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Estimated '98 tax values hold steady...almost

With regard to Scurry County estimated tax values for 1998, it's both bad and good news.

The bad news: except for the city of Snyder, estimated values will decline.

The good news: the estimated loss in values is much less than earlier anticipated.

Scurry County Appraisal District has mailed to property owners estimated tax values for 1998 for the six taxing entities in the county. Tax rolls will be certified in July following board of review hearings scheduled July 15-16.

In 1997, certified values increased in Scurry County for the first time in seven years, thanks to increased oil values. The anticipated decrease for 1998 is well below the 15 percent mark estimated several months ago.

Values for the city of Snyder actually increased. Real estate values are $209.2 million and mineral values are $26.5 million for a total value of $235.6 million compared to $226.4 million in 1985. The city's estimated tax rate is .3896 cents.

The effective tax rate is the rate required to raise the same number of tax dollars as in the past year. The city's current tax rate is .4021.

Estimated values for the Snyder ISD dropped less than one point, 0.595 percent. Estimated real estate values in Snyder ISD are $251.1 million and mineral values are projected at $231.1 million for a total of $482.2 million compared to $495.1 million in 1997. The school district's effective tax rate is estimated at $1.51 compared to the 1997 rate of $1.50. School districts, however, are prohibited from exceeding the $1.50 rate for operations.

Western Texas College estimated values declined 2.9 percent, resulting in an estimated effective tax rate of .3020 cents. WTC's 1997 tax rate is .2923 cents.

Estimated values

Scurry County Appraisal District has released estimated values for 1998. The following information compares 1998 estimated values with 1997 certified values for the six taxing entities in the county:

	1998	1997	difference
County	$607,211,024	$626.902.415	-3.43%
College	$659,220,170	$677.597,745	-2.90%
City	$235,551,183	$226,387,067	+3.64
SISD	$482,235,541	$495,168,967	-0.59%
HISD	$29,854,160	$30,867,856	-1.21%
IISD	$73,833,913	$82,400,786	-10.7%

Estimated values at WTC totaled $659.2 million which included $348.3 for real estate and $310.8 for minerals. Certified college values for 1997 were $677.6 million.

Scurry County values are estimated at $607.2 million, down 3.43 percent from the $626.9 million in actual values for 1997. The 1998 totals include estimates of $296.3 million for real estate and $310.9 million for minerals.

The county's estimated tax rate is .5277 cents compared to the 1997 actual rate of .51 cents.

Ira ISD was the biggest loser in the estimates, showing a 10.7 percent decline, mainly in mineral values. Ira's estimated values for 1998 are $73.8 million compared to $82.4 million in 1997. Ira's estimates include $12.8 million for real estate and $61.1 million for minerals.

Ira's effective tax rate is $159.08 compared to the current tax rate of $1.42. Ira's tax rate also is capped at $1.50.

Hermleigh ISD's estimated values for 1998 dropped 1.2 percent. The estimated value is $29.8 million compared to $30.9 million in 1977. The estimate includes $18.8 million in real estate and $11 million in minerals. Hermleigh's estimated effective tax rate is $141.19 compared to the 1997 rate of $1.43.

Across the board, big losses were noted in agriculture values. Pasture land was devalued by 10 percent and cultivated land was reduced 14 percent.

Ray Peveler, chief appraiser, noted that estimated values will change between now and late July when tax rolls are certified.

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Home Of Jennifer Bigham

County may acquire Diamond M building

Pending some legal work, the former Diamond M Museum building on East 25th Street will soon become the property of Scurry County.

"The commissioners court will discuss the matter on Monday," said County Judge Ricky Fritz. "Mark McLaughlin has offered the county the building, and also some vacant lots in the same area."

Fritz said County Attorney Mike Hartman is working with the Diamond M Foundation in order to convey the title to the county.

Fritz said the building is in excellent shape, despite the museum having been closed some 10 years ago.

"All the utilities have remained on, and there has been a caretaker with the building," Fritz said.

The county will use jail labor to paint and make any minor repairs that might be needed.

Fritz said no decisions have been made on what departments might be located in the building, but did note several options.

"Three or four departments have indicated an interest in moving to the building, including the Justice of the Peace, along with adult probation.

Fritz said it might be possible to relocate the Department of Public Safety offices from the Scurry County Coliseum annex to the Diamond M building, as well.

"We are also looking at moving the Mental Health/Mental Retardation office there," Fritz said, noting the county is having to pay $750 per month plus utilities at the present location.

Fritz said the county is looking to use the first floor only at the present time.

"There is room for probably 20 offices on the first floor," Fritz added,"

The building also has a full basement, and several offices on the second floor. The county would not use the second floor offices at the present time for any department that requires public access.

Fritz said the almost the entire first floor is handicap-accessible.

"We'll have to remodel only one bathroom in order to meet building ADA standards," Fritz said.

In a letter to the county, McLaughlin, a resident of San Angelo and former mayor of Snyder, said that the foundation is pleased that the building would be preserved and maintained in a manner which reflects favorably on Snyder and Scurry County.

The building first served as offices for the McLaughlin's family oil businesses, and in 1964, the ground floor of the building was designated the Diamond M Museum.

It housed part of the private art collection of the late C.T. and Claire McLaughlin.

In other business at the county's 10 a.m. meeting Monday, the court will consider voluntary annexation into the city of a small tract of county-owned land where the new senior citizens housing development will be built on South College Ave.

The court will also consider a proclamation in support of Special Olympics.



SIGNING UP — Eight-year-old Karen Coonrod, with the help of her mother, Donise, signed up Thursday for cheerleading and cartooning classes at Western Texas College Kids' College June 15-25. Registration continues for ages 3 through Pre-K. Mark Bland, right, is director of community services. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Leadership is the ability to hide your panic from others."

It was fitting that Jerry Seinfeld and Charles Anderson had their swan songs on the same evening.

The popular Seinfeld sitcom had it's final episode Thursday evening and Anderson presided at his final school board meeting after serving six years on the board.

At a reception in his honor as out-going trustee, Anderson took the opportunity for a Seinfeld-type monologue. Anderson said he had never seen the TV show — since he was always attending a school board meeting.

Anderson revealed that he never planned to go into education, and instead had planned on a movie career. He claims he once got a bit part as an extra when he was working the copper mines in Arizona.

Anderson mused that he finally did get on TV, making reference to the ZTV coverage of Snyder school board meetings.

Prior to being elected to the school board, Anderson served the Snyder ISD as a teacher, coach and both as elementary and junior high principal.

Anderson recalled a major mistake he made when he was principal at Central. Teacher Elizabeth Jenkins sent word to the principal's office that she had a pupil that needed to be spanked.

Anderson said in those days he "always had a paddle up his sleeve." He went down the hall and found a young man standing outside Mrs. Jenkins' classroom.

Anderson bent the young man over and gave him three licks. Mrs. Jenkins rushed out and explained that the principal had paddled the wrong kid.

Anderson was quick on his feet — even then.

He asked the student if he had ever played Monopoly. The kid nodded that he had.

"Do you remember that 'get out of jail free' card?" Anderson asked.

"Well, I'm going to give you a 'get out of a spanking free' card," the principal said.

Anderson recalls that about three weeks later the youngster came to his office to redeem his card.

DPS trooper assigned here

Three Department of Public Safety troopers are now based in Snyder as Conroe native Mark Phillips has been assigned here following his graduation from the DPS academy.

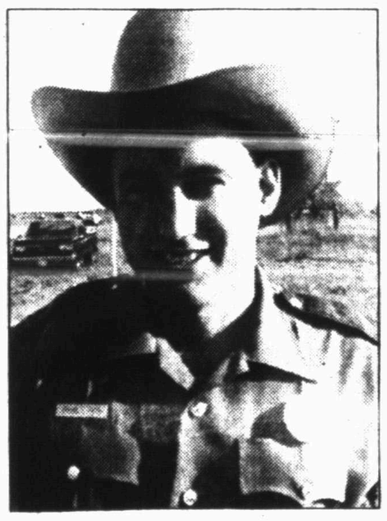
He joins troopers Rick Compos and Jeff Buuck.

While Snyder is Phillips' first DPS assignment, he is certainly no stranger to law enforcement.

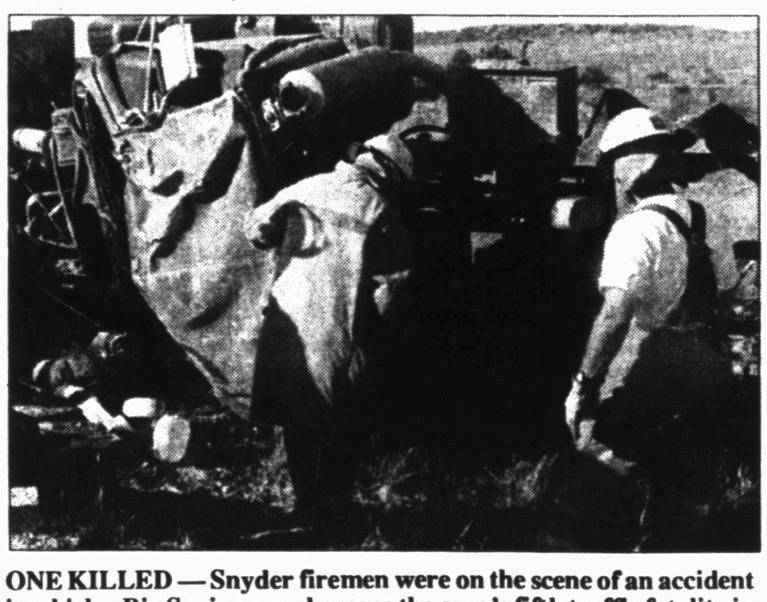
Phillips spent five years with the Montgomery County sheriff's department before going to the DPS academy. He held the post of sniper team leader on the sheriff's department SWAT team.

The new trooper spent four years in the Marine Corp, serving with an anti-terrorist unit during Desert Storm.

Mark and his wife Ginny, also from Conroe, have been married four months.



Mark Phillips



ONE KILLED — Snyder firemen were on the scene of an accident in which a Big Spring man became the area's fifth traffic fatality in less than a week about 5:40 p.m. Friday. Keneth Oran McVea, 31, was driving a tank truck about 15 miles north of Snyder on CR 2148 when it failed to negotiate a turn onto the Clairemont Highway. A passenger, 29-year-old Lee Allen Young, also of Big Spring, was treated and released at Cogdell Hospital. (SDN Staff Photo)

Induction ceremony for NHS Sunday afternoon

Snyder High School will induct 29 new members into the National Honor Society at 3 p.m. Sunday at Worsham Auditorium.

Casey Doyle, president, will be the master of ceremonies. Mark Cave, chaplain, will give the invocation, and opening remarks will be delivered by Larry Scott, SHS principal.

Four members will explain the qualifications for membership including Joey Steakley, character; Traci Eicke, leadership; Kevin Kerr, scholarship; and Jenise Judah, service.

New members will be presented by Lisa McNair, Zack Briseno and Melanie Kidd.

Sponsors, Janice Mitchell and Linda Trevino, will hood the seniors.

Thomas Strayhorn and Carol Strayhorn, will be in charge of the music.

Seniors inductees include Larry Brown, Brady Collier, Angela Fugate, Amanda Wells, Andy Whitefield.

Juniors who will be inducted include Lina Alvarez, Tamra Anderson, Allison Bowden, Starla Davis, Brittany Drummond, Brock Durham, Rad Eicke, Keisha Gafford, Brett Gibson, Holly Goebel, Tommy Gordon, Ashley Grimmett.

Others are Anastasia Hanan, Keila Helms, Mandy Hess, Jacob Hodges, Marci Irvine, Reid Johnson, Vanessa Jones, Laurie Kerley, Cory Mandrell, Juan Olvera, Whitney Owen, Lidia Rodriguez.

ASK US

Q. — In 1997, how much in school taxes was frozen by senior citizens?

A. — Last year the amount was $21.5 million which cost the school district approximately $48,000 or about 1-cent of tax rate.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 88 degrees; low, 52; 7 a.m. Saturday, 53; no precipitation; total for 1998, 5.10 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday night: Low, mid 60s. SE wind 5-15 mph. Sunday, partly cloudy. High, mid 90s. Southeast wind 10-20 mph.



Chelsey Drummond
Partly Cloudy

Sunset: 8:33 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:46 a.m.
Of 135 days in 1998, the sun has shone 133 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Waste your money and you're only out of money, but waste your time and you've lost a part of your life.

Michael Leboeuf

Appeals court upholds 'Bell' restrictions

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal appeals court upheld the government's restrictions on how regional Bell telephone companies provide sports scores, stock quotes and other electronic publishing services.

The United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, in a 2-1 decision Friday, rejected arguments made by BellSouth Corp. that the restrictions are unconstitutional.

Specifically, BellSouth argued that a provision contained in a 1996 telecommunications law requiring it and other Baby Bells to provide electronic publishing services through a separate subsidiary is an unconstitutional "bill of attainder," or punishment without a trial.

In a surprise ruling last Dec. 31, a federal judge in Texas — accepting the bill of attainder argument — tossed out key provisions of the 1996 law that govern how Baby Bells enter the long-distance business.

In that case, which is on appeal, U.S. District Judge Joe Kendall had ruled that the these provisions constitute a bill of attainder, punishing the Bells for the past anticompetitive sins of their one-time parent, AT&T, and for any offenses that they may commit in the future.

The Texas case was brought by three regional Bells — SBC Communications, US West, Bell Atlantic — in an attempt to overturn the 1996 restrictions on their entry into the long-distance business.

MCI praised Friday's ruling, saying it will help the company in its efforts to reverse Kendall's decision in favor of the Baby Bells.

BellSouth had argued that the separate subsidiary provision is unconstitutional because it singles out Bell companies for legislative punishment. The provisions apply only to the Bell companies and not to other phone companies such as GTE or Southern New England Telephone.

The court rejected that argument.

Offering electronic publishing services through a separate subsidiary makes the services more expensive than competitors' and makes it harder for the company to administer, said BellSouth spokesman Bill McCloskey.

"While structural separation is hardly costless, neither does it remotely approach the disabilities that have traditionally marked forbidden attainders," judges Stephen Williams and Harry Edwards wrote in the majority opinion.

But Judge David Sentelle, in his dissent, said it was unlikely that the provision "can survive constitutional scrutiny."

McCloskey said the company is considering an appeal. BellSouth, based in Atlanta, has been providing sports scores, general news and other electronic publishing services over the phone in a couple of Southern cities for the last several years, he said.



SWORN IN — State Rep. David Counts administers the oath of office to newly-elected Snyder ISD trustees Bill Moss and Luann Burleson. The two were sworn in prior to Thursday night's board meeting. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Q&A

What is Ecstasy?

In response to the growing concern among parents, educators and other affected members of our community, Snyder Daily News in cooperation with the AL-ANON support groups and the Snyder Area on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, is devoting this weekly column to your questions and concerns about the increasing threat of substance abuse in our community. This week continues the series on "Club Drugs."

Ecstasy

Ecstasy was first developed in 1914 as an appetite supressant and until 1985 was used by psychiatrists and psychologists to help people with certain psychological and emotional difficulties.

It was relatively ignored until 1960 when non-medical use was reported in the United States. Ecstasy is mostly used by teenagers, young adults and others who attend night clubs, bars or raves. (A rave is an all-night dance party that is held in places like vacant warehouses.)

Ecstasy has emotional as well as physical effects. The high from ecstasy can last 24 hours with the average "trip" lasting only about three to four hours.

At moderate doses, ecstasy can cause euphoria, feelings of well-being, enhanced mental or emotional clarity, anxiety and paranoia. Heavier doses can cause hallucinations, sensations of lightness and floating, depression, paranoid thinking, and violent, irrational behavior.

Physical reactions can include: loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, blurred vision, increased heart rate and blood pressure, muscle tension, faintness, chills, sweating, tremors, insomnia, convulsions and loss of voluntary body movements. Ecstasy can be detected up to four days in urine.

Ecstasy is most often found in tablet, capsule or powder form and is usually consumed orally; however, it can be injected. It is sometimes packaged in capsules or generic tablets to imitate prescription drugs.

The average dose of ecstasy costs anywhere from $7 to $30 per pill. It can be combined with methadone, LSD, heroin, fentanyl or anesthetics like ketamine. It is known on the streets by such names as "Adam," "X-C," "Clarity," "Essence," "Stacy," "Lovers Speed" and "Eve."

Ecstasy is classified as a Schedule I, controlled substance, along with other dangerous narcotics like heroin, cocaine and LSD. Schedule I controlled substances are dangerous narcotics with a high potential for abuse and no acceptable medical use. They carry penalties for possession, delivery and manufacturing of these drugs. Penalties can include fines as high as $110,000 and up to 99 years to life in prison, depending on the amount seized.

Twenty-four hour confidential information is available by calling 915-573-1141 or 800-658-6722. Information on help groups and individual's home numbers may be found in the SDN Community Calendar. Send your questions to: P.O. Box 695, Snyder, TX 79550. All questions and personal inquiries may be submitted anonymously.

Depp popular

CANNES, France (AP) — Johnny Depp as a nerdy bookworm? Tell that to the teen-age girls who screamed for him on the beach at the Cannes Film Festival.

As a crowd of fans waved pens and shrieked "Johnneeeee!" Depp and Roman Polanski stepped onto a Cannes beach Thursday to announce plans to make "The Ninth Gate," an occult thriller.

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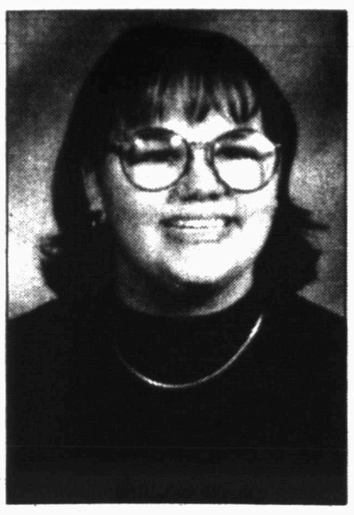
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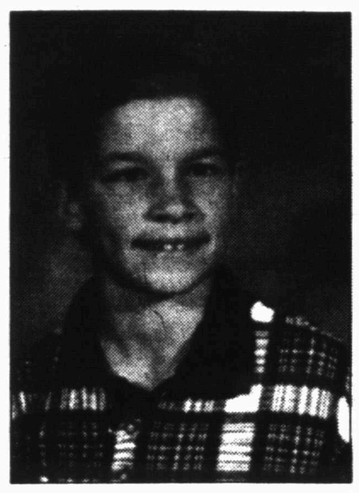
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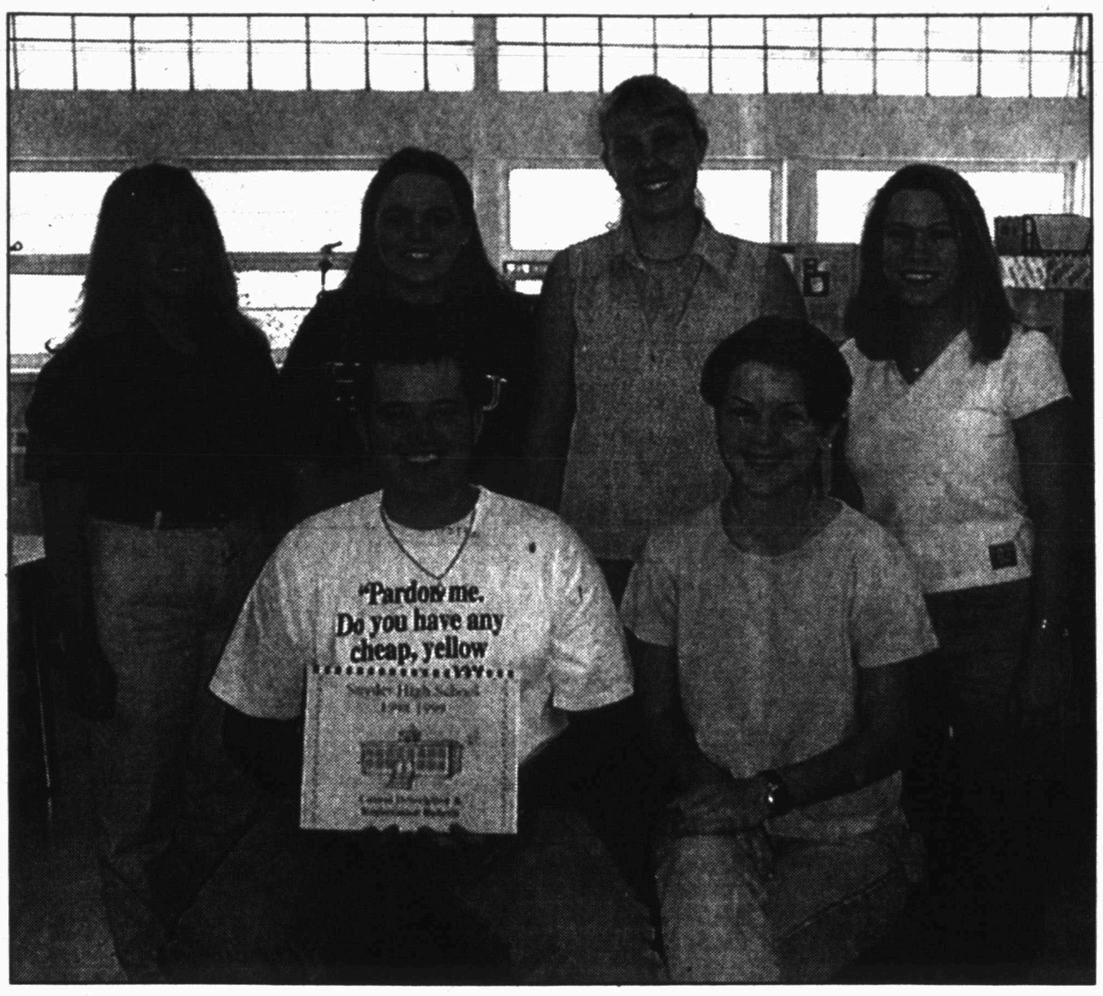
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WORK ON BULLETIN — Lynda Patterson's BCA II class members who prepared the high school registration bulletin for 1998-1999 are from left, seated, C.J. Chaney and Christy Tankersley; standing, Starling Shields, Randi Haggard, Jamie Burleson and Lila King. Daysha Weaver is not pictured. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Patterson's students design SHS bulletin

Each year, students in Lynda Patterson's business computer applications II class complete a desktop publishing project, the Snyder High School Course Description and Registration Bulletin.

The students work cooperatively to produce a booklet that exemplifies the skills they have learned in their study of integrating word processing, spreadsheets and desktop publishing.

After discussing the "real world" aspects of basic work ethics and the principles of production and design, all students take part in the organization and design of the bulletin.

Students are then assigned individual parts/sections for the project that they are responsible for as well. They must work closely with Patterson and the high school counselors to produce the desired results.

Students learn many things through their experience, some expected and some quite unexpected. Their participation is by far the most important work they do during the entire school year.

In addition to this group project, students are encouraged to do other "real world" projects presented to them by the faculty or administration of the school.

Examples of this include athletic rosters, banquet programs, forms of all kinds, brochures and other items.

Students enrolled in BCA II this school year who are given credit for their work on the bulletin for 1998-1999 are Jamie Burleson, C.J. Chaney, Randi Haggard, Lila King, Starling Shields, Christy Tankersley, Daysha Weaver.

Man sentenced

NEW YORK (AP) — A Pakistani pilot who put a bomb onboard a Philippine Airlines jet in 1994 as part of a test run to bring down 11 U.S. jets was sentenced to life in prison.

Abdul Hakim Murad, 30, was found guilty in January 1996 for his part in the bombing conspiracy, as well as the death of a Japanese passenger killed in the Philippine Airlines blast.

Prosecutors said Murad — along with Wali Khan Amin Shah and Ramzi Yousef, the mastermind of the World Trade Center bombing in 1993 — planned to bomb 11 commercial airliners over two days in 1995.

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If you would like to be in a movie, 150 extras are needed for a shoot being done at the RITZ THEATRE on FRIDAY NIGHT, MAY 22, 1998. If interested, call ELLIE DRYDEN (573-9739) the RITZ THEATRE & leave message (573-8880) or JOANN MCCORMICK (573-2433). No one under 16 years old. Dress clothes required.

Two students recognized

Two Snyder Junior High School students have received recognition from the United States Achievement Academy.

Kristen Early is a national leadership and service award winner.

She was also named an All-America Scholar last school year.

Jason Williams has been named an All-American Scholar and he is a recipient of a National Award in mathematics.

Kristen is the daughter of Tommy and Debbie Early and the granddaughter of Joe and Nita Brown and T.V. and Joy Early, all of Snyder.

Jason is the son of Max and Terri Williams of Snyder and the grandson of John and Dorothy Williams of Albany and George and Lillian Binggeli of Brentwood, Mo.

'Seinfeld' draws estimated 76 million viewers for final episode

NEW YORK (AP) — It didn't match "Cheers" or "M-A-S-H," but the "Seinfeld" finale's ratings were still impressive as an estimated 76 million people watched Jerry and friends go to syndication heaven for good.

The 75-minute episode had a 41.3 rating and 58 share, Nielsen Media Research said Friday. A rating point represents 980,000 households. The share means that 58 percent of in-use televisions were tuned to "Seinfeld."

"We are thrilled that America paid such an enormous tribute to Jerry Seinfeld and everyone who has spent the past nine years putting their hearts into making 'Seinfeld' a series for the ages," NBC West Coast President Don Ohlmeyer said.

The final episode of "Cheers" in 1993 had a 45.9 rating and 72 share in the national ratings, with an estimated 80 million viewers.

Private funeral, very public tributes for 'Old Blue Eyes'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The world is humming Frank Sinatra's tunes and singing his praises.

A day after Ol' Blue Eyes died, tributes to the entertainer and the magical way he wrapped himself around a song were everywhere: flooding television, radio and the Internet.

"He was simply the best. No one else came close," singer Elton John said.

Sinatra died late Thursday of a heart attack at age 82, his wife Barbara at his side. He had been ill in recent years and hadn't been seen in public since before a January 1997 heart attack.

"The world has lost a treasure, and I've lost my dear friend," actor-comedian Jerry Lewis said from his home in Las Vegas.

Fans old and young alike, eager to capture that smoky Voice once more, snatched up thousands of copies of Sinatra recordings Friday.

At a Virgin record store in London, Tom Hancock was putting out extra stock of Sinatra records by the armful Friday.

"He's the last of an era," Hancock said. "Frank was bigger, he was greater than Elvis Presley."

In Los Angeles, Virgin customers were buying a half-dozen Sinatra recordings at a time, store employee Mike Metcalf said. A $500 special edition compact disc set and another for $300 were flying off shelves.

"Isn't that a sad thing?" Metcalf said. "People should have bought them before he died."

The loss was marked over and over across the United States. At New York's Yankee Stadium, there was a moment of silence for Sinatra before Friday's game, and the organist played a mournful rendition of "My Way."

Baseball fans in Detroit heard Sinatra crooning his favorite ballads between innings at a game between the Detroit Tigers and the Oakland Athletics.

In Sinatra's birthplace of Hoboken, N.J., mourners dropped flowers, cards and mementos at the bronze plaque set at the site of his home, which burned in 1967.

Las Vegas, the town that Sinatra helped build as a member of the Rat Pack, remembered the Chairman of the Board by dimming the sparkling lights of the Strip for a minute.



Frank Sinatra

On the marquee outside Caesars Palace, a huge picture of Sinatra towered over the Strip on Friday. It read: "Frank Sinatra, 1915-1998."

His three Hollywood stars — for radio, TV and movies — on Los Angeles' Walk of Fame proved magnets for fans, who left offerings of flowers and other mementos.

At Capitol Records, where Sinatra recorded many of his trademark albums, black bunting covered its tower to honor the label's most famous artist.

Sinatra was heard across the radio dial, dominated network television and drew scores of visitors to a Web site established by his family.

"Maestro, we know that you will read this wherever you are. Thanks for the endless hours of delight," was the posting from a Nashua, N.H., couple.

"The heart and song of our century is gone," read a Dallas woman's message.

Sinatra was to be buried in a private service. No details were announced Friday, but the family has a plot at Desert Memorial Park in Cathedral City, Calif., near Palm Springs.

Francis Albert Sinatra was born Dec. 12, 1915, in a working-class neighborhood of Hoboken and rose to become perhaps show business' most versatile and mesmerizing star.

His career, launched in the 1930s, was carried by his talent and tenacity into the '90s. From his nightclub days to his years as a Vegas headliner and movie star, Sinatra's companions were whiskey, women and wild times.

With his trademark wink, strut and that oh-so-confident air, Sinatra's appeal crossed the generations. Jeff Kocan, 22, a disc jockey for West Virginia University, planned to play Sinatra throughout his weekend shows.

"The last time we were at the bar they played 'The Way You Look Tonight' and the crowd went nuts. They were dancing, snapping, singing along. Just last week, there were 30 twentysomethings dancing in between tables," Kocan said.

"Tonight I suspect there will be one last dance for Frank."

Bullard's Computer Solutions adds new Internet web server

Bullard's Computer Solutions, Inc. is setting up its own Internet web server. Business on the Internet is growing rapidly and a number of local businesses have established a strong Internet presence with web sites designed by Computer Solutions.

"Most customers tell us what they want and then we design the site and make periodic changes for them. However, there are some customers who desire to do it all themselves. With our new web server, we allow them to set up and edit their own sites," said Drew Bullard, president of the company.

Another change on the Internet service at Computer Solutions is the addition of 56K modems. Given the right conditions, these can speed up Internet access.

"People are connecting at 46K bps if their phone lines are at the right spot in relation to Southwestern Bell's switch. If not, they will probably not connect any faster than with a 33.6K bps modem. However, when we added our new modems, I felt we needed to go with the latest technology," said Bulland.

Bullard's Computer Solutions, Inc. is a local company whose primary customer base is Scurry County. As a computer store, it is ideally equipped to help customers with their Internet or hardware related questions and as a local merchant, Computer Solutions has a strong incentive to keep its customer base satisfied. Bullard's Computer Solutions has extremely competitive prices on new computers and upgrades.

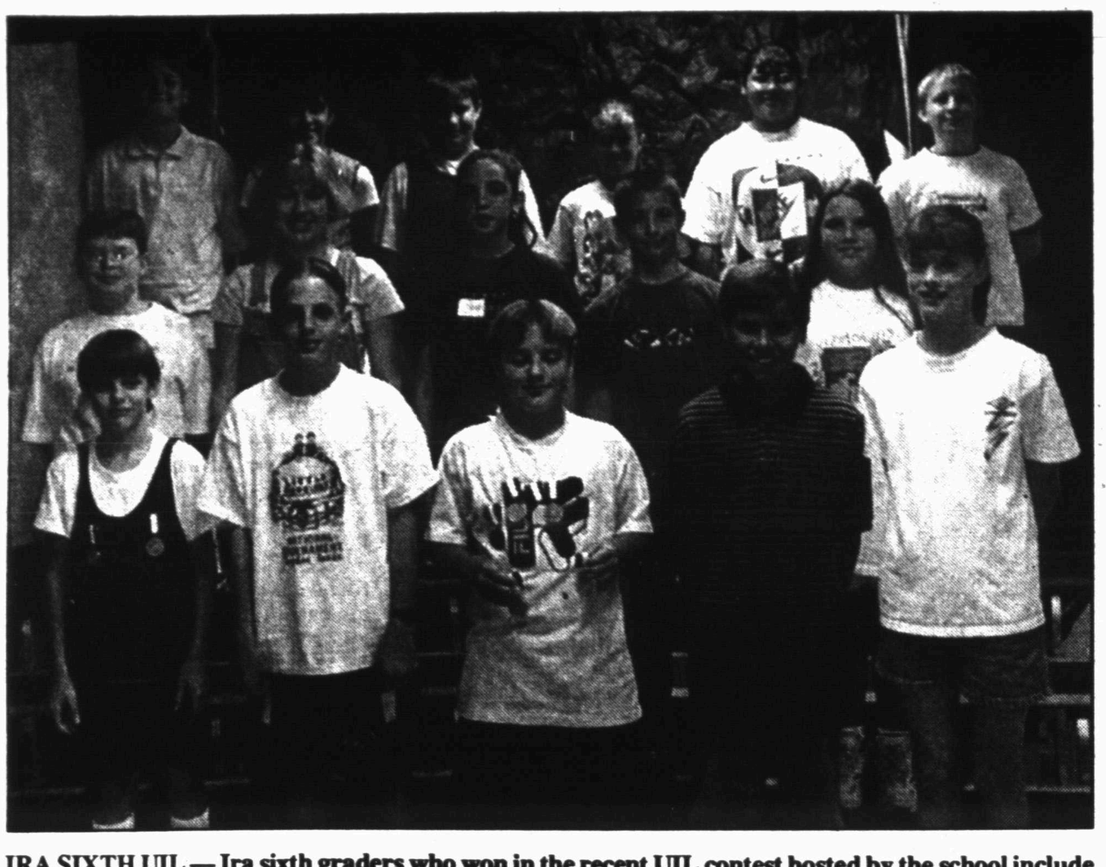
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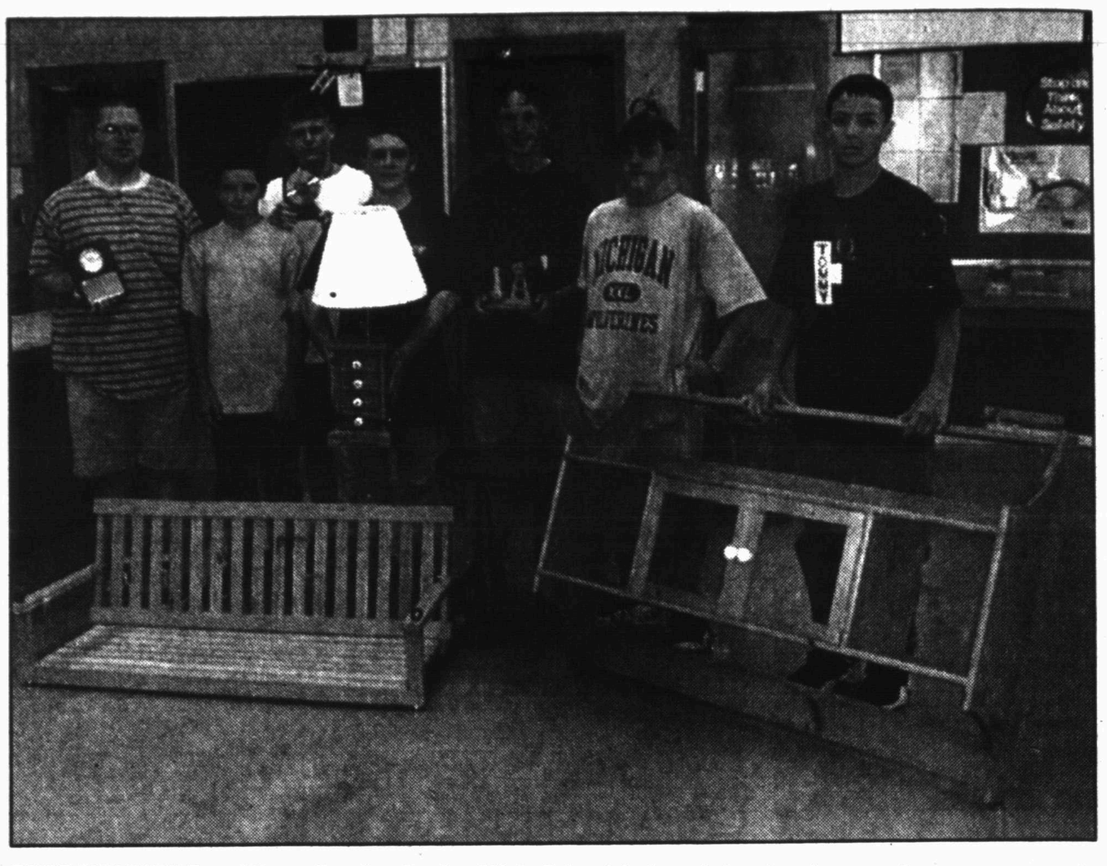
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IRA SIXTH UIL — Ira sixth graders who won in the recent UIL contest hosted by the school include from left, top row, Jake Barnes, Franki Briseno, Cody Broker, Amanda Calley, Vanessa Espinoza, Chad Everton; middle row, Rusty Josey, Stephan Kirk, April Lollar, Phillip Payne, Savanna Sharp; bottom row, Bubba Walker, Jess Wall, Wesley White, Nathan Wilkins, Lindsey Wilson. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)



SJHS WINNERS — These Snyder Junior High School industrial technology students won awards at state. From left are, Joe Bishop, Jeffery Proctor, Tyler Hunter, Cliff Beights, Trey Roland, Bret McClendon, Michael Pendleton. Not pictured are James Mills, Patrick Kincaid, Jacob Macias. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

O'Donnell, Winfrey share talk show award; Lucci loses again

NEW YORK (AP) — In honoring Oprah Winfrey for lifetime achievement at the 25th annual Daytime Emmy Awards, comedian Chris Rock joked that the fights on her show were never staged.

Winfrey and Rosie O'Donnell, who shared the Emmy for best talk show host at Friday's ceremony, are about as far away from the fists-flying world of Jerry Springer as you can get.

"We both feel that this is God's work," Winfrey said. "We thank you for allowing us to have this calling."

Daytime TV's most notorious bad luck streak continued at Radio City Music Hall. Susan Lucci went home empty-handed again in her 18th try to win best actress in a soap opera. Cynthia Watros of "Guiding Light" won.

Three actors from ABC's venerable "General Hospital" took home awards, but its three-year winning streak as best drama series was broken by "All My Children."

O'Donnell and Winfrey, who both recently slipped behind Springer in the television ratings, weren't threatened by him during their unprecedented tie. Springer wasn't nominated. The winners talked about using television as a force for good.

"I want to continue to use television as we become more polarized in this medium ... in whatever way I can to help people lead better lives," Winfrey said.

An emotional O'Donnell won the award for best talk show, a category Winfrey has owned nine times, including the past four years in a row.

"I just want to say to every kid out there who has a life that's not that great right now, hold on," she said. "Hold on, because it gets better, I promise you."

"Sesame Street" won the award for best pre-school children's series. The PBS series has won 71 Emmys since it went on the air in 1969. It has been named best series 18 times, the most in Emmy history, breaking a tie with ABC's "Wide World of Sports."

Two stars of "General Hospital" each won their second Emmy as younger actor and actress. Jonathan Jackson plays Lucky, who had a traumatic year learning that his soap dad raped his mother. A pregnant Sarah Brown, who plays Carly, accepted her award with a mischievous smile.

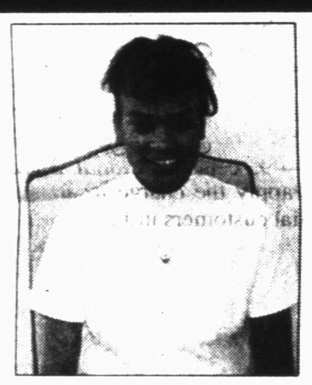
"I think my water broke," she said. "I'm just kidding."

Eric Braeden of "The Young and the Restless" won his first Emmy as outstanding soap actor. Steve Burton of "General Hospital" and Julia Barr of "All My Children" won best supporting actor awards in soaps.

"Jeopardy," the quiz show where winning contestants answer with questions, won its seventh Emmy Award.

"Science rules," shouted Bill Nye after he accepted his first Emmy Award for best performer in a children's series. He is the host of the syndicated educational series, "Bill Nye The Science Guy."

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Bob Hope and his family are donating millions of dollars to set up a permanent Bob Hope Gallery of American Entertainment in the Library of Congress, complete with tens of thousands of his own jokes.

The library will give him a dinner Tuesday in advance of his 95th birthday May 29. Library spokesman Craig D'Ooge said the gallery in the library's Jefferson Building will include other material, but something of Hope's will always be on display. D'Ooge said he did not know the precise amount of the gift or when the gallery would open.

SJHS wins state IT awards

SJHS Industrial Technology students won several awards during the state IT competition held in Waco recently.

According to Bill Bell, instructor, several students placed with their projects including Jeffery Proctor, first; Tyler Hunter, second, Cliff Beights, first; Trey Roland, first and best in show; Bret McClendon, first; Michael Pendleton, first; Patrick Kincaid, second; and Jacob Macias, third.

In the written exam categories, Cliff Beights placed first; and James Mills placed ninth at the seventh grade level; Joe Bishop and Jeffrey Proctor were third and fourth, respectively, in the eight grade division.

In graphic solutions, seventh grade level, Trey Roland, placed fifth.

Joe Bishop and Jeffery Proctor won first in problem solving and have qualified to go to the National Industrial Tech Contest in Pittsburg, Pa. this summer.

Fellow entertainers and others react to Frank Sinatra's death

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A natural. The original. The ultimate.

Heaping nothing but praise on Frank Sinatra, fellow entertainers and the public Saturday fondly recalled the man who came from a working class New Jersey family to lead the evolution from Big Band to vocal American music.

The 82-year-old "chairman of the board" died of a heart attack in Los Angeles late Thursday, his wife at his side. News of the loss spread quickly, from outside his Beverly Hills home to his hometown of Hoboken, N.J., to England, where President Clinton offered his condolences as he prepared for an economic summit.

"The world has now lost one of the most precious commodities," said actor Ernest Borgnine, whose cruel Sgt. Fatso Judson kills Sinatra's character in the 1953 film "From Here to Eternity."

"In all memories, from childhood to romance to the mature years, Frank has been with us in all times," said Borgnine, who is filming in Texas. "He gave so much of himself and much more than people realized. It is a sad day today because Frank touched everyone in the world."

A statement issued by Ronald and Nancy Reagan said their friend "sang about real people and real emotions. His songs and music transcend age and time." Clinton said he was an "enormous admirer" of Sinatra: "I think every American would have to smile and say he really did do it his way."

In Hoboken, home to Sinatra Drive and a plaque commemorating his birthplace, residents awoke to the news that their favorite son had died.

"If it wasn't for Frank, Hoboken would be a nowhere town," said Ed Shirak, who wrote the Sinatra biography "Our Way" in 1994. "Frank put Hoboken on the map."

Actress Angela Lansbury, who appeared in the 1962 film "The Manchurian Candidate" with Sinatra, remembered a "very generous-hearted man" who once offered to help her learn her part in a Broadway show.

"He said, 'Angie, let me hear the score of this show. I will teach you how to phrase and sing every word.' And he meant it ... He taught an awful lot of people just by listening to him sing," Lansbury said.

Sinatra's signature songs included "Night and Day," "Ol' Man River," "New York, New York," "Come Fly With Me," "Strangers in the Night" — and, of course, "My Way." And his acting brought him an Oscar and other honors.

Entertainer Mel Torme called Sinatra the "ultimate balladeer."

"Frank Sinatra was a true original," he said. "He held the patent, the original blueprint on singing the popular song, a man who would have thousands of imitators but who, himself, would never be influenced by a single, solitary person."

Most special, Torme said, was Sinatra's role as "'everyman,' a singer whose style touched a chord in the broadest part of the American psyche."

Said singer Eydie Gorme: "It's the saddest day of my life."

Mia Farrow, the third of his four wives who met him when she was 19, called Sinatra "the first love of my life, and he remained a true friend, always there when I needed him. I will miss him more than words can say."

Brian McCray, 22, was one of the fans who gathered outside Sinatra's home in Beverly Hills.

"He's my favorite. I've listened to him since I was 6 years old," said McCray, who wore black and held a candle.

"I have every Frank Sinatra CD. I used to hide them so my friends wouldn't know, but now everyone in my generation seems to like Frank. I just had to come here."

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SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS — All West sixth graders entered the school's science fair this school year. Winners include from left, back row, Emily Long, 9th place; Brock Tyrrell, first; Sarah Crawford, fourth; Erin Burleson, 7th; front row, Matt Hale, second; Tiffany Kubena, eightgh; Andra Dunham, third. Not pictured: Barrett Munson, fifth; Andrew Richberg, sixth; Kelsi Johnson, 10th. Teachers are LaTrix Gladson, Jo Ann Ham and Steve Tyler. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)



FINAL PERFORMANCE — Snyder High School's choral department will present the final performance of "Oklahoma" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in Worsham Auditorium. Cast members include from left, back row, Michaelin Huckabee, Michael Compton, Richard Rodriguez, Crissida Tyler and Jessica Dea; front row, Lila King and Brady Hackfeld. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Paroled killer said to be most heavily monitored man in state

FORT WORTH (AP) — Wesley Wayne Miller is the most-watched paroled convict in Texas — maybe even the whole nation.

Sixteen years after stabbing and mutilating a high school classmate, the killer was moved from state prison Friday to the Tarrant County Jail, where he will live in a one-man cell for six months, leaving only under escort to attend counseling or a job. At all times, he will be hooked up to an electronic monitor on one ankle and a satellite tracking device on the other.

Satellites will log his location every four seconds. If he ever approaches forbidden locations such as the homes or workplaces of people who have asked to be protected from him, an alarm will go off.

In addition, he must always wear a pager. When Miller responds to pages from his parole officer, voice-recognition technology will make sure it is really him calling.

After six months, Miller may be transferred to a halfway house or permitted to live in the community. The monitoring and other restrictions could continue until 2007, when his parole ends.

"I believe it is safe to say it is a truly unique situation," said David Smith of Boulder, Colo.-based BI Inc., the company providing the conventional electronic monitor. "I've never heard of an individual being placed on three different types of monitoring."

The monitoring is part of the state's Super-Intensive Supervision Program, begun eight months ago as a way to track parolees considered likely to break the law again. More than 1,000 inmates are already being watched through the program, but none this closely. The others have the conventional electronic ankle device only.

Richard Nicotero of ABS Inc., in Omaha, Neb., which is providing the satellite monitoring, said about a dozen people in New Jersey, Kansas and Iowa are also under satellite surveillance. But he is not aware of anyone being monitored by the multiple systems Texas has on Miller.

Miller was chosen by the Board of Pardons and Paroles because of the seriousness of his crime and because the last time he won his freedom, in 1991, his parole was revoked when he was found stalking another woman.

"I think that all of us are going to be watching very, very closely just how well this system works, and I hope it works as well as it's intended," said state Sen. Mike Moncrief, a Democrat from Fort Worth.

Miller, now 35, was 19 when he was convicted of murdering 18-year-old Retha Stratton, a former cheerleader whose body was found in a closet of her home. Her panties had been stuffed in her mouth, and she had been stabbed 38 times. A knife was left embedded in her heart. Prosecutors believe it was a rape attempt.

During Miller's 1982 trial, a strong defense and a sympathetic jury enabled the popular, three-sport athlete from the blue-collar suburb of River Oaks to receive a 25-year sentence instead of the maximum 99 years. In Texas, the jury decides on the sentence.

"If you could see the crime scene pictures, you'd see that there's no justice in the fact that he's ever going to walk the streets again," said the victim's sister, Rona Stratton Smith. "It's not just right."

Miller's early release was forced by a 1980s law — aimed at easing prison overcrowding — that required inmates to be released once they earned enough "good time." Last year, lawmakers ended mandatory parole for all future convictions and began the intense supervision program for dangerous parolees.

Miller has not been available for comment. His father, who has an unlisted number, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in November that his son "would never retaliate against anybody" and was looking forward to resuming his life.

His former defense attorney, Jack Strickland, suggested the intense monitoring is motivated by election-year politics.

"Given the horrendous nature of the crime of which Wesley was convicted, more than the usual amount of control is warranted, but I do wonder why there is so much piling on in this case," he said. "I can't help but wonder that it's being done with an eye toward hoping that the parolee will fail."

Some plants display gender characteristics.

FCC chief says phone bills will soon be less confusing

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Communications Commission plans to move to make telephone bills more understandable, says the agency chairman, who notes confusion in his own household.

"One of the things that I'm hearing is that some consumers are frustrated because they don't know exactly what they are paying for and they don't know what the money is going to," Bill Kennard told reporters Friday.

At issue are line items on telephone and other telecommunications company bills showing the costs of various federally imposed fees. Many of the companies started listing them on their bills in January.

The confusion over the bills has hit home, Kennard said.

"The other night my wife was paying our telephone bill and she comes over to me and she says, 'Can you explain why do we have these federally mandated charges? What is this all about?'" Kennard said. "There is confusion out there, and we've got to do everything we can to quell it."

The FCC next week will offer some proposals "to bring more clarity to the billing situation," he said.

Some of the fees go to local phone companies to connect calls and to help make phone service affordable to all. Others cover the costs of providing schools, libraries and rural health care facilities with discounted hookups to the Internet.

The government imposes the fees on the companies, which typically pass them along to their customers.

In the past, Kennard has called AT&T's, MCI's and Sprint's explanation of their new charges misleading, but the companies say they are accurate.

Kennard did not specify what the FCC would propose, but said he intends to work closely with telephone companies to devise a final plan.

To cover long-distance companies' access to the local phone network and to help support affordable phone service, AT&T charges residential customers on discounted calling plans an extra fee — 95 cents per month. AT&T will apply the charge to all residential customers in July. Sprint's monthly 80-cent charge is for all residential customers, as is MCI's $1.07 charge.



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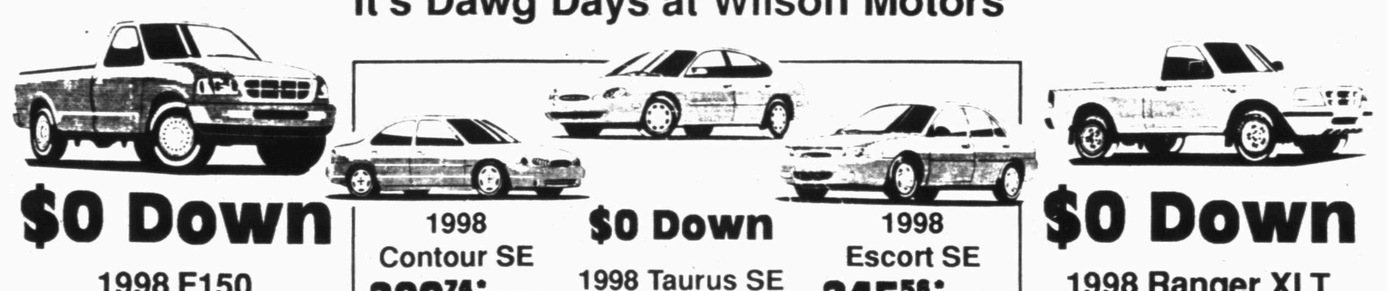
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'Worm' misses Bulls' practice

CHICAGO (AP) — The Worm's been surprisingly well behaved almost all season. No major tantrums, no injured cameramen and only a few shocking hairdos.

But with Dennis Rodman, you just never know.

Two days before the Chicago Bulls meet the Indiana Pacers in the opener of the Eastern Conference finals, the seven-time rebounding champion didn't practice.

Why, with such an important game looming?

"He was late," was the only explanation Bulls coach Phil Jackson would give after Friday's practice.

Rodman pulled down 21 rebounds Wednesday as the Bulls closed out Charlotte in the conference semifinals. After the performance on his 37th birthday, Rodman went to his favorite downtown night spot to celebrate.

"Dennis and I will talk," Jackson said, not revealing if Rodman would be fined or punished. Rodman was at the Berto Center on Friday, but didn't practice with the team.

Rodman's incentive-heavy contract paid him well to stay away from trouble and stay on the court. For the most part, he's done that. And the Bulls need a fully focused Rodman against an Indiana team confident it can end Chicago's two-year run as NBA champions.

The teams split four regular-season games, each winning once on the other's home floor. And if nothing else, that gives Indiana confidence it can win where the Bulls are 24-2 in the postseason the last three years and capture the series.

"Why not?" asked Indiana guard Reggie Miller.

"If I remember right, they didn't go 82-0," Miller said. "Anything is possible."

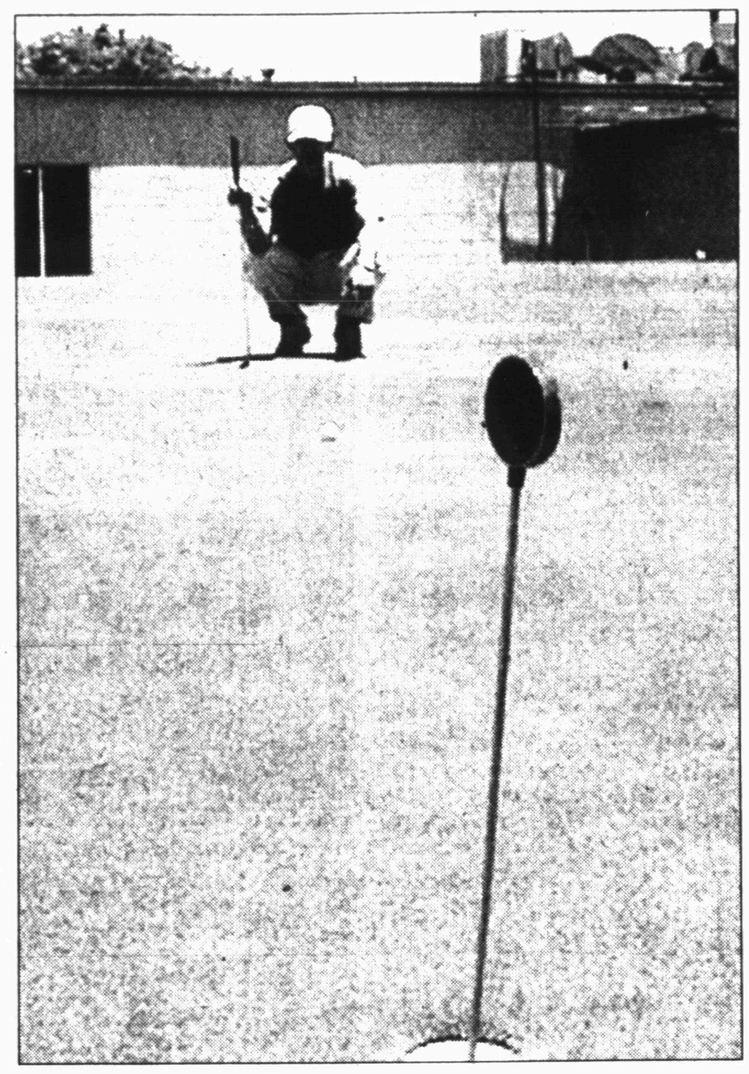
Miller and Michael Jordan will provide an interesting sideshow as the teams meet for the first time in the postseason.

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PARTNERSHIP PRACTICE — Snyder's Page Patterson practices his putting prior to this weekend's Pumpjack Partnership at Snyder Country Club. Page is paired with his father, Alton Patterson, in the championship flight of the 36-hole tournament. (Staff Photo By Eric Drennan)

Perez' home run is fatal to Astros

HOUSTON (AP) — No one was as shocked that Eddie Perez was the home run hero than Eddie Perez.

Perez was inserted in the starting lineup of Atlanta's 3-2 victory over Houston on Friday night at the last minute when regular catcher Javy Lopez was scratched because of a sore shin after being hit by a foul ball the previous night against St. Louis.

Perez felt ready to play, but he didn't like his chances when he saw the Astros were starting right-hander Jose Lima.

"I faced him in the minors when he was at Toledo and I never got a hit off him," Perez recalled. "But I got back at him tonight. Javy told me this morning he didn't think he could make it so I was ready."

Even Perez's teammates were amazed when he hit his first and second home runs of the season, extremely paltry numbers on a team that two nights before had tied the major league record by homering in 25 consecutive games.

"If you were to say before the game who would be the last guy in the lineup to hit two home runs and beat the Astros," Braves starter Denny Neagle (5-1) said, "it would probably be Eddie."

The NL Central-leading Astros, who are still on pace for one of the best starts in club history (their 25-15 record ties the mark set by the 1973 team), were as stunned as anyone by Perez's power.

"The ironic thing is that Lopez was in the lineup originally," Houston manager Larry Dierker said. "They put Perez in at the last minute and he beat us.

Indians nip Rangers, 3-2

CLEVELAND (AP) — The parade of sluggers lasted well into the night, a tense crescendo of hope that kept ending in silence.

Brian Giles finally interrupted all the whiffs with a game-winning homer in the bottom of the 14th inning that gave the Cleveland Indians a 3-2 victory over the Texas Rangers on Friday night.

Thwarting two of baseball's most feared lineups, the bullpens combined for 13 scoreless innings with 14 strikeouts before Giles ended a 1-for-26 slump with his ninth homer.

"I just went up there looking for a fastball and tried to put a good whack on it," Giles said.

The 422-foot shot into the center field picnic area off Alan Levine (0-1), was a much-needed boost for the slumping Indians, who came in batting a tepid .268. The defending AL champions batted .199 during a six-game losing streak that ended Thursday night at Baltimore.

"Brian is in one of those spells," Indians manager Mike Hargrove said. "Hopefully, that last at-bat got him out of it."

Giles' homer on a 1-0 count provided the first run since the Rangers' Will Clark tied it at 2 with an RBI single in the sixth.

"You wouldn't expect it to go 14 innings with two teams like this," Texas manager Johnny Oates said.

Rick Krivda (2-0) worked one scoreless inning for the victory, the Indians' second straight after the six-game losing streak. It was Cleveland's sixth win in its last at-bat at home.

The AL West-leading Rangers, coming off a 7-5, 13-inning victory at New York that lasted four hours, 53 minutes, lost for the second time in eight games and missed a chance to tie the best start through 40 games in franchise history. Texas is 25-15.

Juan Gonzalez got his major league-leading 50th RBI with a groundout in the first that scored Tom Goodwin, who walked. He is the fastest to reach 50 RBIs since Joe Carter, who also did it in 40 games with Toronto in 1994.

At the season's quarter-pole, Gonzalez is on pace to drive in 202 runs and break Hack Wilson's record of 190.

"Everything in this life is possible," Gonzalez said. "Nothing seems impossible if you play hard and stay positive."

Starters John Burkett and Jaret Wright engaged in a splendid duel on the 17th anniversary of Len Barker's perfect game at Cleveland's Municipal Stadium. The bullpens were even more dominant.

Cleveland relievers Paul Assenmacher, Jose Mesa, Mike Jackson, Ron Villone, Eric Plunk and Krivda allowed five hits in seven shutout innings and struck out seven.

Before Giles' homer, Texas relievers Eric Gunderson, Tim Crabtree, Scott Bailes, John Wetteland and Levine had pitched six shutout innings with three hits and seven strikeouts — including the side in the 11th by Bailes.

GIRLS LITTLE DRIBBLERS

Girls Little Dribblers
Rockets 31, Panthers 14
Rockets: Jessica Taylor 10; Amanda Murray 8; Ashley Bailey 7; Ashton Wall 6. **Panthers:** Terann Ragland 12; Jessica Robbins 2.
Comets 35, Nikes 12
Comets: Kayla Guerrero 22; Acee French 7; Lexi Loveall 3; Stephani Parmer 3. **Nikes:** M. Fletcher 4; T. Kubena 4; Sara Pavlousky 4.
Sonics 31, Jawbreakers 17
Sonics: Linsey Wilson 29; Kassey Burney 2. **Jawbreakers:** Tass Baze 8; Heather Polk 6; Alexis Dupree 3.
Little Tigers 20, Hot Shots 15
Little Tigers: Wendy Reed 7; Claire Pollard 6; Khristen Torres 3; Stephanie Grant 2; Kelli Rushing 2. **Hot Shots:** Alana Culp 14; Danni Webb 1.
Mystics 29, Sharpshooters 22
Mystics: Teddi Crenweldge 11; Katie Curry 8; Dondi Brock 6; Katy Crenwelge 4. **Sharpshooters:** Kate Wall 11; Teisha McGlouthin 9; Cheyne Roemisch 2.
Magic 28, Jazz 17
Magic: Jordan Donelson 9; Misha Wofford 8; Desiree Braziel 7; Dominque Braziel 3; Jacki Thompson 1. **Jazz:** Taren Knipe 10; Stacey Williamson 3; Katie Chandler 3; Karen Taylor 1.
Fastbreak 49, Bull-ettes 28
Fastbreak: Laura Arellano 13; Erin Burleson 12; Gretchen Hollis 12; Jessica Sollis 6; Mandy Burns 4; JJ Mandrell 2. **Bull-ettes:** April Lollar 20; Beth Clements 4; Amanda Calley 4.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

National League
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	31	11	.738	-
NewYork	19	18	.514	9½
Philadelphia	20	19	.513	9½
Montreal	15	25	.375	15
Florida	14	28	.333	17

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	25	15	.625	-
Chicago	23	18	.561	2½
Milwaukee	21	18	.538	3½
Cincinnati	21	20	.512	4½
St.Louis	19	20	.487	5½
Pittsburgh	19	22	.463	6½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
SanDiego	27	14	.659	-
SanFrancisco	24	18	.571	3½
LosAngeles	19	22	.463	8
Colorado	17	25	.405	10½
Arizona	10	31	.244	17

Friday's Games
Cincinnati 11, Chicago Cubs 3
Atlanta 3, Houston 2
Florida 8, St. Louis 7
Milwaukee 8, Colorado 5
Arizona 6, Pittsburgh 1
Montreal 4, Los Angeles 2
San Diego 7, Philadelphia 6
San Francisco 3, N.Y. Mets 2
Saturday's Games
Milwaukee (Karl 4-1) at Colorado (Ritz 0-1), 3:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Reed 3-2) at San Francisco (Rueter 4-2), 4:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Clark 2-5) at Cincinnati (Remlinger 3-4), 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Maddux 5-2) at Houston (Reynolds 3-2), 8:05 p.m.
Florida (Hernandez 2-3) at St. Louis (Stottlemyre 4-3), 8:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Schmidt 5-1) at Arizona (Anderson 1-4), 10:05 p.m.
Montreal (Vazquez 1-4) at Los Angeles (Dreifort 0-4), 10:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Beech 1-2) at San Diego (Brown 3-2), 10:05 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Chicago Cubs (Wood 4-2) at Cincinnati (Weathers 2-2), 1:15 p.m.
Florida (Hammond 0-1) at St. Louis (Mercker 2-2), 2:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Smoltz 4-0) at Houston (Bergman 3-2), 2:35 p.m.
Milwaukee (Wagner 1-3) at Colorado (Wright 2-4), 3:05 p.m.
Montreal (Perez 2-3) at Los Angeles (R.Martinez 4-2), 4:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Schilling 5-3) at San Diego (Wall 0-1), 4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Leiter 3-2) at San Francisco (Gardner 2-2), 4:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Loaiza 2-1) at Arizona (Benes 2-3), 9:05 p.m.

American League
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
NewYork	26	9	.743	-
Boston	25	15	.625	3½
Baltimore	20	20	.500	8½
Toronto	19	21	.475	9½
TampaBay	17	22	.436	11

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	22	18	.550	-
Minnesota	18	22	.450	4
Chicago	17	21	.447	4
KansasCity	16	24	.400	6
Detroit	13	23	.361	7

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	25	15	.625	-
Anaheim	20	19	.513	4½
Seattle	19	21	.475	6
Oakland	16	23	.410	8½

Friday's Games
Detroit 8, Oakland 3
Cleveland 3, Texas 2, 14 innings
Toronto 9, Anaheim 1
Tampa Bay 4, Baltimore 1
Boston 5, Kansas City 2
Minnesota 7, N.Y. Yankees 6
Chicago White Sox 6, Seattle 3
Saturday's Games
Anaheim (Dickson 1-4) at Detroit (Worrell 2-4), 1:05 p.m.
Texas (Witt 4-1) at Cleveland (Burba 3-4), 1:05 p.m.
Seattle (Fassero 4-1) at Toronto (Guzman 1-5), 1:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Walker 0-0) at Boston (Avery 0-0), 1:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Arrojo 5-2) at Baltimore (Erickson 4-3), 1:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Tewksbury 3-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Mendoza 2-1), 1:35 p.m.
Oakland (Stein 0-1) at Chicago White Sox (Castillo 1-2), 7:05 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Anaheim (Olivares 1-1) at Detroit (Thompson 2-5), 1:05 p.m.
Texas (Sele 6-2) at Cleveland (Colon 3-1), 1:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Rusch 3-5) at Boston (Lowe 0-2), 1:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Johnson 1-1) at Baltimore (Kamieniecki 2-1), 1:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Hawkins 2-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Wells 4-1), 1:35 p.m.
Oakland (Candiotti 3-4) at Chicago White Sox (Eyre 1-4), 2:05 p.m.
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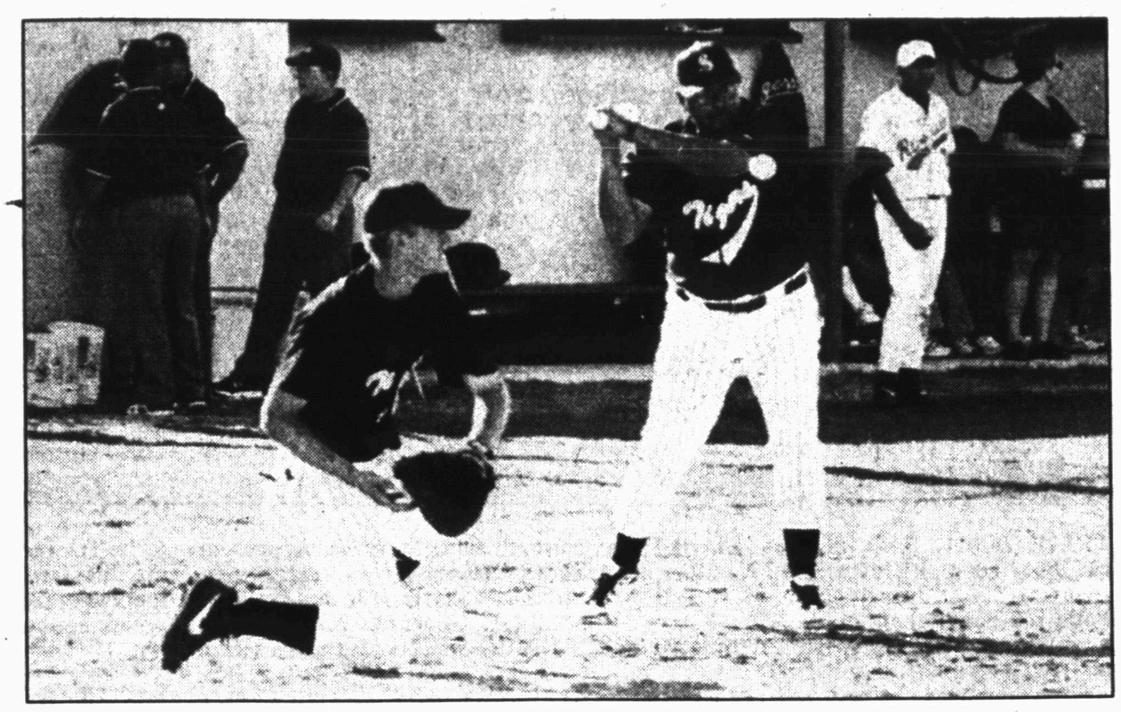
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SPORTS

Lang's homer lifts Tigers past EP Riverside

Series winner to face Lake View



ONE MORE TIME — Tiger Coach Roland Herrera goes through pre-game drills prior to Snyder's opening game with El Paso Riverside Friday night. Also shown is Tiger catcher Sonny Cumbie. The Tigers lead the best of three series with 4-2 victory. The winner of the series will advance in the playoffs against San Angelo Lake View. (SDN Staff Photo)

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

FORT STOCKTON — As far as home runs go, Eric Lang has been in a bit of a slump.

But he picked the perfect time to come out of it.

Lang blasted a lead-off home run — his first of the season — in the top of the ninth inning Friday night, propelling the Snyder Tigers to a 4-3 victory over El Paso Riverside in the Class 4A playoff series opener.

"Eric really stepped up when we needed it," Snyder Coach Roland Herrera said. "We had been expecting to see a right-hander, and then they throw two lefties at us.

"But our guys did a good job at the plate tonight and they got the job done."

The Rangers knew of the Tigers' power coming in, but the home run by Lang and another by John Border were unexpected, according to Riverside Coach Jimmy Melendez.

"We were trying to throw a lot of breaking balls to keep the Snyder hitters off balance," Melendez said. "We knew they had some big bats and I thought we did a pretty good job against their biggest hitters. Then two other guys come up to hit home runs."

Border's solo shot began the fourth inning and gave the Tigers a 1-0 advantage. The senior left fielder was three for four on the night with a double, a triple and the homer.

But the lead was short-lived as Riverside posted two runs in the bottom of the frame on three hits off Snyder hurler Clay Berryman and three Tiger errors.

The Rangers stretched the margin to 3-1 in the fifth on a bizarre play.

Isaac Estrado reached base on an error, then moved to second on a passed ball and to third on a fielder's choice.

With Berryman preparing to deliver a pitch, the next batter, Omar Fernzia, called a time out and stepped out of the batter's box. The home plate umpire seemed to call time, but as Berryman dropped his hands, the second plate umpire called a balk and Estrada was allowed to score.

Hererra argued the call, but to no avail.

"The home plate umpire said that the other guy called a balk before he called time out," Herrera explained. "I didn't think so, but those things happen sometimes."

Snyder trailed 3-1 until the top of the sixth. Following Border's triple, Berryman delivered an RBI single to right field.

Courtesy runner Brad Roemisch became the fourth runner to be picked off before Kyle Beck then collected a base hit. Two batters later, Dustin Fish hammered Beck in to knot the tally.

Neither squad could mount a threat until Lang's home run in the top of the ninth.

The victory improves the Tigers to 26-6 for the year and gives Snyder an important 1-0 lead in the series with Riverside. Game 2 was to have been played at noon Saturday, with a third game to follow, if necessary.

"It's going to be a long day on Saturday," Melendez said. "We're going to come out ready to play. We're not in any mood to call it in this early."

Expected starters for Saturday's tilt were to have been Beck for Snyder and right-hander Isaac Licero for Riverside.

Beck, who hasn't lasted for more than four innings in his last two appearances, has been working on his delivery.

"We went back to the basics with Kyle and studied his mechanics a lot this week," Herrera added.

The winner of the series will meet San Angelo Lake View, a 6-3 winner over Canyon Randall, in the regional quarterfinals next week.

4A Baseball Playoffs
Snyder 4, EP Riverside 3
Frenship 13, EP Burgess 9
Granbury 9, FW Brewer 7
SA Lake View 5, Canyon Randall 3
Brownwood 7, Burkburnett 1

Snyder	ab	r	h	bi
Border lf	4	2	3	1
Berryman p	3	0	1	1
Beck 3b	4	1	2	0
Smith cf	3	0	1	0
Fish 1b	4	0	1	1
Lang 2b	3	1	1	1
Trujillo ph	1	0	0	0
Shields dh	4	0	1	0
Cumbie c	4	0	0	0
Hernandez rf	4	0	1	0
Totals	34	4	11	4

EP Riverside	ab	r	h	bi
Villareal cf	4	0	10	0
Estrada rf	4	1	1	0
Licero ss	5	0	0	0
Fernzia p	4	1	3	0
sArellano lf	4	0	0	0
Romo 1b	3	0	1	0
Apodaco 3b	4	1	1	0
Hernandez c	4	0	0	0
Pando 2b	3	0	2	1
Totals	35	3	8	1

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2B — Border, Smith; Fernzia. 3B — Border. HR — Border, Lang.
WP: Berryman, 9 innings, 3 R, 0 ER, 8 H, 3 BB, 1 HB, 7 SO.
LP: Romo, 3 2/3 innings, 2 R, 2 ER, 6 H, 1 BB, 3 SO). Fernzia 5 1/3 innings, 2 R, 2 ER, 5 H, 1 BB, 4 SO.

Sutton assumes midway lead in Byron Nelson

IRVING (AP) — Everyone was glancing over their shoulder, squinting through the smoky haze, searching for someone charging at the GTE Byron Nelson Classic.

And no one was there.

"I looked at the scoreboard at the turn and I thought, 'No one is really making a move,'" Bob Friend, the first-round leader said Friday after shooting a 70 and falling only two strokes behind midway leader Hal Sutton.

Sutton, who had a second-round 65, was at 9-under-par 131, one stroke ahead of Harrison Frazar and two better than Friend, Fred Couples and Robert Damron.

"I was a little surprised that no one went lower than they did," Sutton said after a round in which he stuck his irons close all day, making five birdie putts inside 15 feet.

While birdies were not plentiful on the TPC and Cottonwood Valley courses, pars were a necessity.

"It seems like if you make bogey in this weather in this tournament you kind of feel like you're getting lapped," Couples said after a 67.

Among those who didn't distinguish themselves was Tom Watson, who slipped from his 64 on Thursday to a 70 and was in a knot of players that included Phil Mickelson and John Cook at 134.

Tiger Woods backed off from his 65 with a mediocre 71, but was still only five strokes off the lead at 136, along with Jim Furyk and Mark O'Meara.

"I need to shoot in the mid to low 60s tomorrow to get back in it," Woods said.

The day started with the smoky haze from brush fires in Central America and gradually gave way to reluctant sunlight. But it was a shift in the wind that had the most impact.

"The courses played really different because because there was a 90-degree angle change in the wind," Sutton said. "That messes up your thought process."

On Thursday, 19 players shot 66 or lower, including a 63 by Friend. The second round was entirely different as none of the leaders were able to sprint from the pack. Friend managed only an even-par 70, with one bogey and one birdie.

Woods, the defending champion at the Byron Nelson and coming off a win last week at the BellSouth Classic, was ragged off the tee and not crisp with his irons but nonetheless was enormously entertaining.

The 385-yard first hole was playing downwind and he cut off the dogleg and landed just short of the green with his tee shot, the ball rolling through the group putting and into the rough behind the green.

But Woods chipped poorly, leaving the ball about 10 feet short and missed the birdie putt.

On No. 3, he used a 3-wood for accuracy but drove into the water on the right side. After a penalty, he knocked it on the green and rolled in a 35-foot putt to save his par.

His only birdie of the day came on No. 7, a par-5, when he hit the green in two on the 533-yard hole and two-putted from 25 feet.

His 20-foot birdie putt on the final hole rolled to the lip of the cup and hung there.

"That was kind of typical of the whole day," Woods said. "It was a minor miracle that I shot one over. I didn't have anything today but I made a lot of par putts I needed to make."

Still, Woods explosive power means he is still very much in contention on a course that is very vulnerable when the wind isn't blowing.

NHL PLAYOFFS

SECOND ROUND
(Best-of-7)
Thursday, May 7
Washington 4, Ottawa 2
Dallas 3, Edmonton 1
Friday, May 8
Buffalo 3, Montreal 2, OT
St. Louis 4, Detroit 2
Saturday, May 9
Washington 6, Ottawa 1
Edmonton 2, Dallas 0
Sunday, May 10
Buffalo 6, Montreal 3
Detroit 6, St. Louis 1
Monday, May 11
Ottawa 4, Washington 3
Dallas 1, Edmonton 0, OT
Tuesday, May 12
Buffalo 5, Montreal 4, 2OT
Detroit 3, St. Louis 2, 2OT
Wednesday, May 13
Washington 2, Ottawa 0
Dallas 3, Edmonton 1, Dallas leads series 3-1
Thursday, May 14
Buffalo 3, Montreal 1, Buffalo wins series 4-0
Detroit 5, St. Louis 2, Detroit leads series 3-1
Friday, May 15
Washington 3, Ottawa 0, Washington wins series 4-1
Saturday, May 16
Edmonton at Dallas, 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Sunday, May 17
St. Louis at Detroit, 2 p.m. (FOX)
Monday, May 18
Dallas at Edmonton, 8:30 p.m. (ESPN), if necessary
Tuesday, May 19
Detroit at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m. (ESPN), if necessary
Wednesday, May 20
Edmonton at Dallas, 8:30 p.m. (ESPN2), if necessary
Thursday, May 21
St. Louis at Detroit, 7:30 p.m. (ESPN), if necessary

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Top seeds lose in Big 12 tournament

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — The top two seeds in the Big 12 baseball tournament have a long way to go if they hope to win the title.

No. 1 seed Texas A&M lost to defending champion Oklahoma 10-4 on Friday, while No. 2 Baylor got beat by Texas Tech 11-4.

As a result, A&M had to play Baylor this morning with the loser eliminated and the winner advancing to another win-or-you're-out game tonight against Tech.

"Offensively we are going to have to pick things up," A&M coach Mark Johnson said. "Going back through the losers' bracket may help us because it gives us a chance to pick up some momentum while the other teams sit. This will be a good test for us."

The Aggies (41-17) took a 4-2 lead in the fifth on Craig Kuzmic's 23rd home run of the season. But Oklahoma (39-17) scored five in the sixth, three of them on a two-out home run by Brian Shackelford.

Shackelford almost didn't get to hit. The batter in front of him, Richard Park, hit a popup that first baseman John Scheschuk barely missed while reaching over the dugout railing. Park then singled in a run and Shackelford followed with his homer.

"It's a crazy game and things like that happen all the time," Johnson said of Park's foul pop. "That was the at-bat that turned the game around."

Geoff Geary (12-1) pitched his second career complete game to send Oklahoma into a matchup this afternoon with in-state rival Oklahoma State, which stayed alive by defeating Missouri 11-8.

The Cowboys (38-18), who lost to A&M in the first round, used a seven-run third inning to grab a 10-1 lead, then held on to eliminate Missouri (36-18).

The Cowboys had eight hits in the third, all of them singles, including six in a row after two were out.

But Missouri chipped away against Dale Pearson (6-2) and Grant Bergman. The Tigers scored three in the fourth, two on a double by Aaron Wilson, and added one in the fifth.

In the seventh, Griffin Moore hit his second home run of the game, a two-run shot, and Jake Epstein added a solo homer that traveled about 450 feet before Thom Dreier came on.

He got the final out of the inning, retired the side in order in the eighth, then got out of a jam in the ninth by striking out Jason Williams with runners on second and third and two out. Dreier gave up two hits, struck out six and didn't walk anyone in 2 1-3 innings.

Texas Tech's victory left the Red Raiders (41-17) the only unbeaten team in the tournament. If they win tonight, they would have two chances at the title Sunday.

Josh Bard hit a three-run homer in the first inning and Keith Ginter added a two-run shot in the second. The Red Raiders opened an 8-1 lead after four, then got out of a bases-loaded jam in the eighth after Baylor (40-17-1) had gotten within 8-4.

Brennan Burns had four hits, and Ryan Ruiz and Bard drove in three runs each for the Red Raiders. Eric Nelson had three hits for Baylor, which matched Tech's 14 hits but stranded 13 runners.

Sports Briefs

SCC scramble and MGA

A members' scramble is held each Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at Snyder Country Club. At 5:30 p.m. each Thursday, the Men's Golf Association has a 9-hole event. The Thursday format varies.

Memorial Day Scramble

A Memorial Day scramble is planned May 25 at Snyder Country Club. Play begins at 10 a.m. and entry fee is $20 per team.

WGA Playday

Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will hold its weekly playday at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Friday's couples play will be at 5:30 p.m.

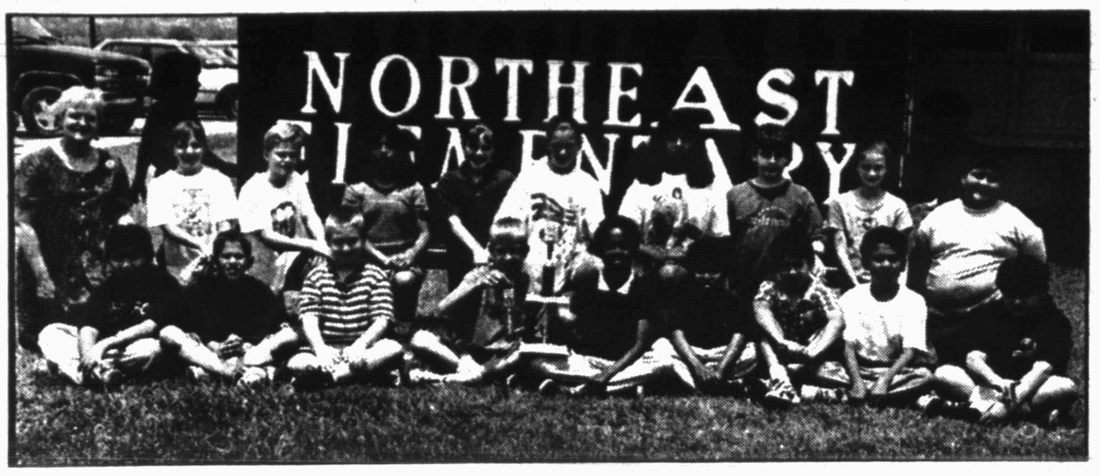
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FIELD DAY CHAMPIONS — Rebekah Thornton's fifth grade class won last week's field day competition with 223 points. From left are, front row, Paul David Romero, Brad Richardson, Nathan Graves, Brandon Bragg, October Wells, Lupe Ferrusca, Jesus Cosio, Aldo Herrera, Miguel Garza; back row, Thornton, Brooke Jackson, Phil Rice, Sandra Alfaro, Danisha Akins, Jodi Stewart, LeeAnn Benitez, Adam Booker, Cassie Gordon, Francisco Ornelas. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Texans placed under health alert due to smoke from fires

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush urged Texans to consider limiting their physical exercise as the entire state was put under a health alert Friday due to smoke from fires in Mexico and Central America.

"It's very important for people of the state of Texas to take precautions. Don't overexercise outside. Stay indoors and be reasonable in how you conduct your daily life," Bush told a news conference.

The governor — who opted for exercising on a treadmill Friday instead of his usual outdoor jog — was joined by Texas Health Commissioner William Archer and chairman Barry McBee of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission.

The officials said Texans shouldn't panic. The alert was expanded statewide because of the variable nature of smoke concentration, they said.

It is due to expire at noon Monday, when officials hoped to see clearing around the state.

The alert means people who are elderly, or with respiratory or heart diseases, are urged to avoid physical exertion and outdoor activity.

Everyone else — especially children — should consider avoiding prolonged physical exertion indoors and outdoors, McBee said.

Officials said people should use common sense.

"If the air looks clear, then your children are probably not at risk," Archer said.

The health warning had been issued earlier this week for more than 50 counties. Most of the rest of Texas had been under a health "watch" in which people were urged to use caution while outdoors.

Particulate matter reached its highest measured level Friday in Austin, but then began receding, officials said. It was still below the level considered dangerous, McBee said.

The state has limited sites in which continuous sampling is done — Austin, Houston, Corpus Christi and Brownsville.

Archer said the smoke includes tiny particulates that can accumulate over time in the lungs. He added, however, "We do not believe that this has any longterm serious consequences for health of the citizens of Texas."

He said the state was asking the Texas Medical Association and medical societies to survey physicians to see whether they are finding conditions associated with the smoke.

"We have not had any evidence that anyone has died or become sick as a result of this," he said. The state would have been aware if there had been a large number of cases in emergency rooms, but the additional surveying will identify individual cases.

Farmers clearing land for planting in January started some of the more than 11,000 fires that have burned along the border between Mexico and Central America. Other blazes have been blamed on arsonists.

Bush suggested it would make sense for the U.S. Forestry Service to assist in battling the blaze. He said Texas has offered to do its best to help, but the state now has firefighters and equipment battling a Presidio County forest fire.

Texas will send a representative with a team of technical experts headed to Mexico to assess the situation, Bush said.

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Plaintiffs who sued diocese can begin seizing property

DALLAS (AP) — Plaintiffs who won damages from the Catholic Diocese of Dallas for sexual abuse by a former priest are now legally entitled to begin seizing churches and schools, but some observers consider such an action unlikely.

The diocese could have blocked seizure of its property by posting a $130 million appeal bond but doesn't have the money, a diocese spokeswoman said Friday.

A lawyer involved in the case said the victims' lawyer may stop short of seizing assets for fear of forcing the diocese into bankruptcy and winding up with nothing. She said the two sides are still "a few million" dollars apart in reaching a settlement.

The case involves former priest Rudolph "Rudy" Kos, who was sentenced to life in prison for molesting four altar boys between 1981 and 1992. Last year, a civil-court jury awarded $119.6 million in damages to 10 former altar boys and the parents of an 11th who committed suicide. Three of the plaintiffs settled with the diocese and its insurers last year for $7.5 million.

Windle Turley, a Dallas lawyer representing the remaining eight plaintiffs, has declined to say whether he will attempt to seize diocese assets. The Associated Press tried Friday to reach Turley and the diocese's lead attorney, George Bramblett of Dallas, but neither responded to phone messages.

The diocese wants to negotiate a settlement with the remaining plaintiffs, spokeswoman Lisa LeMaster said.

"We've been in intense mediation for quite some time," Ms. LeMaster said. "I can't characterize (how negotiations are going) one way or another. But lines of communication are open, so that's good."

Sylvia Demarest, a Dallas attorney who represented the three plaintiffs who have already settled with the diocese for $7.5 million, said the remaining plaintiffs and the diocese are now in "a very scary game of chicken." She said that if Turley and his clients move to seize diocese property it could backfire on them.

The diocese would then probably file for bankruptcy, and its insurers — who could contribute to a settlement amount — would walk out of negotiations with the plaintiffs, Ms. Demarest said. Such a turn of events, she added, would leave less money for Turley's clients to collect.

Ms. Demarest said Turley wants his eight clients to receive about three times the $7.5 million settlement reached with her, "And they're not there yet. They are a few million apart."

Pat Lemberger, the father of the altar boy who committed suicide, said he doesn't know what his lawyer will do next, but he is not opposed to seizing diocese assets.

"To me, it doesn't make any difference," he told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. "If it comes to that to make people aware, that's fine."

The diocese and lawyers for the victims have clashed about the diocese's wealth. In court papers filed last year, the diocese said it had less than $1 million in cash and about $6 million in total assets. But Ms. Demarest believes the diocese's holdings, including churches and schools, are worth close to $1 billion.

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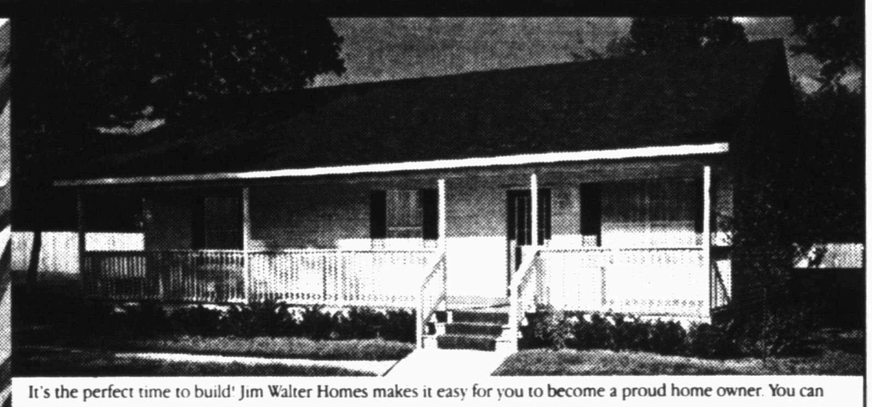
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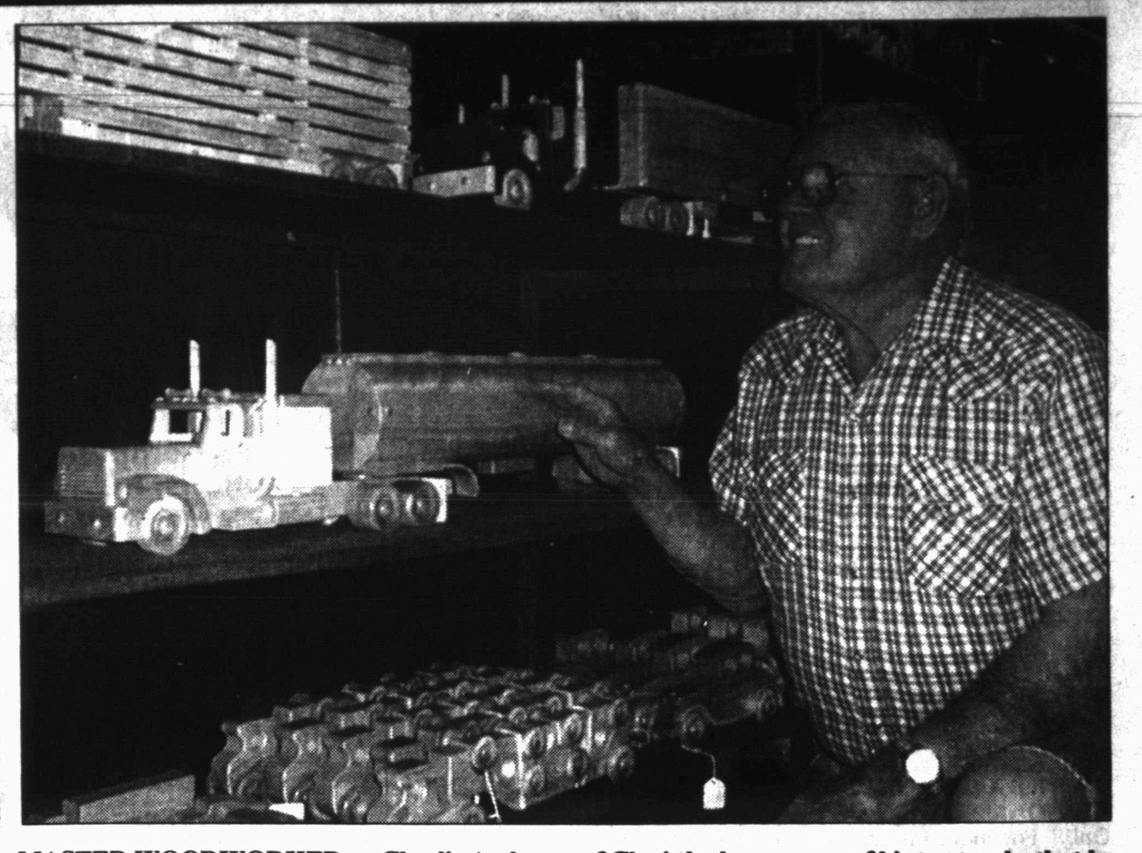
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MASTER WOODWORKER — Charlie Anderson of Clovis looks over one of his toy trucks that he crafts out of various woods, including walnut. Anderson, and his wife, Jean, are showing their crafts at the eighth annual Snyder Arts and Crafts Show being held this weekend at Scurry County Coliseum. (SDN Staff Photo)

Ambassador: Nations begin responding to U.N. position

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A United Nations statement urging India to sign an international nuclear test ban treaty already is having an impact worldwide, U.N. Ambassador Bill Richardson said Friday.

"You're seeing hundreds of countries at the U.N. following through to get India to sign it, basically saying: 'You've shown you're a nuclear power, now do the peaceful thing and sign the treaty,'" Richardson said.

A U.N. Security Council statement issued Thursday urges India, Pakistan and others to sign — without conditions — the international treaties banning test explosions and nuclear proliferation.

The action followed India's five nuclear tests Monday and Wednesday.

On Friday, Indian Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee proclaimed his country is a nuclear state with the ability to build "a big bomb."

India has described the Security Council statement as "completely unacceptable" and said the United States and other nuclear powers were to blame for the continuing nuclear threat worldwide.

Richardson, speaking to the World Affairs Council of San Antonio, said the United States is trying to persuade Pakistan, India's longtime regional foe, not to respond with nuclear tests of its own.

U.S. officials also are worried about China's response, he said.

"What we're also doing with China is saying, 'Let's just stay cool, let's work together,' " he said. "So we're trying, but it's a very rapidly evolving situation."

The United Nations may become more involved in the future in helping to resolve regional disputes between India and Pakistan, Richardson said.

"We should have paid more attention to this problem, these problems, in the past," he said. "But the U.N. is, I think, the best forum to reduce these tensions in this part of the world."

International crises such as the one involving India demonstrate the need for the United States to pay the $1 billion it owes to the United Nations, Richardson said.

U.S. interests could be compromised by failure to pay, he said.

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Haze could be bad news for Texas cotton

HARLINGEN (AP) — The lower Rio Grande Valley is starved for sunshine with smoke from across the border triggering allergic reactions and bringing a gloomy mood to much of Texas.

But cotton farmers are more than gloomy — they're worried.

"The problem with cotton is if you go through an extended period of cloudy conditions then the plant stops fruiting," John Norman, a Texas Agricultural Extension agent in Weslaco, said Friday.

Gov. George W. Bush urged Texans to consider limiting their physical exercise as the entire state was put under a health alert due to smoke from fires in Mexico and Central America.

The haze, which also has drifted into Louisiana, Arkansas, Missouri, Mississippi, and Oklahoma, is the result of more than 9,000 fires in Mexico since January.

The fires were started by farmers clearing land for planting, although some have also been blamed on arsonists. On Thursday, Mexico accepted the United States' offer to help fight the fires.

Cotton plants in the lower Rio Grande Valley already are showing the signs of sunlight deprivation, Norman said. They're growing larger leaves and longer stems, indicating that they're stretching for sunlight.

Without the sun, cotton plants might stop growing and shed their budding fruit before it matures.

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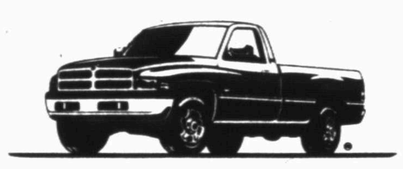
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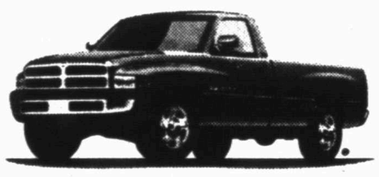
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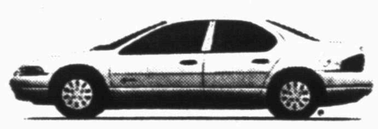
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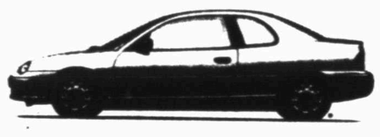
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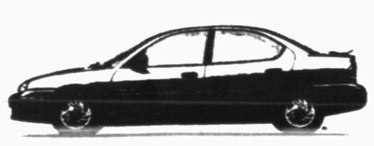
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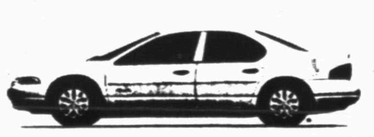
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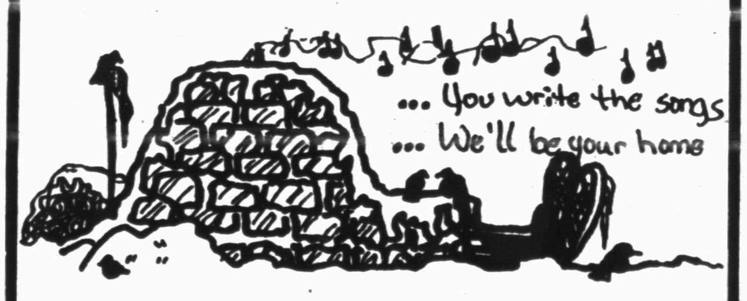
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McDougal's book raises new charges

WASHINGTON (AP) — Alleged cash payoffs to Bill Clinton of $2,000 a month. A supposed presidential promise to pardon Susan McDougal. Convicted felon James McDougal, in a new book, fired off one last round of accusations before his death — all of them denied by the president's Whitewater lawyer.

McDougal's first-person account, written with Boston Globe reporter Curtis Wilkie, quotes President Clinton as saying in 1996 that "you can depend on that" when McDougal requested a pardon for his former wife.

At the time, Ms. McDougal was in the midst of a bank fraud trial that ended with her conviction on four felony counts. She is serving a two-year prison term and earlier served 18 months for refusing to answer grand jury questions. She was indicted last week on charges of criminal contempt and obstruction.

Clinton lawyer David Kendall called McDougal's accusations "scurrilous falsehoods" and said McDougal's book, "Arkansas Mischief," "belongs on the 'fiction' side of the aisle."

The Associated Press obtained pre-publication excerpts of the book Friday. In them, McDougal offered no evidence to corroborate his allegations beyond his own word.

The flamboyant former savings and loan operator once was one of Clinton's staunchest supporters, frequently insisting the president had done nothing wrong in the Whitewater financial dealings.

But after his conviction in 1996 on charges he defrauded his S&L, McDougal became a cooperating prosecution witness, turned on Clinton and made several serious allegations against the first family.

He died in prison in March after years of failing health.

McDougal wrote "I knew there was no way" Clinton "could pardon me without an uproar. But I considered Susan a sympathetic figure."

The book alleges the conversation about a pardon took place in the White House Map Room following the president's videotaped deposition in 1996 for the trial of the McDougals and then-Arkansas Gov. Jim Guy Tucker. All three defendants were convicted.

"I know for a fact that Mr. McDougal's statement about his conversation with the president on April 28, 1996 is absolutely false," attorney Kendall said in a statement. "I was with the president every moment he was in the presence of Mr. McDougal precisely to assure that no one could ever credibly make an outlandish allegation like this."

McDougal alleged that in the 1980s, he and a longtime businessman at McDougal's S&L, Henry Hamilton, "developed a system to pass money to Clinton," then governor of Arkansas. "I considered it just another way of helping to take care of Bill.

"A contractor agreed to pad my monthly construction bill by $2,000," McDougal stated. "The contractor put the figure on his invoice as a cost for gravel or culvert work. After I paid the full amount ... the contractor reimbursed me the $2,000. I turned the money over to Henry to give to Clinton."

Hamilton is dead.

"Once, after I handed Henry his latest consignment of 20 hundred-dollar bills to relay to the governor's office, he turned the bills over and over in one hand, like a magician," McDougal said. "Henry grinned. 'You know,' he said, 'Caesar had his Brutus, Charles the First had Cromwell. Clinton could profit from these examples if he crosses us.'"

The alleged $2,000-a-month cash payment and other accusations "are simply made up out of whole cloth," Kendall declared.

McDougal wrote that Hamilton "insisted that under-the-table payments would solidify our connections in state government." He said Clinton appointed his recommended candidates to state jobs, including state securities commissioner.

Kendall pointed out that a previous McDougal accusation that turns up again in the book — that Clinton urged Whitewater figure David Hale to make a fraudulent $300,000 loan — was contradicted by McDougal's own testimony at his 1996 criminal trial.

Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.



Get help for bulimic friends

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have a friend who is bulimic. What are the long-term consequences of this disorder?

DEAR READER: Bulimia is a serious eating disorder, predominantly occurring in young women. It is marked by episodic, uncontrollable consumption of large amounts of food associated with the awareness that the pattern is abnormal and a fear that the eating cannot be stopped voluntarily. Invariably, such binge-eating is followed by self-induced vomiting (with or without the ingestion of laxatives), and feelings of worthlessness and depression.

Medical complications include loss of dental enamel (from the caustic stomach acid), a low serum potassium level, aspiration of gastric contents (leading to pneumonia), rupture of the esophagus or stomach, various disturbances in heart rhythm, and starvation. Death occurs in up to 5 percent of bulimics, often from suicide, but usually from malnutrition.

Immediate medical treatment is directed toward correcting the potassium deficiency and restoring a healthy metabolic balance. Unfortunately, there is no specific therapy for bulimia. Psychotherapy and family support are necessary; anti-depressant drugs have been used with some success. Such treatment is long-term and rife with failure, however.

The most important goal is to convince bulimics to seek medical attention, because most of these girls lie about their eating habits and may experience severe physical problems if the disorder is not addressed. Although it is a difficult task, you can help your friend tremendously by reporting her behavior to a responsible adult in your community.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am aware that the treatment of psoriasis can be frustratingly difficult, but I want to share a personal experience.

I've had psoriasis since I was 11 years old. My father and grandmother had it, too. One winter, several years ago, our family decided to take cod liver oil tablets to prevent colds. Much to our surprise, our various cases of psoriasis disappeared. Now, whenever my psoriasis flares up, I can easily control the outbreak by taking the cod liver oil. Perhaps your readers might find this useful.

DEAR READER: I am unaware of any studies proving that cod liver oil either cures psoriasis or prevents the common cold. However, your testimonial is impressive and, because cod liver oil is safe, I am passing the tip on to my readers. If any of you psoriasis-sufferers have had experience with this home remedy, I would appreciate hearing from you.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: For seven years, I've lived with pain that has been diagnosed by 10 doctors as "I've never heard of that."

Every morning, I experience lower-back and right-leg pain that makes me stagger. It is relieved only by having a large bowel movement or two.

Help! Please don't reply "I've never heard of that."

DEAR READER: I've never heard of that.

However, several possibilities come to mind, all of which your doctors have probably investigated.

To begin with, the pain may not be coming from your bowel at all. Possibly, it could be caused by muscle spasm or sciatica that stems from spinal arthritis or a herniated disc. An MRI scan of your lower spine should tell the tale. I see from your list of doctors, which I have edited out, that you have yet to be examined by an orthopedic specialist. I believe that is the next logical step. He may choose to order the MRI.

Second, arthritis of the hip could cause back and leg pain that is more pronounced after you have been lying down. Again, the orthopedist is your best resource. As an alternative, you might try taking an over-the-counter anti-inflammatory drug (Aleve, Advil and others) at bedtime to see if the medicine, by reducing inflammation and stiffness, may relieve your pain.

Third, if your discomfort is, in fact, related to your bowel, a doctor should really examine you early in the morning before you have visited the bathroom. This may require a house call, but I believe such a courtesy would provide vital information. The source of pain can usually be more successfully determined while the patient has the symptom, not when he is pain-free. It's conceivable that the stool in your lower colon could be pressing on the nerves that supply your back and leg. This is unlikely but possible. In any case, an early-morning exam might provide the answer you seek.

See if your primary care physician would be willing to see you at home. Or, as a last resort, find out if he would be inclined to observe you overnight in hospital, where further early-morning tests could be performed while you are in pain.

By all means, let me know if my suggestions have shed some light on your problem.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: Is a glass of red wine bad for the eyes? I am 80 years old and have cataracts, yet I enjoy wine with dinner.

DEAR READER: Although you should check with your ophthalmologist, I do not believe that a moderate amount of wine (one or two glasses a day) would be detrimental to your eyes. If there are extenuating circumstances, such as diabetes, your eye doctor may have other advice. But speaking generically, wine will not harm vision or accelerate the formation of cataracts.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What is an "autoimmune" disease?

DEAR READER: When the body's immune system incorrectly attacks normal tissue, an autoimmune disorder is said to result. Common autoimmune diseases include pernicious anemia, some thyroid disorders, lupus, rheumatoid arthritis and several other afflictions. Symptoms vary, depending on what organs are attacked. But the basic reaction is inflammation, for which prescription drugs are usually required.

No one knows why the immune system suddenly mistakes normal tissue for threatening foreign protein, but autoimmune diseases are common and, in most instances, serious.

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Man convicted in stabbing death

LUBBOCK (AP) — The punishment phase resumes Monday for a man convicted in the 1997 stabbing death of a woman at her home.

Michael Flores Rosales, 24, was found guilty Thursday of capital murder in the June attack on Mary Felder, 67. Jurors deliberated Friday, but did not reach agreement on whether he should be executed or locked up for life.

Ms. Felder, who lived alone, was discovered by her grandson, who had tried unsuccessfully to see her twice that day.

Rosales had been staying with neighbors of the woman. Lubbock police suspected him when he came forward as a witness with intimate knowledge of the crime scene.

Police make five arrests

Five people were arrested Friday, including one on felony DWI charges.

Officers arrested Lorenzo Garcia Rodriguez, 55, of 310 N. Ave. U, at 11:58 p.m. in the 200 block of College Avenue.

The other arrests were also alcohol-related.

Officers arrested a 17-year-old male at 10:06 p.m. in the 3500 block of College Avenue for minor in possession of alcohol. He was also charged with being in possession of tobacco.

Two people were taken into custody at 11:06 p.m. for public intoxication. Arrested in the 1600 block of 25th Street were a 21-year-old male and a 22-year-old male.

The other person arrested Friday was a 30-year-old female who was taken into custody in the 2900 block of Avenue U at 1 p.m. on outstanding warrants for public intoxication and failure to appear.

In other activity Friday, deputies were called to Don Gray Trucking at 2:52 p.m. in reference to a burglary. Business checks were taken from the building and deputies are investigating two attempts to cash company checks at Lawrence IGA.

Deputies are also investigating a report of mail and money being stolen from a residence in the 1700 block of Smith Street. The theft was reported at 7 p.m.

City officers investigated four minor accidents Friday and also the report of a person being bitten by a dog.

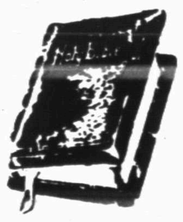
Births

Phil and Aimee Williams Curry of Longview announce the birth of their son, Christopher Joseph Curry, at 4:13 p.m. on April 11. He weighed nine pounds, three ounces.

He was welcomed by sisters Sara Elizabeth and Emily Caroline, and a brother, Matthew Cole.

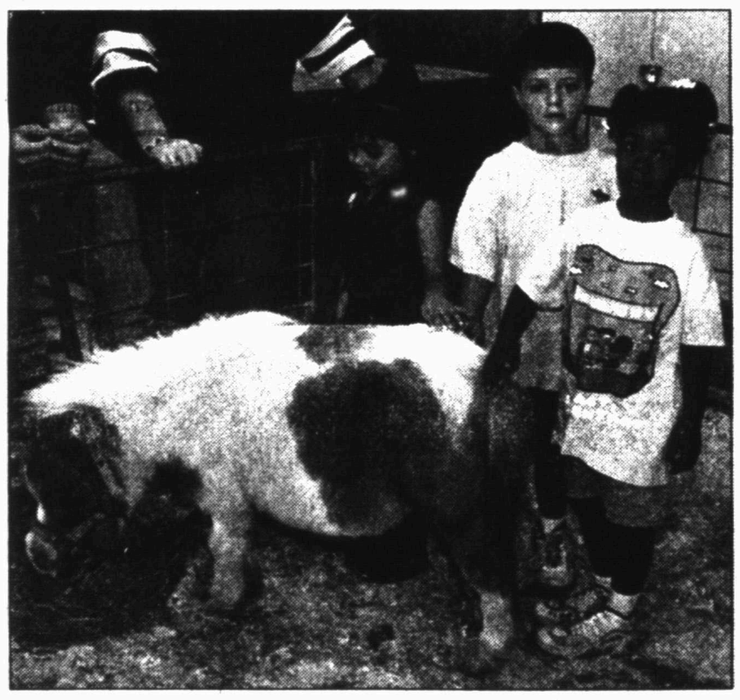
Grandparents are Aubrey G. Williams of Hermleigh, Cathy DuPont Williams of Jennings, La., and Dr. and Mrs. Jim Curry of Waco. Great-grandparents are Charlotte DuPont, also of Jennings, and the late J.E. DuPont, and Aubrey and Rosie Williams of Hermleigh.

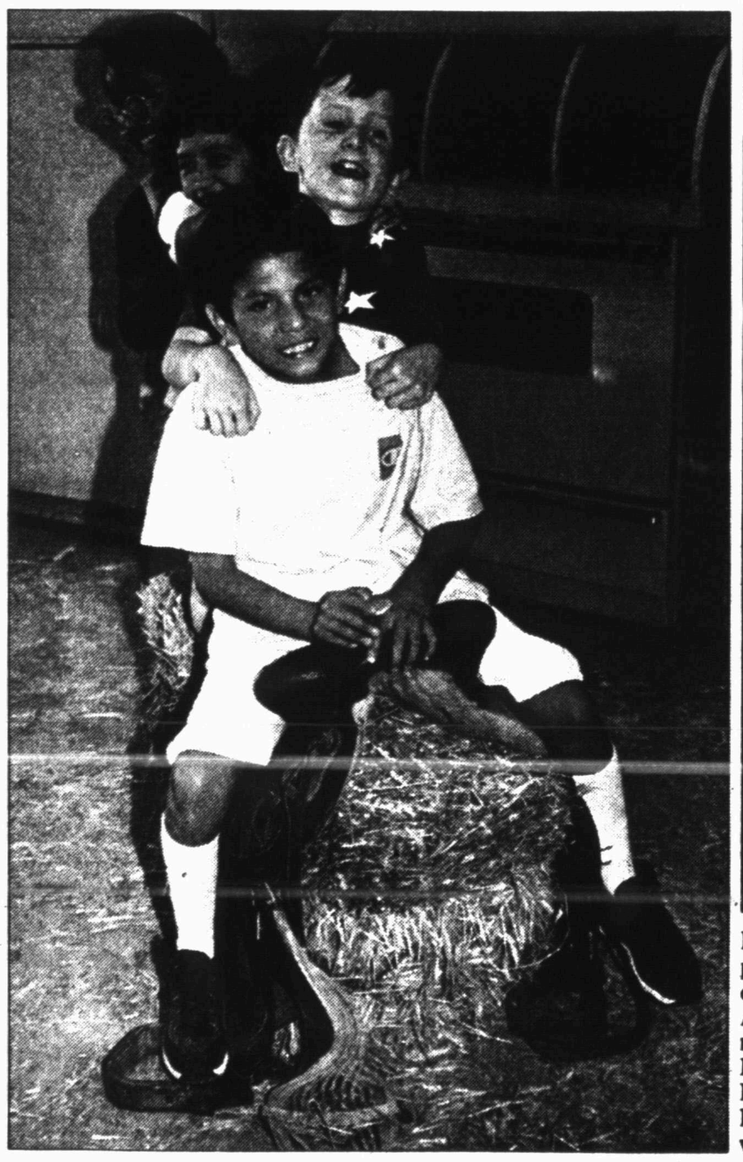
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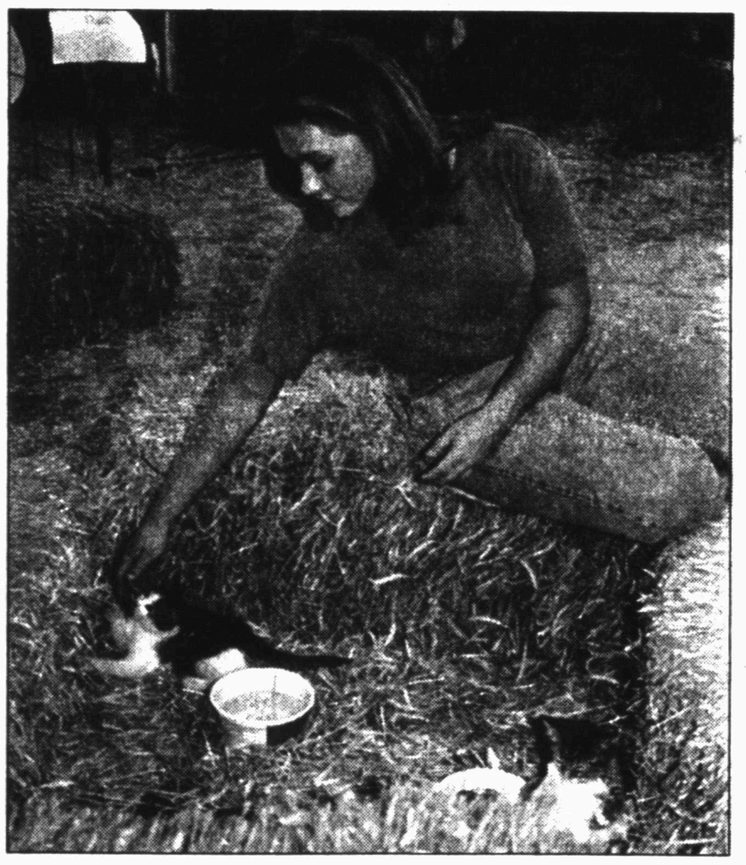


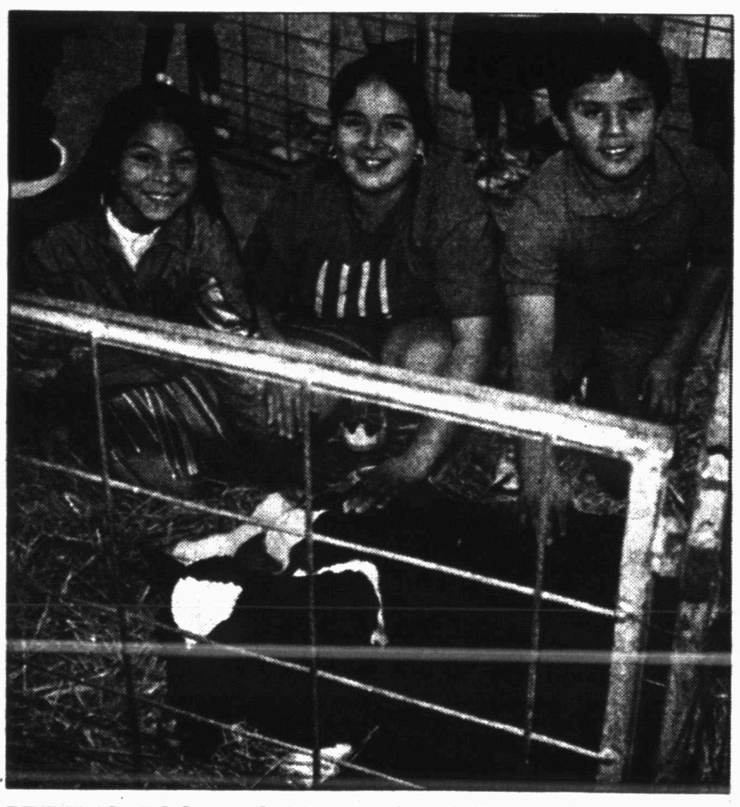
Perhaps you sent a lovely card,
or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent a funeral spray,
If so we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,
as any friend could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all,
Just thought of us that day.
Whatever you did say to console our hearts,
We Thank You so much whatever the part.

*A very special **"Thanks"** to Justin Thompson from Jasmine, Eboni, Butchie, Don, Kay, Willie, Alex & Stephanie. We love you from our hearts.*
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PETTING ZOO — Children enjoyed Snyder High School's petting zoo, sponsored last week by the Future Farmers of America. (top, left photo) Brandi Espinoza, Taylor Sylar and Kanesha Anderson, left to right, get acquainted with a shetland pony. (top, right photo) Bridgett Cagle plays with a kitten. (bottom, left photo) Paul Garcia, Simon Stolarozyk, Adriana Herrera and Vanessa Reyna (front to back) "ride" a bale of hay. (bottom, right photo) Lisa Rivera, Perla Oliva, Nelson Fajardo, from left, get acquainted with a cow and newborn calf. (Staff Photos By Shirley A. Gorman)





FIRST GRADE MUSICAL — A musical, "Somewhere Over the Rainbow," was presented by two Northeast Elementary first grade classes. Stacy Bollinger's class is pictured in the top photo. They include, from left, back row, Ashley Swigert, Jordan Gafford, Erica Maldonado, Ben Gutierrez, Yoci Arellano, Anthony Shankles; middle row, Dominic Cabrera, Sebastian Jaquez, Robert Albarez, Lauren Zamora, Heather Vasquez, Veronica Alvarado, Robert Castenada; front row, Josh Sorrells, Ruben Molinar, Ava Reyes, Taylor Gibbs, Sabrina Fuentez, Krystal Martinez and Joe Olivas. Sandy Baker's class in the bottom photo are, from left, back row, Samuel Lee, Joe Lara, Taylor Davidson, Adrian Alvarez, David Guzman, Gina Hermosillo; middle row, Lolita Ramos, Daniela Chavez, A'Lex Koonce, Jessica Garza, Nathan Payne, Alex Escobedo, Bianca Alvarado, Rachele Gonzales, Gabriel Acosta; bottom row, Riley Raschke, Joshua Pesina, Randy Loveall, Hunter Perez, Kailea Shaw and Rainie Moore. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Community Calendar

MONDAY

AARP; Senior Center; West Elementary principal, guest speaker; noon.

Stargazers Family Community Education Club; 3117 Ave. T; 7 p.m.

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

Al-Anon and AA brown bag, open meetings, Snyder Park Club; noon.

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

Just for Today NA, closed meeting; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-0949. 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

Scurry County AA; closed meeting; Park Club; for more information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; 8 p.m.

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

TUESDAY

Art Guild Study Club; MAWC; hostesses, Doris Wilson and Mary McCown; 3 p.m.

Just for Today NA, closed Meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

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

Hermleigh Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Lodge; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizons AA; closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; 8 p.m.

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

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

WEDNESDAY

Altrurian Daughters Club; MAWC; election of officers; hostesses, LaVerne Hood and Lanette Patterson; 11:30 a.m.

AA brown bag, open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; noon.

Just for Today NA; open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238, 573-8018; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

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

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Snyder Country Club; noon.

Al-Anon brown bag, open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-4203, 573-8626, 573-2101 or 573-0695; noon to 1 p.m.;.

Just for Today NA; Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 7 p.m.

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

New Horizons 12 & 12, closed meeting; Park Club; 7 p.m.

Snyder Chapter No. 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th Street; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizons AA; closed meeting; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

Just for Today NA; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

Scurry County AA closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-8018; 8 p.m.

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

SATURDAY

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

Just for Today NA open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County AA open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; 10 a.m.

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

Just For Today closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238, or 573-8018; 5 p.m.

UAE officials welcomed in Texas

FORT WORTH (AP) — A visit by the vice president put a political spin on what otherwise would have been little more than a $7 billion ribbon-cutting.

Vice President Al Gore joined local politicians in welcoming officials of the United Arab Emirates, whose purchase of 80 F-16 Fighting Falcons will fund 15,000 jobs at the Lockheed Martin plant through the year 2002.

Gore is expected to be the Democratic front-runner for president in 2000, and Friday's visit gave him a chance to associate himself with bringing jobs into the home state of his projected opponent, Texas Gov. George W. Bush.

"The high-tech workers of Lockheed Martin have just drawn additional billions of dollars into Fort Worth, Texas," Gore said.

Bipartisans seek pursuit of fund-raiser's info on China

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lawmakers from both parties agree the Justice Department should vigorously pursue new allegations that Chinese government money was meant to help the 1996 Clinton-Gore campaign.

A measure of bipartisanship found its way into congressional statements Friday — after it became known that Democratic fund-raiser Johnny Chung told Justice Department investigators about the Chinese source of his money.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., called it "a very chilling story."

Sen. Robert Torricelli of New Jersey, one of the most partisan Democrats during last year's Senate campaign fund-raising probe, said: "If the Chinese gave money to someone, it's not a legislative problem, it's a law enforcement problem, and they should be fully prosecuted."

Congressional sources knowledgeable about the case said Chung told Justice Department investigators he received some $300,000 from a Chinese aerospace official.

Chung said the official told him the money was for political contributions, according to House and Senate sources familiar with briefings that the FBI gave on Capitol Hill Thursday. The sources spoke on condition of anonymity.

Federal Election Commission records show that Chung contributed about $110,000 to the Democratic Party from June through September 1996. Chung told the investigators he used the rest for himself, according to the sources.

The New York Times, which initially reported the story, said the aerospace official, Liu Chaoying — whose company is owned by the Chinese government — also is a lieutenant colonel in the People's Liberation Army.

The sources said Ms. Liu told Chung the money came from Chinese intelligence. Ms. Liu's father is Gen. Liu Huaqing, who was a member of the Communist Party leadership and the top Chinese military commander. U.S. law forbids foreign governments to contribute to political campaigns.

Ms. Liu was photographed with President Clinton at a fund-raising event. Chung gained admission for her.

Gingrich said, "Chung ... visited the White House 45 times — that's an astonishing number of visits. There aren't many Americans who visited the White House 45 times. And he's only one person."

A White House spokesman, James Kennedy, said, "We had no knowledge about the source of Mr. Chung's funds or the background of Ms. Liu. In hindsight, it was clearly not appropriate for Mr. Chung to bring her to see the president. We have found no record of her every having been to the White House."

Sen. Fred Thompson, R-Tenn., who conducted the Senate's campaign fund-raising investigation, said in an interview, "What we have here is apparently hard evidence of the execution of the China plan.

"Everybody acknowledged and agreed there was a plan. The big debate was whether it was executed and whether it involved the presidential campaign. That debate is now over," he asserted.

Thompson, who earlier suggested, but could not prove, Chinese influence in the 1996 campaign, said Chung's statements "may be the tip of the iceberg." He said "a half-dozen other intermediaries were bringing money from China and other places."

Health board rules would restrict sale of ephedrine

AUSTIN (AP) — After reports of more than 1,200 cases of drug abuse, the Texas Board of Health on Friday approved proposed rules that would restrict the sale of ephedrine products.

The rules, which are subject to a 30-day comment period, will be considered for final adoption in September.

They would classify ephedrine as a dangerous drug and require a prescription for most ephedrine-containing products sold in Texas. Ephedrine, an amphetamine-like stimulant, is an ingredient in many dietary supplements and so-called energy boosters.

William R. Archer, the state health commissioner, said many of the reported incidents involved children who had taken ephedrine to get high, stay awake, lose weight, enhance athletic performance or attempt suicide.

Problems ranged from minor headaches and elevated blood pressure to seizures, hallucinations, strokes, heart attacks and death, Archer said.

State law allows the board of health and the agency's commissioner to limit the availability of substances they determine dangerous if used or misused.

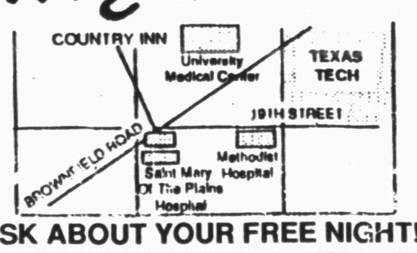
If approved, the new restrictions would go into effect in October. A public hearing is scheduled for next month.

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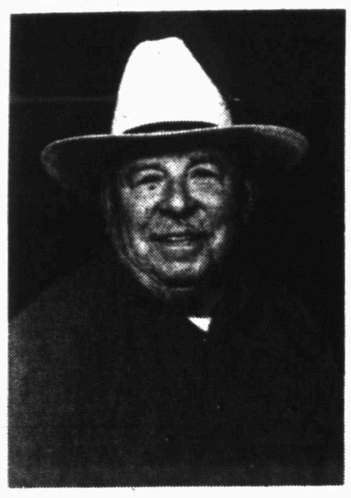
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Obituaries



'Shorty' Herrera

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1917-1998

Urbano Salinas "Shorty" Herrera Jr., 80, died at 8:45 p.m. Friday, May 15, in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital from injuries he sustained Monday near Colorado City when he fell out of a moving pickup.

Service is set for 4 p.m. Monday in Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in Snyder Cemetery.

Born on Oct. 10, 1917 in San Benito, Tex., he married Bernarda Luna in 1962 in Snyder. She died on March 13, 1993. Mr. Herrera had lived in Snyder about 30 years. He worked as a butcher in meat processing plants for 36 years and after his retirement, he continued to work cutting and providing wood to area residents.

Survivors include two daughters, Ellie Rodriquez and Martha Ovideo, both of Snyder; three stepdaughters, Beatrice Rodriquez of Snyder, Lupe Juarez of Ballinger and Carmen Sanchez of Abilene; three sisters; one brother; 14 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Rosa Barrett

1916-1998

ALBANY — Rosa Lee Barrett, the mother of Shirley Fritz of Snyder, died Friday, May 15, in Stamford.

Funeral service for Mrs. Barrett, 81, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the Albany First Baptist Church. The Revs. John Tunnell and Don Clevenger will officiate. Burial will follow in the Albany Cemetery under the direction of Godfrey-Neese Funeral Home.

Born on Nov. 5, 1916 in Decatur, she married C.O. "Slim" Barrett on Oct. 5, 1934 in Graham. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Slim Barrett of Albany; four other daughters, Billie Etheridge of Pampa, Gracie Barker of Tavares, Fla., Judy Patterson of Stamford and Betty Balliew of Albany; a son, Charles Barrett of Odessa; a brother, R.O. Petty of Bassett, Va.; five sisters, Virginia Cutshall and Bessie Petty, both of Graham, Gracie Hodges of Post, Lou McMakin of Lubbock and Jo Beth Townsend of Farmers Branch; 16 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Ocie Tipping

1906-1998

Service is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel for Walton Ocie Tipping of Ira who died Saturday, May 16, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

The Revs. Leroy Ochoa, pastor of Knapp Baptist Church, and C.J. Smith, retired Baptist minister, will officiate.

Born on Nov. 23, 1906 in Blooming Grove, Tex., Mr. Tipping married Jimmie Loraine Fulton on Aug. 27, 1931 in Corsicana. Mr. Tipping was transferred to Scurry County from Navarro County as superintendent for Strube Oil Co. He retired as production foreman for R.E. Smith Sharon Ridge Canyon Unit in 1971.

He received his 50-year membership pin of the Masonic Blue Lodge in 1980. He was also a member of the 32nd Degree, Scottish Rite, York Rite, O.E.S. and I.O.O.F. lodges. Mr. Tipping was a member of the Knapp Baptist Church where he served as a deacon.

He was preceded in death by five brothers, one sister and one great-grandson.

Survivors include his wife, Loraine Tipping of Ira; three daughters and sons-in-law, Joanne and Mickey Sterling of Ira, Jetonne and John Dill of Austin and Billie and Corky Neyman of Lamesa; eight grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

Darlene Marlar

1934-1998

ABILENE — Darlene Ruth Marlar, a former resident of Snyder, died Thursday, May 14, at her home in Abilene after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Marlar, 63, is set for 10 a.m. Monday in the Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Mark Hewitt will officiate and burial will follow in the Elliott-Hamil Garden of Memories.

Born in Green Bay, Wis., she graduated from Pampa High School and married Don B. Marlar in 1952 in Clovis, N.M.

While living in Snyder, she worked for the Snyder Independent School District. The Marlars had moved from Snyder to Abilene about 5½ years ago.

Survivors include her husband, Don Marlar of Abilene; three sons, Larry Marlar of Abilene, David Marlar of Charlotte, N.C., and Scott Marlar of San Angelo; and six grandchildren.

C.H. Butcher Sr.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — C.H. Butcher Sr., the patriarch of a family whose fortunes rose to great heights from humble roots before a scandalous collapse, died Friday of heart failure. He was 95.

Butcher was a farmer, teacher, merchant and banker.

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Two released

Two Western Texas College students who were injured in an automobile accident March 29 on Highway 180 east of Snyder, have been released from Lubbock hospitals following treatment.

Jason Stewart, 19, was severely injured in the crash and spent two weeks in intensive care at University Medical Center and five more weeks in a rehabiliation program at Methodist Hospital.

Stewart, who suffered paralysis in one leg, will now enter a rehabilitation program in Abilene.

Lonnie Green, 19, of McCaulley, underwent two surgeries and was released from University Medical Center earlier.

Following the accident, both men were taken by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Hospital for treatment before being transferred to Lubbock.

Stewart was being transferred by helicopter, but fog forced the aircraft down in Post. An ambulance from Lubbock was then used to complete the transfer.

Chamber board to meet on Monday

Snyder chamber of commerce directors will hold its monthly meeting at 11:30 a.m. Monday in the chamber board room.

Agenda items include the recognition of new members as well as recognition of the business of the month.

The board will hear a report from Kathryn Roberts on the county extension service program and a report on use of the hotel/motel tax.

Directors will also discuss upcoming events, including the Western Swing Festival June 17-20 and the July 4th celebration in Towle Park.

Thursday session to plan oil appreciation

An organizational meeting to plan an Oil Appreciation Day to be held this fall is set for Thursday at the Chamber of Commerce office.

The fall event will coincide with the 25th anniversary of the Billionth Barrel of Oil celebration which was held in 1973. It will also mark the 50-year anniversary of the Canyon Reef discovery well in November, 1948.

The noon meeting will be a "brown bag" evemt.

Anyone who would like to serve on the planning committee is urged to attend, said Chamber manager Donna Fowler.

events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

AARP meets Monday

AARP will meet at noon Monday at the senior citizens center. Tom Fogleman, principal at West Elementary, will be the guest speaker.

Hermleigh kindergarten

Parents of Hermleigh children who will be 5 by Sept. 1 are asked to register them for kindergarten Monday from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Bring a birth certificate, Social Security card and immunization record.

Museum rummage sale

Scurry County Museum rummage sale started continues through Thursday. Sale hours are is 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Barry Tubb to be profiled

Barry Tubb, local actor, writer and director, will be profiled in "Split Screen," which will air at 7:30 p.m. Monday on the Independent Movie Channel. Producers of the program were in Snyder several weeks ago to film segments, which will include Tubb's movie, "Blood Trail."

Manic/depressive support group

A manic/depressive (bipolar) support group will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the Family Life Community Church, located at 904 26th Street. For information, call Debbie at 573-1154.

Bible study tapes airing

Bible study video tapes are airing weekly on cable TV Channel 2. The next set of tapes, "Guilt and Repentance," followed by "Jesus' Example In A Racist World," will begin at 7 p.m. Monday.

Schools supplies

The deadline for ordering school supplies for next year has been extended until Monday. Contact the elementary school offices for order forms. Orders must be prepaid.

Teacher retirement tea

A teacher retirement tea for Molly Kattes will be held from 4-5:30 p.m. Tuesday at Snyder Country Club.

Band concert Thursday

A combined band concert will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Worsham Auditorium. The concert will include the 6th grade band, junior high and high school bands. Admission is free.

Selling photo coupons

Lighthouse Assembly of God is selling coupons for $10, good for a portrait sitting at Picture This photography studio. The sittings will be Friday evening and all day next Saturday. Proceeds will go to the church building fund. For more information call 573-7407, 573-7086 or 573-5766.

East play day

East Elementary play day track meet for fourth graders will begin at 9 a.m. Friday. Parents are invited.

Adult basic education

Adult basic education classes are underway at WTC for those seeking their GEDs. Classes on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays are held from 8-11 a.m.

There will be no evening classes conducted in May and June. For more information, call 573-8511, ext. 322.

Diabetic support group

The Diabetic support group will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 28, in the Cogdell Rehab Center. Guest speaker will be Denise Hoyt, R.D., L.D. Her topic will be the constant carbohydrate diet. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

Road to Recovery program

Volunteers are needed to take patients to Abilene or Lubbock one day a week for cancer treatment. Following approval by the American Cancer Society, drivers will be provided liability insurance and can be reimbursed for fuel expenses incurred for the trip. For more information, contact ACS Road to Recovery volunteer coordinator Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 and leave a message, or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993.

Parents of SHS seniors

Parents of SHS seniors are reminded they need to make a $20 donation to help pay for the senior steak supper and all-night graduation party. The funds can be taken to the high school office or mailed to Barbara Eicke at Box 111. Checks should be made out to the Snyder High School Senior Class 1998.

Support group ministry

Support groups for divorce recovery, cancer/grief, caring for aging parents and learning to improve the family experience will meet at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at First Baptist Church. Parents and teens are welcome and child care will be provided.

New programs at FBC

First Baptist Church announces two new programs: King's Kids Preschool on Mondays and Wednesdays and Mother's Day Out on Fridays. Extended care is available. Register now for the 1998-99 school year. For more information, call 573-7401.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:
6-9-14-24-33

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
9-5-0



Exxon Corp. matching funds to benefit WTC planetarium

By conservative estimate, some 650 local and area residents—a mix of both public school students and interested adults—have sat in the hushed dark of the Western Texas College Planetarium since last November, when it officially reopened its doors to the public.

The viewing season is now over, but the man primarily responsible for the facility's rebirth is adamant that friends of the planetarium "ain't seen nothing yet."

Rollin Swanson, adjunct professor for science at WTC, took on the planetarium's revival as a personal project almost from the first day he set foot on campus some four years ago.

His work paid off with the planetarium program "A Christmas Story" in Late November and, beginning this past April, "The Eyes of Hubbel."

Rather than imagine what the evening sky looked like on the night of Christ's birth, visitors could now actually see it. Similarly real were the ghostly shapes of gaseous nebula, the cold face of a placid winter moon or the erupting fire of an exploding sun.

The planetarium magic itself breaks down into slide projectors and full motion images originating from a computer.

To create it, Swanson had to beg (a promise of logistical support and some unbudgeted financial help from the college) and borrow (four slide projectors from WTC's Audio Visual Department and a computer projector from Fine Arts).

This technology blended with a traditional computer, VCR and CD-player and the existing physical plant of the old planetarium—reduced to "video room" status since the loss of its major piece of operating equipment in 1989—the star field projector.

The two planetarium programs of 1997-98 produced an estimated 50 individual shows and the 650 count for visitors, according to Swanson.

And now comes the good part. "By fall we'll be full blown," he said. This improved status is, in fact, starting to arrive, in the form of six commercial grade projectors and a top of the line computer projector with both a zoom lens and the capability to project not only computer images but videotape as well.

His "full blown" imagery refers to what he hoped to create from day one of the renovation project—a full dome star field.

His earlier system, the one borrowed from AV, could project a constellation of stars, but it lacked sufficient machines to fully cover the 10-meter-dome of the planetarium.

With the six added projectors, which Swanson describes as "reliable, long term, professional grade," visitors can look and wonder at a full night sky, "the complete Northern Hemisphere," he said.

And now comes the good part. For WTC College District taxpayers—minus two—it's all free.

The "minus two" are Roy and Geleska Baze. As he has done in the past with other college projects, Baze has utilized the "three for one" matching grant promise of his former employer, Exxon Corporation, to help fund the planetarium's improvements.

Simply stated, Exxon will match $3 for every $1 contributed by a current or former employee. Regarding the planetarium, the Baze's elected to donate $4,750 of their own funds, matched by $14,250 from Exxon.

Swanson said this $19,000 amount plus some $2,400 added by the college is sufficient to create the planetarium literally of his dreams.

The facility's technological design was rethought by Swanson after he researched the dilemma faced by most small planetariums in the U.S., of which he estimates there are approximately 150.

Basically, the design centers around an outdated and extremely expensive device called the star field projector. Expense estimates for this technology range from $200,000 for "used" to $600,000 for "new."

He basically replaced the star field projector with a computer and its own projection capabilities. The use of traditional slide show equipment is fairly basic to both the old and the new planetarium design, he said.

With the improvements, however, the WTC Planetarium will have industry standard slide machines and a sufficient number—six projectors displaying six different segments—to completely cover the dome.

Three other projectors will be used for added "horizon shots" such as the outline of a city or a landscape to give perspective to the star field.

"The equipment is important, but we couldn't have done this if the college hadn't provided the facility itself—the dome, the seats and the lighting are in excellent shape," Swanson said.

Similar to this past year, the plan is to have two new planetarium shows each school year for the general public and for school children in grades 5-12.

Newly added will be two planetarium programs exclusively aimed at pre-Kindergarten children and students enrolled in grades K-4.

"By fall we'll be full blown."



EXXON BENEFITS PLANETARIUM — A matching funds grant from Exxon Corp. will help fund improvements at Western Texas College's planetarium which was renovated and reopened late last year. From left are Geleska and Roy Baze, Helen Cogan, WTC drama instructor; Bettie McQueen, vice-president of the college; and Rollin Swanson, in back, who is the adjunct professor of science at WTC. Baze is retired from Exxon. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

"The programs we had this year were just over the young kid's heads," Swanson said.

True to his original plan, Swanson noted the new system will be deliberately designed to be simple. "I guarantee someone can learn to operate it in less than one hour."

He declined to estimate the number of man hours he has volunteered for programs this past year. "I just love doing it," he said, although admitting there are tentative plans to train students for programs in the future.

This summer is expected to be a busy one, as he and a select crew of volunteer workers will be installing the new equipment.

The campus facility will be used also for classes in the fall and Swanson expressed interest in other gatherings such as concerts in the future. "It has great acoustics," he said.

Baze said the decision to aid the planetarium project grew out of a program Swanson gave to the local Rotary Club early in the spring semester. "This whole thing wouldn't have happened without Rollin's interest and ability," he said.

In the past, Baze has used the educational support of Exxon to benefit another WTC instructional area, its Drama Department.

That support has to date generated some $4,000 for the purchase of equipment.

"I see both (the planetarium and the Drama Department) as having similar unique aspects . . . they enrich both the college and the community," Baze said.

No more tattoos for Cher

NEW YORK (AP) — Cher wants to be done with those tattoos already.

She's hoping the monthly laser treatments she is getting will remove the once-notorious tattoos, Cher says in the May 25 issue of People magazine.

"When I got them, no one else had them," she said. "Now everybody has them. They're not so fabulous anymore."

With her 52nd birthday coming up next Wednesday, the singer-actress shared some thoughts about getting older and her lackluster love life.

"I hate my fifties," she said. As for love, it's "harder to find when you're older ... but I guess if grass can grow through cement, love can find you at every time in your life."

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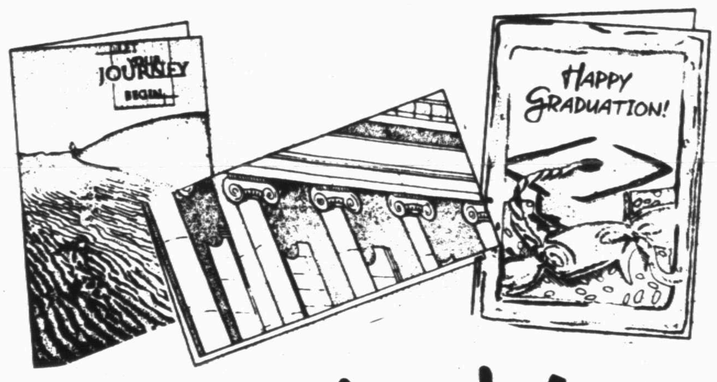
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MAY BRIDE HONORED — Wendi Sharp, bride-elect of Jerrod Short, was honoree at a bridal shower held April 23 in the family center of 37th Street Church of Christ. Miss Sharp and her fiance set their nuptials for Saturday in East Side Church of Christ. From left are Becki Sharp, the bride-elect's grandmother from Corpus Christi; Alice Lester, her grandmother from Pleasanton; Pat Sharp, her mother; the honoree; Connie Short, the prospective groom's mother from Stinnett; and Melba Sargent, his grandmother from Fritch. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

SHS class of 1978 sets August reunion

The reunion committee of the Snyder High School Class of 1978 has planned a 20-year reunion and a prompt reply by class members will help the committee to make final plans.

The schelule of events will begin Aug. 1 with a family hamburger and hot dog lunch at Towle Park. At 6:30, the class picture will be taken at Snyder Country Club and from 7 to 8 p.m., will be a time of visitation. A dance with music provided by Blackwater will be held from 8 to midnight.

Anyone with information about the following classmates are asked to contact Connie Huddleston, 5174 FM 1607, Snyder or call 915-573-8806

Addresses are needed for Jay Aisworth, Lane Allen, Frank Alvarado, Linda Alvarez, Anita Anderson, Clinton Baack, Cecilia Barboza, Kim Bennett Brown, Vicki Border Hughes, Karen Durst Braziel, Randy Browning, Joe Chidez, Nicky Chapman, James Earl Clayton, Tony Cobb, Richard Cook, Ellen Cox Beasley, Dana Dow Johnson, Jeffrey Don Dunnam, Alesia Eaton, Steven Floyd, Dennis Gary, Johnny Garza, John Greer, Jesse Hermosillo, Selma Hill, Walter Holmsley, Melissa Holt Moore and Betty Hook Calloway.

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Judges must plan commuter marriage

ST. CLOUD, Minn. (AP) — District judges Elizabeth Hayden and Charles Flinn Jr. have reached a judicial compromise — they're engaged to be married.

Their plan to get hitched isn't without a glitch. She is from Stearns County, he from Ramsey County. State law says judges must live in the districts they represent.

Hayden says they will have a commuter marriage, living and working in their own districts, separated by about 65 miles, and will see each other when they can.

She said now-retired Judge Paul Hoffman introduced the couple at a judges' conference about nine years ago. They plan to tie the knot in about a year.

Scurry Charter Chapter of ABWA will operate the Concession Stand at the Arts & Crafts Festival
May 16 - 17, 1998

Old fire truck generates funds for new truck

LEECHBURG, Pa. (AP) — Got a swimming pool or two to fill? A volunteer fire department may have just what you need.

A 1971 American LaFrance fire truck that pumps 1,000 gallons of water per minute, and check the mileage: only 10,078 miles on the odometer.

The Leechburg Volunteer Fire Department about 40 miles northeast of Pittsburgh will sell raffle tickets for the truck throughout the summer, and it will be displayed at parades around western Pennsylvania so people can get a look.

"Used fire trucks aren't worth a lot at all," firefighter Gary Lyon said. "You're lucky to get a couple thousand dollars for it."

Department members are hoping that collectors of vintage fire trucks enter the raffle early and often. The department is buying a $250,000 pumper after the raffle sometime in August.

An old chrome barrel was removed from the front of the pumper Wednesday for installation on another truck in the department, keeping up a tradition.

But if you're a would-be buyer with a hankering to climb behind the wheel and go for a ride, take note: You'll need a Class II Pennsylvania driver's license.

New York City Mayor James J. "Gentleman Jimmy" Walker resigned in 1932, following charges of graft and corruption in his administration.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 05-16-98
♠ 9 8 6
♥ A 7 5 4 3
♦ A 6 4 3
♣ 8

West
♠ 2
♥ K 10 2
♦ J 9 8 5
♣ Q J 9 7 5

East
♠ A 3
♥ Q J 9 8
♦ Q 10
♣ 10 6 4 3 2

South
♠ K Q J 10 7 5 4
♥ 6
♦ K 7 2
♣ A K

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♥	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣ Q

Sacrifice for the cause

By Phillip Alder

There have been some wonderful reworkings of well-known sayings. Following a 1962 cabinet reshuffle by Harold Macmillan, the Conservative Party Prime Minister, Jeremy Thorpe, the leader of the Liberal Party, observed, "Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his friends for his life."

In bridge, usually you win tricks with aces and kings. Yet sometimes one of these top dogs must be sacrificed for the good of the party: the success of the contract. How would you plan the play in six spades? West leads the club queen.

It is very rare to bid a slam after one of a major has been raised only to two. Yet that South hand contains just four losers. So, South bid his weak side-suit, which North took to be a game-try. Having such a suitable hand, North happily jumped to game. This persuaded South to wheel out Blackwood.

With the trump ace missing, you must avoid a diamond loser. The best chance is to establish dummy's fifth heart. But dummy entries are at a premium. After winning the first trick, play a heart to dummy's ace and ruff a heart high. Then return to dummy by trumping your remaining club honor. Ruff another heart high before leading a low trump to dummy.

East can do nothing. Suppose he wins with the spade ace and switches to a diamond. You win with the king, play a trump to dummy, ruff a heart in hand, lead a diamond to dummy's ace, and cash the heart seven, discarding your diamond loser. (Yes, if hearts break badly, you might still get home on a red-suit squeeze.)

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Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

FRIDAY
May 8

Jane Hinton directed Duplicate Bridge Club games Friday and the following Tuesday; there was no Sunday game.

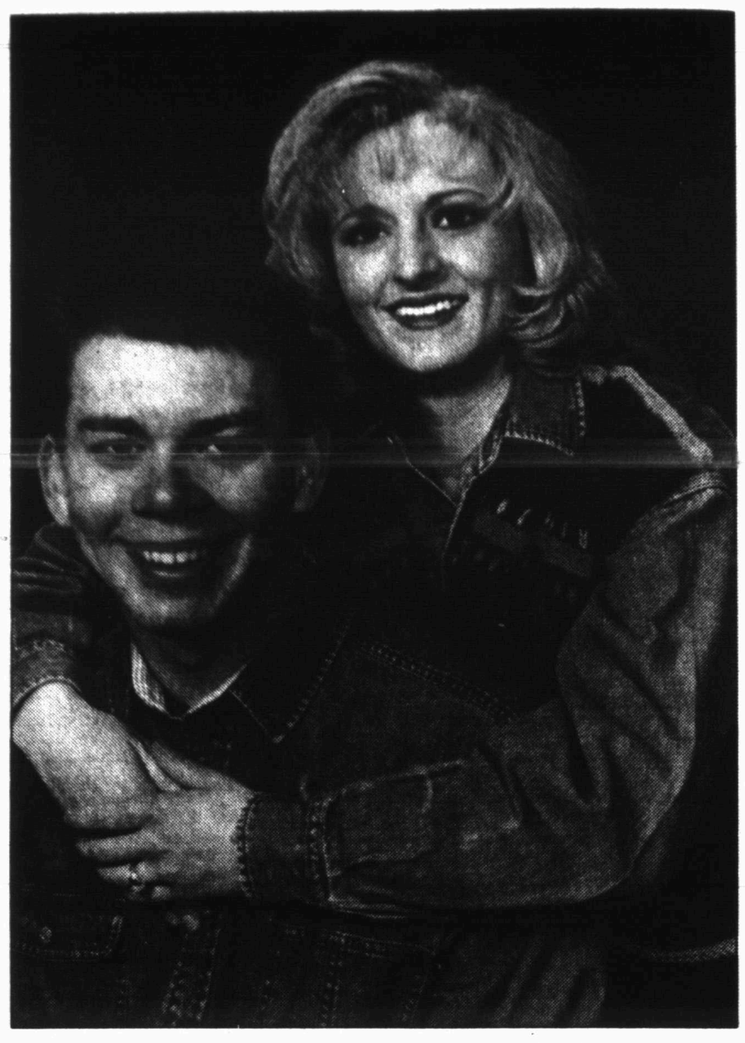
Five tables.

1. Durelle Gorman, Sue Reed.
2. Dot Casey, Barbara Yorgesen.
3. Margaret Presswood, Louise Thompson.

TUESDAY
May 12

Four tables.

1. Rube McKinley, Louise Thompson.
2. Dora Blakey, Barbara Yorgesen.
3. Jane Hinton, Dorothy Rosson.



WALKER-SHANNON NUPTIALS SET — Mr. and Mrs. John David Walker of Snyder announce the engagement of their daughter, Shannon Nicole, to Jayson Wayne Shannon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Wayne Shannon of Dallas and the late Kathy Marie Shannon of Colorado City. The couple will wed June 20 at the bride's family's home. (Picture This Photo)

School Menus

Snyder

All meals are served with choice of milk; all breakfasts are served with assorted dry cereal and chilled juice.

BREAKFAST
MONDAY
Cinnamon Toast
TUESDAY
Breakfast Sausage on a Stick
WEDNESDAY
Waffles
THURSDAY
Biscuits & Gravy
FRIDAY
Cinnamon Rolls

LUNCH
MONDAY
Corn Dog or
Sloppy Joe on a Bun
Baked Beans
French Fries
Vanilla Ice Cream Cup
TUESDAY
Corn Dog or
Chicken Nuggets
Lettuce & Tomato
Sweet Peas
Birthday Cake Celebrations
Texas Toast
WEDNESDAY
Corn Dog or
Nacho Grande
Lettuce & Tomato
Spanish Rice
Refried Beans
Chilled Fruit
THURSDAY
Corn Dog or
Lasagna
Lettuce & Tomato
Green Beans
Cookies
French Bread
FRIDAY
Corn Dog or
Chicken Fried Steak
Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy
Sliced Carrots
Chilled Fruit
Dinner Roll

Hingis looses her room to Clinton and entourage

BERLIN (AP) — Martina Hingis got bumped from a swank hotel's presidential suite when the genuine item showed up.

The world's top-ranked female tennis player lost the room to President Clinton, who came to Germany to take part in Thursday's commemorations of the 50th anniversary of the Berlin airlift.

Clinton and his entourage arrived early Wednesday and took over the suite and the top four floors of the Intercontinental hotel, where Hingis was staying while she is playing in the German Open.

Hingis, who routed French Open winner Iva Majoli in 49 minutes Thursday, said she got a telephone call in her new room from someone who said he was Clinton.

Hermleigh

BREAKFAST
MONDAY
Fruit
Toast & Jelly
TUESDAY
Juice
Cinnamon Rolls
WEDNESDAY
Fruit
Donuts
THURSDAY
Juice
Dry Cereal
Toast
FRIDAY
School Out!

LUNCH
MONDAY
Frank Wraps
Pork & Beans
Pickle Spears
Pear Halves
TUESDAY
Turkey Sandwiches
Lettuce & Tomatoes
Chips
Orange Slices
WEDNESDAY
Barbecue on a Bun
Relish Cup
Fruit Jello
THURSDAY
Ham & Cheese Sandwiches
Lettuce & Tomatoes
Chips
Pink Applesauce

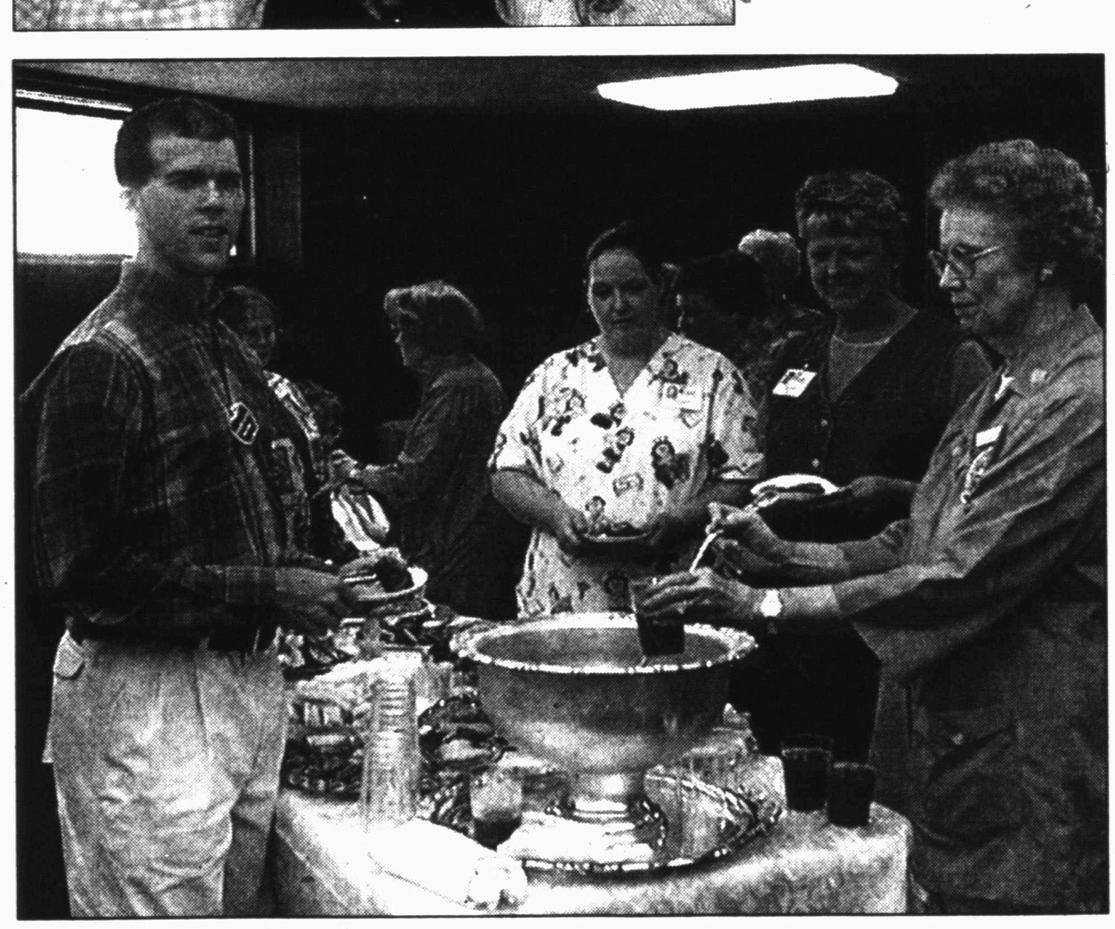
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LOLLIPOP SCHOOL ENDS YEAR — Children from Shirley Pavlik's Lollipop House preschool will graduate on Wednesday, May 27. Pre-K children include, (top photo from left), bottom row, Emma Nunley, Kailey Glenn, Brooklyn Bollinger; back row, Sydney Glass, Jacob Nachlinger and Karissa Medina; preschool children pictured at left include Mara Bland, Brent Rains Jr., Brandee Pinkerton and Ryan Dennis, not pictured. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)



APPRECIATION TEA — Richard Magee, assistant to Dr. Kathleen Weaver, dietary manager Jonette Moore and Sherry Clayton, dietary employee, are shown (from left) as they were served punch by JoAnn Peek at a Cogdell Hospital employee appreciation tea Wednesday. The event was sponsored by the CMH auxiliary members. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)



Don't throw away the last few drops of catsup in the bottle. Add hot water, shake well and season a gravy, chili or spaghetti sauce with the remaining liquid.

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5. "The Jackal," (Universal)
6. "I Know What You Did Last Summer," (Columbia TriStar)
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5. "One Hour of Girl Power," Spice Girls (Warner)
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7. "The Dance," Fleetwood Mac (Warner Reprise)(Platinum)
8. "Down By the Tabernacle," Bill and Gloria Gaither (Spring Hill)
9. "Dead to the World," Marilyn Manson (Interscope)
10. "Tribute," Yanni (Virgin)(Platinum)



SHOWER HELD — Julie Lang, bride-elect of Brandon Lee, was given a bridal shower recently. Their wedding is set for June 20 at Snyder's St. Elizabeth Catholic Church. From left are Jennifer Lang, the honoree's sister-in-law of Amarillo; Debbie Lang, mother of the bride-elect; the honoree; Brenda Hill, mother of the future groom; Dorothy Hill, his grandmother; and Shastade Hill, sister of the prospective groom. (Contributed Photo)

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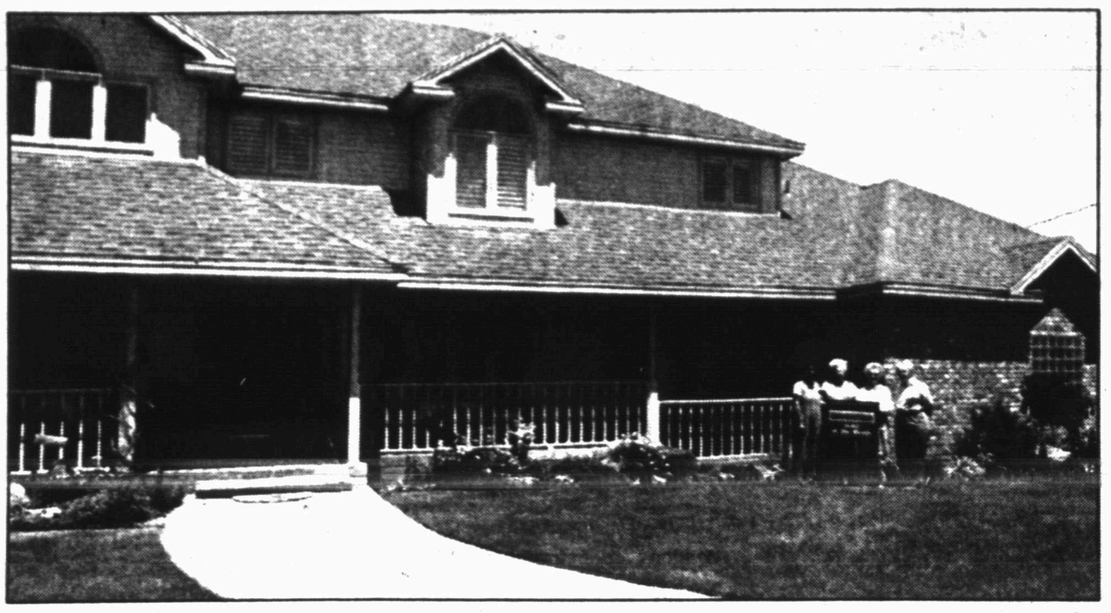
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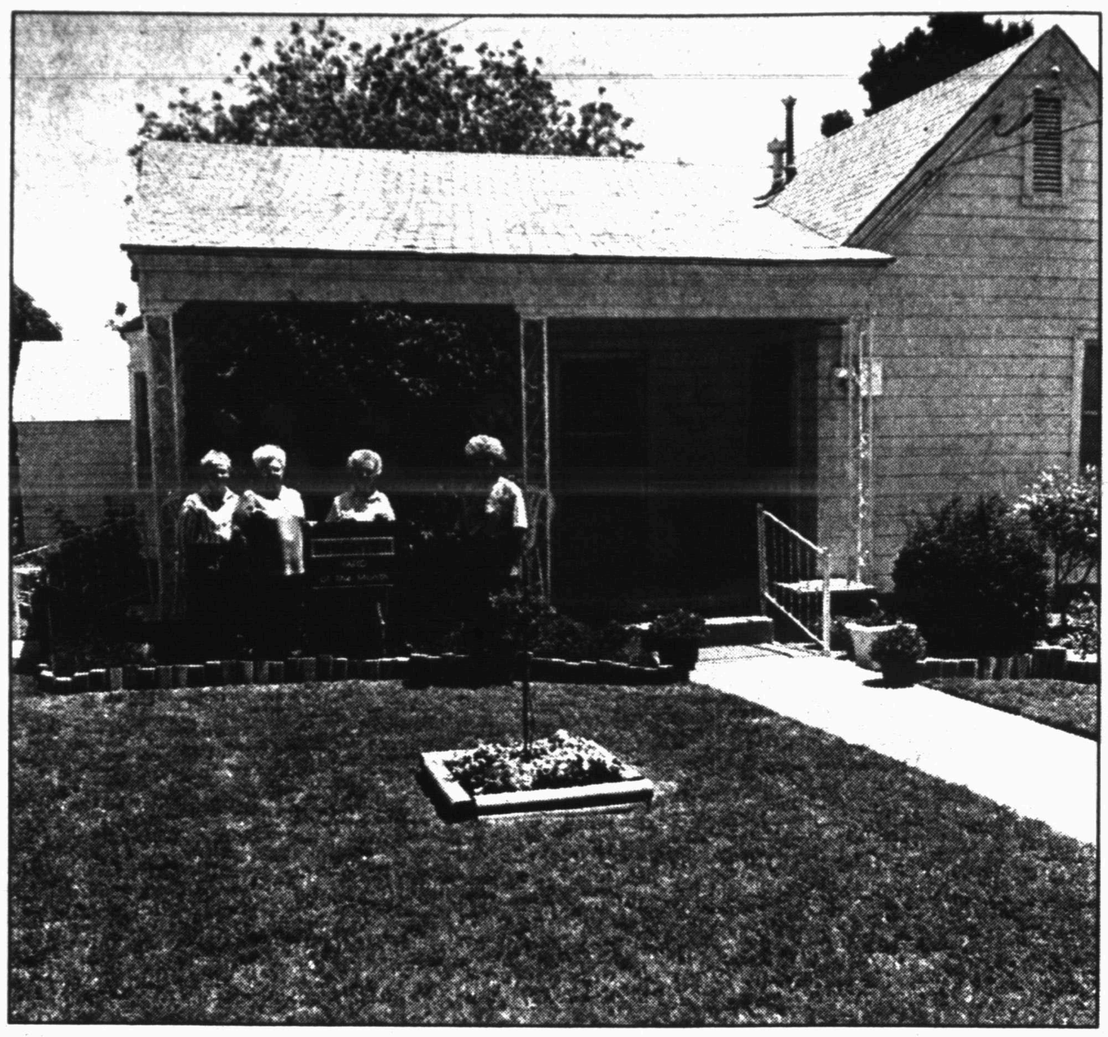
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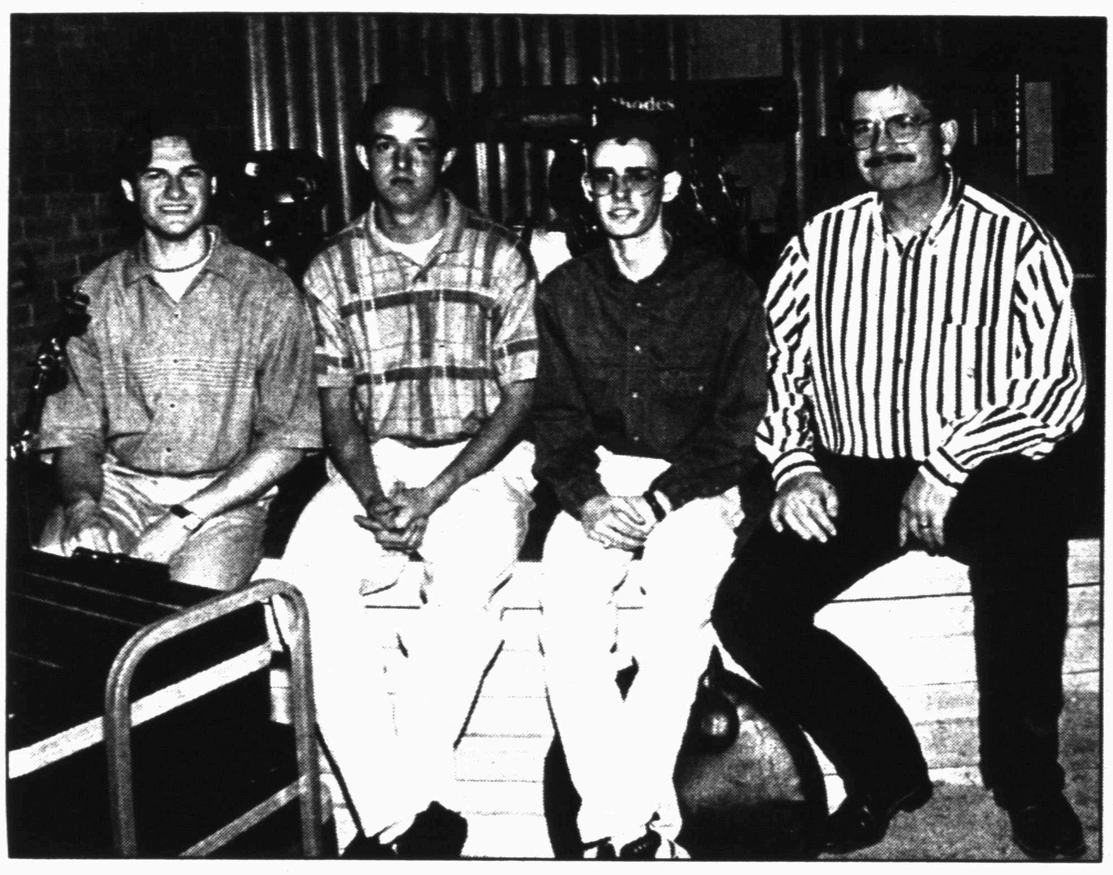
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LARGE YARD OF THE MONTH — Mark and Janie McCormick's yard, at 2805 32nd Street was chosen for large Yard of the Month by the Snyder Garden Club and Snyder Beautification Committee. Janie, left, is shown with judges Sandra Browning, Geleska Baze and Sonja Vinson. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)



YARDS OF THE MONTH — The Snyder Garden Club and Snyder Beautification Committee have chosen their first trio of Yards of the Month. In the top photo (right), Jackie Nail, at 3104 Ave. T, received one May honor and the most improved business Yard of the Month went to The Hair Station at 2005 26th, owned by Sandy Pollard, shown left. May judges included Geleska Baze, Sandra Browning and Sonja Vinson. (Staff Photos by Jo Ann Nunley)



ENTERTAINMENT — The Ira Combo entertained at the annual Upper Colorado SWCD's annual banquet. Leader of the band is David Brown, shown right. The trio, from left, are graduating seniors who have played in the band for several years. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)



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BOOK FEATURE

"My Name Isn't Martha, But I Can Decorate My Home," by Sharon Hanby-Robie.

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NEW NON- FICTION

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"The Joy of Reflexology," by Ann Gillanders.

"You Got to Dance With Them What Brung You," by Molly Ivins.

"52 More Off-beat Texas Stops," by Bob Phillips.

NEW FICTION

"Left Behind," by Tim LaHaye.

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New numbers for two services

The Department of Protective and Regulatory Services (Child and Adult Protective Services) now has a separate telephone line from the Department of Human Services.

The new Protective Services number is 915-574-1470, which is a direct line to the department.

Human Services phone number has not changed and will remain 915-573-1161.

The kiwi fruit is also known as the Chinese gooseberry.

Bren almost quietly weds Muller, lawyer

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP) — Billionaire land baron Donald Bren believes in the element of surprise, at least when he's getting married.

Bren quietly wed entertainment lawyer Brigitte Muller, his companion of more than two years, The Orange County Register reported Thursday.

The couple were honeymooning in the Caribbean after a near-secret ceremony at All Saints' Episcopal Church in Beverly Hills on Saturday.

Forbes magazine estimated the real estate mogul's net worth at $2.5 billion in 1997. Bren, 66, also was highly regarded as one of the nation's most eligible bachelors.

Muller, 32, practices entertainment law in Los Angeles.



SPECIAL SWCD AWARD — Billie Jean Sterling, wife of the late Leon Sterling, and their daughter, Lisa Wallace, (left) accepted a plaque of appreciation of Leon's conservation efforts and support of the Upper Colorado SWCD. Pictured with them is Ted Crenwelge, master of ceremonies for the recent annual banquet held at Martha Ann Woman's Club. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

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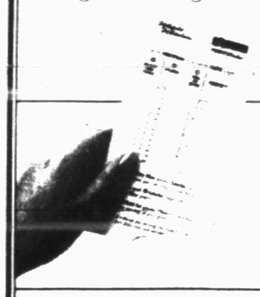


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Vanette Everett, 1998 Pontiac from Big Country Autoland.

B. Keith Patton, 1999 Chevrolet Suburban from Big Country Autoland.

Kelly Gaskins, 1998 Chevrolet Blazer from Big Country Autoland.

Chevron Pipe Line Co., 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Donald R. and Kathy Murdock, 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Curtis L. Guynes, 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

R. Douglass and Susie White, 1999 Pontiac from Big Country Autoland.

Loretta Dodson, 1998 Buick from Big Country Autoland.

John F. Wilson, 1998 Ford Explorer from Wilson Motors.

Kevin Shoemaker, 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

C.K. Clark, 1998 Ford Explorer from Wilson Motors.

Kema Mechanical Inc., 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Eddie and Deborah Jones, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Julie McKinnon, 1998 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

Two Rivers Pipeline Co., 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Burl Dean Peevy, 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Gerald Leatham, 1998 Pontiac from Big Country Autoland.

Ramage Furniture and Appliance, 1998 Dodge pickup from Snyder Chrysler.

George L. and Therman O. Upshaw, 1998 Buick from Big Country Autoland.

Joseph Guy Baker, 1998 Ford from Wilson Motors.

Tim Johnson, 1997 Ford from Wilson Motors.

Nicolas Galindo, dba Workshore MGR, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Steven Rich, dba Richco LLC, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Marriage License

Christopher Lee Palacios and Dona Xalyn Northcutt, both of Snyder.

Action in District Court

Scurry County vs. Michael B. Dennis, et al, order granting nonsuit.

Deed Records

Arlie M. Rodgers to Aurelio H. and Kathy J. Medina, all of Lots 21-24 in Block 20 of the Belmont Park Heights Addition.

Anthony W. Porter to Theodore M. and Nova I. Olsen, the west 50 feet and the south 20 feet of Lot 1, Block 72, Original Town of Hermleigh.

Frances C. Felan to Elizabeth Martinez, all of Lots 12-16 in Block 14 of the Greenhill Addition.

Billie Marie and Norman Cannon to David C. Frazier, all of Lot 27 in Block K of the Replat of the Towle Place Addition.

Mary Jimm Floyd to Burl D. and Anita K. Peevey, a 0.523-acre tract in the southeast one-quarter of Section 181, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Jessie Palo to Renda Derrick, tract one being the south one-half of Lot 3 in Block 28 of the Cody Addition; tract two being the north 75 feet of Lot 3 in Block 28 of the Cody Addition.

Steven B. and Helen J. Rogers to the Rogers Family Living Trust, a tract out of the Original Survey 21, J.P. Smith Survey.

Scurry County to Dennis Downing, 12.7865 acres, being Lot 13 of the Round Top Acres Subdivision of Sections 185 and 186, H&GN survey.

Glenn McCowen to Bily Hoag, all the northeast one-quarter of Section 151, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Floyd W. and Elizabeth E. Duncan to the Floyd W. and Elizabeth E. Duncan Revocable Living Trust, Lot 6 in Block 15 of the Park Place Addition.

Bobby L. McLeod to Debra Sue McLeod, Lot 35 of the H&A Addition, a Subdivision of 31.974 acres in the southeast one-quarter of Section 207, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Local's ship takes part in rescue

FHTNC — Navy Airman Angelica M. Ramirez, daughter of Francisco Ramirez and Antonia Avila of Snyder, recently participated in a daring rescue at sea aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Wasp, currently on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf.

Responding to a distress call from a merchant vessel burning off the coast of Crete, Sailors and Marines from Ramirez's ship organized an emergency fire fighting team to assist the ships crew in controlling the blaze.

In addition, Ramirez's ship maneuvered alongside the merchant to use fire hoses to combat the explosive fire externally. The merchant with a crew of only 22 was loaded with containers of highly volatile chemicals. Medical personnel from Ramirez's ship also rendered aid to injured crewmen.

Prior to rendering the emergency aid, Ramirez's ship also won their second consecutive Secreary of the Navy's Environmental Award for environmental quality. The award acknowledges excellence in many areas in environmental protection, including air, water and noise pollution control, waste management and resource recovery, hazardous waste management and environmental awareness.

The 1995 graduate of Snyder High School, joined the Navy in June 1996.

Ira, Snyder each receive Project Graduation funds

Ira and Snyder High Schools are among 29 high schools in the Abilene district receiving a $300 mini-grant each from the Texas Department of Transportation for Project Graduation 1998.

In addition to the grant, Brenda Mitchell, Abilene district traffic safety coordinator, visited each high school and presented the Project Graduation chairperson key chains for each of the graduates who attend their high school event. These mementos bare the slogan, "Zero Tolerance — Think, Don't Drink." T-shirts bearing the same slogan were also donated as door prizes.

"These graduation keepsakes are intended to be a reminder to the students to remain alcohol-free around prom and graduation time," Mitchell said.

For the past several years TxDOT has made grants available through its Traffic Operations division to support Project Graduation. The money is divided between the state's 25 districts who then determine the amount of each grant based on the number of high schools participating in their individual district.

Transportation officials report that this program is one of TxDOT's most popular and well-received projects offered throughout the state.

Project Graduation was originally developed to assist rural schools with their celebrations and began in 1984 with only two schools. In 1989, the first year the department provided mini-grants to rural schools, they had 59 recipients. The program proved so successful, and it was expanded to include all high schools. The more than 500 schools that participated last year effected 110,000 students.

The mini-grants are not intended to fully fund a Project Graduation event, Mitchell said, but to provide "seed money" for schools to start and support alcohol-free parties for high school students. The funds are to be used to cover expenses such as printing, materials, postage, supplies, room rentals and the like.

N.M. museum invisions $15 million expansion

ROSWELL, N.M. (AP) — With eyes as big as saucers, the International UFO Museum and Research Center is envisioning a $15 million expansion into the next millennium.

The three-phased program would include a new 25-acre site west of Roswell, a high-tech computer research facility, interactive museum and gift shop, office complex, a children's museum and perhaps someday an auditorium — all focused on alien beings from outer space.

"We want to become the clearinghouse for information, not just the place that information is gathered," museum director Deon Crosby said Thursday, "but to go to the next level by technically compiling, studying and distributing to the public this information."

Attendance is expected to reach 310,000 this year, Crosby said, and the existing museum soon will be too small.

To get Phase I rolling, the museum has taken out a five-year option to buy the 25 acres on U.S. 70 from a local development company, United Continental New Mexico, Crosby said Thursday.

The museum expects to raise $7.5 million to cover Phase I before the five years expire, she said.

8 sickened by E. coli

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — State health officials are warning doctors to be on the lookout for E. coli after eight people were sickened by the food-borne bacteria strain.

One person remained hospitalized as epidemiologists worked to determine the cause. Officials said they may have found a common source of the sickness, but weren't ready to release any details.

"The most important thing we want to emphasize is if you're having any symptoms, to get to a physician or to call the Health Department," said Dr. Crystal Jones, an infectious disease specialist with the Marion County Health Department in Indianapolis.

Senior Center Menu

MONDAY

Steak fingers, cooked cabbage, scalloped potatoes, tomato wedges, peaches & oatmeal cookies.

TUESDAY

Oven fried chicken, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, sliced pineapple/cheese salad, coconut pudding.

WEDNESDAY

Swiss fried steak, cauliflower w/cheese sauce, herbed green beans, lettuce salad, cherry cobbler.

THURSDAY

Grilled ham, baked potato, blackeye peas, fresh spinach salad, white cake w/white frosting.

FRIDAY

Fried fish, tater tots, mixed vegetables, creamy coleslaw, bread pudding.

Senior Center News

Upcoming activities at the Senior Citizens Center include the Monday through Friday exercise class which begins at 11 a.m. each day.

On Monday, bridge begins at 9:30 a.m. and the domino tournament starts at 10 a.m. The AARP will meet at noon.

Tuesday's activities include 42/88 which is scheduled for 10 a.m. and the Hoss Clayton Band will play at 11 a.m.

On Wednesday, activities include bingo at 10 a.m. and line dancing at 1 p.m.

Thursday's activities will be Tri-chem at 9 a.m. and the Senior Saints who will play at 11 a.m.

For Friday, bridge is set for 9:30 a.m., the blood pressure clinic will begin at 9:30 a.m. and a special Memorial Day program gets underway at 11:15 a.m.

Seniors are reminded to vote for the Silver-Haired Legislator of their choice on May 26.

The center has books, jigsaw puzzles and magazines which seniors may borrow.

In addition to the daily exercise classes, the center also has exercise bikes which seniors may use and Travis Gym is available for walking.

The schedule for the swimnastics class will be announced as soon as summer registration is complete on June 1.

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And that's something you can count on for life.

Cogdell Memorial Hospital

Editorial Comment

India's nuclear tests

Het Parool, Amsterdam

For reasons that are still not completely clear, India has conducted underground nuclear tests and provoked a storm of protests from the whole world. ...

At best, these tests will bring this sensitive nuclear problem onto the top of the international political agenda again, creating the possibility that, with renewed energy, a ban on all nuclear weapons will be achieved.

But that is very unlikely, seeing how Indian leaders have reacted to the tests with triumph and nationalistic pride. The danger is but too real that India will continue with its nuclear testing and provoke a disastrous nuclear arms race in the region, forcing archrival Pakistan and China to take up the gauntlet.

Endangered species

The Austin American-Statesman

People shouldn't get too giddy about the announcement that more than two dozen birds, plants and animals now protected by the Endangered Species Act are recovering so fast that they may soon be removed from the list. The announcement had more to do with politics than science.

ESA opponents say that because few species have been dropped from the act, the act doesn't work. By coming up with the group to be taken off the list, the government is attempting to show ESA opponents that the act works. Certainly, the act does work, and recovery of some of the species on the new list is attributable to the law. But on average 85 species are added to the list every year ...

Putting an animal or plant on the list — of taking it off — without correcting the factors that threaten its existence is useless. That is why the act should be protected from attempts to weaken its provisions, particularly those that conserve habitat. That is also why organizations that purchase habitat, such as the Nature Conservancy, and efforts across the globe to contain the birth rate, are as important in preserving species as the ESA. We need them all.

On IRS reform

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Call it an overhaul, a reform, a restructuring — or call it spinach if you wish. The result is the same: a long-overdue revamping of the way the Internal Revenue Service relates to and deals with American taxpayers.

The popularity of the revamping is demonstrated by the 97-0 vote by which it passed in the Senate. The popularity, in the minds of many politicians, is in inverse ratio to the unpopularity of the IRS. Nobody loves a tax collector.

And, to be sure, there were recent stories about how congressional Republicans were "using" the IRS issue as a camel's nose under the tent to get rid of income taxes altogether. Some Republicans have made no bones about wanting to make radical changes in the tax system, and Democrats know this and will probably not wish to go as far. But that wasn't really the point here.

The bill that came out of the Senate, and will probably form the basis of the bill that comes out of a House-Senate conference, makes legitimate changes in the rules governing IRS behavior. If it only shifted the burden of proof from the taxpayer to the IRS when a dispute goes to court (which it does), it would be welcome, but it goes much further. It creates internal and external review and oversight of how the IRS operates. It simplifies the appeals process. It protects innocent spouses from liability that is not rightfully theirs. And so forth.

It does not simplify the tax codes, or juggle rates, or create new special-interest deductions. Congress will argue all that out soon enough.

For now, it is enough that it is pointing a kinder, gentler IRS toward the next century.

A tragic reminder, perhaps

All of Snyder is mourning the deaths of four young adults, killed this past week as a result of motor vehicle accidents.

One graduated less than a month ago from Western Texas College with a degree in computerized business technology. Another was enrolled in the college's golf/landscape technology program. Still another was employed by Snyder public schools.

Three were mothers, their children still very young.

These were intelligent, vivacious young people. All four were in their 20s and seemed to have a bright future.

But their lives were cut short by two terrible traffic accidents, just days apart. Senseless accidents, it would seem. There were no other vehicles involved, no reports of animals straying into the road.

They leave behind grieving families. Mothers, fathers, daughters, sons, sisters, brother, grandparents who will never hold them again. Close friends, who never got to say goodbye.

Loved ones trying to make sense out of something that makes no sense. Why so young?

Were they not paying attention?

Did they fall asleep and run off the road?

Did they reach for something on the floorboard and take their eyes off the road for a split second too long?

Was there a blowout or some malfuncion that caused the vehicles to swerve out of control?

We just don't know.

We do know that none of them was wearing a seat belt. Three of the four were ejected from the vehicles in which they were traveling.

And we don't know if seatbelts would have saved them, but we wish we had that chance back, to urge them, "Buckle up, buckle up."

Texas Department of Public Safety's statistics from 1996 — the latest available — show that the chance of being killed in an accident is nine times as great for persons not wearing seat belts as for those wearing seat belts.

Nothing can replace the four young people who died less than an hour from their homes on Texas highways this past week. We can't bring them back.

We can only hope that through these tragedies, other lives will be saved. Perhaps at the very least, as we hand our sons and daughters the car keys, as we pick up a friend to go to the dance or the ballgame, we will be reminded of these four young adults, and say "Buckle up. If not for you, do it for me. Buckle up."

Letters to the Editor

Walking tall!

Dear Editor,

The NTS/MS Walk was an overwhelming success, thanks to a wonderful city, awesome sponsors and impressive participants.

Multiple sclerosis is a degenerating disease that hits in the prime of life and begins with fatigue, blurred vision, numbness, tingling, pain and leads to stiffness of limbs, cognitive impairment, physical and emotional disability.

This disease impacts family, friends, employment and community. It is like a rock thrown into water with ever-widening circles spreading from the toss.

It was with great appreciation that we, who are involved with the National MS Society, watched the support of a city that cares and is willing to reach out and help others. On behalf of the quarter of a million Americans who have MS and all those who love and care for them, we send you a million thanks for getting up on a Saturday to make a difference for someone you possibly didn't even know.

For those of you who walked for someone, your contribution could be the dollar that funds the research that finds the cure.

The NTS/MS Walk could also not have been made possible without the tremendous sponsorship of NTS Communications. What a tremendous company they are in their willingness to give back to not only their community, but to all of West Texas.

A special thanks also goes to the rest of our sponsors, especially KSNY, Dink Foree and all the other DJs who made our Walk day so much fun with their on-the-spot coverage.

It takes a lot of work and a lot of help to hold an NTS/MS Walk, but you all came through. We couldn't have made it without you.

The money earned goes toward a fast pace research that is in the most exciting and knowledgeable time of the century. Each coin has a better chance than ever of being the breakthrough to a cure. We would rather put all our efforts into a long-term benefit that will help for a lifetime than give it all away striving to help for one day.

Thank you, thank you, Snyder, for a successful day. Our goal is to end the devastating effects of MS.

Rona Bowerman
Client Program Coordinator
West Texas Division
MS Society

Thanks to the kids

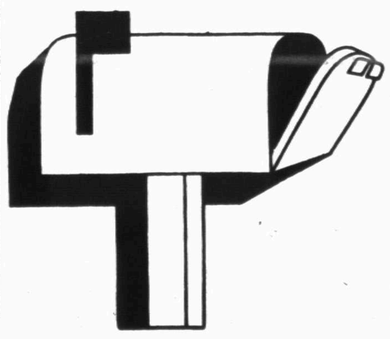
Dear Editor:

On Friday, May 8, 1998, the Snyder Safe Child Program, directed by Carolyn Torres, came to the Wagon Wheel Ranch for a day of fun and food. There were 160 kids and about 40 parents and teachers that attended the day's activities.

We would like to say thank you to the sponsors and parents for all the help they gave during the day. We also want to say a bigger thank you to the kids for their great attitudes. The kids did not give anyone any trouble and they had a great time.

Working with Carolyn was a delight and everyone should be glad we have a program in Snyder like this one that is working. Again, thanks for a great bunch of kids, parents and teachers.

Wagon Wheel Ranch
Billy Ray & Pam Browning
and All the Employees





All feminists aren't man-haters

Deanie Francis Mills

It ain't easy, bein' the only feminist for a hundred square miles. Well, let me rephrase that, it ain't easy, being the only ADMITTED feminist. I know plenty of tough old broads like moi, who have battled their way up the career ladder in a male-dominated profession or otherwise men's-world type arena, but who, when you ask if they are feminists, start back-pedaling so fast their feet get blurred.

I don't blame them, really. People assume that if you admit you are a feminist, you are automatically a card-carrying member of the National Organization for Women, which is simply not true for the majority of us who do not accept their political agenda — just like you can be a gun enthusiast without joining the NRA. They also assume right off the bat that you are pro-choice, and again, you may or may not be, regardless of whether you consider yourself a feminist. And folks often figure you for a man-hater.

I laugh.

The truth is that most strong women love men. They love the company of men because they tend to think like a man thinks. They have to, if they want to make it in the business world. In fact, my husband teases me because he claims I don't like a movie unless there's blood and car-chases in it, and the truth is that I don't sit still for many so-called "chick-flicks" because I don't have the patience. (My idea of torture is to strap me in a chair and force me to sit through "The Bridges of Madison County.")

C'mon, girlfriends — you know you're out there. I know you're out there. So why don't you just admit it? You're a tough broad who likes and respects men and you like the challenge of testing your strength against them, and they like and respect you back for it. I hate to have to be the one to break this to you — but you're a feminist, all right.

Not only do most feminists enjoy the company of men, but most of us marry strong, manly men. I know the stereotype is that we pick nutty little guys we can push around, but where's the fun in that? Besides, the secret is simple: strong, manly men are not threatened by strong women. They admire and respect them. We admitted feminists have known that since before Gloria Steinem strapped on Playboy bunny ears to do an expose on the clubs for "Ms. Magazine."

But don't take my word for it. Pick up a copy of this month's "Texas Monthly" magazine — the one with Sandra Bullock on the cover beneath the headline, "Hollywood, Texas." Inside, mixed in with all sorts of fascinating articles about the booming film industry in Texas — particularly in Austin — is an outstanding essay by Linda Obst called "Fiminism." Obst is a producer for 20th Century Fox and recently worked with Bullock on the upcoming release, "Hope Floats." She also authored the book, "Hello, He Lied; and Other Truths from the Hollywood Trenches." (Little, Brown.)

Obst talked about how she didn't know what to expect the first time she came out here to "this great locker room" of a macho state to make a movie, and how pleasantly surprised she has been — so much so that she now lives here. She discovered straightway the predominant attitude of, "Stand back and let's watch what the little lady can do."

And boy, do they. "Texas women are different," she claims. "They cultivate many skills ... They kind of like testosterone and all its trappings, they may even have some ... Anyway, Texas men don't like their women wimpy. After all, they were raised by Texas women, who at some point in their ancestry were required to make a life out of hardscrabble land, battling hostile outsiders, scorpions, and weather.

"Effective women do not make Texas men nervous," she says, "They make them feel safe. Texas men like a woman who can mount a horse, fix a truck, and shoot a gun. They're not threatened by a woman in mud-stained pants who smells of horse. And they like it when we can do what they do."

Her California girlfriends, she says are envious of her life out here. "They are stuck with men who ... can't change a light bulb, fix a flat, or make their own plane reservations, let alone build a lake." Men who are threatened, she adds, by women who can do their jobs.

Her girlfriends know that, "In Texas, a woman can be a woman without apology, riding shotgun in a pickup next to a strong Texas man with a cooler full of beer in the back."

You know. A feminist.

Awwww ... C'MON! ADMIT IT! I'M SICK OF BEING THE ONLY ONE!





Times seem dim for lightning bugs

Leon Hale

HOUSTON — Last week when I was on the fishing trip out in the Hill Country I slept three nights in the bed of the pickup to enjoy the stars and watch for satellites, and once I saw a few lightning bugs.

You may call them fireflies. In my early times they were lightning bugs and I haven't been able to give up that name. I've just about given up lightning bugs, though, because they're sure getting scarce.

They're scarce even out there in the Hill Country where the big red ants still make their trails and mounds, and where horny frogs (horned lizards) have not disappeared. I didn't see a horny frog on the fishing trip this time but I think they're there. A year ago I saw several, lurking around those red ant beds.

Lightning bugs and red ants and horny frogs are significant creatures to me because they were daily actors in the environment when I was growing up long ago. I don't want them to go away. The idea threatens me, for reasons that are probably obvious to a psychiatrist.

Occasionally one of the customers will write and ask, "Whatever happened to lightning bugs?"

I know who these people are. When they were children they didn't have their eyes glued to a television set and after supper on summer nights they went out and played with the fireflies.

The air above yards and vacant lots was often swarming with lightning bugs. You could make a pass with your cupped hand and catch two or three. We used to put them in fruit jars and trap so many the jars of bugs would make a sort of lamp, giving off an eerie glow.

The value of this small creature was that it led many a child into an appreciation of natural mysteries.

Every once in a while we see a couple of the bugs around the old country house at Winedale and sighting them is an event. I wonder what my parents would say, if they knew that it's more common now to see a satellite streaking across the sky than to see a lightning bug flying over the front yard.

A while back I wrote to the Department of Entomology at Texas A&M and asked a few firefly questions. Where have they gone, and why? Have they ever been a pest to plants and crops? Have any scientific firefly studies been made?

I had a response from John A. Jackman, professor of entomology. "Unfortunately," he wrote, "we know very little about the population cycles or limiting factors that affect fireflies. We have had several inquiries about the seemingly low numbers in recent years. However, there is not enough background information to know if this is a normal fluctuation in numbers or a changing trend."

My guess has always been that the lightning bugs were the victims of all the poisons we've spread over the land, to kill pests. Professor Jackman said "several factors have been suggested that could impact (firefly) population" and one is the use of pesticides. Others are urbanization, weather changes like El Nino, and fire ants.

"Without more specific studies and long-term monitoring," he said, "we simply cannot say for sure."

The firefly is not really a fly but a beetle. There are many species and some, in the grub stage, feed on snails and slugs and the like and are not considered harmful to plants. Too bad, in one sense. I mean if the lightning bug fed on cotton, corn, rice, oats or wheat, we'd have entomologists all over the country studying the thing. (That's my own observation and not Professor Jackman's.)

The last extraordinary lightning bug display I saw was in 1982, when my partner and I were chasing the ghost of Thomas Jefferson and spent a day on the campus of the University of Virginia. At dusk, when we were walking beside a lawn where Jefferson walked, hundreds and hundreds of fireflies began rising in slow motion out of the grass, to go flashing about the campus.

A spectacular event. No one else appeared to notice, so I suppose the fireflies presented that show daily.

Leon Hale is a columnist for the Houston Chronicle.

Japan slightly wary of Hollywood's 'Godzilla'

TOKYO (AP) — A behemoth shift is afoot in the U.S.-Japan trade imbalance.

But the issue isn't laser-discs or cars. It's Godzilla.

The legendary lizard with radioactive breath and a wicked tail-slap will be exported back to Japan this summer, a few months after the much-hyped TriStar Pictures "Godzilla" film extravaganza premieres May 18 in New York City.

Japan, long famous for retooling and mass marketing Western technology, is generally thrilled that Godzilla has made the Hollywood A-list and will be shipped here in a repackaged version.

However, some are wary about America tampering with a national icon.

"I'm really looking forward to seeing what Hollywood does to the character," said Koichi Kawakita, special effects director of many of the original Godzilla films. "But I'm a bit worried about how viewers will react to the changes."

Still, a legion of hard-core Japanese Godzilla fans — literally — can't wait to see the film in Japan.

Belying Japan's stubborn economic slump, travel agent Nippon Ryoko will shuttle about 200 Japanese devotees on a package tour to New York to witness "G-Day," Godzilla's Hollywood rebirth at Madison Square Garden.

"Since the contents of the movie have been kept secret, the fans are really anxious to check it out first," Shinohara said.

But TriStar executives beware: Although they don't spout fire. Japanese Godzilla fans can be a sensitive lot.

"Godzilla evokes very powerful memories for many Japanese," said Takashi Shinohara, who comes up with ideas for tours for Nippon Ryoko and is himself an avid Godzilla fan. "We'll be really angry if they change it too much from the original."

Movie buffs often place the Godzilla series in the so-bad-it's-brilliant category. The Hollywood film has raised fears that too many sophisticated pyrotechnics could tarnish Godzilla's low-budget, hand-made charm.

TriStar's "Godzilla" was budgeted at $100 million. The last Japanese Godzilla film cost about $8 million, a mere fistful by Hollywood standards.

Godzilla has such a strong following in Japan that Nippon Ryoko's Shinohara has successfully launched several Godzilla-theme package tours in the past.

When Godzilla — who is powered by nuclear energy — died of a meltdown two years ago after overheating in a rumble with a giant oxygen-sucking scorpion in "Godzilla vs. Destroyer," Nippon Ryoko arranged a funeral tour for the bereft. Black mourning dress was de rigeur. Shinohara says it wasn't a joke.

"The fans were seriously sad," he said. "Many people cried."

But special effects director Kawakita believes that the sheer power will make it hard for Hollywood to stray too far from the original concept.

"Godzilla's appeal is simple: He's incredible, he's strong," said Kawakita. "I don't think they'll change that."

Also, Kawakita hopes that Hollywood will be able to rejuvenate the decades-old monster and inspire new ideas for Godzilla movies in Japan.

"Godzilla has evolved many times since the first movie," he said. "I think Hollywood's Godzilla will inspire new directions for the character."

The extraordinary barter of cultural icons has even caught the eye of Secretary of State Madeleine Albright.

Commenting in Tokyo about the recent flow of officials between Washington and Tokyo, Albright quipped: "Perhaps the most high-level exchange so far will happen in two weeks ... Godzilla will come to New York City."

Even if it isn't high level, the exchange certainly is extensive.

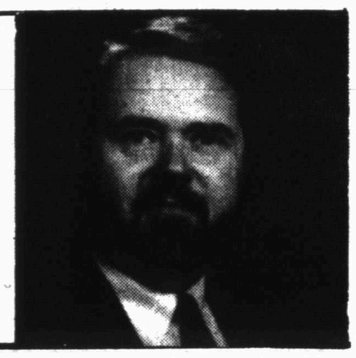
Japan's Sony owns Hollywood major TriStar, which approached the Tokyo-based Toho Studio for rights to homegrown hero Godzilla. On "G-Day," he may be sorely tempted to stomp all over Rockefeller Center, which was once owned by Japanese business moguls.

But the international attention Godzilla has been receiving of late hasn't affected everyone in Japan.

Another bone-crusher, American-born sumo grand champion Akebono, shrugged off questions about the fire-breathing dragon at a recent Red Cross charity event.

Minding Your Own Business

By Don Taylor



Marketing with technology: High-tech tips for your business

How many web pages are already on the Internet? According to recent reports, more than 320 million. Entrepreneurs, web-page builders and access providers are adding one more site every minute.

Will this become this small-business owner's marketing alternative of choice? Or, will the Internet become a mega morass of information overload. Will we build great, enduring companies along the information highway? Or, will we find ourselves sitting in a commerce-constipated traffic jam in cyberspace.

No one can answer these questions completely. At least not yet. However, just in case high-tech marketing does become the strategic weapon of choice for small-business owners, here are some tips for growing your business online.

Cyper marketing tips

•**Understand the medium.** The World Wide Web is a niche marketing medium. It is not a mass medium. The quality of a customer who visits your site is much more critical to your success than the quantity of visits. You do have global reach, but to a very narrow band of potential customers.

•**Limit your online time.** Using your computer and the Internet for marketing requires discipline. Don't let the lure of marketspace consume hours you need for improving the core elements of your business. If you don't keep the quality in your products and services, online marketing may actually hasten your demise. If you don't keep your promises, your uplink may be your downfall.

•**Gear your online marketing to people.** You may easily forget who is on the other end of your online efforts. It is another person. Yes, your cyber connection is electronic, and your interface is a computer. However, on the other end of every electronic action is a potential customer, a real, live person. As with all other types of marketing, cyber marketing is all about people.

•**Don't expect overnight success.** All marketing efforts take time and some tweaking. Try different techniques. Try different graphics, copy and colors. Be patient. It will take some time for good customers to find your site. However, don't wait for success. Stay focused on making your site more useful and user friendly.

•**Cross promote.** One of the best ways to increase your marketing velocity is to cross promote. Your business cards, brochures, letterhead, mailers, invoices and advertising should all carry your web address. Likewise, be sure to give your phone number, mailing address and catalog and brochure information online. Don't miss any opportunity.

•**Don't underestimate the contact time.** Sound web-based marketing allows plenty of time for customer development. One or two quick e-mails may not reassure all customers. Unique products, services or solutions may require lots of additional service online. Set aside the time before you make the online commitment.

•**Keep your site up to date.** Web technology is dynamic. Potential customers will return to a unique site that changes and becomes more user friendly with subsequent visits. Work on visual appeal and content. Keep it fresh, up to date and fun. Remember, good online marketing is information based. Your job is to ensure that the information is relevant to your potential customers.

•**Use a quality access provider to host your site.** Your online marketing efforts won't convert to business if your host's server is offline more than on. Do your homework. Visit with references before you select a host for your site. You can host your own site, but understand the requirements before you do.

Crime marketing can increase your open-for-business hours, improve your image and help you sell information-rich products and services. If you decide to go online, go for results, not recognition.

Don Taylor is the co-author of "Up Against the Wal-Marts." You may write to him in care of "Minding Your Own Business," P.O. Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.

Swanson attends three-day retreat

Twenty pastors and educators from Palo Duro Presbytery recently participated in a three-day retreat led by Sara Covin Juengst at Ceta Canyon Methodist Retreat Center near Happy.

Mrs. Juengst, a writer, ordained Presbyterian minister and certified Christian educator, holds a master of divinity degree from Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Ga.

She served her alma mater for nine years as the director of continuing education before her "retirement" to South Carolina with her husband, Dr. Daniel Juengst, professor emeritus from West Georgia College. She has written several books which have been well received by religious educators and pastors.

Nan Swanson, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, represented Snyder at the retreat. She also serves as the Moderator of the Coordinating Council, which is made up of the chairperson of the various committees of the Presbytery, and makes recommendations to the Presbytery as a whole for their consideration and vote.

Palo Duro Presbytery, the regional division of churches of the Presbyterian Church USA (PCUSA), covers the northwest corner of Texas, from the Oklahoma and New Mexico borders on the north and west, to Wichita Falls and Bowie on the east and Brownwood to the south.

Entomology Report

By Stephen Biles, Extension Agent, County Entomologist

The time has arrived for pecan growers to begin to look for pecan nut casebearers. The casebearer is one of the most important nut damaging insects in pecan production. The larvae will damage nutlets by tunneling into them soon after pollination, often destroying all of the nutlets in a cluster. Beginning in early May, nutlets should be examined for casebearer eggs. A warm spring, like the one we are having, may result in an earlier egg lay.

The pecan nut casebearer adult is only active at night, during which it mates and lays eggs on pecan nutlets. It is a grey moth about 1/3-inch in length and has a dark ridge of scales followed by a lighter colored band across its forewings. Moths can be detected by using pheremone baited traps, and are usually first seen around this time. Treatment dates are typically in the last week of May and the first week of June.

Most casebearer eggs are found on the tips of the nutlets. Eggs are barely large enough to be seen by the naked eye, oval shaped, flat. They are greenish white to white when first laid and turn pink just prior to hatching. The larvae (worms) reach a length of about 1/2-inch and are olive-grey to green in color. Larvae entry occurs on the bottom 1/3 of the individual nutlet. There will be a small hole that is usually covered with sawdust-like worm droppings that are webbed together.

The first generation can cause the most damage and for this reason, control is directed at this generation. Control must be precisely timed to kill the larvae between hatch and nut entry. Once inside the nut, the larvae are protected from insecticidal treatment.

When scouting for casebearers, examine at least 10 nutlet clusters per tree. A cluster is considered infested if it has a casebearer egg or nut entry. Treatment may be justified if more than 3 percent of the nut clusters are infested. An insecticide should be applied 1 to 2 days after the first eggs hatch, or as soon as nut entry is first observed. Nut clusters with eggs can be tagged and rechecked each day to determine when hatch occurs. If insufficient numbers of infested clusters are found, recheck the trees in 2 days.

Due to the erratic distribution of casebearers, infestation of pecan nut casebearers may not be present in all trees in 2 days.

Due to the erratic distribution of casebearers, infestation of pecan nut casebearers may not be present in all trees or orchards. Therefore, you should check your trees to determine if you have a past problem, insecticide applications may not be necessary.

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.

Carl Meldorf wasn't going to miss revival

NEW YORK (AP) - Carl Meldorf wasn't about to miss the revival of "Tip-Toes," having been a hoofer in George Gershwin's original Broadway production — in 1925.

Meldorf, 91, said musical comedy wasn't his first showbiz job. He was in the circus, but that work ended when he attempted a high-jump into a tank of water and missed.

"I went into musical comedy," he said with laugh during Wednesday's "Tip-Toes" intermission.

After dancing in "Tip-Toes" on Broadway and on the road, Meldorf was in "two or three flops on Broadway" and in another Gershwin show, "Girl Crazy," on the road. After he left show business, he ran children's camps and taught athletics.

Meldorf joined "Tip-Toes" about two weeks after it opened on Dec. 28, 1925. "I talked a lot with Ira Gershwin," he said. "He used to sit out in the audience. George was a little bit more reserved."

Beaver graduates

CLARENDON — Twenty-one students have graduated from Clarendon College's Ranch and Feedlot Operations Program.

Monte Beaver of Snyder was among the graduates.

Changes in clergy due on July 1

Bishop Placido Rodriguez of Lubbock recently announced changes in clergy assignments which directly affects Snyder's and Hermleigh's Catholic churches.

Fr. Patrick Maher, pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe, is being transferred to Littlefield where he will become pastor of Sacred Heart Church.

Fr. Gerald Leatham has been appointed pastor, while retaining his present position as pastor of St. Elizabeth in Snyder and St. John in Hermleigh.

At the same time, a new priest has also been appointed to the diocese, Fr. Joseph Ouseph SAC, a Pallottine priest, who is from India.

He will serve as the associate pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

All changes will become effective on July 1.

Fr. Leatham emphasized that both parishes will continue to act independently of each other. At this time, no changes in Mass schedules are anticipated.

Other changes involve former priests who have served in Snyder.

Fr. Reynaldo Reyes, former pastor of St. Elizabeth and St. John, has been appointed pastor of St. Anthony Church in Brownfield and St. Francis Church in Ropesville.

Fr. Timothy Judd, who served briefly at St. Elizabeth and St. John, will retire but will continue to help out as a retiree. Judd works in hospital ministry.

The last signer of the Declaration of Independence passed away in 1832 at the age of 95.

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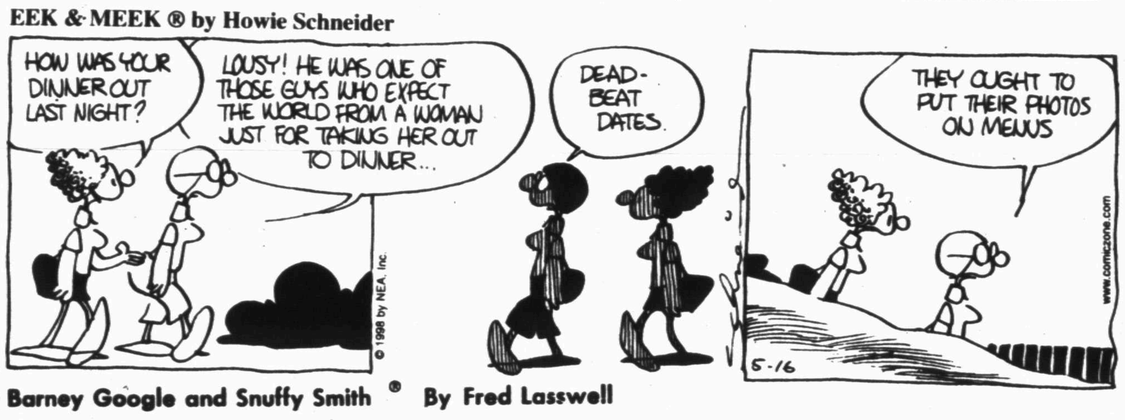
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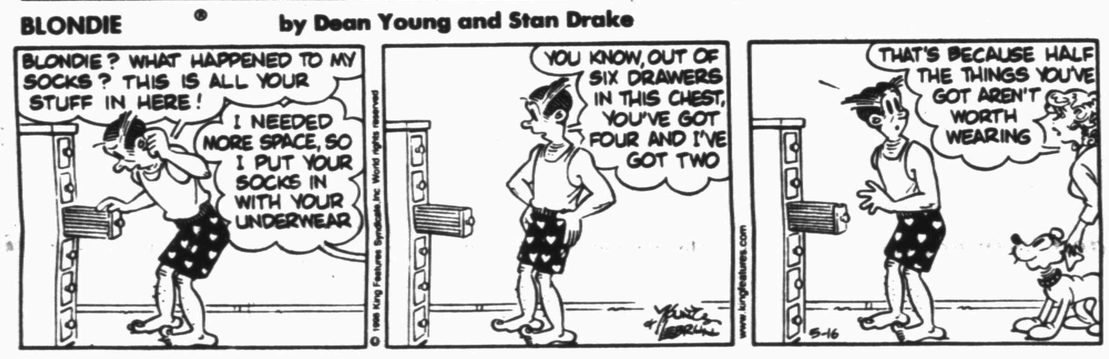
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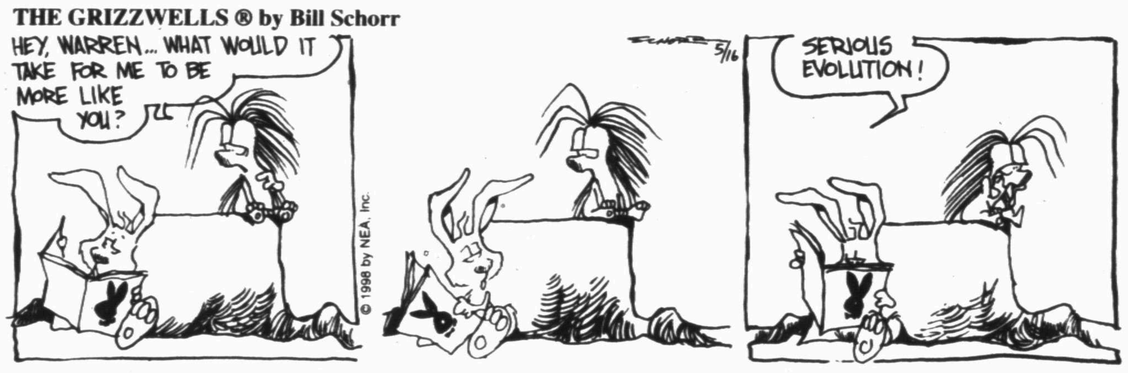
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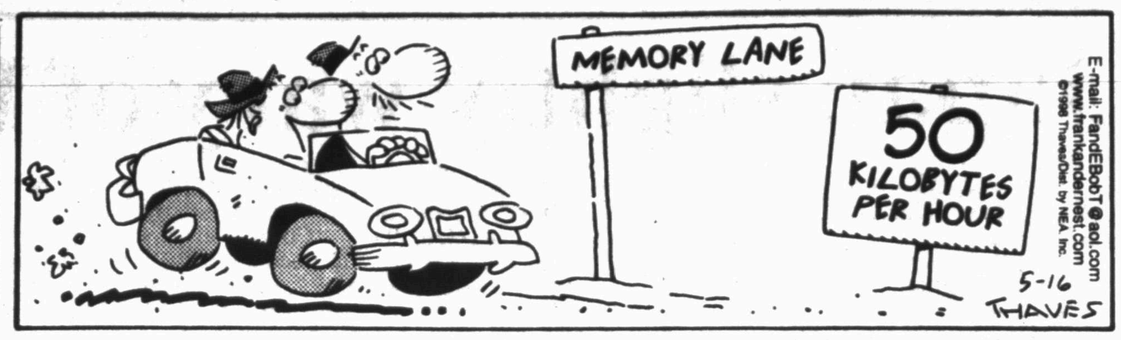
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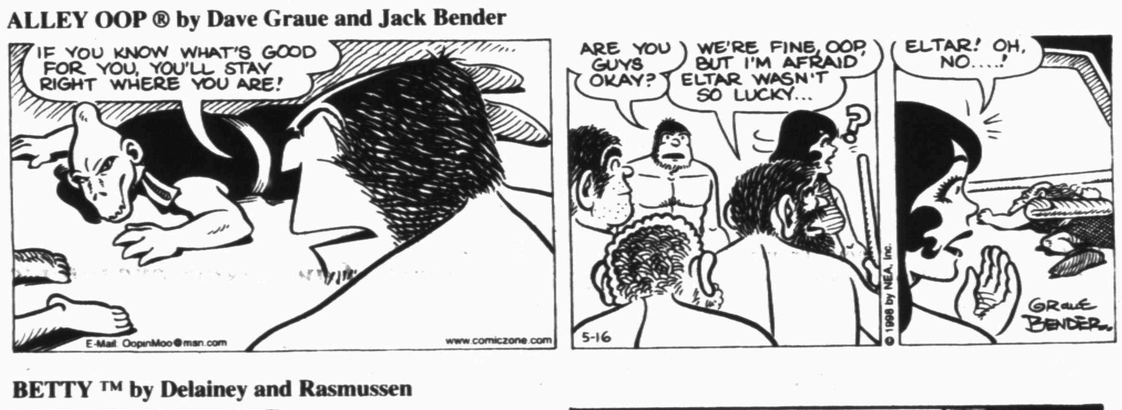


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15 National song
16 Sea eagle
17 Hearing cavity
19 Visitor to Siam
20 Messier
23 — — the time
26 Explosive inits.
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32 Bakery treat
34 Iran, formerly
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36 Enzyme suffix
37 Lawyer's org.
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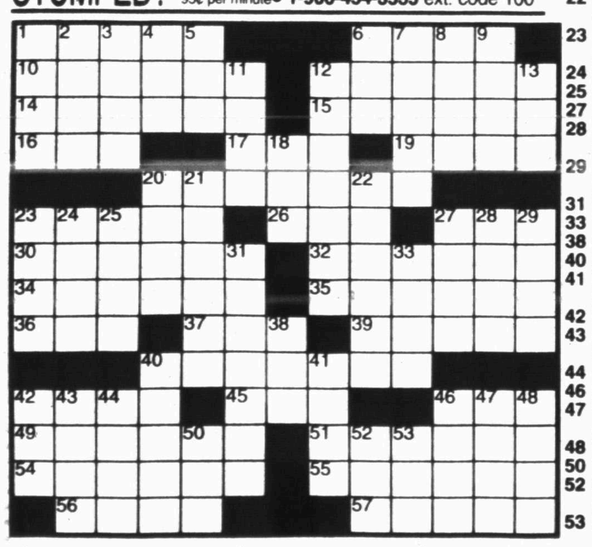
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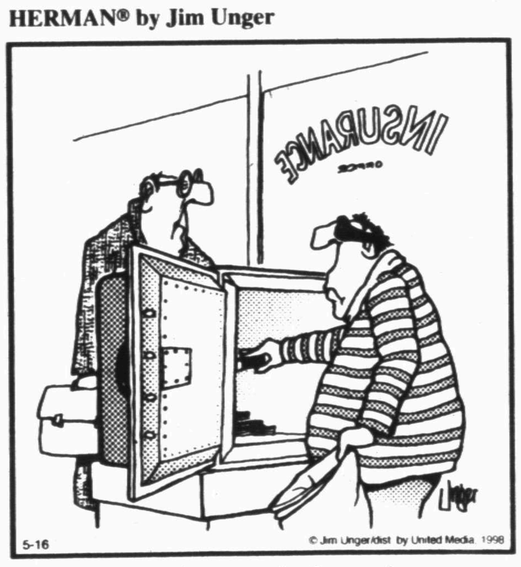
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Museum acquires top pieces

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Museum of Art has obtained three major cubist works worth an estimated $6 million total.

The still-life paintings by Pablo Picasso, Georges Braque and Juan Gris went on display Thursday at the museum, which previously had no cubist pieces.

"How could we talk about cubism in all our lectures and gallery tours and not have anything to show people?" DMA European curator Dorothy Kosinki told The Dallas Morning News. "Now we can demonstrate three different approaches to the cubist vocabulary, which was continually changing and evolving."

Longtime museum patron Margaret McDermott offered to pay for the Braque through her foundation if the museum raised the money for the Picasso. A group of donors contributed to the effort, which gained momentum when Mrs. McDermott said she also would give her 1913 Gris, "Guitar and Pipe."



CLASS PROJECT — These Grade One Class students at Valleycliffe Elementary School in Squamish, British Columbia, Canada sent VC Teddy to Snyder as part of a class project. Their teacher is Valarie Platz, niece of Gay and Bill Kimmell and granddaughter of Dotty Hart, all of Snyder. (Contributed Photo)

Snyder hosts unusual visitor

From time to time, Snyder is visited by out-of-country individuals, but none are quite as unusual as VC Teddy, who arrived this week.

You see, VC Teddy, is a cute and cuddly Teddy Bear who has traveled all the way from Squamish, British Columbia, Canada to the home of Dotty Hart, who is the grandmother of Valarie Platz, who teaches the Grade One class at Valleycliffe Elementary School.

VC Teddy is part of a class assignment. During the month of May he has been making the rounds, visiting as many places as possible.

Along the way, he is picking up signatures of those he encounters.

While in Snyder, VC Teddy has visited with Gay and Bill Kimmell, Platz' aunt and uncle, Annie Davis and Wendy Hicks at the post office, Shirley Hatfield at the Health Food Store, Lois Davidson, who lives in the Golden Terrace area, Mac Hancock of the Union community and the employees at Snyder Daily News.

Gay Kimmell noted that "This was fun and brought a smile to all of the above and brightened their day."



VC TEDDY — Dotty Hart holds VC Teddy, a loveable [illegible] teddy bear who has been visiting in Snyder. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Gingrich wants to be weatherman.

ATLANTA (AP) — Forget speaker of the House, Newt Gingrich wants to be your weatherman.

He agreed to give it a try, anyway. Gingrich signed on to forecast Friday during a segment of The Weather Channel's "Weekend Outlook."

The Republican from Georgia is uniquely qualified for the job, said Michael J. Eckert, chief executive officer of The Weather Channel.

Datebook

May 16, 1998

Today is the 136th day of 1998 and the 58th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1770, King Louis XVI of France wed Marie Antoinette.

On this day in 1929, The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences awarded its first Oscars to Janet Gaynor and Emil Jannings.

On this day in 1991, Queen Elizabeth II became the first British monarch to address Congress.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Liberace (1919-1987), entertainer; Billy Martin (1928-1989), baseball manager; Yannick Noah (1961-), tennis player, turns 37.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1933, Washington's Cecil Travis became the first player to make five hits in his first major-league game.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Hold faithfulness and sincerity as first principles." — Confucius

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1953, Hollis, Okla., experienced 110-degree weather, setting a May record for the state.

SOURCE: 1996 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (May 11) and last quarter (May 19).

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May 17, 1998

Today is the 137th day of 1998 and the 59th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1875, the first Kentucky Derby was held at Louisville, Ky.

On this day in 1946, President Harry S. Truman seized control of the railroads to avert a strike by engineers and trainmen.

On this day in 1994, racing champion Al Unser Sr. announced his retirement.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Ayatollah Khomeini (1900-1989), Iranian leader; Dennis Hopper (1936-), actor, is 62; Kathleen Sullivan (1954-), TV journalist, is 44.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1939, a college basketball game between Columbia and Princeton became the first sports event to be televised. The game was broadcast by NBC.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "If you will be cherished when you are old, be courteous while you be young." — John Lyly.

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1990, a 100-yard-wide tornado blew 88 cars of a 125-car train off the tracks and stacked them three to four cars high.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

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Your Birthday

Sunday, May 17, 1998

In the year ahead you might experience some changes which make you feel a lack of control. Don't let these altered conditions worry you — they're harbingers of better times to come.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Helping others can gain a great deal of ground for you today. You'll find your needs won't go unfulfilled, even though your primary focus is someone else's interests. Taurus, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper. P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Harmony can be restored today in two areas of your life that have been a trifle disruptive lately. Both are situations where you're compelled to lean upon others.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Assignments that have the full focus of your attention will be accomplished with relative ease and efficiency today. This is because you'll be determined to produce a positive result.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) A blend of curiosity, enthusiasm, strength and warmth will generate a charisma about you today others will find appealing. Your presence will command respect.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Material motivation is not a no-no where you are concerned today. Instead it will serve as a stimulant to encourage you to achieve your ambitious objectives for others, as well as for yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Do more listening than talking today when conversing with a friend you know has your best interest at heart. S/he may try to tell you something that will help you socially.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your ingenuity and resourcefulness will enhance your chances for personal acquisition today. Follow through on any bright ideas you get for turning a profit.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) This should be a fun day for you, involving a substantial amount of activity. Wherever you go, you'll be like a generator, infusing energy to both individuals and groups.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You'll be more effective in commercial matters today if you do things in a way that doesn't attract excessive attention. Free from outside influences, you'll be able do what is right.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A positive attitude will work wonders for you today in your relationships with close friends. If you're on a roll, it will cause negative companions to follow your example.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) It is not necessary for you to toss your weight around in order to impress others today. Your formula for winning is to focus your energy on your inner resolve.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) The soft-sell approach can be an extremely effective tool for you today. Apply your charm and humor in situations where it is necessary for you to woo supporters to your corner.

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Your Birthday

Monday, May 18, 1998

Three secret ambitions you've been nurturing have good chances of being fulfilled in the year ahead. This could come about through an unusual chain of events that keeps your hopes alive.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If there is something urgent you've been wanting to do pertaining to career or finance, give it a go today — conditions are favorable. Major changes are ahead for Taurus in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It might be more costly for you to do business with a friend today than with a stranger. You'll be better off bargaining unimpeded by loyalty or obligation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Determining important objectives is best left to your discretion today. Work closely with associates, but don't let them dominate the agenda.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Tell it like it is today, even if you feel a little white lie might be charitable. If you start to fib, you could trip over your own tongue.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Conditions might not be totally optimum where your career is concerned today, yet you could be very productive if you make the most out of the hand you've been dealt.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your interests might wane rather quickly today in situations you begin with gusto and enthusiasm. This could hold true for projects as well as personal relationships.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) It's important today that you don't have too many irons in the fire at one time. Reasonable assignments will be handled well, but your efficiency will be lessened if you attempt too much.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your good intentions could be misinterpreted today if you try to butt in and manage a situation. Be available if needed, but don't push yourself onto center stage.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) In a business situation today be equitable with persons who make a genuine contribution. By the same token, don't feel obligated to share benefits with those who have not.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A disagreeable co-worker could be even more difficult than usual today. Don't give this individual reasons to justify his/her behavior.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You should be good at fulfilling your personal aspirations today, but there are indications you might let advantages slip through your fingers.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Placating others today is a reasonable course of action, provided it isn't detrimental to your own causes and interests. Be sensible and don't compromise needlessly.

Lawmakers eye tobacco deal payment...

Houston lawyer subpoenaed

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston attorney Joe Jamail has been subpoenaed by a group of Texas legislators who want to know the "terms and conditions" that Attorney General Dan Morales may have offered lawyers to represent Texas against the tobacco industry.

Morales considered Jamail as one of the attorneys assisting Texas in the state's lawsuit against the tobacco industry. The lawsuit was settled earlier this year for $15.3 billion.

Jamail didn't get the job, and seven legislators want to talk to him. The lawmakers are fighting a federal judge's award of $2.3 billion in fees to the team of lawyers that Morales ended up with. The legislators contend the fees are excessive.

Lawyer Pete Schenkkan of Austin, who represents the lawmakers, declined to comment on the subpoena.

In a recent news story in The Wall Street Journal, Jamail was quoted as saying he turned down the job because the "attorney general insisted on certain conditions that (Jamail) found unacceptable."

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Dear Abby



By Abigail Van Buren

Tips From Kids' Stylist Help Take Trauma Out of Trimming

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DEAR ABBY: During the 10 years I have worked as a hairstylist, I have tried to make haircuts pleasant for children. Nevertheless, many are so terrified that all I can do is make sure they don't get hurt thrashing around in my chair. Parents can do a great deal to make a haircut a treat rather than a trauma.

1. Do not say "cut" to a small child. The word suggests danger and pain. Instead, say "styled" or "fixed" instead.

2. Try to take the child to the same stylist each time, so they can get to know each other. Also, take the child for visits that do not involve cutting, working in progressive steps from sitting in the chair to a haircut.

3. If the child has an older sibling, ask if the children can sit side-by-side to have their haircuts. The younger one may try to impress the older one with his or her good behavior. A parent or trusted adult may have the same calming influence.

4. Don't request an intricate or difficult haircut. It may take a long time and be unpleasant for the child.

5. If the child is fighting it, don't expect the stylist to continue. Fix the bangs and let it go.

6. Make sure the experience isn't a bad one: Holding a child's head forcibly is rarely helpful for the stylist and could be terrifying for the child.

7. Compliment your child on how nice he or she looks, and also on his or her good behavior. Tell the child you enjoy getting your hair cut.

8. Bring your own treat for the child, in case the stylist doesn't have any — or has run out.

9. Never place a young child in the chair and leave the salon. Do not leave your older child alone in the salon unless you first instruct the stylist how you want the child's hair cut. You may be surprised to learn that your son wanted a Mohawk!

10. Usually kids are not naughty, just frightened. However, if your child misbehaves, put your foot down firmly. Do not allow the child to run around the shop — floors tend to be slick with hair and water, and stylists use many chemicals as well as sharp and hot tools.

11. Never take children to a stylist when they are sick. Your child will be miserable having to sit still when not feeling well, and your stylist may catch what the child has.

Abby, I hope these suggestions will make haircuts more enjoyable for stylists, parents and especially children.

GRATEFUL IN OLYMPIA, WASH.

DEAR GRATEFUL: Thank you for a letter that many hairdressers and patrons will appreciate.

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DEAR ABBY: I have a solution for the woman who was concerned that high heels will mar her new parquet floors.

A number of years ago when I visited Westminster Abbey, I entered the beautiful Chapter House, which had a lovely parquet floor. At the doorway, there was a pile of booties (knitted or felt — I forget which) designed to be worn *over* the shoes. Wearing them over shoes would eliminate the possibility of contracting fungus.

DOROTHYANNE H. MACKAY,
WEST MELBOURNE, FLA.

DEAR DOROTHYANNE: What a great idea — booties to be worn *over* one's shoes!

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Parents' Little Dating Secret Should Remain Theirs Alone

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DEAR ABBY: I am in a situation similar to the one described by "Can't Forget in L.A.," whose parents lied about the date of their marriage. I recently learned that my family is caught up in the same scenario.

My sister had told me she believed our family had a secret — and she suspected it was our parents' date of marriage. Until then, I'd never questioned this, so without telling anyone, I did a little detective work. When I received a certified copy of my parents' marriage license, it indicated that they were married nearly four months later than they had told us all these years. This means that my mother was pregnant when they married.

My parents have had a long and happy marriage, so I was neither horrified nor "damaged" to learn that they, too, were somewhat less than perfect in their younger years.

Abby, should I tell them I know the truth?

GLAD TO KNOW THE TRUTH

DEAR GLAD TO KNOW: This is your parents' "secret" and one which they have chosen to keep. Respect their wishes and say nothing.

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DEAR ABBY: Please permit me, a retired Canadian archbishop, to express my great satisfaction with the letters you publish. I spend several months a year in Fort Myers, Fla., and enjoy reading your articles every day.

I admire your wisdom and compassion in responding to your readers. You exercise a ministry of charity toward the most afflicted people of our society. You are often their only relief and support.

Abby, please accept my gratitude and admiration. I authorize you to publish this letter, if you wish.

With the expression of my sincere friendship ...

JEAN-MARIE FORTIER,
ARCHBISHOP EMERITUS OF
SHERBROOKE, QUEBEC

DEAR ARCHBISHOP FORTIER: Thank you for the compliment. I have never considered what I do to be a "ministry." I have always regarded it as a privilege.

Although I'm sure that many of those who read my column do so for its entertainment value, I also know that many people read it for comfort or because they're seeking answers to their own problems. Many of them are not aware of the help that is available in their own communities.

Over the years, readers have told me that they have learned from me. However, I see it the other way around. They teach me — every day — through their letters. So, I am the one who has learned from them.

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DEAR ABBY: While driving through Visalia, Calif., on our way to Sequoia National Forest, I noticed that some of the farmers have signs along their fences depicting the name of the vegetable, fruit, grain, etc., which they are growing. Being a city girl, I found this to be very educational. Even the elderly ladies riding in the car with me commented that they never knew what an almond tree looked like until then.

Therefore, I am asking you to help educate America by calling on the farmers, growers and orchard owners to put up those signs letting America know just what that crop is they are growing. Young and old alike certainly will benefit from this simple gesture.

MARLENE ZENSEN,
STEVENSON RANCH, CALIF.

DEAR MARLENE: I'm from Iowa, so when I see acres of something growing, I assume it's corn — and I'm usually right!

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Detroit fights to control urban dogs

DETROIT (AP) — Johnnette Rule knows all too well how her job can become a real dogfight — like the day the 10-year veteran mail carrier had to use her satchel to fend off a stray German shepherd.

Whether born on the streets or turned away from homes, wild dogs or their predecessors once were pets. But when they run and breed in groups, they cause a lot of grief.

"We've had carriers who have had plugs torn out of their arms and legs, many who have had their clothes torn by dogs," Ms. Rule said. "It's really ugly."

And it's not just in Detroit.

In March, an Illinois farmer received $1,300 from the state, compensation for 26 pigs killed in 1993 by a pack of wild dogs. Dogs killed two ostriches in Oregon, fatally attacked a $15,000 horse in Tennessee and joined coyotes in killing livestock and pets in Colorado.

In the past year, a small pack of stray dogs attacked and injured a Massachusetts boy on his way to a school bus stop. In Oklahoma City, front-porch mail delivery in some neighborhoods was halted after dogs attacked several carriers.

Postal Service spokesman Mark Saunders says dogs attack 2,700 letter carriers across the country each year, costing taxpayers about $25 million for medical expenses and substitute carriers. He didn't know how many of those attacks were by wild dogs.

In Detroit, the dog menace is considered so bad that the city's postmaster threatened to stop delivering mail to some areas.

"A lot of people are saying that because of the dogs, they're sometimes trapped in their homes," said Donyale Stephen, an assistant city ombudsman.

Of the top 10 complaints to the office, roaming dogs were third this year. Dogs had never before been on the 24-year-old list.

The city's Animal Control Division recently got four new vehicles to boost its dog-catching ability.

"We've been trying to get as many dogs off the street as we can," Donald Hamel, the animal control office's supervisor, said Thursday.

He said his division has made arrangements for two more animal control officers, though they weren't included in the budget, to bring the total to 15. They are responsible for 144 square miles in the city of 1 million people.

Officers can snare individual dogs, but have to work as a group to round up packs that generally are drawn together by a female dog in heat.

"We can have packs of dogs up to 20. We can't always get them all," Hamel said.

Though Detroit's exact population of feral dogs isn't known, evidence of the crackdown is. Animal control workers caught 919 dogs from July through September of last year.

Through this year's first three months, crews caught 1,532.

In January, city Postmaster Lloyd Wesley Jr. asked Mayor Dennis Archer and the City Council to take action with "grave urgency." Since meeting with Detroit health officials, Wesley said the problem has eased, thanks partly animal control's increased efforts.

Nevertheless, the issue still lacks priority in terms of funding. In his budget proposal for next year, Archer has rejected a request by Hamel's office for two more workers and the health department's call for $600,000 more for animal control.

Injection method suggests hope for some who need transplants

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A cupful of transplanted liver cells that have survived for a year inside an 11-year-old and helped her liver do its work may be worth a ton of hope for other patients.

The patient is believed to be the first to benefit from an experimental transplant of liver cells, a technique that might one day shorten the time candidates spend on the liver-transplant waiting list.

Maria Louisa Lujan of Abiquiu, N.M., has a rare enzyme disorder that prevents her liver from processing bilirubin, a blood byproduct. In April 1997, surgeons placed a catheter in the artery leading to her liver and injected the donor cells.

Today, her liver contains both original cells and donor cells and functions normally, with the help of light therapy.

If such infusions prove widely useful, doctors would be able to use donor livers that are not suitable for whole- or partial-organ transplants, said Stephen Strom, the University of Pittsburgh research pathologist who prepared the injected cells.

"If we can cure these people without an organ transplant, that saves another liver," Strom said Thursday.

About 4,000 liver-transplant candidates receive donor livers each year. Another 630 candidates die waiting.

Maria's infusion at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha was reported in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine. The research team rote that her case presents the first certain evidence of the long-term function of transplanted liver cells.

Maria was born with Criger-Najjar Syndrome Type I, which causes bilirubin to build up, producing jaundice and eventually brain damage. Only about 150 people in the world have the syndrome, and few survive past 20.

As treatment, Maria spent 12 hours a day under special blue lights that break down bilirubin.

In Omaha, she was infused with 7.5 billion donor liver cells. Over the next four to eight weeks, her bilirubin levels fell and stabilized.

She still needs light therapy, but only about six hours a day. More injections are planned.

"She's doing really good," said her father, Michael.

If Maria continues to thrive, the infusion technique can be tried on other candidates with similar disorders. Those patients could benefit two ways: by receiving a safer, less invasive treatment and shortening their wait on the transplant list.

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