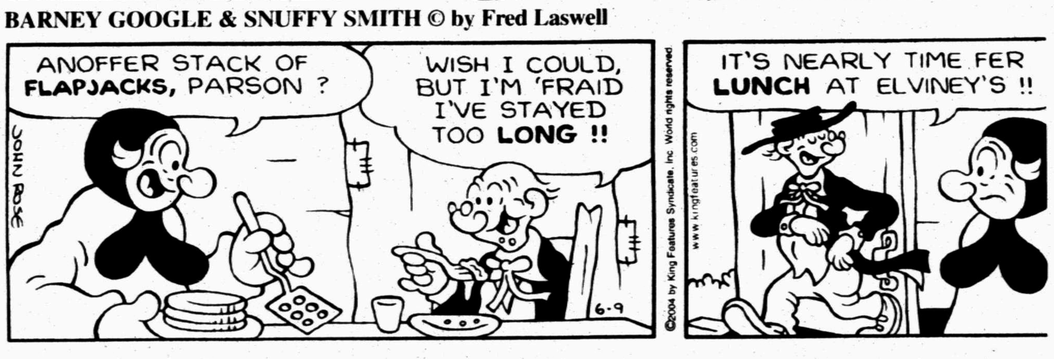

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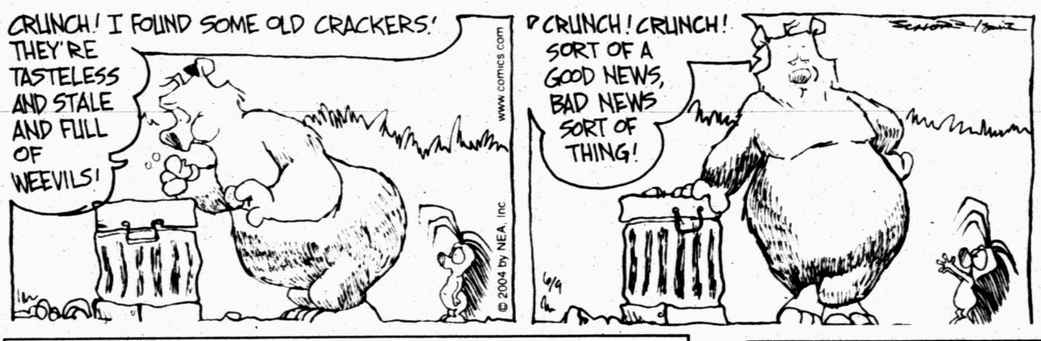

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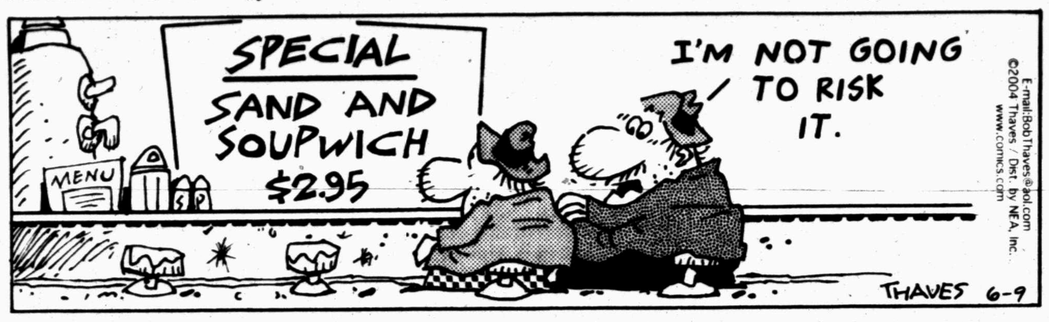

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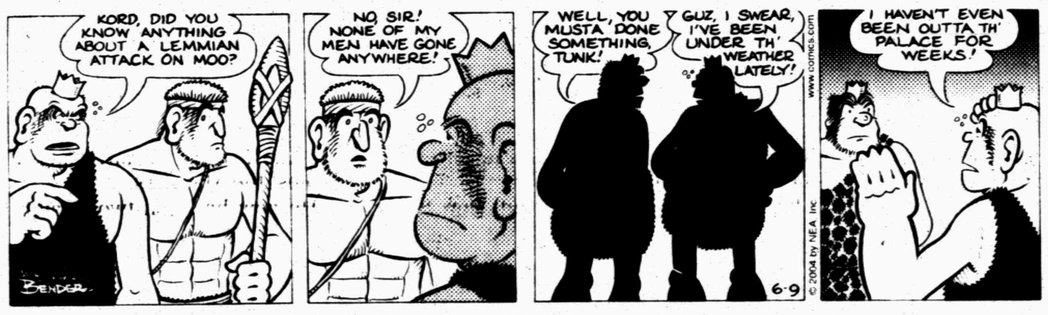

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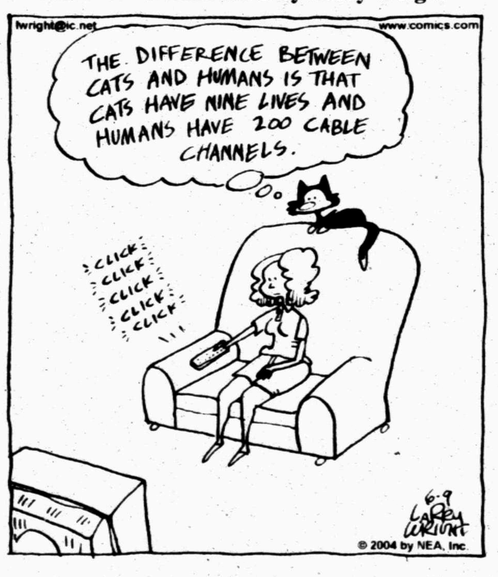

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ACROSS

1 Some canines
6 Teen hangouts
11 Boom boxes
13 Shaggy flower
14 Wry
15 A Peron
16 Pale gray
17 Stocky horse
18 Hack
21 Subway fare
23 Villain's laugh
26 Not just my
27 Years on end
28 Part of MHz
29 Frying pan
31 Novelist — Wister
32 Twig juncture
33 Reaches
36 Haik wearer
37 Mother rabbit
38 Two-striper
39 Oreg. neighbor
40 Bobby — of Indy fame
42 Fitness center
43 Seine sight
44 401(k) cousin
46 Disturbs
49 Fine point
53 Blunders
54 Not rough
55 Ritchie Valens hit
56 Strike back

DOWN

1 Part of TNT
2 Corn serving
3 Ancient Tokyo
4 Ike Turner's ex
5 Raised
6 Stone worker
7 Moby Dick foe
8 Attorney's deg.
9 Perjure
10 "My gal" of song
12 Group of fish
13 Mince
18 Good brandy
19 — borealis
20 Kind of wreath
22 Massages
23 Chopping down
24 Bureau
25 Horse-drawn conveyance
28 Kiwi cousin
30 Society miss
34 — the line (obeying)
35 Wire-haired dog
40 Extremely
41 Famed Loch
43 "The heat — —"
45 Teen woe
46 Primary color
47 Galleon cargo
48 Footed vase
50 Depot info
51 Best medicine
52 Still

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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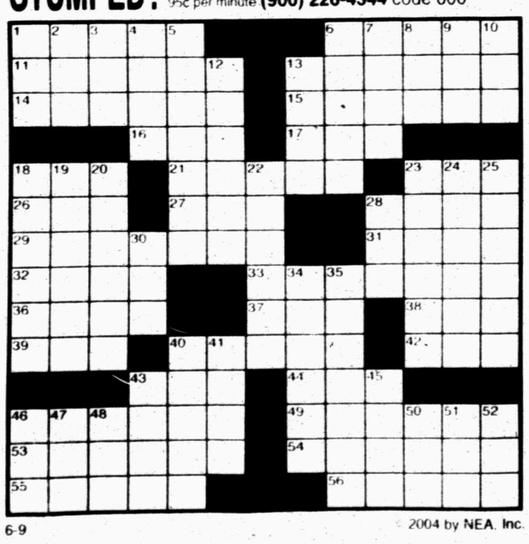

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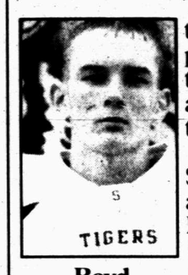
"REMEMBER, JOEY, LIFE WILL BE A LOT BETTER IF YOU TAKE THE TIME TO EAT SOME COOKIES."

SPORTS

Snyder sends three to Greenbelt Classic

By Bobby Allen
SDN Sports Editor

The all-star selections continue to pile up for the Snyder Tigers, with three more players slated to participate in another game this weekend.



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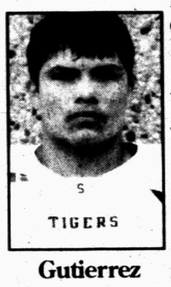

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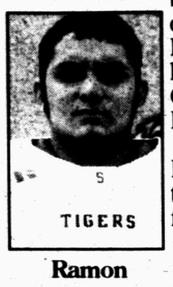

Ramon

Justin Boyd, Sid Gutierrez and Isaac Ramon will don the shoulder pads and helmet again when they take the field in the 55th annual Greenbelt Bowl Classic All-Star Game at 7 p.m. Saturday in Childress.

Snyder will send at least one representative to five football all-star contests this summer.

Gutierrez, who already played in the Myrle Greathouse Classic, will play in his third contest at the All-American Bowl at UT-Arlington. Tight end Demtrius Brandon was picked to represent Snyder in the 67th Oil Bowl, pitting the best of Texas versus the best of Oklahoma on June 19 in Wichita Falls.

Gutierrez was the recipient of the inaugural Grant Teaff Character Award this year, and was a first-team all-district pick.

"It's great publicity for our community and our program. It's impressive — it really shows what type of year you had when you play in this many all-star games," Snyder High School head football coach Chad Rogers said.

Boyd, who will attend Angelo State University in the fall on a track scholarship, is listed at the top of the depth chart for receivers.

Boyd led all Snyder wide outs in receptions, yards and touchdowns, providing the Tigers with a consistent downfield weapon.

He was named to the All-District 3-3A first team after compiling 624 yards on 21 receptions while scoring seven touchdowns.

Boyd's 30-yard touchdown catch against Monahans put the Tigers on the road to bi-district and area titles in 2003.

Boyd and Gutierrez will play their final football game together.

Boyd said the pair became fast friends when both worked out at the country club as sophomores.

"It's good to get to play together again," he said. "It's going to mean a lot. This was the only game I was selected for."

Both Boyd and Gutierrez will suit up for the South, which will be under the direction of Navarro College coach Chuck Lawrence.

Boyd said Lawrence likes to spread the field, running multiple receiver sets from various formations.

Ramon, who not only recorded seven tackles in the FCA game but also forced two fumbles and kicked a field goal, will be squaring off against his teammates from the other side of the field.

He will play for the North under Kansas Weslyan coach Dave Dallas. Ramon and Dallas have had extensive contact about the prospect of him playing for the Salina-based school.

It also will be the first time since elementary school that Ramon will play against his teammates.

"It's going to be weird," he said. "I like to compete, but it's going to feel different. I'm just going to out and play and try to have fun."

Security escorts Bryant from Cowboys' practice

IRVING (AP) — Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Antonio Bryant reportedly fought with coach Bill Parcells during practice and was ejected by club security.

Witnesses who spoke on condition of anonymity told the The Dallas Morning News and Fort Worth Star-Telegram in today's editions that the confrontation began when Bryant complained about his role as the team's third receiver and the number of repetitions he was getting during a drill.

Bryant got into separate arguments with receivers coach Todd Haley and Keyshawn Johnson. When Parcells told Bryant to stop, the third-year player took off his pads and jersey, slammed them to the ground and began to leave the practice field.

Sources told the Star-Telegram that Parcells picked up the jersey and threw it back at Bryant, who then threw it in the face of the approaching coach.

Bryant was then escorted out of practice by security personnel after several players jumped in to intervene.

Bryant's agent, Lamont Smith, said he was aware of the incident and "it's being worked out internally with the team."

But the confrontation has clouded the player's future with the team, one day after the conclusion of the team's three-day minicamp and was part of a series of on-field activities Parcells is conducting until the end of the week.

The Cowboys are scheduled to report to training camp July 30 in Oxnard, Calif.

Although Bryant has often complained about his role in Dallas and had other practice-field and sideline blowups, he was expected to be a key member of the Cowboys' receiving corps.

Taken in the second round of the 2002 draft, Bryant earned all-rookie honors in 2002 after catching 44 passes for 733 yards and six touchdowns. Bryant caught 39 passes for 550 yards and two touchdowns last year as the third receiver behind Joey Galloway and Terry Glenn.

This year, Bryant was set to be the third receiver behind Glenn and Johnson, who was acquired from Tampa Bay in a trade for Galloway.

Cowboys suspend negotiations with Fair Park for new home

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys on Tuesday suspended negotiations with Dallas County to build a new stadium in Fair Park because of differing vision for the stadium, the team's political consultants said.

Rob Allyn, the team's media consultant, said he would brief reporters on the decision later Tuesday but said team owner Jerry Jones would not comment.

"Despite efforts by all parties to reach an agreement, in recent weeks it has become apparent that the team and Dallas County are too far apart for future negotiations to be fruitful," said the team's statement, issued by Allyn.

The Dallas Morning News reported on its Web site that county officials appeared shocked by the news, saying they believed negotiations were just beginning.

"We have asked to look at some information relating to the activities and volumes at the existing stadium," said Allen Clemson, administrator for county commissioners. "That is as far as we have gotten. Certainly we were far apart, but too far apart? I feel it was premature to say that."

The team announced in May that it wanted to build a $650 million stadium in Fair Park with $425 million in public funds. The club set a deadline of June 30 for completing negotiations. County commissioners said that date was artificial and unreasonable.

Under the Cowboys' proposal, the county commissioners would have called for a 3 percent hotel-occupancy tax and 6 percent rental-car tax. The Cowboys wanted the new taxes on the November ballot for voters to consider.

County Judge Margaret Keliher said Tuesday, before the Cowboys' announcement, that she didn't think the team was serious about building a stadium in Fair Park.

Fair Park, home of the State Fair of Texas, is where the Cowboys started out in 1960.

Rocket's remarkable run rolls on

SEATTLE (AP) — There's no rust on The Rocket.

Roger Clemens became the oldest pitcher to win his first nine decisions, allowing three hits in 6 2-3 shutout innings Tuesday night to lead the Houston Astros over the Seattle Mariners 1-0.

He came out of a brief retirement over the winter, and now the victories are piling up.

"They're coming in good spots," said the 41-year-old Clemens (9-0). "We just need to continue to play well."

Morgan Ensberg hit a seventh-inning sacrifice fly off Joel Pineiro (1-8), allowing Jeff Bagwell to tag up and score on a close play. It gave Clemens his 319th win, moving past Phil Niekro into 14th place on the career list.

"The guys I've tied or passed, it's just icing on the cake for me," Clemens said. "I felt anything that happened this year was just a great deal of fun. I never expected to be here."

Nolan Ryan and Don Sutton are tied for 12th with 324 wins. Clemens might not take long to pass them, too.

"When I was little, I had a poster of him in my room. Not a bad guy to look up to," said Pineiro, who pitched a solid game, but lost his career-high seventh straight decision. He allowed three hits in eight innings, struck out four and walked three.

"Joel pitched great," Clemens said. "His record doesn't indicate that he's had a lot of success, but he threw the ball great. He was real stingy."

The six-time Cy Young Award winner struck out seven, increasing his total to 4,187, and walked a season-high five. Clemens improved to 23-14 against Seattle, the most wins by any pitcher against the Mariners.

He now has won two straight starts after a skid — by his standards — of three straight games without a decision from May 16-28. He won seven straight starts to open the season.

"He's been phenomenal this year," teammate Craig Biggio said. "That's 12 solid starts. He tries to stay in there as long as he can, and 12 quality starts is pretty impressive."

The crowd of 34,238 gave Clemens a standing ovation when he left in the seventh, despite the Mariners trailing 1-0.

"It's really nice. I've enjoyed coming to Seattle," Clemens said. "I've had some fun in the old stadium and this stadium. I don't know that you would consider tonight a lot of fun. "

Lakers rally in overtime

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Kobe Bryant had to take this shot. He wanted the clock near zero, a longtime rival in his face and the Lakers' destiny on his shoulders.

He loves a challenge as much as Los Angeles loves drama.

And when Bryant had everything he wanted, he did what the greats do: He made a shot that might have changed the NBA Finals.

Bryant hit a game-tying 3-pointer with 2.1 seconds left, then scored four of his 33 points in overtime to lead the Lakers to a 99-91 victory over the Detroit Pistons in Game 2 on Tuesday night, evening the series at one game apiece.

During the most trying year of his life, Bryant has found his greatest peace on the court — the place where he feels he always can control the outcome. The Pistons thought they had their second straight victory after taking a six-point lead in the final minute of regulation, but Bryant still was in control.

"It's all about rising to the challenge," Bryant said. "High stakes. I know I can rise to that."

Shaquille O'Neal added six of his 29 points in overtime against the demoralized Pistons, who were 45 seconds away from a shocking two-game series lead. Instead, Bryant's shot over Richard Hamilton provided the shock, and Detroit stumbled to the lowest-scoring overtime in NBA Finals history, managing just two points on 1-for-9 shooting.

Instead of criticizing his team for blowing its lead or freezing up in overtime, Pistons coach Larry Brown had nothing but praise for everyone — particularly Bryant.

"That's why he's so special," Brown said. "After what the kid's been through all year, more power to him, because he's a great, great young man. The way he conducts himself on the court and the way he plays this game makes me feel kind of good I'm part of it."

Game 3 is Thursday night at The Palace of Auburn Hills, the first of three straight games in the Detroit suburb.

The Pistons outplayed the Lakers in the second half of both games at Staples Center. They won Game 1 going away, an 87-75 victory that should have snapped the Lakers to attention.

Instead, Los Angeles again struggled to execute its offense, and Chauncey Billups again shredded the Lakers' for 27 points and nine assists. Hamilton also returned to playoff form, scoring 26 points and keeping Bryant busy with his perpetual-motion style.

The Lakers took an 11-point lead in the third quarter, but Detroit tied it early in the fourth.

Rangers rained out Tuesday

ARLINGTON (AP) — The game between the Pittsburgh Pirates and Texas Rangers scheduled for Tuesday night was postponed because of rain.

The game was called 45 minutes before the scheduled start as rain continued to fall. It will be made up Thursday night, which was a scheduled off-day for both teams.

Oliver Perez (3-3) and Texas' Joaquin Benoit (2-2), the scheduled starters for Tuesday, will pitch Wednesday. Pittsburgh's Josh Fogg (3-4) and Kenny Rogers will throw Thursday.

Sports Briefs

Friday Swingers

The SCGA hosts a couples play day at 5:30 p.m. each Friday at Scurry County Golf Course. Format is handicap scramble and cost is $10. Call 573-7107 for more information.

Ladies play day

The SCGA hosts a ladies play day at 9 a.m. each Tuesday at Scurry County golf course. Format is queen of the hill.

Junior golf camp

SHS coaches Ricky Hunter and Cody Cox will host a junior golf camp next Tuesday through Friday at Sammy Baugh golf course at WTC.

Seven through 11-year-olds will receive instruction from 1-3 p.m. and 12 to 19-year-olds will go from 3-5 p.m. Cost is $75 and $50 for siblings and clubs will be available. Space is limited, so campers will be taken in order of registration. Call the pro shop at 573-9291 for more information or to sign up.

Baseball builders camp

SHS baseball coach Charles Bollinger is hosting the third annual Snyder Baseball Builders camp June 21-24 at Lewis Field.

Eight-year-olds through incoming freshmen will receive instruction from 9 a.m. until noon, and children seven and under will go from 1-2 p.m.

Cost is $75 for eight and up and $50 for seven and under and includes a camp T-shirt. Pre-registration will be held at 8:30 a.m. June 21 before the start of the camp. Contact Coach Bollinger at 573-5734 for more information.

Major League Baseball

National League

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Florida	33	25	.569	—
Philadelphia	29	27	.518	3
Atlanta	29	28	.509	3½
New York	28	29	.491	4½
Montreal	18	38	.321	14

Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Cincinnati	34	24	.586	—
St. Louis	33	25	.569	1
Houston	31	26	.544	2½
Chicago	30	27	.526	3½
Milwaukee	28	27	.509	4½
Pittsburgh	24	30	.444	8

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	30	25	.545	—
San Diego	31	26	.544	—
San Francisco	30	28	.517	1½
Arizona	23	35	.397	8½
Colorado	21	36	.368	10

American League

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	36	20	.643	—
Boston	34	23	.596	2½
Baltimore	25	28	.472	9½
Toronto	26	32	.448	11
Tampa Bay	21	34	.382	14½

Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	31	24	.564	—
Minnesota	31	26	.544	1
Cleveland	25	30	.455	6
Detroit	25	32	.439	7
Kansas City	21	34	.382	10

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Anaheim	33	24	.579	—
Oakland	33	24	.579	—
Texas	31	24	.564	1
Seattle	22	35	.386	11

Tuesday's Games

Chicago Cubs 7, St. Louis 3
Boston 1, San Diego 0
Atlanta 4, Detroit 3, 10 innings
Toronto 7, Los Angeles 1
Florida 7, Cleveland 5
Arizona 8, Baltimore 1
N.Y. Yankees 2, Colorado 1
San Francisco 7, Tampa Bay 3
Pittsburgh at Texas, ppd., rain
Chicago White Sox 14, Philadelphia 11
Minnesota 2, N.Y. Mets 1
Kansas City 4, Montreal 2
Houston 1, Seattle 0
Milwaukee 1, Anaheim 0, 17 innings
Oakland 10, Cincinnati 6

Today's Games

St. Louis (Morris 5-5) at Chicago Cubs (Prior 0-0), 1:20 p.m.
San Diego (Lawrence 7-3) at Boston (Arroyo 2-3), 6:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Lima 4-1) at Toronto (Batista 3-4), 6:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Thomson 5-2) at Detroit (Bonderman 4-5), 6:05 p.m.
Arizona (Webb 3-5) at Baltimore (DuBose 4-4), 6:05 p.m.
Colorado (Kennedy 4-3) at N.Y. Yankees (K.Brown 7-1), 6:05 p.m.
Florida (A.J.Burnett 0-1) at Cleveland (Westbrook 4-2), 6:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Schmidt 7-2) at Tampa Bay (Hendrickson 3-5), 6:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Ol.Perez 3-3) at Texas (Benoit 2-2), 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Milton 7-1) at Chicago White Sox (Garland 5-2), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Trachsel 5-4) at Minnesota (Santana 2-4), 7:10 p.m.
Montreal (Day 4-6) at Kansas City (D.Reyes 2-0), 7:10 p.m.
Houston (Miller 5-6) at Seattle (Garcia 3-4), 9:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Santos 3-2) at Anaheim (Washburn 7-2), 9:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Acevedo 3-4) at Oakland (Harden 2-3), 9:05 p.m.

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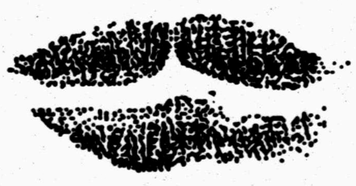

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Despite accolades in death, Reagan legacy troubles many

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — As one of the first physicians to confront AIDS when it began its rampage through the gay community, Dr. Marcus Conant lobbied the Reagan administration in 1982 to launch an emergency campaign to educate Americans about the disease.

It took the president five more years to publicly mention the crisis. By then, almost 21,000 Americans had died and thousands more had been diagnosed.

Conant, who lost scores of friends and patients to the disease, is still deeply angry — one of many Americans who view Reagan's legacy in a harsh light.

"Ronald Reagan and his administration could have made a substantial difference, but for ideological reasons, political reasons, moral reasons, they didn't do it," said the San Francisco dermatologist, who now deals with a new generation of AIDS patients. "President Reagan and his administration committed a crime, not just a sin."

Despite the accolades lavished upon Reagan since his death Saturday — for ending the Cold War, for restoring the nation's optimism — his many detractors remember him as a right-wing ideologue beholden to monied interests and insensitive to the needs of the most vulnerable Americans.

Bruce Cain, a political analyst at the University of California, Berkeley, said Reagan singularly brought conservatism into the mainstream during his presidency, an orthodoxy that has made Democrats and liberals an enduring minority in Washington.

"What made things worse for them is that he was an extremely influential figure, and his ideas had lasting impact," Cain said.

Elected on a promise to slash taxes and crack down on freeloading "welfare queens," Reagan depicted government as wasteful and minimized its capacity to help people, ideas that survive today. Reagan also dealt a blow to organized labor by firing the striking air traffic controllers, and appointed Antonin Scalia, still the Supreme Court's most conservative jurist.

Reagan's weakening of the social safety net by dismantling longtime Democratic "Great Society" programs arguably vexes his critics the most. By persuading Congress to approve sweeping tax cuts for the wealthy while slashing welfare benefits and other social services like the federal housing assistance program, Reagan was blamed for a huge surge in the nation's poor and homeless population.

Many won't forget his administration's proposal to classify ketchup as a vegetable as a way of further reducing spending on federally subsidized school lunches.

"Ronald Reagan really was a modern day Robin Hood in reverse — he stole from the poor and gave to the rich," said Michael Stoops, a longtime advocate for the homeless in Washington.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 06-09-04
♠ 9 6 4 3
♥ 9 4 3
♦ K 7 6
♣ A 7 3

West
♠ A Q 10 8 7 2
♥ A K 8 6
♦ J 5
♣ K

East
♠ K J 5
♥ J 10 7 5 2
♦ Q
♣ 9 6 4 2

South
♠ —
♥ Q
♦ A 10 9 8 4 3 2
♣ Q J 10 8 5

Dealer: West
Vulnerable: East-West

South	West	North	East
	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠
3 ♦	3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥
5 ♣	5 ♠	6 ♦	Pass
Pass	Dbl.	All pass	

Opening lead: ♥ A

Wednesday, June 9, 2004

Careful bidding, simple play

By Phillip Alder

Usually, one pair easily wins the auction. But some deals become down-and-dirty scraps, with neither side sure who can make what. This deal, from a social Chicago game, is like that.

The first three calls were clear-cut. Then South had a problem, which he sensibly solved by overcalling three diamonds. There are bids, like the Unusual No-Trump, that immediately describe two-suiters. Do not use one when you have a two-card disparity between your long suits. Also, with hands such as this, do not worry much about point-count. If you find a fit, you will do extremely well.

Now West introduced his second suit, which would allow partner to judge what to do at the five-level. North decided that raising to four diamonds would be going too far. But when South was still there with five clubs and West continued with five spades, North had no compunction in bidding six diamonds. He had two key honors in his partner's suits.

West, who knew both sides had a double fit, should have taken out insurance by bidding six spades. But he doubled, thinking that his opponents were too high.

West led the heart ace and continued with the heart king. South ruffed, drew trumps ending in hand, and led the club queen, claiming when the king appeared from West.

Six diamonds doubled had made for plus 1,090. True, six spades doubled would have cost 200, but that would have been a cheap price to pay.

The key rule is this: When both pairs have a double fit, become the declaring side.

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

The role of herbal supplements

DEAR DR. GOTT: When I read your columns, I am often curious why medical doctors fail to mention herbal treatments. I've been taking an herbal remedy for the symptoms of menopause, and am well-satisfied. After the first week, my night sweats and hot flashes disappeared. Please don't downplay phytoestrogens.

DEAR READER: OK, I won't.

The reason that herbal remedies are not generally recommended by the medical profession is that the compounds are usually ineffective and many have major problems in purity and quality, according to medical authorities. Most women pass through menopause relatively uneventfully, except for moodiness and hot flashes.

For those women who suffer more severe symptoms such as heavy bleeding, hormone replacement therapy, prescribed by a physician, is more appropriate.

However, as I have stated before, you can't argue with success. Therefore, if phytoestrogens have helped you, all well and good. Continue with the therapy. I have no information that the practice could be harmful.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Menopause." 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: Over the past year, I've suffered from pimples all over my body. They get large, coalesce and form lesions. While serving in Korea, I contracted hemorrhagic fever. Has this come back to haunt me?

DEAR READER: Korean hemorrhagic fever is a serious viral infection that causes bruising, kidney damage and — unless treated with anti-viral drugs — coma and death.

Because your Korean service occurred so long ago, I do not believe that your skin infection is a consequence of hemorrhagic fever.

Seek out a dermatologist to discover the cause of your problem.

DEAR DR. GOTT: A year or so ago, I fell on my tailbone, injuring it. To this day, any pressure on the area results in a great deal of pain, despite cortisone shots, manipulation and physical therapy. My doctor now suggests removal of the coccyx. Do you agree with him?

DEAR READER: Injuries to the coccyx, a vestigial bone at the base of the spine, may lead to a chronic pain syndrome that resists non-surgical treatment.

If you are at the end of your rope and have tried injections, analgesics and other traditional therapy, surgery may be your best option. It is, by and large, curative and is not dangerous because the coccyx lies well below the spinal cord. Follow your doctor's guidance.

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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AmEl Pw	31.56	31.16	31.23	— .17
AndarkPtr	56.34	55.24	55.69	— .68
ATMOS Egy	24.95	24.62	24.64	— .07
Aviall	18.11	17.80	18.08	+ .23
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BakerHughes	34.55	33.97	34.08	— .47
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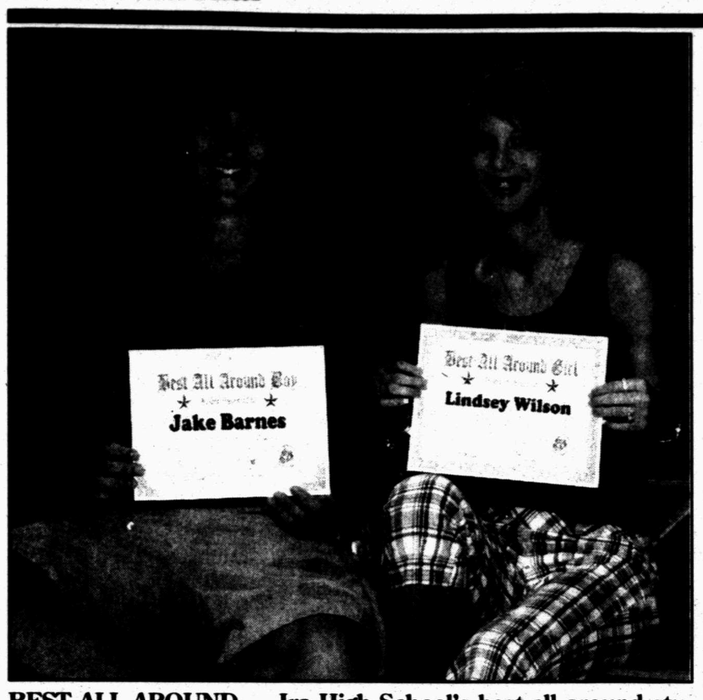

BEST ALL AROUND — Ira High School's best all around students for 2003-2004 are Jake Barnes and Lindsey Wilson. (Contributed Photo)

MOST POPULAR — Ira High School's most popular students for 2003-2004 are Jake Barnes and Amanda Calley. (Contributed Photo)

During World War II, the Oscar statues were made of plaster, because metal was an essential wartime material.

Genetic differences explain severity of chemo side effects

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Genetic differences among cancer patients may help explain why some become terribly sick during their treatment and others find chemotherapy a relative breeze.

The genetic defects that trigger cancer vary from person to person. Individualizing treatment to target the genetic signals driving each patient's tumor is an often-discussed goal, though still not routinely achieved.

Less attention has been paid to the genetic differences in the rest of the body that influence how miserable patients become while going through cancer therapy. Reports at the annual meeting in New Orleans of the American Society of Clinical Oncology, which concluded Tuesday, described the beginning attempts to sort this out.

Understanding individual genetic differences "may explain why one person will benefit from a drug and another will not or why someone has severe toxicity," said Dr. Harry Bleiberg of the Jules Bordet Institute in Brussels.

For now, this research is unlikely to have much effect on how patients are treated. But someday, it may be possible to tailor treatments to patients' side effects as well as their likelihood of being cured.

"It is really important. This could dictate the size of the dose we give or maybe whether we don't give a drug at all," said the oncology organization's president, Dr. Margaret Tempero of the University of California at San Francisco.

In one study involving 494 patients, Dr. Jeff Sloan and others from the Mayo Clinic looked for differences in genes that regulate the body's use of the vitamin folate. He found these genetic patterns seem to influence how well patients do on a three-drug combination for advanced colon cancer. Possible side effects from the treatment include fatigue, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, dehydration, low white-cell counts and numbness of the hands and feet.

Many normal genes are found in slightly variant forms. The Mayo team looked at a gene called DPYD and found that people with two variations were significantly less likely than those with the usual form to suffer fatigue.

In addition, those with a bit of genetic code called TSER near another folate gene known as TYMS were more likely to report a positive outlook while on chemotherapy.

"We believe we have found evidence of a relationship between the genetic makeup of cancer patients and their quality of life, even before treatment begins," Sloan said.

Another study, conducted by Dr. Rebecca Suk of Massachusetts General Hospital, identified a genetic variation that seems to influence whether people treated for advanced non-small cell lung cancer experience vomiting and other severe gastrointestinal side effects while on chemotherapy.

Her team looked for variations in a gene involved in DNA repair in 147 patients. They found that 30 percent of those with unusual forms of this gene were likely to have particularly bad side effects, compared with just 14 percent who had the standard gene.

The researchers speculate that people with the variant form of this gene, called ERCC1, do a worse job of repairing damage caused by the chemotherapy, and this explains their severe side effects.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, June 10, 2004

A least-expected person could turn out to be very valuable to you in the year ahead by serving as an adviser. His or her input could help fatten your bank account in ways you never would have thought about. Listen well to all.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — If you expect cooperation from others today, you are first going to have to show a willingness to be helpful to them. They, in turn, will gladly imitate your behavior and lend a helping hand.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Procrastinating over important tasks that need to be tended to today just because you find them distasteful will put you so far behind that you'll make things harder on yourself than they need to be.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — When selecting friends with whom you'd like to share your time today, base your standards on the worth of the people rather than on the worth of their wallets. You'll get more value out of it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Even though you might secretly feel someone could do more for you than what she or he has been doing, be appreciative for this person's generosity. It could serve to be encouraging.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Your optimistic spirit today could have you making some big plans for the future, which is all well and good. But first, finish what you have underway before shooting off into a different direction.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Guard against tendencies today to think that money is easier to come by than it actually is or you could be in for a big disappointment for not getting what you anticipated from your efforts.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Take your mind off yourself today and give credit where credit is due to an associate whose cooperation played a key role in your achievement. Show the proper acknowledgment.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — There is a possibility today that you could be a bit too indifferent to something important for your own good. Do not take serious matters for granted or treat them with apathy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Be careful today that you don't reject the sound advice of a pal who has your best interests at heart in order to comply with the wishes of a know-nothing. It'll work against you.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — It's best not to broadcast your intentions or thoughts in advance today, especially in career situations, because your competition could get wind of them and beat you to the punch.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Even if you see someone doing something incorrectly or you know a better way of doing it, subdue temptations to offer unsolicited advice today. It won't be appreciated or accepted.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Funds or resources that are earmarked for something essential should not be diverted today in order to fulfill a social or frivolous desire. Think about the consequences before you spend.

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Students convicted

WINDER, Ga. (AP) — Two middle school students accused of plotting a Columbine-style killing spree were found guilty Tuesday of making terroristic threats, but cleared of the more serious charge of conspiring to kill a teacher.

The two 14-year-olds hugged their parents and each other after Juvenile Court Judge Kevin Guidry found them guilty of three counts each of making terroristic threats.

The boys, identified only as Adam and Joseph, had been charged with conspiracy to commit murder at their rural school about 50 miles northeast of Atlanta.

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Surgeon General warning helps sales of new weight loss capsule

New PatentLEAN™ awarded U.S. Patent for weight loss. Clinical results confirm safe and effective use of new oral capsule can be 3 times more effective than exercise and diet alone.

By Kathy Tedeschi
Universal Media Syndicate

There seems to be only one explanation why dieters are suddenly rushing to drugstores to get the impressive new weight loss capsule called PatentLEAN.

"PatentLEAN is a huge breakthrough with a powerful compound for weight loss. It's safe, sensible, and backed by clinical science," said Dr. John L. Zenk, Certified American Board of Internal Medicine.

PatentLEAN has become one of the top choices for those wanting to lose weight quickly, but safely, ever since the Surgeon General issued a warning for Americans to slim down. And now the FDA has banned products containing Ephedra.

PatentLEAN is safe. It does not contain Ephedra. Remarkable clinical results show that PatentLEAN can be 3 times more effective than diet and exercise alone.

"PatentLEAN will outlive all those fad diets people have tried," Dr. Zenk said.

PatentLEAN's powerful active ingredient was discovered by a prominent University of Wisconsin researcher and has now been awarded a United States Patent for use in weight loss and weight management.

Two separate clinical studies have shown that PatentLEAN was used safely and caused no adverse side effects when used as directed.

PatentLEAN results show that there is a statistically significant reduction of both body weight and body fat. One clinical study showed PatentLEAN's impressive weight loss results were obtained in just eight weeks with twenty-three overweight men and women, nine percent males and ninety-one percent females. Consumption included one thousand eight hundred calories each day utilizing exercise just one hundred eighty minutes during the week.

PatentLEAN is now available directly to the general public. It is recommended to consult a physician before using it or any weight loss supplement. No prescription is needed.

PatentLEAN also includes a FREE program called FitBreak.

As a supplemental exercise program, FitBreak was developed to be so easy that almost anyone can do it, including people who are in the highest overweight ranges. No equipment and no weights are needed.

There is a FitBreak for men and a FitBreak for women. For women, it is designed to develop a desirable female body with a flat abdomen, small lower body, shapely thighs, firm buttocks, lifted bustline, and small but firm arms. The men's FitBreak is designed to produce a desirable "V-shape" torso for men and produce a flat abdomen.

For those who want the FREE FitBreak along with PatentLEAN, call **1-800-704-6467** ask for **Dept. H3073.**

"People who have not seen you for a while will gaze at you with their mouths open. You will get compliment after compliment. You'll display new zest for life," Dr. Zenk said.

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5'7"	114-154 lbs	155-185 lbs	186 lbs >
5'8"	117-158 lbs	159-190 lbs	191 lbs >
5'9"	121-163 lbs	164-196 lbs	197 lbs >
5'10"	124-168 lbs	169-202 lbs	203 lbs >
5'11"	128-173 lbs	174-207 lbs	208 lbs >
6'	131-178 lbs	179-213 lbs	214 lbs >
6'1"	135-183 lbs	184-219 lbs	220 lbs >
6'2"	139-188 lbs	189-225 lbs	226 lbs >

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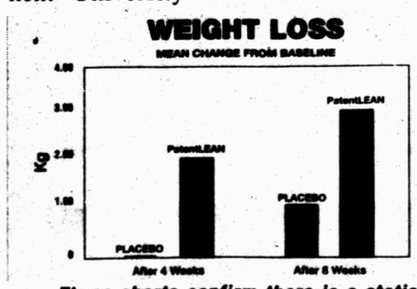

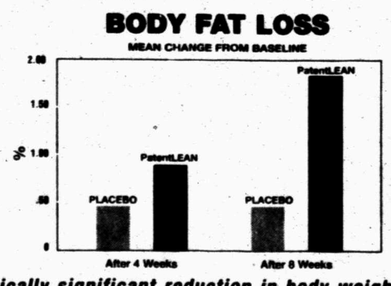

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These charts confirm there is a statistically significant reduction in body weight in the PatentLEAN group which was far greater than changes in the placebo group. Proper caloric consumption and exercise are recognized for effective weight loss. Individual results vary with the weight loss range up to twelve and one-tenth pounds over eight weeks.

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Bush seeks wider NATO role in Iraq

SEA ISLAND, Ga. (AP) — President Bush, hoping to build on momentum from a U.N. victory on Iraq, said today he hopes for a wider role for NATO in post-occupation Iraq.

Standing alongside British Prime Minister Tony Blair, his top ally in the war in Iraq, Bush said he and Blair discussed NATO's possible role at a breakfast meeting.

"We believe NATO ought to be involved," Bush said about the 15 NATO nations that already have forces in Iraq. "We will work with our NATO friends to at least continue the role that now exists, and hopefully expand it somewhat."

The United States and its biggest allies are proclaiming that the U.N. resolution vote Tuesday giving Iraq's new leaders some clout over a U.S.-led military force could help heal bitter divisions over the war.

Blair said the next step is to make sure Iraqis can take care of their own security.

"This is a process of change and we have to help people manage it," Blair said. He added, "It's not just about security measures. It's not just about force."

Asked if he wanted to see a larger role for NATO, Bush said, "I think NATO ought to stay involved and I think we have a good chance of getting it done."

Bush did not elaborate, but administration officials said the United States would like to see NATO get involved in training the new Iraqi army, in addition to having NATO members currently in Iraq remain there.

Four of the eight industrialized nations at the economic summit here — Russia, France, Germany and Canada — have refused to send troops to Iraq and said the U.N. vote had not changed their mind.

And an administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity after Bush's meeting with Blair, said the United States understands there are constraints on NATO's possible role given France and Germany's continued hesitation to put troops in Iraq.

Bush also was touting the U.N. vote on Iraq in a one-on-one meeting with the nation's new interim president, Ghazi al-Yawer.

"I'm going to tell him we're pulling for him," Bush told reporters.

Bush also said he would tell the Iraqi president that he and Iraqi Prime Minister Iyad Allawi "must make wise decisions on behalf of the Iraqi people."

Bush and Blair met for a private session before today's first business session of the Group of Eight economic summit. Bush drove Blair to their meeting at an exclusive resort in a futuristic, electric, golf-cart sized car emblazoned with the red, white and blue colors of the American flag.

Sept. 11 commission draft harshly critical of FBI and CIA

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hoping to avoid partisan attacks, the Sept. 11 commission has drafted a final report that avoids placing blame on individuals in the Bush or Clinton administrations but sharply criticizes the FBI and intelligence agencies for missteps prior to the catastrophe.

The 10-member panel has been reviewing portions of the draft, the bulk of which is a factual accounting of events, including intelligence failures that could lead readers to conclude the attacks were preventable, four commissioners told The Associated Press in separate interviews.

A separate section detailing the panel's recommendations remains under intense review, with no agreement yet on the widespread measures needed to shore up the communications breakdowns that allowed the hijackers to succeed, the commissioners said.

"There's broad consensus that major changes are needed. This is not just a question of running faster, jumping higher," said Republican commissioner John Lehman, a former secretary of the Navy. "We need to ensure the fusion and sharing of all intelligence that could have helped us to avoid 9/11."

Among the ideas under consideration is a domestic intelligence agency modeled after Britain's MI5.

Democratic commissioner Timothy Roemer said FBI Director Robert Mueller's recent proposal to improve domestic surveillance by creating an intelligence service within the bureau is another option under review by the panel but might not be enough.

"Certainly there's consensus the FBI has not done a good job prior to 9/11, and they have a long way to go," said Roemer, a former Indiana congressman.

The commission was established by Congress in 2002 to investigate government mistakes before the attacks and recommend ways to improve the nation's protection against terrorists. It has interviewed more than 1,000 witnesses, including President Bush, and reviewed more than 2 million documents.

The bipartisan panel's final report is due July 26. However, portions of it, dealing with factual findings leading up to and including the attacks, already have been drafted and sent to the White House for vetting and declassification, commissioners said.

CIA Director George Tenet, who has submitted his resignation effective next month, former FBI Director Louis Freeh and national security adviser Condoleezza Rice have been harshly criticized by some lawmakers and relatives of Sept. 11 victims for not doing more to combat the threat of terrorism.

Family escorts Reagan's body

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. (AP) — The body of former President Ronald Reagan, escorted by Nancy Reagan and his children, began its journey from California to Washington, D.C., today for national memorial services.

A Marine Corps band played "Hail to the Chief" as servicemen carried the flag-draped coffin from the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, where more than 100,000 admirers had filed by during two days of viewing.

With a simple ceremony, the coffin was placed in a hearse, which set out in a motorcade on the drive to the nearby Navy base at Point Mugu for a flight to Andrews Air Force Base near Washington aboard a presidential Boeing 747.

From Andrews, the body was to be taken to the Capitol to lie in state until Friday's funeral at the National Cathedral. It will then be returned to California for burial at the presidential library that evening.

More than 100,000 admirers had filed past the former president's coffin at the library in a steady stream of well-wishers that continued past nightfall Tuesday.

"It's a lifetime event. I wanted to show my gratitude. I wanted to show my love," said Jesse Garcia, 52, who with his wife came from their home in Northern California.

Reagan, the nation's 40th chief executive, was 93 when he died Saturday of pneumonia, as a complication of Alzheimer's disease.

His death revealed that the popularity of the former Republican president, California governor and movie actor remained strong despite his long absence from public life.

"It is unbelievable what I am seeing on TV," Reagan office chief of staff Joanne Drake quoted Nancy Reagan as saying Tuesday. "The outpouring of love for my husband is incredible."

In Washington, people already had begun arriving before dawn today to wait in line to view Reagan's casket at the Capitol Rotunda.

Woman is charged with violating compulsory school attendance law

• ***Arrests***

A 29-year-old female was arrested at the Scurry County courthouse at 11:23 a.m. Tuesday on charges of violating the school compulsory attendance law.

At 3:48 p.m. Tuesday, a 22-year-old male was arrested at U.S. 180 and FM 1673 on warrants for speeding, failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to appear.

Police were called to the 3600 block of Kerrville at 6:58 p.m. Tuesday on a report of a family disturbance where they arrested a 38-year-old male on charges of family violence.

• ***Criminal mischief***

A report of damage to a yard light in the 2900 block of Ave. F was taken at 1:11 p.m. Tuesday.

Police responded to the La Gloria Restaurant at 9:30 p.m. Tuesday on a report of someone throwing sticks and rocks at the building.

• ***Stolen vehicle***

At 4:37 p.m. Tuesday in the 2300 block of College Ave., a 1991 Suburban was reported stolen.

• ***Harassing phone calls***

Harassing phone calls were reported in the 3000 block of Ave. M at 9:57 p.m. Tuesday.

• ***Accidents***

A report of a hit-and-run mishap involving a parked Jeep belonging to the Texas Boll Weevil agency and an unknown vehicle was reported in the 3200 block of 42nd Street at 8:17 a.m. Monday.

An accident occurred near the intersection of U.S. 180 and U.S. 84 access road at 12:55 p.m. Monday. Involving were a 1994 Chevrolet pickup driven by Antonio Olivarez of Las Vegas, N.M., and a 2004 Chevrolet pickup driven by Gregory Graham of Floydada. No injuries were reported.

At 6:02 p.m. Monday, an accident at Coliseum Drive and Ave. E involved a 2003 Mercury driven by Thomas Davis of Andrews and a 2002 Oldsmobile driven by Lea Tarter of Snyder. There were no injuries.

Obituaries

Travis Burleson

1919-2004

Travis Burleson, a former Scurry County resident, died Tuesday, June 8, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Service for Mr. Burleson, 85, is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home chapel. Burial will follow in Lone Wolf Cemetery

Born Jan. 11, 1919 in Gorman, Mr. Burleson married Jessie Horton on Sept. 17, 1988 in Roby. Mr. Burleson, a farmer, was a resident of Roby. He was a 32nd Degree Mason, a member of the Hermleigh Masonic Lodge and a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Jessie Burleson of Roby; a daughter and a son-in-law, Claudann and Travis Morgan of Bandera; three sons and daughters-in-law, Carl and Gayle Burleson and Corylane and Julie Burleson, all of Snyder, and Carroldon and Beth Burleson of Sonora; a stepdaughter, Linda Sharp of Sweetwater; two stepsons and their wives, Andy and Ann Moore of Roby and Tubby and Charla Moore of Rotan; 12 grandchildren; seven stepgrandchildren; and several great and stepgreat-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 7-8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Mrs. Hernandez

1922-2004

ROTAN — Juanita Redin Hernandez, mother of two Scurry County residents, died Monday, June 7, in Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital in Sweetwater.

Service for Mrs. Hernandez, 82, is set for 2 p.m. Thursday in St. Joseph Catholic Church. Burial will follow in Belvieu Cemetery, directed by Weatersbee-Ray Funeral Home.

Rosary will be at 7 p.m. today in the funeral home chapel.

Born Feb. 8, 1922 in Waco, she married Benito Hernandez on June 10, 1938. He died June 19, 1977.

A homemaker, Mrs. Hernandez was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Survivors include six sons, Freddie Hernandez of Snyder, Alex Hernandez of Hermleigh, Albert Hernandez of Rotan, Benito Hernandez Jr., Armondo Hernandez and Danial Hernandez, all of Roscoe; six daughters, Carolyn Foree of Midland, Dora Cuellar of Roscoe, Irma Pounds of Brownwood, Maria McKinte of Odessa, Janie Mann of Alamo and Odie Hudnall of Rotan; 58 grandchildren; and 84 great-grandchildren.

Grandsons — Tony Hernandez, Ralph Cuellar, Jeffery Hernandez, Keith Hernandez, Benito Hernandez III, Benito Cuellar, Larry Rodriguez and Jason Hernandez — will serve as pallbearers.

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Today's Weather

Local 3 Day Forecast

Thu 6/10	Fri 6/11	Sat 6/12
92/71	94/75	95/74
Partly cloudy skies. High 92F. Winds S at 10 to 20 mph.	Isolated thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	A few clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the mid 70s.
Sunrise 6:35 AM, Sunset 8:51 PM	Sunrise 6:35 AM, Sunset 8:52 PM	Sunrise 6:35 AM, Sunset 8:52 PM

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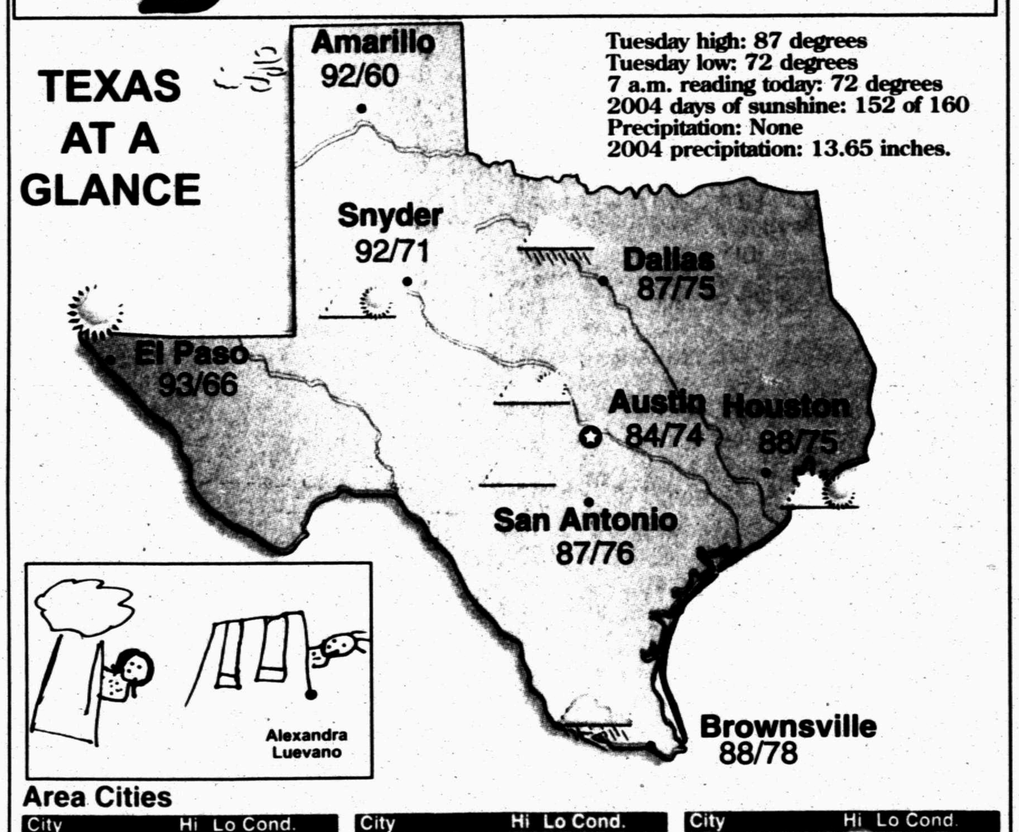
TEXAS AT A GLANCE

Tuesday high: 87 degrees
Tuesday low: 72 degrees
7 a.m. reading today: 72 degrees
2004 days of sunshine: 152 of 160
Precipitation: None
2004 precipitation: 13.65 inches.



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	88	72	pt sunny	El Paso	93	66	sunny	Midland	96	70	mst sunny
Amarillo	92	60	windy	Fort Stockton	95	70	mst sunny	Raymondville	89	75	pt sunny
Austin	84	74	cloudy	Gainesville	84	72	rain	Rosenberg	88	75	pt sunny
Beaumont	88	75	pt sunny	Greenville	85	73	t-storm	San Antonio	87	76	cloudy
Brownsville	88	78	t-storm	Houston	88	75	pt sunny	San Marcos	86	75	pt sunny
Brownwood	87	72	pt sunny	Kingsville	88	76	cloudy	Sulphur Springs	85	72	t-storm
Corpus Christi	87	78	cloudy	Livingston	88	72	pt sunny	Sweetwater	90	71	pt sunny
Corsicana	85	73	t-storm	Longview	86	72	pt sunny	Tyler	86	73	t-storm
Dallas	87	75	rain	Lubbock	94	65	windy	Weatherford	85	71	rain
Del Rio	91	75	pt sunny	Lufkin	88	73	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	90	72	windy

National Cities

Atlanta	85	69	t-storm	Houston	88	75	pt sunny	Phoenix	94	69	sunny
Boston	66	53	rain	Los Angeles	73	59	mst sunny	San Francisco	66	52	windy
Chicago	69	61	t-storm	Miami	85	78	t-storm	Seattle	62	52	rain
Dallas	87	75	rain	Minneapolis	68	59	rain	St. Louis	84	73	t-storm
Denver	77	50	windy	New York	77	60	t-storm	Washington, DC	85	67	t-storm

Moon Phases

Last	New	First	Full
Jun 9	Jun 17	Jun 25	Jul 2

UV Index

Thu 6/10	Fri 6/11	Sat 6/12
Extreme	Extreme	Extreme

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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