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*In four-hour meeting Monday...*

# Council makes a few budget decisions

By Bobby Allen
SDN Staff Writer

The Snyder city council came to a consensus on employee pay hikes, contract gate fees at the landfill and the effective tax rate at another long budget workshop Monday night.

After lengthy debate, the council agreed to use the proposed 2.7 percent cost of living allowance (COLA) included in the original proposed budget. Councilman James Ashley defended the pay raise as a way to keep Snyder's pay scale comparable to other cities with similar size and economic climate to Snyder.

"If we don't do it, in 10 years we'll be out of whack with other cities because we didn't have the guts to take care of our employees," he said.

Mayor Francine Noah said she felt the across-the-board rate was inequitable. "I have a problem with the 2.7 because the lower end doesn't get as much as the higher end."

Ashley countered, "We can't penalize the top end — that's class envy."

Councilman Ron Shaw said, "If we raise sanitation and water rates, the city employees have the same burden. If we don't give the COLA, we are decreasing their salaries."

Stephanie Ducheneaux, District 2 councilwoman, suggested a concept whereby a smaller COLA adjustment could be coupled with a flat bonus, thus giving the lower end a larger sum than with the COLA alone.

Police Chief Steve Warren said any adjustments to the pay matrix would damage morale, and Ashley added that in future years the city would lose whatever percentage was left off the COLA. "The whole reason for the study was to get (salaries and wages) in line." The city surveyed several West Texas towns prior to the budget proposal to find the normal salary range for all city employees in various positions.

"Mr. Ashley is right," said Warren. "A council down the road will have to deal with this if we don't get them in line. It's not unfair to stay even keel — we are simply holding ground." He said if the pay scale loses any percentage off the proposed COLA, it would build up over the years and he "would have trouble attracting quality officers" in the future.

City finance director Jeannie Johnson said the council needs to have faith in the pay plan.

"I have faith in the pay plan we've got," said Martin. "But I'd like to see a little charity go down to the lowest (on the pay scale)."

The 2.7 percent increase translates into $75,096.

The council came to a consensus on notifying landfill contract customers of an increase in gate fees at the landfill. In the proposed budget, contract disposal would incur a charge of $19.91 per ton.

Many council members felt the gate fee increase was not large enough. "We need to increase the contract gate fee to offset expenses," Shaw said.

"Let's get the out-of-towners to pay for it," said Councilman John Reed. "We owe them nothing."

Reed suggested rounding off the contract gate fees to $24.

"We'd lose those contracts," said customer service director Carolyn House. "They contribute 67 percent of gate fees at the landfill."

Shaw said he felt the fee should be raised 20 percent and Ashley concurred. "At 15 percent we still lose money."

The city is required to notify contract holders within 60 days of an open hearing, meaning the 15 percent increase could not take effect until October 6.

The council also received additional capital expenditure proposals as a result of no increase in employee insurance rates for the coming year. Johnson said the additional figure was $74,955.

The new expenditures call for an additional 100 blocks of seal coating, a vehicle for city hall, a new telephone system at city hall and a restroom at the animal shelter.

Councilman Terry Martin said the council should be wary of future increases in insurance. "The impression I got was that it was an unusual thing for insurance not to go up. I would expect an increase next year," he said. "I question the wisdom of not putting the money aside."

Ducheneaux asked, "The increase is an overage — can we get it balanced?"

"We need to accumulate funds and we have debt service," Johnson said. "We need to be accumulating for everything we do." She added that it is recommended cities keep three to four months of reserve in the general fund.

The proposed budget includes a 10 percent increase in sanitation rates and a 7 percent increase in water and sewer charges. The increase would raise a residential utility bill by $2.99 per month.

The council stayed with those numbers after a limited discussion on potential adjustments to lower the rates.

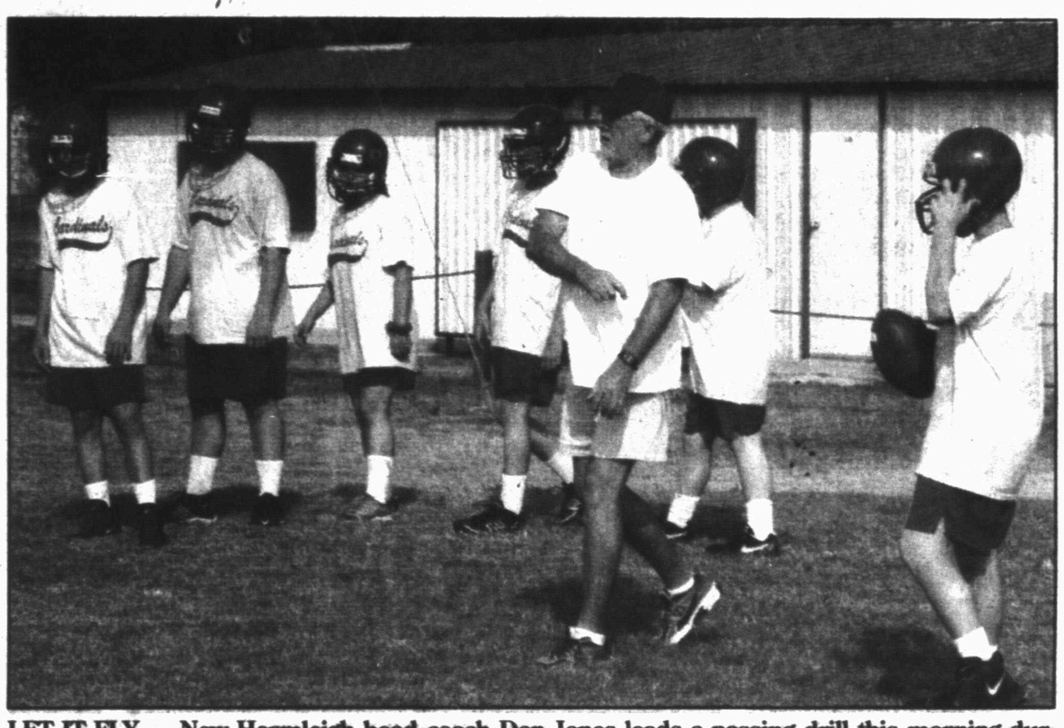
The council also decided to use an effective tax rate $0.4236 per $100 valuation and will use that figure in the final budget analysis. No public hearings are required for the effective rate, as it is lower than last year's rate of $0.4246 per $100 valuation.

The effective rate is the tax rate required to raise the same amount of revenues as the previous year.

The council will meet in regular session Aug. 12 and read appropriation ordinances pertaining to the water and sewer and sanitation rates.

The final budget will be adopted following a second reading on Sept. 3.

Noah presided and all council members were present.



LET IT FLY — New Hermleigh head coach Don Jones leads a passing drill this morning during the Cardinals' workout. Jones had 10 players at today's practice and expects a few more to join the team over the next few days. (SDN Staff Photo)

# Grand jury indicts 14 during Monday session

Scurry County grand jury returned 15 indictments Monday as it met for its regular monthly session.

Of the 14 individuals indicted, eight have yet to be arrested.

Six of those indicted were charged with driving while intoxicated.

These include Jimmy Vaughn Cain, 36, of 6711 Camp Springs Rd. who is charged with DWI on July 6.

Cain has previous DWI convictions in Scurry County, both in August 1998.

He is out of jail on a $5,000 bond.

Ricky Silva Jr. is charged with driving while intoxicated on July 13.

Silva, 22, of 26th St. and Avenue U, has previous DWI convictions in Scurry County in January and March 2000.

He is out of jail on a $5,000 bond.

William Timothy Atwood, 21, of 3718 Ave. V was charged with DWI on July 23.

He is out of jail on a $5,000 bond and has prior convictions for DWI in Scurry County in January and July 2000.

Gary Wayne Hamby, 53, of Culeria, Okla. was charged with DWI on June 16. He is out of jail on a $5,000 bond.

He has two prior convictions in Oklahoma for DWI — both in 1998.

Jimmy Fuentez, 36, of 1402 7th St. was indicted for DWI on June 3.

He remains in jail in lieu of a $5,000 fine. He has a previous conviction in Mitchell County and in Scurry County for driving while intoxicated.

The one in Mitchell County was in 1998, and the offense in Scurry County occurred in 1999.

Elida Marie Renteria, 17, of 2501 Ave. X was indicted on three counts. She is charged with stealing a firearm from Brian Miller on March 31, stealing a vehicle from Kristy Miller on the same date, and for forging a check at Davidson's IGA on the account of Kristy Miller on April 4.

She remains in jail on bonds totaling $15,000.

# Tickets still on sale

Snyder Tiger football season ticket holders can renew their tickets until Aug. 16 for the fall season.

Season tickets not sold to current holders will go on sale to the public Aug. 19 and will not be available after Aug. 23. Beginning Aug. 23, tickets will only be available for that week's games.

Renewals can be made at the administration building during the week from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Cost of the five-game home package is $20. Adult tickets will be $4 in advance and $5 at the gate.

Student tickets are $3 in advance and $5 at the gate. Student tickets will be available at each campus and the administration building prior to each home game.

The Tigers open their home schedule on Aug. 30 against Frenship. Other home games include homecoming against Ft. Stockton on Sept. 2, Sweetwater on Oct. 11, Seminole on Oct. 25 and Lamesa Nov. 1.

Kickoff for all home games is at 7:30 p.m.

Snyder Tiger basketball and volleyball season tickets are also on sale at the administration building for all home games.

Cost for season tickets is $30 for each sport or $50 for a combined basketball and volleyball ticket. These tickets are good for all home games from varsity to 7th grade.

Individual tickets are $2 per event.

# Board will interview interim candidate tonight

Snyder ISD's board of trustees will interview former Northeast Elementary principal Lee Presswood this evening as they begin their search for an interim superintendent.

Presswood, who has been with the local system for 23 years, retired from the district at the end of school in the spring after serving as principal for 12 years.

This evening's meeting will get underway at 6 o'clock.

Trustees will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday to interview former Denver City superintendent Howard Pollard for the post, and at 7 p.m. will interview Jim Kirkland, former Perryton superintendent.

A scheduled interview for Thursday night with an interim candidate has been cancelled according to board president, Mark McCormick.

# Orientation set at SHS

Orientation for all new students to Snyder High School and incoming freshmen will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in Worsham Auditorium.

School starts in the Snyder system on Monday, Aug. 19.

Hermleigh also starts on Aug. 19 but Ira gets an early start on Thursday, Aug. 15.

## THE SDN COLUMN
### MY TURN
by Bobby Allen

When someone reaches the pinnacle of his profession, there are usually early indications that person is destined for greatness.

Surely that was apparent with Grant Teaff as a youngster.

"No," laughed long-time friend Ned Underwood. "He was just Grant."

"He was typical," said Teaff's mother, Inez. "He was just like all the boys. He loved sports, but he wasn't very fast. That was his life: to be a coach."

"Just Grant" Teaff will be inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame this weekend, ascending to the highest place of honor for college players and coaches. Former Oklahoma coach Barry Switzer, quarterback Steve Young and linebacker Harry Carson, among others, will join him in the Hall.

A 1951 graduate and two-sport star of Snyder High School, Teaff finished with an overall coaching record of 171-151-8. He had a 4-4 record in bowl games as the head coach at Baylor, McMurry and Angelo State, but is most renown for his 20 years at the helm of the Baylor football program.

Teaff's parents still live near Ned Underwood. The two became close friends during his sophomore year in high school when he and Teaff played basketball together. The boys lived next to each other on Avenue Z, and were lifeguards together at the county pool.

Teaff had a lot of confidence in himself and helped Ned out of more than a few jams, Underwood said. "He got me out of a scrap or two." Underwood, retired high school coach and administrator, refused to give any descriptions of he and Teaff's young days in Snyder. "I don't want to put those in the paper," he joked.

"I was a better basketball player than he was," said Underwood, who was captain of the basketball team at Texas Tech in 1957, said. "And I was a sophomore and he was a senior."

Underwood's and Teaff's paths crossed a lot after high school, including a stint in Lubbock when Underwood was a student. Teaff was a coach at Lubbock High School for one year — his only year at the high school level — and Underwood did his student teaching under his old friend.

Teaff went on to marry Donnell, a cheerleader from Tech who now is a regent on the board of trustees at Baylor.

Underwood said Teaff, who is now the director of the College Football Coaches Association, is a man of deep faith and conviction and often gives inspirational speeches around the country. "He's a wonderful speaker. He always refers back to Snyder (during his speeches)," Underwood said. "He gives the credit to 'Speedy' Moffett and Merle 'Mule' Kayser."

Underwood and his wife, Polly, leave today to South Bend, Ind., to attend the induction ceremonies. "We wouldn't miss this opportunity for the world," he said.

"He's had an impact on a lot of people," added Polly.

Certainly there are indicators when a young man is destined for greatness. Mozart wrote his first symphony at age three.

But sometimes all it takes is self-confidence, faith and family to reach the summit.

Any typical kid can do it. Even one from Snyder.

## ASK US

**Q—Who is responsible for keeping trees and bushes trimmed at intersections?**

**A—The city is responsible for keeping visibility in and around street signs and intersections in the city limits.**

## FORECAST - ALMANAC

**Snyder Temps:** High Monday, 96 degrees; low, 69; 7 a.m. Tuesday, 69; no precipitation; total for 2002, 14.31 inches.

**Area Forecast:** Tonight, partly cloudy; low lower 70s; SE winds 5-15 mph; 20% rain chance. Wednesday, partly cloudy; high 90-95; SE winds 10-15 mph; 20% rain chance.

Kassidy Henderson
Rain Chance

**Sunset:** 8:35 p.m.
**Sunrise:** 7:04 a.m.
**Of 217 days in 2002, the sun has shone 210 days in Snyder.**

## TODAY'S THOUGHT

**Courage can achieve everything.**
**—Sam Houston**

# Silt-filled turret of Civil War warship raised on Monday

OFF CAPE HATTERAS, N.C. (AP) — It's rusty, covered with coral and pocked with dents. But to the divers and scientists who pulled it from the ocean floor, it's irresistible.

"She's beautiful," Navy dive chief Cmdr. Bobbie Scholley said Monday after the gun turret from the Civil War warship USS Monitor broke through the waves for the first time since it sank during a storm nearly 140 years ago.

As crews cheered, the 120-ton turret was pulled out of the depths by a huge crane on a 300-foot barge. A Civil War-era American flag fluttered from the salvage apparatus and silt-colored water poured out of the turret before the wreckage was swung aboard the barge.

"For a bunch of pretty tough, hoo-yah deep-sea sailors, there was an awful lot of hugging going on on the barge," Scholley said.

The turret is the biggest piece recovered during a multiyear salvage operation run by the Navy and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, which controls the underwater sanctuary 16 miles off Cape Hatteras.

It also is the most important among the Monitor artifacts. As the world's first revolving gun turret, it changed naval warfare and architecture, expedition officials said.

With conventional banks of guns, an entire ship had to be turned to maintain the best line of fire. With a revolving turret, the guns could be moved independently from the ship.

The flexibility of the revolving turret was demonstrated in the Monitor's only battle, in March 1862, near Newport News, Va.

The Monitor, a Union ship, fought to a draw with the much larger Confederate ship CSS Virginia, an ironclad formerly named the Merrimack. The battle signaled the end of the era of wooden warships.

Strong undersea currents and shifting winds delayed attempts to lift the turret on Sunday. The Navy had said it needed to raise the turret by today to avoid a developing storm.

## Free poetry contest set

The Talent Literary Guild is sponsoring an amateur poetry contest, free to everyone. There are 50 prizes in all, including a $1,000 grand prize.

To enter, send one poem 21 lines or less to: Free Poetry Contest, 1257 Siskiyou Blvd., PMB 4, Ashland, Or. 97520. You may also enter online at www.freecontest.com.

Poems may be written on any subject, using any style. The deadline for entering is Sept. 5. The editors reserve the right to publish the winning poems online. A winner's list will be sent to all entrants.

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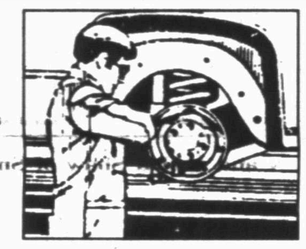

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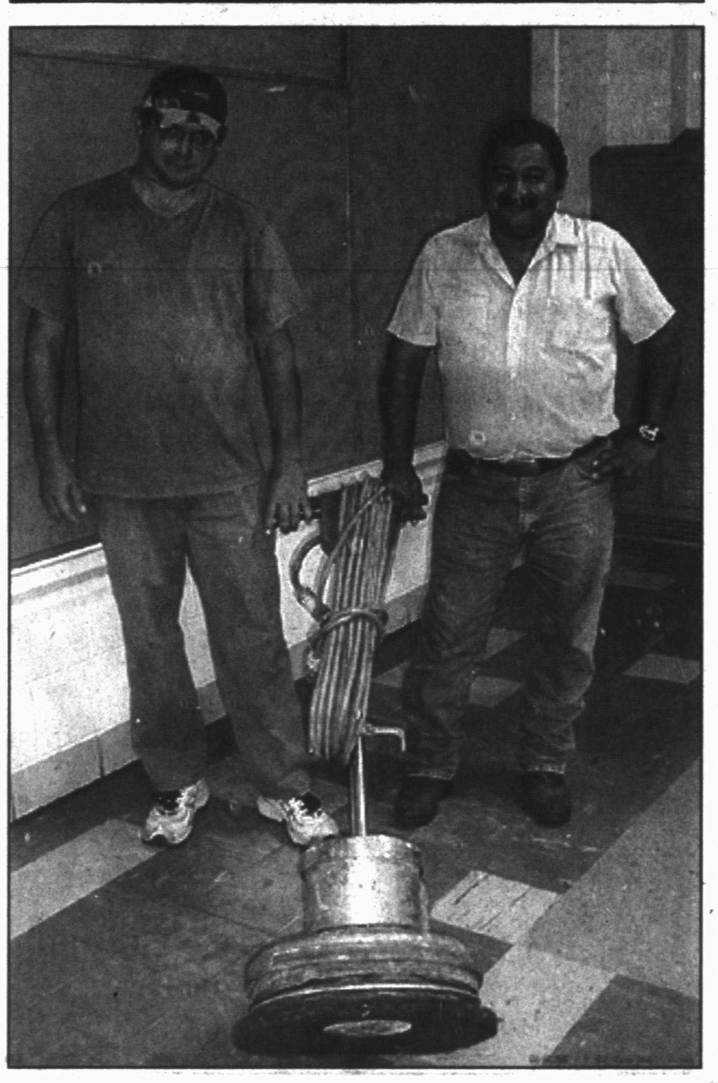

HARD AT WORK — Preparations for the 2002-2003 school year are underway at Northeast Elementary. In the top photo, Laura Hester, left, and Barbara Bowen, choose paper for bulletin boards in their classrooms. Both teach kindergarten. Classes begin Aug. 19. In the bottom photo, Kevin Courtney, left, and Manuel Espinoza Jr. are getting ready to wax a classroom floor. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)

## Marilyn Monroe honored on 40th observance of her death

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Athena DeLima placed a bouquet of roses amid an array of other floral arrangements, then leaned over and kissed the bronze name plate on Marilyn Monroe's crypt.

The 20-year-old, not even born when Monroe died of a drug overdose on Aug. 5, 1962, was one of hundreds of fans keeping the Hollywood sex symbol's legend alive on Monday, the 40th anniversary of the actress' death.

"To me, I'd rather celebrate her life instead of her death," said DeLima, who drove two hours from her home in Oceanside to pay tribute to Monroe. "She's still alive to me. I keep her alive by collecting pictures of her and watching her movies."

More than 200 people attended a memorial service in a chapel at Westwood Village Memorial Park and speakers had to be set up outside for the overflow crowd.

The largest arrangement of flowers was from Monroe's close friend Robert Slatzer, who wrote the book "The Life and Curious Death of Marilyn Monroe" and who, like many of Monroe's fans, has never been satisfied with the official cause of death, suicide.

Forty white long-stemmed roses made up the large wreath and bordered a black and white photo of a pensive-looking Monroe. Slatzer said he snapped the shot of his "best drinking buddy" after a particularly long day of taping on the set of "Something's Got to Give" in 1962.

The unfinished film would have been Monroe's 31st.

"She loved all flowers, but white roses were her favorite," said Slatzer, 75. "I'll always remember her laughing, smiling and being considerate of other people. When you became her friend, you became her friend for life."

## Johnson graduates

BROWNWOOD — Jeremiah B. Johnson of Snyder earned a bachelor of science degree from Howard Payne University last spring.

# Body parts sent to research facilities may be diseased

HOUSTON (AP) — The University of Texas Medical Branch has issued a recall of body parts shipped to research facilities across the nation, warning that some may have carried infectious, and even fatal, diseases.

The center announced Monday that the diseased body parts may have been shipped accidentally because of poor record keeping. Officials alerted about 60 research programs, including some at the Galveston center, to the infection and issued a recall of parts shipped within an 18-month period.

"Unembalmed body parts shipped between November 2000 and May 2002 may not have been tested for hepatitis B, hepatitis C and HIV," spokeswoman Chris Comer said in today's Houston Chronicle.

It was not known Monday whether any researchers were exposed to, or infected with, dangerous viruses, but UTMB officials urged that anyone involved in research with body parts shipped from the medical center's Willed Body Program during that period take precautions.

The concern arose after officials discovered that records in the program — which also has come under FBI scrutiny — were so jumbled that they could not determine whether any of the parts had been tested for the viruses.

"We just don't have confidence in the completeness or accuracy of the records, so what we're doing is sending letters of notification to these medical research programs," Comer said.

The warning is the latest of several bizarre disclosures about the Willed Body Program that have emerged since early July, when officials said the FBI was investigating the possible illegal sale of body parts by a program employee who was fired on May 9.

In recent weeks, UTMB officials also announced that the ashes of scores of body donors, whose families had expected to receive their cremated remains, instead were commingled.

So far, the fiasco has been blamed on Allen Tyler Jr., who worked in the program for 36 years and who UTMB officials say supervised the handling of donated bodies from their arrival to their delivery to an on-campus crematorium.

"The same individual who kept records on everything else was also responsible for obtaining serology tests and keeping records of the results," Comer said Monday, referring to tests for hepatitis strains and HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.

"We are extremely unhappy that Mr. Tyler's inadequate documentation regarding serology testing may have resulted in incomplete and erroneous information being provided to our colleagues who are engaged in vital medical research and teaching," said Dr. Steven A. Lieberman, associate dean for educational affairs, in a prepared statement.

"The use of universal precautions and the low risk associated with simple contact with infected tissues make the risk of infection very low," he said. "However, we felt it was important to use extra caution and to notify those who received shipments of tissue from UTMB that the information provided by Mr. Tyler may have been unreliable."

## Date Book

**Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2002**

Today is the 218th day of 2002 and the 47th day of summer.

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** On this day in 1819, in Norwich, Vt., the first military school in the United States was founded by Capt. Alden Partridge. It was called the American Literary, Scientific and Military Academy. In 1834, the name of the school was changed to Norwich University.

On this day in 1926, Gertrude Caroline Ederle became the first American woman to swim across the English Channel.

On this day in 1945, the American bomber Enola Gay dropped an atomic bomb on the city of Hiroshima, Japan. The bomb destroyed a majority of the city and is estimated to have killed between 70,000 and 100,000 of the city's inhabitants. Many more thousands died by the end of the year from the effects of the bomb's radiation.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Alfred, Lord Tennyson (1809-1892), poet; Sir Alexander Fleming (1881-1955), discoverer of penicillin; Louella Parsons (1893-1972), journalist; Clara Bow (1905-1965), actress; Lucille Ball (1911-1989), actress and comedian; Robert Mitchum (1917-1997), actor; Andy Warhol (1928-1987), artist; David Robinson (1965-), basketball star, is 37.

**TODAY'S SPORTS:** On this day in 1952, Satchel Paige, at the age of 46, pitched a 12-inning shutout for the St. Louis Browns against the Detroit Tigers.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "The secret of staying young is to live honestly, eat slowly and lie about your age." — Lucille Ball

**TODAY'S MOON:** Between last quarter (Aug. 1) and new moon (Aug. 8).

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events LOTTO TEXAS TEXAS LOTTERY RESULTS

### Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery:
6-7-10-35-37

### Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday night by the Texas Lottery, in order:
2-5-9

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MUSIC TOURING TROUPE — These members of the Music Touring Troupe, under the instruction of Lynn Baldwin, performed at the First Baptist Church in Fredericksburg following their camp held June 26-30. From left are, bottom row, Sydney Wright; and Claire Pollard of Cedar Creek. On the top row are Jami Thackerson of Colorado City; Emily Jones and Glyn Wright of Snyder. (Contributed Photos)

MUSIC CAMPS COMPLETED — Members attending the Cubby Bear Piano Camp on July 8-12 included, bottom row, Averey Wright; Luke Terry of Roby; Justin Haggard; Brice Robertson of Fort Worth; Dillan Cullifer and Blake Bethel, both of Ira; top row, counselor Devin Davidson; Autumn Posey of Rotan; Ashten Wilkinson of Jayton; Megan McWilliams and counselor Leah Phillips; back row, Heather Posey and Brett Bowlin.

RHYTHM AND JAZZ CAMP — Attending the Rhythm and Jazz Camp on July 15-19 were, bottom row, Casey Arnold; J.D. Clay of Colorado City; Brett Bowlin; middle row, Laura Bankhead of Roscoe; Joni Clay of Colorado City; Heather Posey of Rotan; Nicole Presley of Hico; top row are counselors Glyn Wright; Jami Thackerson of Colorado City; and Emily Jones.

MUSICAL PUPPET SHOWS — Campers wrote, produced and acted in Musical Puppet Shows as well playing new music together at seven keyboards, especially chosen for camp. Participating were, first row, Brooke Hall of Haskell; Lauren McCall of Rotan; Courtney Pollard; middle row, Alex Virches of Fort Worth; Jordan Wright; Annie Ezell; Brodie Calley of Ira; William Davis; back row, counselors Sydney Wright and Casey Arnold; Madison Feaster of Roscoe; and not pictured, Nathan McCright of Colorado City and Kailea Shaw of Snyder.

RAZZMATAZZ MUSIC CAMP — Students attending Mrs. Baldwin's Razzmatazz Music Camp were, first row, Scott Bankhead of Roscoe; Jessie Hibbitt, Jacob Kemp; middle row, Karissa Medina; Madison Black of Roscoe; Alix Rieser; Blaire Toombs; Elizabeth Davis; on the top row are counselors Glyn Wright, Joni Clay and Laura Bankhead.

# Bridge

North 08-06-02
♠ J 9
♥ 8 5 4
♦ K Q J 10
♣ Q J 10 8

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

East
♠ ? 5 3
♥ A 2
♦ 9 7 4 2
♣ 9 6 5 2

South
♠ A K 10 8 7 4
♥ 7 3
♦ 6 5
♣ A K 3

Dealer: West
Vulnerable: Both

| South | West | North | East |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 1 ♥ | Pass | Pass |
| 2 ♠ | Pass | 4 ♠ | All pass |

Opening lead: ♥ K

**Five letters taken out of sequence**
**By Phillip Alder**

This week, we are highlighting the analysis you should be doing at trick one, after the dummy appears. We are using Dave Huggett's acronyms for the first five letters of the alphabet.

After C is for Counting, we reverse to B is for Bidding. Never forget the opponents' bids and passes.

Here is a simple example, if this topic can ever be considered easy. Against your four-spade contract, West leads the heart king. East overtakes with his ace and returns the heart two. After winning with his nine, West continues with the heart queen, East discarding a club. You ruff and ... what?

A balancing jump overcall is intermediate, promising 14-16 high-card points with a good six-card suit. North's jump to game is optimistic — or required to make the point, according to choice!

You have three top losers, so must play the trump suit without loss. Next, count the points. Since dummy has 10 and you have 14, the opponents hold 16. There are two ways to look at matters now now. First, when East produced the heart ace — four points — that left only 12 outstanding, and West opened the bidding. So, West has the spade queen. Alternatively, East passed over his partner's opening. This denied six points. Holding the heart ace, he cannot have the spade queen as well.

Since the spade finesse must lose, cash the ace and king. When the queen drops, you claim and modestly accept partner's plaudits.

No doubt this will cause controversy, but if you can count only one item at the bridge table, I think you should track the high-card points, not trumps. But try to tally both.

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# Community Calendar

**TUESDAY**

Weight Watchers meeting; Colonial Hill Baptist Church; for more information call Kathy at 573-1289 during the evening; weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m.

Snyder Fire Dept. Auxiliary; Central Fire Station; 7 p.m.

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

Beginners' AA open meeting; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 573-8268, 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; for more information call 573-3733, 573-2101 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; Trinity United Methodist Church. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

**WEDNESDAY**

NA Just For Today, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-1438; 8 p.m.

**THURSDAY**

LLL Club; fellowship hall of First Baptist Church; 9:30 a.m.

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.

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; for information call 573-8268, 573-4048 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

**FRIDAY**

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

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

# Births

Jeff and Linda Lewis of Snyder announce the birth of their son, Nathan James Lewis, at 4:05 a.m. on Aug. 5. Nathan weighed seven pounds, one ounce and was born in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

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**What Should We Do?**

They asked John the Baptist the question, "What should we do?" It was a sincere question. John told everyone they should repent, but what did that mean? The people who heard John had the same question people have today. What should we do if we repent? What does that mean in my life? John's answer is given in Luke 2. They needed to stop doing wrong and start doing right. That involved different issues for different people, but it was the same change that was required of all.

Repentance means a change of mind. If we change in our mind, that change will show itself in our lives. That's why John tells the people to bear fruit in keeping with their repentance. In Acts 26: 20 the apostle Paul says that he preaches that people should repent and turn to God. Then they should prove their repentance by the things that they do. The same is true for us. Repentance should bring about a change in my life. If there is no change, there really is no repentance.

"I put my faith in Jesus and I am going to do His will." That is a statement of repentance. Because Jesus died for me, I decide to live for Him, II Corinthians 5: 14, 15. It is essential that we believe in Jesus, but that is not all that we are called to do. James emphasizes this in James 2:19. Even the demons believe and tremble, James says. We need to do the works of God and live the life of a Christian. That does not earn us salvation, but it is the fruit of our repentance. If we do not decide to begin to obey Jesus and turn from sin, we simply will not change. "Repent." This was the message of John, Jesus, the apostles and all the prophets of the Old Testament. Things will not begin to change in our lives until we do.

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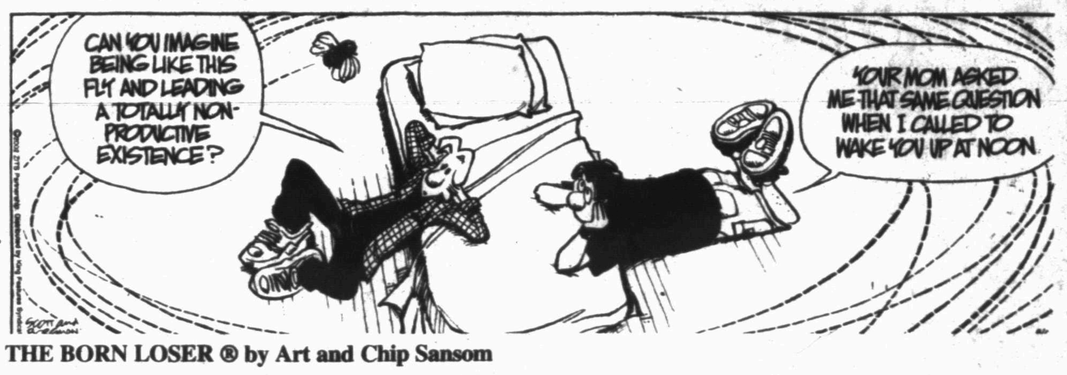


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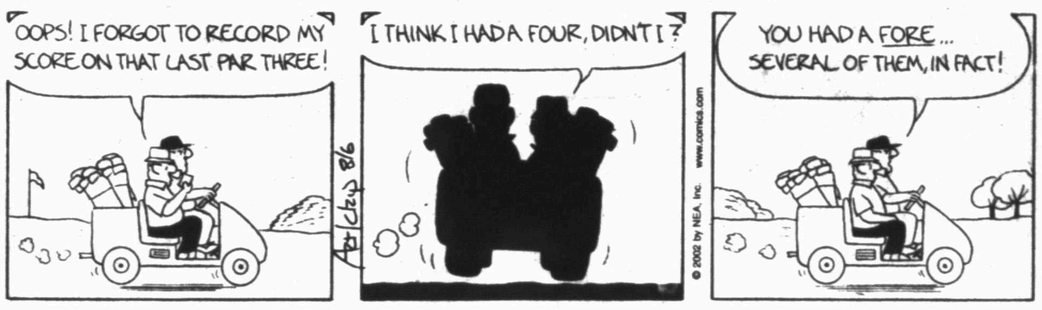


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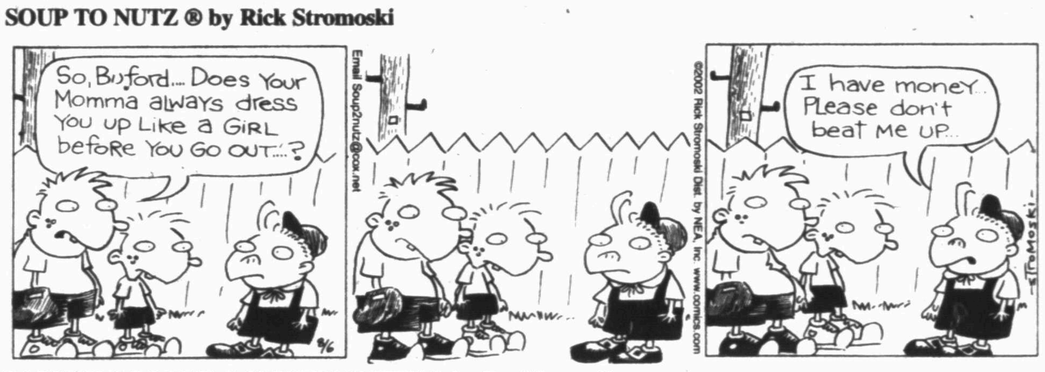


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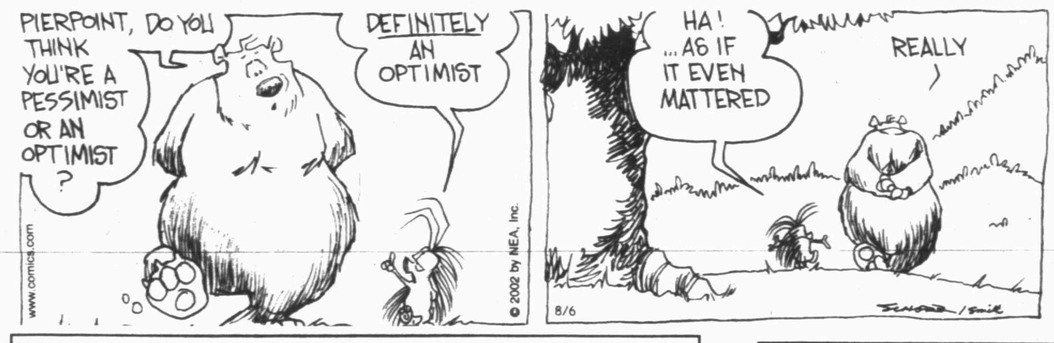


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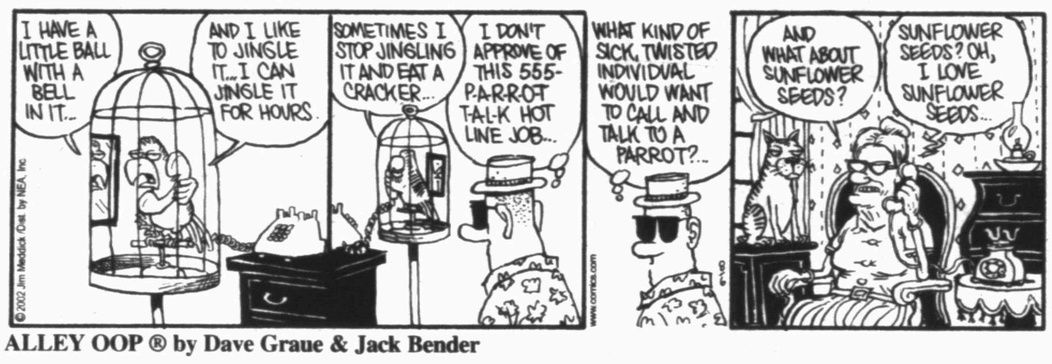


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1 Save
5 Border
8 Nourished
11 Corn units
12 Plains dweller
13 Landed
15 Mystique
16 — Palmas
17 Flower pot
18 Diamond —
20 Ghostly meet
22 Quarks' homes
25 Koan discipline
26 Oxford tutor
27 Edge
28 Chic
31 Does well
33 Unit of energy
34 Heroine Jane —
38 Fails to be
39 Skier Tommy —
40 Places
41 Barbecue coals
44 DC figure
45 Bunk, e.g.
48 Pause fillers
49 Restless
51 Edible lizard
53 Sturgeon delicacy
54 Long periods
55 Dundee refusal
57 Spring formal
61 Hardens
62 Hound for payment
63 "The Mammoth Hunters" heroine
64 Speckle
65 Boxing stat
66 Wolf's expression

**DOWN**

1 New Zealand parrot
2 Water, on the Seine
3 Slip up
4 Church reading
5 Nut shell
6 Depot info
7 Carrier pigeon
8 Type of bean
9 Veldt grazer
10 Nightclub
14 Mall frequenter
19 Adherent's suffix
21 Conclude
22 Asian mountains
23 Muscle quivers
24 Undo
25 Nulls
29 Dutch painter
30 Terse affirmative
32 Fem. saint
35 Mongol dwelling
36 Hwys.
37 Glimpse
42 Some newlyweds
43 — Paulo, Brazil
45 Favoritism
46 — on (incited)
47 Because of (2 wds.)
50 Tibet neighbor
52 Helper, briefly
53 City on the Truckee
56 Diving bird
58 Whiskey grain
59 Pamplona cheer
60 Scratch

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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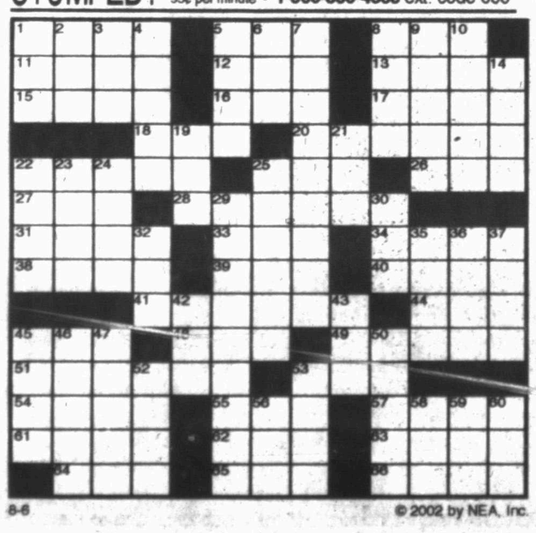

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# Snyder Daily News Comics

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"I'LL BET YOU COULDN'T DRINK COFFEE, DRIVE ONE-HANDED, AND STAY ON THE ROAD, EITHER."

# SPORTS

# Local squads pleased with first workouts

During almost every drill of the Snyder Tigers' first day of football practice, one word was repeatedly echoed across the field — perfection.

"Think perfection," Defensive Coordinator Buster Mabry hollered during warm-ups. "Pay attention and take care of the small details."

With one year of Head Coach Chad Rogers' new system under their belts, the Tigers plan on using crisp execution this season to propel them to the playoffs.

"Anything worth doing is worth doing right," Rogers said while walking off the field Monday after the team's second workout. "You have to do things the right way, and right now we're way ahead of where we were at this time last year."

There were 104 players on the field for the first two workouts of the season, with several more freshmen expected to bolster that number by the time school starts.

The Tigers, along with Hermleigh, Ira and the Lady Tiger volleyball squad continue workouts for the remainder of the week.

At Hermleigh, new coach Don Jones had nine players report for duty Monday, with a tenth player arriving in time for this morning's practice.

Jones, who coached at district foe Ira in the late 80s, was pleased with the Cardinals' first day.

"They did great," said Jones. "We were supposed to meet at 9 o'clock and there were kids lined up at the door at 8. They're eager to play, and that's a good start."

Out at Ira, the Bulldogs are looking to prove that last season's 11-1 record was no fluke. Despite the impressive mark, this year's squad is picked no higher than third in district by many publications. Head Coach Toby Goodwin believes the ranking adds some incentive for his ballclub.

"We feel like we're a better team than a lot of people are giving us credit for," said Goodwin. "The kids know what it takes to succeed, and they're ready to pick up where we left off last year."

On the volleyball court, the Lady Tigers got in their first workouts under new coach Laura Moses. Taking into consideration the new system the Lady Tigers must learn, Moses liked what she saw.

"Everything is new to them, and they're all new to me," said Moses. "But they're eager to learn and ready to work hard. We have a lot to get done between now and the start of the season, so each day we hope to be a little better than the day before."

The Tiger football squad went through that same learning experience a year ago, but is more prepared entering this season.

"The kids are in better shape this year, and we're a lot bigger," Rogers said. "Our size is going to allow us to be more physical this year."

Other than their size, the most notable differences in the Tigers were a few position changes and the absence of senior center Josh Knox.

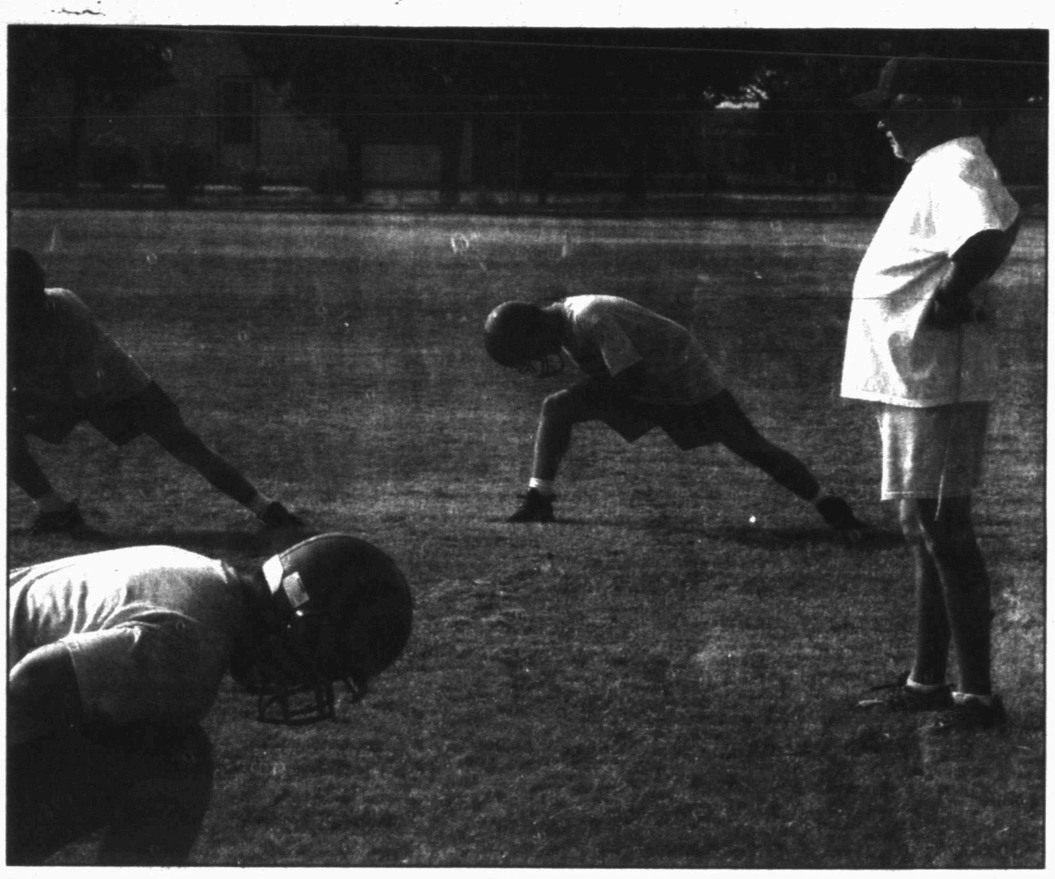
Knox, who underwent arthroscopic surgery recently to clean up some cartilage in his left knee, is expected to be ready in a couple of weeks.

Among the position changes, senior Logan Hill made the move to split end. Hill, who served as back-up quarterback last year, will likely log much of his playing time at strong safety.

Josh Montoya, a linebacker a year ago, and Josh Mendoza, a defensive tackle, both moved to nose guard. Also, Josh McGaha moved from strong safety to linebacker.

"We made a few switches, especially on the defensive side," said Rogers. "We feel like the kids' skills will be better utilized at their new positions."

The Tigers practice daily at 7:30 a.m. and again at 4:30 p.m. The first week of workouts concludes with "Meet the Tigers" night scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday at Tiger Stadium.



KEEPING WATCH — New Hermleigh head coach Don Jones watches his players stretch prior to this morning's practice. The Cardinals began workouts Monday and continue practicing through the remainder of the week. (SDN Staff Photo)

## Sports Briefs

### Softball meeting

Snyder Girls Softball Association meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the BP Pipeline office.

### Boys club meeting

A coaches meeting for Boys and Girls Club football, volleyball and soccer will be held at [illegible] today at the club. For more information, call Brad Hinton at 725-8576 or Chad Welsh at [illegible]

### Junior high football

Snyder junior high football players will receive equipment Aug. 15 at the SJHS field house. Eighth graders should be there from 1-2 p.m., followed by seventh graders from 2-3 p.m.

### Snyder football program

Anyone wishing to place an ad in the Snyder Tiger football program should contact Christy Smith at 573-6301.

Ad prices are $75 for 1/2 page, $60 for 1/4 page and $40 for 1/8 page. Proceeds benefit the student council.

### Football booster club

Snyder Tiger Football Booster Club meets at 7 p.m. today at the SHS athletic film room. The public is encouraged to attend.

### Softball tournament

The USSSA Men's Class E State Softball Tournament is set for Friday through Sunday at Winston Field. Cost is $175 per team and deadline to enter is Thursday.

To enter, call Chris Maxfield at 573-6862 (day) or 573-4332 (evening).

### Blowout partnership tournament

The 14th annual Blowout Partnership is set for Aug. 17-18 at the country club. Entry fee is $300 per team and deadline to register is Saturday.

Format is scramble the first day and lowball for the final round. Teams will be pre-flighted by certified combined handicaps. Each flight will receive cash prizes.

### Junior golf tournament

The Western Texas College Junior Golf Championship is scheduled for Friday. Entry fee is $10 for players 11-under and $15 for ages 12-up. For more information, call the pro shop at 573-9291.

### Cargile golf tournament

The Kiwanis Cargile Scholarship Foundation benefit Golf Tournament is set for Saturday at Western Texas College. Format is four-person scramble and cost is $30 per player.

Cash prizes will go to the top four teams. Contests for closest-to-the-hole, longest drive and hole-in-one will be held. To register, call the pro shop at 573-9291.

### Friday swingers

The SCGA Women's Golf Association holds a weekly swingers event at 5:30 each Friday. It is open to all members and prospective members. Cost is $10 per couple and the format is scramble.

Cash prizes go to the top three finishers as well as closest to the hole. For more information, call Barbara Leatherwood at 725-7875.

### Hunter education course

A hunter education course is scheduled for Aug. 24 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Aug. 25 from 1-5 p.m. Every Texas hunter born on or after Sept. 2, 1971 must successfully complete a hunter education training course.

Students aged 12 and older who successfully complete the course will be issued a hunter education certificate from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Cost of the course is $10.00, which covers the cost of the classroom materials and certificate.

Class size is limited. For more information, contact Gene or Nancy Bowlin at 573-2323.

# Texans get scare during debut

CANTON, Ohio (AP) — The Houston Texans got more than a game under their belts. While making their NFL debut, the expansion team was bonded by something that's not in any playbook.

"It's tough when you see one of your brothers go down," said rookie quarterback David Carr. "We were on the sideline praying, that wasn't fake. That could have been any one of us."

Carr threw a touchdown pass and the league's $700 million expansion team played well in stretches of a 34-17 loss Monday night to the New York Giants in the Hall of Fame game.

Jesse Palmer passed for 247 yards and two TDs, and New York rookie tight end Jeremy Shockey had a TD catch along with a bruising 48-yard gain where he flattened several Texans.

But an unexpected, scary moment tempered Houston's long-awaited return to pro football when backup safety Leomont Evans temporarily lost feeling in his arms and legs after suffering a bruised spinal cord.

"You hate to see that," Giants coach Jim Fassel said. "I just stood there praying. For a while, I could not think of anything else. That's when the game and everything else is inconsequential."

Evans, a second-team strong safety, got hurt while rushing a punt in the second quarter. He lowered his head and tried to power over New York running back Sean Bennett, when he crumbled to the ground.

As the play unfolded around him, Evans was motionless on the field while teammate Avion Black returned the punt 71 yards.

"A lot of thoughts go through your mind when something like that happens," Texans coach Dom Capers said.

The 28-year-old Evans stayed face down as Houston's training staff and emergency personnel ran onto the field to assist him.

While their teammate was being cared for, the Texans, many of whom didn't know each other until the start of training camp, gathered in a circle and knelt in prayer in front of their bench.

Across the field, about a dozen of New York's players — led by All-Pro Michael Strahan — dropped to a knee.

Evans was strapped on a backboard and taken to Aultman Hospital for further evaluation and treatment. A team spokesman said an MRI and CT scan taken during the game were normal.

The Texans waited 18 months to get started and were eager to see how Carr, the No. 1 overall pick in this year's draft, would do in his first pro game.

Carr went 9-of-17 for 96 yards and connected with tight end Billy Miller for a 24-yard scoring strike late in the first half to tie it 10-10.

Carr also showed good poise on several other plays, once getting around and fooling Strahan with a pump fake.

At halftime, John Madden, who made his debut on "Monday Night Football," came to the press box to congratulate some Houston executives on taking Carr.

"Nice pick," Madden said.

Carr was pleased, too.

"It went well," Carr said. "We could have done a lot of things better. But I think for the first time out, in live bullets, the guys jelled pretty good."

# Labor talks make slow progress

NEW YORK (AP) — Negotiators for baseball players and owners are making slow progress [illegible] their differences, and the union keeps holding off on setting a strike date.

Starting what could be a pivotal week in talks to avoid a strike later this month or in September, the sides devoted two of Monday's three bargaining sessions to revenue sharing, one of the key issues dividing them.

"I would expect the pace of the activity to be heightened this week," said Rob Manfred, the owners' top labor lawyer.

The second of the three sessions produced agreements on some minor issues, such as waiver periods and second medical opinions.

"We're still looking for the right way to bridge the gaps," union lawyer Michael Weiner said. "We haven't found it yet."

Later this week, according to Weiner, players will respond to management's proposal for mandatory random testing for steroids and other performance-enhancing substances.

The union's executive board scheduled a conference call for today but was unlikely to set a strike date, according to people familiar with the union's deliberations.

However, if there is not much progress this week, the executive board could meet Aug. 12 in Chicago, and it's possible a strike date could be set then.

## Major League Baseball

**National League**
**By The Associated Press**
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| East Division | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Atlanta | 73 | 38 | .658 | — |
| Florida | 55 | 56 | .495 | 18 |
| Montreal | 55 | 56 | .495 | 18 |
| New York | 55 | 56 | .495 | 18 |
| Philadelphia | 53 | 58 | .477 | 20 |
| **Central Division** | W | L | Pct | GB |
| St. Louis | 59 | 49 | .546 | — |
| Cincinnati | 58 | 52 | .527 | 2 |
| Houston | 57 | 53 | .518 | 3 |
| Pittsburgh | 50 | 61 | .450 | 10½ |
| Chicago | 47 | 62 | .431 | 12½ |
| Milwaukee | 39 | 72 | .351 | 21½ |
| **West Division** | W | L | Pct | GB |
| Arizona | 69 | 43 | .616 | — |
| Los Angeles | 62 | 50 | .554 | 7 |
| San Francisco | 61 | 50 | .550 | 7½ |
| Colorado | 50 | 61 | .450 | 18½ |
| San Diego | 46 | 65 | .414 | 22½ |

**Monday's Games**
Philadelphia 7, Los Angeles 5
Arizona 2, N.Y. Mets 0

**Tuesday's Games**
Florida (Beckett 4-4) at Houston (Mlicki 3-7), 8:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Astacio 10-4) at Milwaukee (Sheets 5-13), 8:05 p.m.
Montreal (Yoshii 2-4) at St. Louis (Finley 2-1), 8:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Moehler 1-1) at Colorado (Stark 6-2), 9:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Millwood 10-6) at Arizona (Schilling 18-4), 10:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Wolf 7-7) at San Diego (Ol.Perez 3-3), 10:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Fogg 10-7) at Los Angeles (Od.Perez 10-7), 10:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Smyth 0-0) at San Francisco (Jensen 10-7), 10:15 p.m.

**Wednesday's Games**
Florida at Houston, 8:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Milwaukee, 8:05 p.m.
Montreal at St. Louis, 8:10 p.m.
Cincinnati at Colorado, 9:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Arizona, 10:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Los Angeles, 10:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.

**Thursday's Games**
N.Y. Mets at Milwaukee, 2:05 p.m.
Cincinnati at Colorado, 3:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at San Francisco, 3:35 p.m.
Florida at Houston, 4:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at San Diego, 5:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Arizona, 6:05 p.m.
Montreal at St. Louis, 8:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Los Angeles, 10:10 p.m.

**American League**
**All Times EDT**

| East Division | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| New York | 69 | 41 | .627 | — |
| Boston | 65 | 45 | .591 | 4 |
| Baltimore | 52 | 57 | .477 | 16½ |
| Toronto | 49 | 61 | .445 | 20 |
| Tampa Bay | 37 | 74 | .333 | 32½ |
| **Central Division** | W | L | Pct | GB |
| Minnesota | 69 | 44 | .611 | — |
| Chicago | 53 | 60 | .469 | 16 |
| Cleveland | 48 | 62 | .436 | 19½ |
| Kansas City | 45 | 67 | .402 | 23½ |
| Detroit | 41 | 70 | .369 | 27 |
| **West Division** | W | L | Pct | GB |
| Seattle | 69 | 43 | .616 | — |
| Anaheim | 66 | 45 | .595 | 2½ |
| Oakland | 64 | 48 | .571 | 5 |
| Texas | 47 | 64 | .423 | 21½ |

**Monday's Games**
Toronto 7, Baltimore 1
Kansas City 12, Minnesota 4
Chicago White Sox 4, Tampa Bay 3
Anaheim 6, Detroit 3

**Tuesday's Games**
Texas (Park 4-5) at Detroit (Sparks 5-11), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Baldwin 7-7) at Toronto (Halladay 13-4), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Mulder 12-6) at Boston (Wakefield 5-3), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Milton 13-7) at Baltimore (Ponson 5-5), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Sosa 1-4) at Cleveland (Nagy 0-2), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Ru.Hernandez 1-1) at N.Y. Yankees (Mussina 13-5), 7:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Washburn 13-3) at Chicago White Sox (D.Wright 7-9), 8:05 p.m.

**Wednesday's Games**
Seattle (Pineiro 11-4) at Toronto (Loaiza 4-6), 7:05 p.m.
Texas (Benoit 2-1) at Detroit (Redman 7-9), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Harang 3-2) at Boston (Burkett 10-4), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Reed 9-5) at Baltimore (Erickson 4-10), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Sturtze 1-11) at Cleveland (Sabathia 6-9), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Suppan 8-10) at N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 8-3), 7:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Appier 9-9) at Chicago White Sox (Glover 4-5), 8:05 p.m.

## NFL Preseason

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**Saturday's Game**
Washington 38, San Francisco 7

**Monday's Game**
New York Giants 34, Houston 17

**Thursday's Game**
New York Jets at Pittsburgh, 8 p.m.

**Friday's Games**
Cincinnati at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.
Jacksonville at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Baltimore, 8 p.m.
Oakland at Dallas, 9 p.m.

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Aides said he plans to announce the Sept. 24 conference today while releasing a glossy 12-page guide for worried parents. The "Personal Safety for Children" booklet offers easy-to-read tips for parents and children alike.

The daylong conference at George Washington University in Washington will bring together policy makers, experts, community leaders, teachers and police officials to share ideas about how to prevent the victimization of children.

The White House announced Bush's plans hours after prosecutors in Santa Ana, Calif., said they will seek the death penalty against a man accused of killing 5-year-old Samantha Runnion. On July 15, she was dragged away from a playmate by a man who asked for help in finding his puppy.

Also this summer, a man abducted two girls from a remote teen hangout in the Mojave Desert town of Quartz Hill, Calif., and raped them. The girls were freed when police killed the abductor.

Both cases drew nationwide attention and frightened parents everywhere.

White House officials said the administration has been working on the conference since early in the year. Other administration officials said plans for announcing the conference and releasing the booklet were hastened after the high-profile kidnappings.

In 1999, about 203,900 children in the United States were abducted by family members seeking to interfere with a parent's custodial rights, according to the guidebook produced by the Justice Department and several other federal agencies.

At least 98 percent of those children were returned home; none of them were killed, the guidebook said.

In the same year, about 58,200 children in America were abducted by non-family members, often in connection with another crime. According to the guidebook, 115 of those were the most dangerous types of abductions — those perpetrated by strangers where the child was kept overnight, held for ransom or killed.

Only 60 percent of those children were returned home safely.

The guidebook offers commonsense advice to parents, such as "reassure your children that their safety is your No. 1 concern." It also urges parents to set boundaries about places their children can go and to tell youths it's OK to say no and trust their instincts when confronted by an adult.

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# Prosecutors will seek death penalty

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP) — Saying the crime "shocked and outraged our community," prosecutors announced plans to seek the death penalty against the man accused of kidnapping 5-year-old Samantha Runnion from in front of her home and killing her.

Alejandro Avila, 27, is accused of dragging the girl away from a playmate after he asked her for help in finding his puppy. He is charged with murder, kidnapping and two counts of forcible lewd acts on a child.

"There is no question in my mind that the person who kidnapped, molested and murdered 5-year-old Samantha should face the death penalty," Orange County District Attorney Anthony Rackauckas said on Monday. He said he would not consider a plea bargain under any circumstances.

Avila, who is jailed without bail, has denied the charges, saying he was at a mall when the girl was snatched.

Samantha was abducted from in front of her home July 15 as she played with a 5-year-old friend. Her nude body was found the next day alongside a mountain highway. Investigators said she had been sexually assaulted and suffocated.

Authorities have said they are certain Avila, who worked at a plant that makes pacemakers and other medical devices, is the man who abducted the girl. Prosecutors can seek the death penalty under special circumstances included with the charges: that the murder occurred after a kidnapping and the crime involved lewd acts with a child.

# Solemn ground zero ceremony slated

NEW YORK (AP) — After receiving thousands of suggestions, city leaders were finalizing plans that include a solemn ceremony at ground zero and tribute concerts around New York to mark the one-year anniversary of the terrorist attacks.

With just over five weeks remaining until the somber day, Mayor Michael Bloomberg and Gov. George Pataki were expected to announce final plans for the anniversary today.

Those familiar with the effort, who described the plans to The Associated Press on the condition of anonymity, said organizers were considering a 102-minute ceremony, signifying the time between the attack on the north tower and its collapse.

A group of victims' families told city officials Monday night they want a list of all those who died in the attacks to be a central part of the commemoration, according to Bill Doyle, who lost his son, Joseph, in the attack.

Doyle said he understood that the ceremony would include a few low-key remarks, music and, perhaps, the tolling of bells in different parts of the country.

The day's events were expected to include tribute concerts at parks in all five boroughs.

Willie Rodriguez, who was pulled from the rubble of the north tower, said there has been considerable behind-the-scenes discussions over whether survivors of the attack and recovery workers will sit as honored guests alongside victims' relatives.

Bloomberg and Pataki will attend the ceremony along with former Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and relatives of the more than 2,800 people killed in the attack. The White House has already announced that President Bush plans to visit.

But speeches from public officials are not expected to be the focal point of the ground zero ceremony. Bush's remarks, for example, might be delivered at a separate event at Ellis Island or Governors Island, one source said.

A city hall spokesman declined comment Monday on the plans.

There were no speeches at the ceremony that marked the end of the recovery operation at the trade center site. Instead, the still-missing victims of the attack were symbolically carried from ground zero in an empty, flag-draped stretcher.

When planning the service on May 30 — a weekday — city officials drew considerable criticism from family members who said the ceremony should have been scheduled for a weekend when more people could attend.

The city received 4,500 responses when it solicited ideas from the public last month, said Jonathan Greenspun, commissioner of New York City's Community Assistance Unit, who described them as "deeply touching, heartfelt and personal." Solemn services, the tolling of bells and the lighting of candles were all suggested.

# Crash victim dies; accident sparked two fatal beatings

CHICAGO (AP) — The death toll in last week's van crash and subsequent mob killing in Chicago has grown to three.

Shani Lawrence, 26, one of three women struck by the van when it hurtled over the curb and hit a porch, died Monday, hospital officials said.

The other two women hit by the van survived. But the van's driver, Jack Moore, 62, and his passenger, Anthony Stuckey, 49, were attacked and killed by a mob in apparent retribution for the accident. Seven men have been charged with first-degree murder in the case.

Police said they do not know what caused the van to veer off the street, but Cook County medical officials have said Moore was legally drunk.

All seven suspects appeared in court Monday; six of them had their cases continued until Aug. 26. The attorney for the seventh defendant, James Ousley, 31, asked that the charges against his client be dismissed, arguing there is no evidence connecting him to the crimes.

Judge John Kirby set a hearing for Wednesday on Ousley's request. His attorney, Sam Adam Jr., said he would return with four witnesses who would testify that Ousley did not take part in the beatings. Adam said his client was giving aid to one of those injured by the van.

"There is no reason to have this man in jail," Adam said.

## Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

### *Classes help seniors keep their driving skills sharp*

**DEAR ABBY:** "Protective New Dad," who is reluctant to allow his grandmother to drive his baby around town, should ask Grandma to enroll in the special AARP Driver Safety Course designed especially for senior citizens.

Drivers learn defensive-driving techniques and find out how to adjust their driving to compensate for normal age-related changes in vision, hearing and reaction time.

In California, drivers older than 55 who complete the course get a certificate issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles. It makes them eligible for a reduction in their auto insurance rates. (In other states with similar laws, the age varies.)

To learn more about the course, including when and where classes will be held in any area, your readers can visit AARP's Web site at www.AARP.org/drive or call the toll-free number: 1-888-227-7669 (1-888-AARP-NOW). — **DOROTHY SEDLEY, AARP VOLUNTEER INSTRUCTOR**

**DEAR DOROTHY:** As our population ages, a course such as the one offered by AARP becomes an important safety measure for the road. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** If "Protective New Dad" has any doubts about his grandmother's driving skills, I urge him to stand firm and not allow his daughter in her great-grandmother's car no matter what.

When I was a young teen, my mother — tired of being a "taxi service" — hired a neighborhood girl, "Maggie," to drive me to band practice. Mother knew Maggie had already totaled two cars, but didn't want to hurt her feelings by telling her she wasn't a good driver. Mother ignored my protests and so off I went — scared to death.

Instead of driving me straight to band practice, Maggie drove all over town, picking up her friends and leering at boys. We had countless near-misses. By the time I returned home, I was shaking like a leaf and had wet my pants in sheer terror. I quit the band the next day.

Abby, that was 25 years ago. I never got over the fact that my mother chose the feelings of another girl over the safety of her own daughter. Maggie went on to crack up another car, seriously injuring her passenger — who could have been me!

I urge all parents to choose carefully who drives their child. If someone's feelings get hurt — tough! He or she will get over it, but the loss of a child is irreversible. You better believe my own daughter's safety comes first. — **SAVED MYSELF IN PENNSYLVANIA**

**DEAR SAVED MYSELF:** And so it should. Your mother's judgment left much to be desired. Today it would be called child endangerment. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** Your advice to "Protective New Dad" should have been more strongly worded. If he's uncomfortable about Grandma's driving, it's not just his own child he should worry about — it's everyone else's, too. That's the approach I took with both my mother and grandmother when it became obvious their reflexes weren't what they once were.

First, I persuaded them to admit they were "a bit slower." Then I said: "You love children, and there are lots of them in this neighborhood. Could you ever forgive yourself if a child darted into the street, and there was a tragedy because you couldn't slam on the brakes fast enough?"

They each handed over their car keys. It wasn't fun for any of us, but it may have saved lives. — **I GOT THE KEYS IN CALIFORNIA**

**DEAR I GOT THE KEYS:** That's strong medicine, and I commend you for taking the initiative to ensure the safety of others.

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## Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

### Your Birthday

**Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2002**

People with whom you pal around could be especially beneficial for you in opening doors to bigger and better things in the year ahead. Be friendly to all and expand your odds.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** — Although it isn't always advisable to mix business with pleasure, today your opportunities can come about through socializing, especially with those you're trying to impress with your ideas. Leo, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and an SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — Even though it may be a bit inconvenient to do so, if there is something of importance you are anxious to finalize, do it now. Another time may not be as lucky for you as the present.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** — Don't forsake your hopes and expectations, because today something you have been hoping for but unable to attain could come into being through a lucky break.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** — Because of the integrity and credibility you've established for yourself, people are likely to come to you today to do business. There is a strong link between finances and reputation.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** — Your success lies in developments you personally manage or control today and not through the efforts of others. Don't dilute this aspect by delegating the control of your affairs to another.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — For greater gains than usual today, go to sources you seldom tap. Your usual channels are still open and operative, but the rare ones can offer the larger benefits.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** — Two separate individuals you know, both of whom have been lucky for you in the past, can be lucky for you once again today. The circumstances are ripe for a repeat performance.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** — Career or work-related breaks might come about today through contacts who have powerful affiliations. You may be singled out by one for a chance to shine.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** — Make some time to participate in an activity today that has friendly elements of competition. You should do well and may even outshine someone who usually gets the best of you.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** — Although sometimes shifting conditions can place us at a severe disadvantage, today's unexpected changes will tend to work for your benefit, so roll with the punches.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** — A couple of your most outstanding qualities are your sales and promotional skills, and today these fine qualities will be much in evidence. Sell that big idea you have to others, now.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** — Situations that previously produced obstacles may now begin to generate opportunities as new vitality is breathed into your economic conditions today. Make hay while the sun is shining.

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## Actress receives star

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Actress Susan Sarandon, who won an Oscar for 1995's "Dead Man Walking," got a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame before a crowd of about 600 fans.

She was joined by her longtime partner, actor Tim Robbins; her three children; and actors Kieran Culkin and Ryan Phillippe, who co-starred with Sarandon in the upcoming film "Igby Goes Down."

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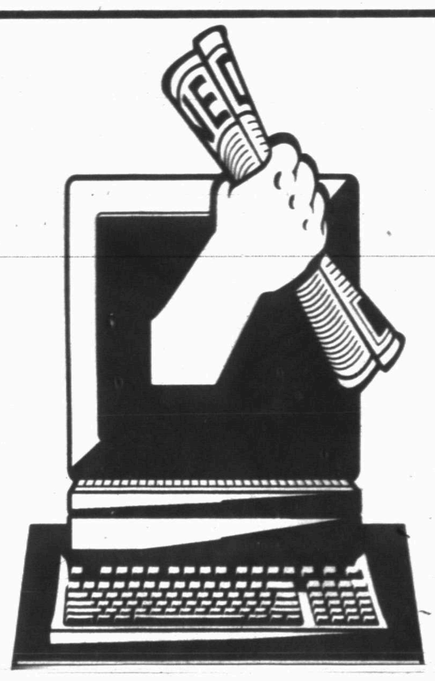

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# Perry says he's ready to debate Sanchez

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Candidates for Texas' top office have exchanged hard blows in the television ring, but now Gov. Rick Perry's campaign says he's ready to duke it out in person.

Perry's campaign said Monday he'd like to begin face-to-face debates with Democratic opponent Tony Sanchez as early as next week.

"There's no reason to wait until October, particularly when the campaign is already generating a lot of attention," Perry spokesman Ray Sullivan said in today's San Antonio Express-News.

Asked at a campaign stop when he thought the debates would start, Sanchez said, "I think that's been arranged already. I think it's going to be in October."

Asked whether he wants more than one debate, Sanchez said, "If he wants to, yeah, sure."

How many would he like to have?

"I think one, an hour debate, we're going to cover all the issues," Sanchez said. "I'm really looking forward to that."

Perry's spokesman said the campaign hasn't put a limit on the number of debates, but Perry's just eager to get started.

"We could start next week as far as we're concerned," Sullivan said.

The number of debates Sanchez would agree to became a heated issue in the Democratic primary race against former Texas Attorney General Dan Morales. Sanchez rejected Morales' challenges for more debates, and finally agreed to debate once, half in English and half in Spanish.

That debate was broadcast from Dallas public television station KERA, which has had discussions with the Perry and Sanchez campaigns about an Oct. 24 debate. Rick Thompson, executive producer of the Texas Debates, said both candidates are holding the date.

# Bush OKs trade bill, has physical exam

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush signed legislation today giving U.S. presidents broad authority to negotiate global trade accords, and pledged to use his new powers to boost America's sagging economy.

"Trade expands choices for American consumers and raises living standards for our families," Bush said before signing a bill that restores the trade negotiating, or "fast track", authority that Congress has withheld from the White House since the Clinton administration.

"And now, after eight years, America is back in the business of promoting open trade to build our prosperity and to spur our economic growth," the president said.

Bush signed the bill after a quick trip to Bethesda, Md., for his annual physical. Flashing a thumbs up, Bush said he was "feeling good" after the checkup.

Minutes after the East Room ceremony, Bush was leaving for Texas, where he will be using his Crawford ranch as his headquarters until around Labor Day. His plans include meetings and fund-raising trips during his stay at his 1,600-acre Prairie Chapel Ranch and a visit there by Mexican President Vicente Fox on Aug. 26.

Trade promotion authority allows the president to negotiate trade agreements that Congress may approve or reject but cannot change.

First given to the president in 1974, Congress refused to extend it after it expired during the Clinton administration in 1994, mainly because of concerns from Democrats and their allies that labor and environmental standards were being undermined.

# CDC: Prevention key to West Nile virus

ATLANTA (AP) — National health officials warned that the West Nile virus is here to stay and that simple prevention efforts, such as wearing insect repellent, are the best way to manage the epidemic.

CDC director Dr. Julie Gerberding told reporters Monday that she wasn't surprised human infections have risen since the disease spread south and west from New York, where it was first seen in 1999. The disease has been found in more than 100 people this year, the CDC said.

Gerberding insisted there is little chance of eliminating the mosquito-borne disease, especially when it spreads to areas with longer summers and warmer water.

Instead, she said, officials should spray for mosquitoes when the virus has been detected, and people should eliminate standing water from their lawns to reduce their risk. Wearing insect repellent and long pants and shirts are also recommended.

"I don't think we want to overstate the situation," she said in a media briefing. "It's been an evolving problem, so therefore there is a certain sense of urgency. But I don't think we need to send the message there's a crisis."

Five people in Louisiana have died this summer of West Nile, a virus that can cause flu-like symptoms and sometimes potentially fatal swelling of the brain. Most of the victims have been older people or those with weak immune systems.

Officials in Arkansas said they have found the state's first known case of the virus in a person and sent a sample to the CDC Monday for confirmation. The man in Union County, near the Louisiana state line, was expected to recover.

The virus has been detected in birds and people in 34 states and Washington. Health officials expect it will continue spreading west.

Dr. Jim Hughes, director of the CDC's National Center for Infectious Disease, said West Nile is showing up earlier in the summer as it moves to warmer climates.

"The disease will not necessarily behave the same in all geographic areas," he said.

Gerberding also said people shouldn't worry that pesticides being used to kill mosquitoes pose a health threat.

"There are very, very few if any health consequences," she said. "Basically they're safe, and the risks they present are outweighed by the benefits of reducing the mosquito population."

On the Net:
http://www.cdc.gov

# Conjoined twins separated; but one girl back in surgery

LOS ANGELES (AP) — In a risky procedure that took 22 hours, surgeons separated 1-year-old Guatemalan twins joined at the head, a doctor said today. One of the girls was returned to surgery later today.

The girl, Maria Teresa, developed a hematoma related to surgery and was brought back into the operating room at 9:17 a.m., doctors announced.

"Despite the complication involving Maria Teresa, we feel that the outlook for both twins is positive," said Dr. Jorge Lazareff, lead neurosurgeon.

Lazareff said the hematoma was a collection of blood on the surface of the girl's brain that increases pressure on the organ. Doctors said they were removing the buildup to speed recovery.

The other girl, Maria de Jesus Quiej-Alvarez, remained in critical but stable condition.

The risky separation surgery took 22 hours to complete.

"A big cheer went up in the operating room — they were really excited when the separation happened," Dr. Michael Karpf, director of the University of California, Los Angeles Medical Center, said of the 50 or more people who assisted in the operation.

The surgery began at 8 a.m. Monday. They were wheeled out of the operating room at 6 a.m. today. Actual separation occurred about 1 a.m.

"When the surgeons went into this, they had hopes both would come out functional — very functional," Karpf said. "We won't know for sure where things stand for a few more days."

The girls, born in rural Guatemala, were attached at the top of the skull and faced opposite directions. While the two shared bone and blood vessels, they had separate brains. Cases like theirs occur in fewer than one in 2.5 million live births.

The riskiest part of the surgery was separating the veins that connected the twins' heads.

Doctors had to separate individual blood vessels the two shared and decide which belonged to each child. Rerouting the flow of blood to and from the brain of each child put both at risk for stroke, said UCLA neurosurgeon Dr. Itzhak Fried.

That was followed by plastic surgery to extend the scalp of each child to cover the portion of exposed brain where they had been attached.

## Obituaries

### Arturo Ariaz

**1919-2002**

SANTA ROSA, N.M. — Arturo F. Ariaz, father of Mary Ann Caldwell of Snyder, died Friday, Aug. 2.

Service for Mr. Ariaz, 83, was held Monday in the St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Santa Rosa and burial followed in St. Joseph Cemetery.

Mr. Ariaz was born on June 30, 1919 in Puerto De Luna and lived most of his life in Santa Rosa.

Survivors also include a son-in-law, Wayland Caldwell of Snyder; another daughter, Magdalena Monserrat and her husband Javier of Puerto De Luna; three sons and their wives, Arthur and Christina Ariaz of Santa Rosa, Andrew and Kristi Ariaz of Albuquerque and Albert and Roberta Ariaz of Puerto De Luna; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

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# Police find 2 stolen vehicles in Snyder

***Stolen vehicles found***

United Supermarket manager Gary Shifflett requested officers just after 7:30 Monday morning in reference to a 1999 Dodge that had been in the parking lot of United for several days. Police advised the vehicle had been stolen from Amarillo and was towed from the scene.

Jones County requested an attempt-to-locate on a stolen Ford Monday morning. Just before 3 o'clock in the afternoon, local officers located the vehicle in the 3100 block of Avenue T.

***Arrests***

A 24-year-old man was arrested at the adult probation office at 7:12 p.m. Monday on warrants for failure to stop at a stop sign and failure to appear.

Police arrested a 37-year-old man at 11 p.m. Monday for use of inhalants.

***Vehicle burglary***

Justin Cline requested police at 11:25 Monday night in reference to his girlfriend's 1998 Dodge being burglarized. A Texas driver's license and $150 in cash was taken from the vehicle.

***Criminal mischief***

Larry Martinez requested officers at 8:21 a.m. Monday regarding a renter moving out of his property in the 2500 block of Avenue X and the property was damaged.

***Gas drive offs***

A clerk with Town and Country north reported a gas drive off at 11:48 Monday morning worth $7.

At 9:48 p.m. Monday, a clerk with Rip Griffin's reported the theft of fuel in the amount of $15.50. The driver later returned to pay for the gas.

# WTC Trustees to study budget

Western Texas College board of trustees will get its first look at the college's 2002-2003 proposed budget when it convenes at noon Wednesday for its regular monthly meeting.

The proposed budget for the coming school year is $8,675,179, according to Patricia Claxton, director of fiscal services. That amount is an increase of about $240,000 over the current spending plan, Claxton said.

Only one item of new business is included on the agenda. The board will consider setting a public hearing regarding the tax rate.

Other items for information and discussion are pre-bid consideration for property insurance and the president's report.

The meeting will be held in the boardroom of the administration building.

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## ONGOINGS

### Head Start registration

Head Start registration is being held through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Children must be at least three years old and family must meet income guidelines or child must have a diagnosed disability. Birth certificate, current immunization records, Social Security Card and proof of family income are required. For information, call 573-7403.

### East Side Bug Safari

Make a beeline to join us at Vacation Bible School at East Side Church of Christ to study David, a little guy who did big things with God's help. Classes for kindergarten through fifth graders is being held from 9 a.m. to noon through Friday.

### 4-H horse club

The 4-H Horse Club will have its final point night at 7 p.m. today at the rodeo grounds. Warmup begins at 6:30 p.m.

### SHS registration

Snyder High School registration for students new to the district is being held until 3 p.m. today. Freshman and new student orientation will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Worsham Auditorium.

### Gateway Family Services

Gateway Family Services has a parenting discussion group from 10:30-11:30 a.m. every Tuesday, focusing on parenting issues and special challenges. The family violence support group also meets from 6:30-7:30 p.m. every Tuesday.

### Alzheimer's meeting

An Alzheimer's meeting to help families and caregivers will be held from 6-7 this evening in the library at Colonial Hill Baptist Church. Call Kinney Robinson at 573-9377 for more information.

### Ira booster club

Ira booster club will meet at 8:15 p.m. Wednesday in the school cafeteria. The agenda includes a discussion of a membership drive and the election of officers.

### Bulldog car wash

The Ira Bulldog football players will have a car wash from 1-6 p.m. Thursday at the school. Donations will be accepted.

### Hermleigh Booster Club

The Hermleigh Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the school cafeteria.

### FBC support groups

Support groups dealing with divorce, death, cancer or caring for elderly parents meet at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church educational building. A special group for students facing these problems is held at the same time.

### FBC services televised

First Baptist Church services are televised on channel 2 at 3 p.m. each Thursday.

### Garage sale donations

Hermleigh Junior High cheerleaders will accept donations for a garage sale until Friday to raise money for cheerleading camp and uniforms. Call Joyce Lionberger at 863-2755.

### Country, Gospel music

Country and Gospel music will be played starting at 6:30 p.m. Saturday at the Snyder Senior Citizens Center.

### West Texas Alzheimer's Association

The West Texas Alzheimer's Association will have an educational program at 6 p.m. next Tuesday at Colonial Hill Baptist Church. Presenter is Janet Cross, association program coordination. The public is invited.

### Distribute supplies

School supplies for needy children will be distributed Wednesday, Aug. 14, at the Region 14 Satellite Office. To be eligible, parents must provide proof that their child is on the free or reduced price lunch program.

### Prophetic-Healing Conference

Stand Firm World Ministries of Amarillo is bringing Keith Miller to Thee Place, 904 26th St., next Friday and Saturday for a Prophetic-Healing Conference. Services are 7 p.m. next Friday and 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. next Saturday.

### WOW4 Women's Conference

WOW4 Women's Conference sponsored by His Joy Ministries is set for Aug. 23-24 at Thee Place, 904 26th St. Music will be by Mercy & Truth, Dance Troupe Doorkeepers of His Glory. Topics include Women of Worth, Eva Dooley; Women of Warfare, Claudine Chaney; Women of Worship, Pearlene Nolan, Vickie King and Martha Brown; and Women of Word, Judy Allen. For more information call 573-9799.

### Medical expense account

An account has been set up at First American Bank for John Hardin who is battling cancer. Donations can be mailed or made in person at the bank for the John Hardin Account, #0328385407.

### Fall poetry contest

Mesquite Country Writers Guild is accepting entries for its fall poetry contest. Theme is open and there is a 20-line limit. Deadline is Thursday, Aug. 15, and entry fee is $2. First prize is $50, second is $30 and third is $20. Mail entries to Yvonne Nunn, 9221 S. State Hwy 208 in Hermleigh, 79526.

### Sonshine School registration

Sonshine School for ages two through five, is underway and informational packets are available at 37th Street Church of Christ office weekdays from 8:30 a.m. until noon, and from 1-4:30 p.m. Registration fee is $30 and monthly tuition is $45. Open house and registration is 9 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 15. Call 574-1960 for more information.

### Weigh Down registration

Weigh Down registration and orientation is 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15 at His Joy Ministries, 904 26th St. Classes will begin Thursday, Aug. 22. Contact Claudia Sanchez at 573-9615.

## Texas Briefs

### New Miss Teen Texas begins duties

GREENVILLE (AP) — A new Miss Teen Texas 2002 has been named after the previous winner resigned following an arrest and public intoxication charge.

"I am proud to accept the title of Miss Teen Texas 2002," Brittany Wellsfry of Wichita Falls said. "I look forward to this opportunity to travel across the state of Texas and speak to children about the importance of character development."

Wellsfry, a senior at Wichita Falls High School, was the first runner-up to the previous Miss Teen Texas, Julia Anderson.

Anderson, 17, was crowned Miss Teen Texas on July 2 but resigned Saturday.

She was arrested and charged with public intoxication last month after a 911 caller reported her intoxicated and trying to drive away from a party at an Arlington apartment complex.

Three officers responding to the 911 call found Anderson with an 18-year-old man in the apartment parking lot.

### Kerrville facility is under investigation

KERRVILLE (AP) — State officials said they were investigating a child care facility where a pastor slapped a child in the face for unruly behavior.

The slapping occurred Wednesday at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, according to church pastor Rolf Larsen. He said he struck the 4-year-old boy across the cheek because the boy was causing a disturbance.

"It was done to gain his attention," Larsen told the Kerrville Daily Times. "It was an instinctive thing."

Angela Parker, director of the school at the church, said she reported the incident to state officials. She declined comment pending the investigation.

Details won't be disclosed until the investigation is over, Stephanie Dufallo of the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services Child Care Licensing division said.

The mother of the boy insisted her son was simply sitting next to a teacher when he was suddenly slapped. She has since withdrawn her son from the school.

"I was pretty teary-eyed, and he said he was worried about me," said the mother, who was not identified. "I was very upset that this role model did this."

### Citations issued for illegal vehicle sales

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — After a two-week investigation, authorities have issued 16 citations to individuals involved in the illegal sale of automobiles.

The citations resulting from "Operation Dead Flea" included selling cars without a state-issued license and selling cars with open titles, meaning the name of the seller was not on the certificate of title.

The sting was conducted by the Cameron County Automobile Crimes Task Force, and more raids were planned in an area of Brownsville called the 77 Flea Market, The Brownsville Herald reported in its today editions.

"I know we are not going to stop everyone from doing this in one weekend, but at least we are being visible so people know we mean business," County Tax Assessor collector Tony Yzaguirre said.

Yzaguirre said no stolen vehicles or fraudulent titles were found. Brownsville police arrested one man who had an outstanding warrant on a bad check charge.

The task force was created after authorities received nearly 600 complaints from legal auto dealers, task force leader Joe Mireles said.

# Three jailed on hand grenade charges

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — Three men accused of selling more than a dozen homemade hand grenades remained jailed Monday.

Robin Mark Washburn, 42, of Wichita Falls was denied bond and Kent Briton Seager, 42, of Wichita Falls waived a bond hearing Monday in U.S. District Court.

"In the current climate of the United States because of 9-11 ... a person's involvement in any anti-personnel items is a serious matter for the court," U.S. Magistrate Robert K. Roach said in denying bond.

Washburn, Seager and Kristian Nicholas Stone, 39, of Iowa Park are charged with possession of an unregistered firearm, a hand grenade.

Washburn and Seager also waived preliminary hearings and likely will be transported to Oklahoma City. Stone waived his bond hearing Friday in federal court in Oklahoma, where charges originated, the Wichita Falls Times Record News reported in a story for today's editions.

During Washburn's bond hearing Monday, federal agents testified about snaring three men in a two-month undercover sting with a confidential informant in Waurika, Okla., near Wichita Falls.

The probe started after an informant's tip that Stone offered to sell grenades, other explosives and AK-47 assault rifles, according to criminal complaints filed in the case.

In late June, Stone reportedly told an informant how the explosives worked, saying there would be a six-second delay before detonation. The price was lowered to $75 if the buyer completed the assembly.

On July 12, the informant bought eight homemade grenades for $1,200 in Waurika, authorities said. Later that day, bomb specialists disassembled the grenades.

Stone was allegedly the front man and also helped manufacture the grenades in a shed behind Washburn's home, special agents testified. Washburn's part was to supply powder for grenades Stone allegedly sold to the informant in two transactions, authorities said.

Stone sold 10 more grenades Wednesday, about six minutes before his arrest, agents said.

After federal and local authorities served warrants last week at the three men's home and Seager's auto shop in Wichita Falls, agents reported finding guns, including AK-47 assault rifles, materials to make explosives and powder.

## Dr. Gott

**By Peter Gott, M.D.**

# *Therapy can cause nightmares*

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** I'm a 65 year-old man with hypertension, controlled by medication. My problem is bad dreams and loss of concentration. Could these symptoms be caused by the medicine? I've tried several different brands, but all give me the same side effects. Is this simply my imagination?

**DEAR READER:** The syndrome you describe could be the result of medicines for high blood pressure, all of which affect the central nervous system.

For example, beta-blockers can cause insomnia, nightmares, depression, memory loss and confusion. Calcium-channel blockers are associated with headache, insomnia, confusion, imbalance and psychiatric disturbances. Reserpine leads to depression, anxiety, nightmares and nervousness. ACE-inhibitors may cause headache, dizziness, vertigo, cough and blurred vision. Thiazide diuretics can initiate vertigo, dizziness and restlessness. Clonidine can cause dizziness, headache and nervousness. Minipress is associated with vertigo, depression and nervousness. Aldactone may cause lethargy, headache, confusion and imbalance. Aldomet can cause emotional disruption, nightmares, depression and dizziness.

The list goes on.

Although anti-hypertensive medications have the potential for causing mental side effects, in reality these complications are, fortunately, relatively rare. Also, most patients who react badly to one class of medicines may not react to another.

Therefore, I advise you to work with your doctor to discover a form of therapy that won't affect your concentration or sleep. You say that you have tried different brands; this may not be enough. Simply switching brands (as opposed to changing the type of drug entirely) may not be effective; you may need to experiment with several classes of medication. Eventually, you will probably find one that agrees with you.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my updated and newly-revised Health Report "Hypertension." 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 44092-0167. Be sure to mention the title.

**Dear DR. GOTT:** This is a dumb question, but I don't mind being laughed at from a distance!

I have an adult male employee whose co-workers tell me he is capable of lactation. Are they just putting me on?

**DEAR READER:** This is not a dumb question, and you're probably not being misled.

Lactation in an adult male could be a serious condition that needs medical attention. As a general rule, breast function is governed by female hormones. Therefore, a male who lactates may be harboring a tumor (usually in the testicles) that is producing estrogen. Other causes of male breast enlargement (and lactation) include liver disease, complications of many medicines and marijuana. In my opinion, your employee should not disregard this symptom.

I'm not quire sure how you could diplomatically suggest that the gentleman see his doctor, but this is certainly the appropriate option.

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** I've been diagnosed with a pericardial cyst, which my cardiologist says to ignore because it is harmless and nothing needs to be done about it. Nonetheless, I'm worried. Should I be?

**DEAR READER:** No.

The heart is surrounded by a thin but tough envelope of tissue called the pericardium. On occasion, for unknown reasons, collections of fluid (cysts) may form. Such cysts are usually discovered by accident during routine chest X-ray examinations. Your cardiologist is correct: Ignore your pericardial cyst; you can expect no health consequences from it.

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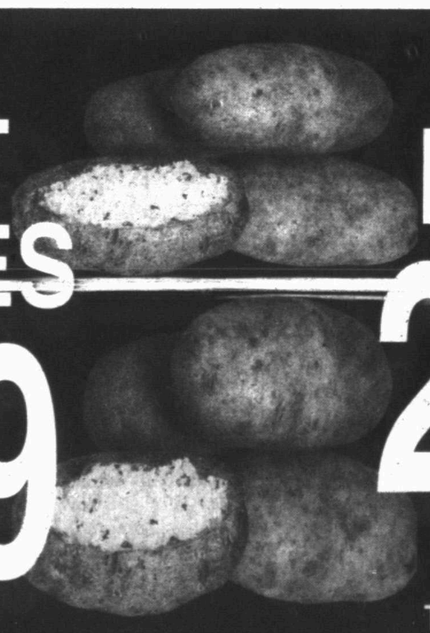

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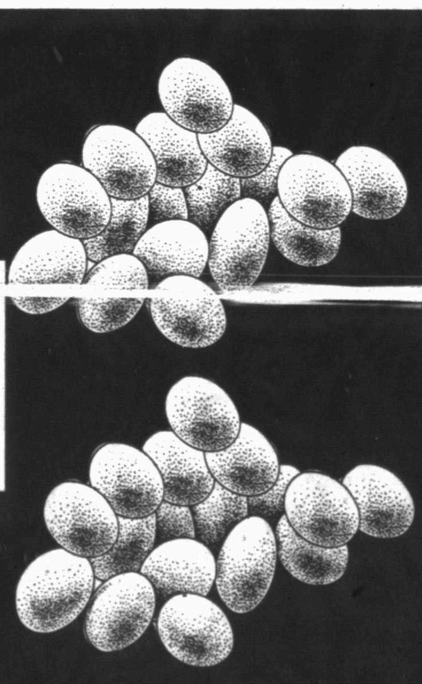

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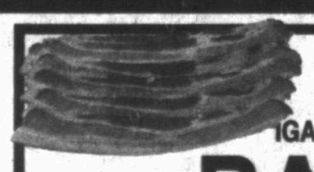

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