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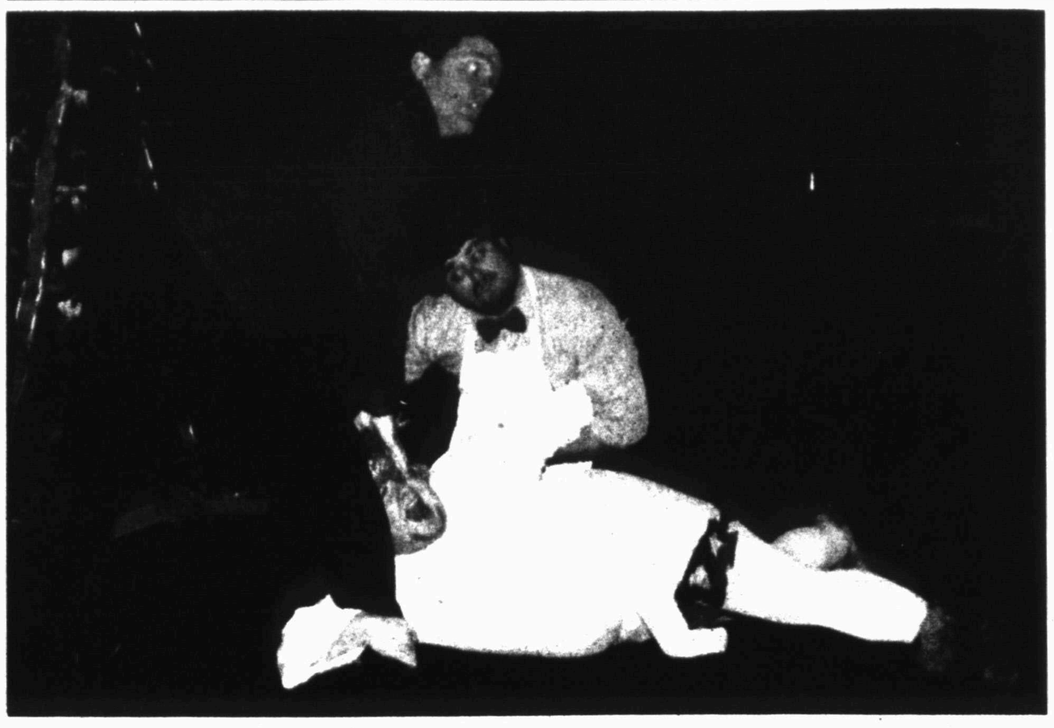
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PLAY CONTINUES — Western Texas College and Ritz Theatre's *Merry Christmas Bedford Falls* continues tonight and this weekend at the Student Center at WTC. (See story). Three of the players include Donnie Burk as Bert; Chris Hensley as Martini; and Jacob Brumley, who plays Clarence the angel. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Christmas play continues

Merry Christmas Bedford Falls, a comic adaptation of the classic Christmas movie *It's A Wonderful Life* continues tonight at Western Texas College.

The evening will begin with dinner in the Western Texas College dining hall in the student center at 7 p.m. followed by the show in the Fine Arts Theatre. Dessert will be served in the lobby after the show.

The Ritz Community Theatre and the WTC Theatre Department have teamed up to produce the comedy which has a cast of some 30 characters, backed by a community choir of 30 singers directed by Rebekah Thornton and accompanied on the piano by Judy Brown. The music includes a potpourri of Christmas favorites plus a few surprises.

The story of the despondent George Bailey, who is contemplating suicide on Christmas Eve and is rescued by the clumsy cherubic angel Clarence, is told by a combination of community and WTC actors and actresses.

The dinner theatre will run again Sunday afternoon with lunch at 12:30 followed by the show. There will be a matinee on Saturday at 2 p.m. with no meal.

Dinner tickets are $15 for adults, $13 for seniors and students, and $10 for WTC faculty and students and Ritz season ticket holders.

Reservations are required for the dinner theatre. All tickets for the Saturday matinee are $5. Call 573-8511, ext. 234, for reservations.

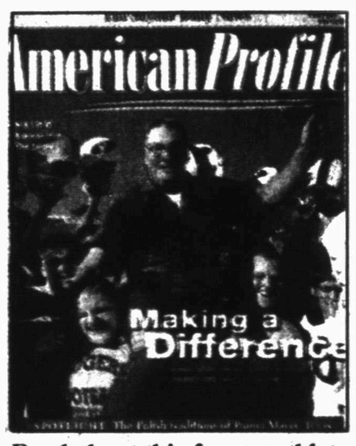
Major roles will be filled by Chris Shoemake, narrator and Uncle Billy; Kent Wright, George Bailey; Jacob Brumley, Clarence (an angel); Corey Knipe, Joseph (an angel); Beth Bowen, Mary Bailey (George's wife); and Thomas Lowery, Mr. Potter (the banker).

Those in supporting roles are Chris Hensley, Mr. Gower (drug store owner); Megan Kimmel, Mr. Bailey (George's father); Thomas Lowery, Harry (George's brother): Myra Hayes, Mrs. Bailey (George's mother); Raylene Marlow, Mrs. Hatch (Mary's mother); and Jennifer Kelly, bridge keeper.

Other roles include Emily Greiner, Sam Wainwright (wealthy businessman); Chris Hensley, Ernie the cab driver, Charlie, Eustace, Horace, a teller at Savings & Loan, Martini the bartender, neighbor, Tom and Micky.

Thomas Lowery will be Ed; Kandace Kimmel as Mr. Welch, school teacher's husband; Deidre West, bartender during flashback; Donnie Burk, Bert the cop; Brooke Bollinger, Zuzu, George's baby daughter); Christi Williams, older daughter; Casey Pierce, George's son; and Raylene Marlow will play a nameless woman.

Stage crew consists of Tracie Adams, lights; and Ian Shelly, sound.



Read about this former athlete helping his community in this weekend's American Profile in The Snyder Daily News.

Lighted parade set for Saturday

There's going to be jingle bells in Snyder Saturday as Santa Claus is coming to town.

Santa will be at the courthouse gazebo from 4:00-6:00 p.m. to hear what good little boys and girls want for Christmas.

Santa will then ride in the annual lighted Christmas parade sponsored by the Snyder Chamber of Commerce that gets underway at 6:30 p.m.

Entries in this favorite holiday event in the community are still being accepted at the chamber office.

The starting point of the parade is at Snyder Shopping Center.

Holiday displays will open Sunday

A Sunday afternoon reception for the Christmas display at Scurry County Museum is scheduled from 1-3 p.m. Sunday.

The museum will have an open house, and the public is invited. The display, which runs until Dec. 4, is a tribute to the people and sites of New York City.

Forty-eight photographs and nine watercolors of New York City head the Christmas display. The photographs were taken by Snyder resident Jay Huckabee during the 1980s and 1990s. Many are in the World Trade Center area, and some show the WTC Towers. Huckabee also photographed the 1983 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

In addition, Theodore Kautzky'a watercolors of various New York City buildings and landscapes complement the photographs. Kautzky who was trained as an architect and worked as a New York City rendering artist is famous for his watercolors. He also excelled in pen, pencil, brush, pastel and charcoal. This artistic versatility brought him into national prominence as a painter.

The museum is located on the Western Texas College campus, 6200 College Ave. For more information about the current exhibit call 573-6107 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Rep. Counts not happy with redistricting plan

From wire, staff reports

A federal court ordered new Texas House district boundaries this week, and it did not make Scurry County's state representative happy at all.

"I'm very disappointed that the relationship I have built up over the past 13 years is being ripped up," Rep. David Counts said this morning.

"I've been able to accomplish a lot for Snyder, and I had a lot more things I wanted to get done." Counts said he was saddened by what the plan does to rural Texas as a whole.

"Rural Texas is taking a blow. The voice of rural Texas is going to be muted even more under the Cornyn (Attorney General John Cornyn) plan that was adopted."

Counts said he estimates that rural Texans will lose more than 20 representatives over the coming 20 years. "We're losing six to eight immediately and all the new ones will come from the large metropolitan areas. This plan is pretty harsh."

Counts will remain as Scurry County's representative until January, 2003.

"I encourage everyone who has a problem to call David Holt or myself until that time," said Counts. "We will not shirk our responsibilities to the citizens of Scurry County."

Scurry County will then be represented by Rep. Rob Junnell of San Angelo.

"He's a dandy," said Rep. Counts. "He has helped me and Scurry County with the TDCJ warehouse and other prison matters, and with the hold-harmless clause with Western Texas College last year.

"He will be very attentive to the needs of your county. Rob knows the issues." Junnell is chairman of the House appropriations committee.

In adopting the plan, the court also upheld the GOP-leaning Texas Senate plan enacted by the Legislative Redistricting Board.

Republicans applauded the decision.

Ninety-eight percent of the House map approved by the GOP-controlled redistricting board and the entire Senate map were preserved by the court, said Cornyn, the LRB chairman.

"Our goal was to produce maps that comply with the law and preserve minority voting rights. The rulings show that the LRB was successful in achieving these goals," Cornyn said.

Despite his loss in court, Democratic House Speaker Pete Laney isresolute about his future.

"The court's map does not change my plans to seek re-election to the House and another term as speaker," Laney said.

By some estimates, the map approved by the redistricting board could give Republicans as many as 88 to 90 seats in the Texas House. Currently, Democrats hold a 78-72 edge.

In the Senate, the GOP, which held a 16-15 edge in this year's legislative session, could gain three or more seats under the new plan.

Latino plaintiffs got what they were pushing for in the House plan with the creation of a new Hispanic majority district in South Texas, said Nina Perales, an attorney for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund.

"We prevailed in the House," Perales said. "It means more representation for Latinos, more districts in which Latinos can elect candidates of their choice."

Although the U.S. Justice Department gave preliminary approval to the board's Senate plan, it said two weeks ago that the board's House plan violated the Voting Rights Act by denying Hispanics opportunities to elect candidates of their choice in some districts.

The three-judge federal panel said its order Wednesday was intended to address those problem areas in West and South Texas.

Early voting will end today

Early voting ends at 5 p.m. today in the Texas Senate District 30 runoff election.

Sixty persons had cast early ballots by this morning, according to County Clerk Joan Bunch.

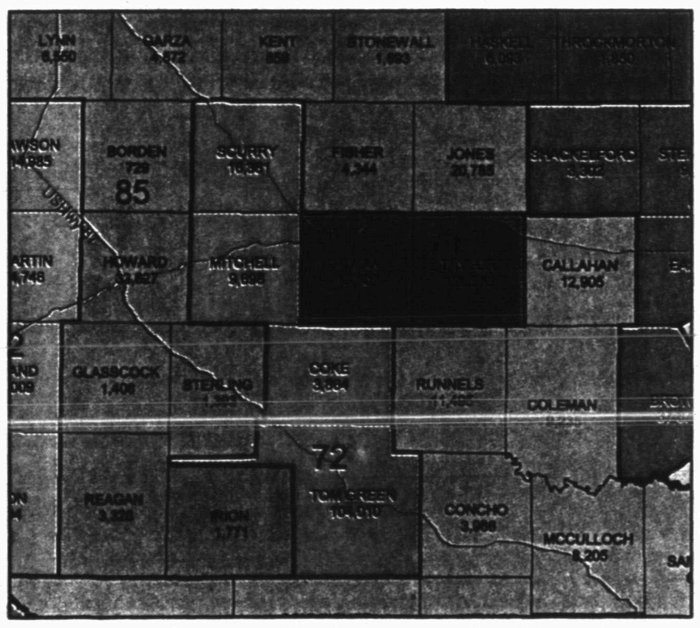
Voters can cast ballots in the county clerk's office on the third floor of the courthouse for either Republican Craig Estes or Democrat Greg Underwood. The election will be Tuesday.

Estes is from Wichita Falls and is in the farm fertilizer business. Underwood is an attorney in Bowie.

The runoff is necessary because no candidate captured a majority of the vote in the Nov. 6 election.

The election is open to all registered voters in Scurry County and all others in the 36-county Texas Senate District.

Voters may cast ballots in the runoff election even if they did not vote on Nov. 6, Bunch said.



Texas House redistricting map for this area

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Every patient becomes a doctor after they've been cured.

Neither rain, sleet nor snow...

That may be true in places like Buffalo, N.Y., but not in normally arid West Texas.

We had the same thoughts back in 1976. It was our first winter in Snyder, and it snowed numerous times that year.

It was the same football season when Snyder and Brownfield played in a foot of snow and officials never stopped the clock. It was the same football game after which several Snyder fans became stranded between Brownfield and Post.

During those frequent snowfalls in 1976, we had to wonder how those folks in the northeast deal with months and months of snow on the ground.

The answer is obvious: they're prepared.

Few folks in Snyder have chains. A few have four-wheel drive vehicles, but we have rarely seen the need to get off the payment — until Wednesday.

It's days like Wednesday — when there is 10 inches of snow — that you realize that Snyder is not flat. Taking papers to the newsstands Wednesday afternoon, we had to back down the incline on 30th Street just south of Davidson's Supermarket.

Yep, it was our red Ford truck that became stuck in the post office parking lot. And thanks to the two nice gentlemen who helped us out of an embarrassing predicament.

Not everybody got their newspaper on Wednesday, but it wasn't because of the lack of effort. The carriers were out there slipping and sliding — and getting stuck.

If everyone just lived on the main roads like College Avenue and 25th Street, then delivery in inclement weather wouldn't be bad.

In case you weren't off the main roads, carriers actually encountered some streets that vehicles hadn't been down.

And there's a bunch of other folks that worked really hard while many of us were sitting by the fireplace.

Numerous wrecks — both inside and outside the city — kept law enforcement folks on the run. EMS crews and fire department folks were standing by to assist those who got in trouble.

Highway department workers were out trying to clear roads, and those city water crews were down in those cold, wet holes fixing leaks and restoring the town's water pressure.

While the snow is pretty to look at — and the moisture is great for the lands — we prefer that warm, bright sunshine that folks in Buffalo only get to dream about.

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ASK US

Q—If a person renders aid to victims at an accident before Snyder EMS gets there, can the paramedics be held accountable if a mistake is made?

A—No. Texas' "Good Samaritan" laws protect everyone involved, except in extreme cases.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Thursday, 39 degrees; low, 25; 7 a.m. Friday, 27; no precipitation; total for 2001, 19.70 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy, low, lower 30s, NW winds 5-10 mph. Saturday, partly cloudy, high upper 50s, NW winds 5-15 mph. Saturday night, low mid 30s.



Kaitlin Bass
Partly Cloudy

Sunset:
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Sunrise:
7:25 a.m.

Of 333 days in 2001, the sun has shone 320 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

The more you are like yourself, the less you are like anyone else. This is what makes you unique.
—Walt Disney

Verbal defiance masked flight from Kabul

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — It was 6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12. The U.S. bombing had been punishing. The fighting outside Kabul was intense. In the capital, the Taliban decided it was time to go.

The Islamic militia's hierarchy in the capital called the decisive meeting. About a dozen men in turbans and beards gathered in the dimly lit sitting room of Mullah Mohammed Hassan, the Taliban prime minister and second-most powerful man in the religious movement.

Their situation was pressing. Less than six miles away, American bombs were blasting Taliban defenses, and the northern alliance tanks were being ordered to encircle the city.

What unfolded next was recounted in detail in a recent interview by Mullah Mohammed Khaqzar, a Taliban official who said he was called to the meeting by a leadership that didn't know he had been in secret contact with the northern alliance for months.

Publicly, the Taliban were defiant, vowing to fight to the death to defend the capital they had held for five years.

But behind the bravado, Taliban government ministers had already been planning their escape, Khaqzar said.

Days before, they had quietly stacked old couches, beds, and other furniture onto trucks and sent them south toward Kandahar, the Taliban stronghold.

Shortly after sundown, key Taliban figures gathered at Hassan's house in the Wazir Akbar Khan district. Interior Minister Abdul Razzak was there along with Khaqzar, his deputy. So were Qadratullah Jamal, the culture and information minister, and Mullah Mohammed Abbas, the health minister.

Also present was Abbas' deputy, Sher Mohammed Stanikzai, a small man with a wispy black beard who spoke perfect English and was often put forward by the Taliban to talk to Western visitors.

The decision was taken by consensus, Khaqzar said — the Taliban would leave Kabul by night.

The leaders agreed to meet again four hours later at a small place called Durrani in Wardak province south of Kabul, Khaqzar said.

There was no time to waste. Ethnic Tajik troops from the northern alliance were advancing from the north; a Shiite Muslim faction was coming from the southwest. The mullahs had to make sure they would get past the town of Maidan Shahr, capital of Wardak province about 20 miles south of Kabul, before the Shiites cut the escape route.

Khaqzar said the Arab allies from Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida movement were not present at the Kabul meeting. He said their leaders had gathered separately for a meeting with a representative of Jalaluddin Haqqani, a former U.S. ally of the United States in the war against the Soviets in the 1980s.

"Haqqani was in charge of the Arabs and it was his man who told them to leave Kabul," Khaqzar said.

Initially, plans called for the Taliban and al-Qaida to establish new front lines to the south and southwest of Kabul — at Durrani and at Sang-e-Nowishta.

Once the decision was taken, the mullahs left to spread the word that it was time to leave the city. Taliban leaders began heading out of the capital shortly after the meeting broke up.

Those who had already shipped their personal belongings drove straight from Mullah Hassan's house to the road out of town, Khaqzar said.

When word trickled to the front line that the leaders were leaving, fighters clambered aboard trucks to join the escape. Some even drove away in their tanks.

As the Taliban left, they ran into intense American airstrikes, Khaqzar said. The fallback front quickly collapsed, and by 1 a.m., seven hours after the Kabul meeting, the Taliban were scattered and fleeing farther south and southwest.

The next morning the northern alliance entered Kabul.

The whereabouts of other officials at the last meeting in Kabul are not known, making it impossible to obtain firsthand corroboration of Khaqzar's account. But it is detailed, and some of its details correspond with what is known about that night.

Khaqzar said he stayed in Kabul while the others went to Wardak province, and he did not see them again.

He said he had grown disillusioned with the Taliban because of the growing influence of bin Laden and the Arab warriors, and their refusal to negotiate an end to the relentless war, and had made contact with the northern alliance. This ensured his safety once the alliance took over the city.

Khaqzar has said previously that he was especially angered when the Taliban blew up two giant carvings of Buddha hewn into a cliff face more than 1,500 years ago. Defying international outcry, the Islamic militia said the carvings in the central Bamiyan Valley were idolatrous and offensive to Islam.

West Texas food bank official resigns post

ODESSA (AP) — A West Texas food bank official has resigned after complaints that she stood on a chair and yelled at recipients of the charity's Thanksgiving meal items for not being more grateful to get the donations.

Dolly Neff, the West Texas Food Bank's executive director for 16 years, said board members asked her to abandon her post earlier this week.

"It's a terrible time to go through with this," Neff told the Odessa American for today's editions. "I offered to stay through Christmas, but they said go."

Several people complained about Neff's conduct following the pre-Thanksgiving event in Fort Stockton, where they accused her of mounting a chair and yelling at people who were in line to receive boxes of food.

"She (Neff) was screaming at old people, telling them they had to be grateful for charity," said Rachel Escamilla, who attended the food giveaway.

Escamilla said about 25 families walked out of the city's civic center to avoid a run-in with Neff.

Neff didn't deny the accusations, but said she doesn't think she was asked to resign because of the subsequent complaints.

"That happened during a whirlwind tour where we delivered more than a million pounds of food in nine days," Neff said. "When we got to Fort Stockton, it was already chaotic and somebody had to bring order to it."

Tom Anderson, chairman of the food bank's board, denied that the board asked Neff to resign. Anderson also said he didn't believe Neff's resignation was related to the incident at Fort Stockton.

"Absolutely not," he said. "The two are not connected."



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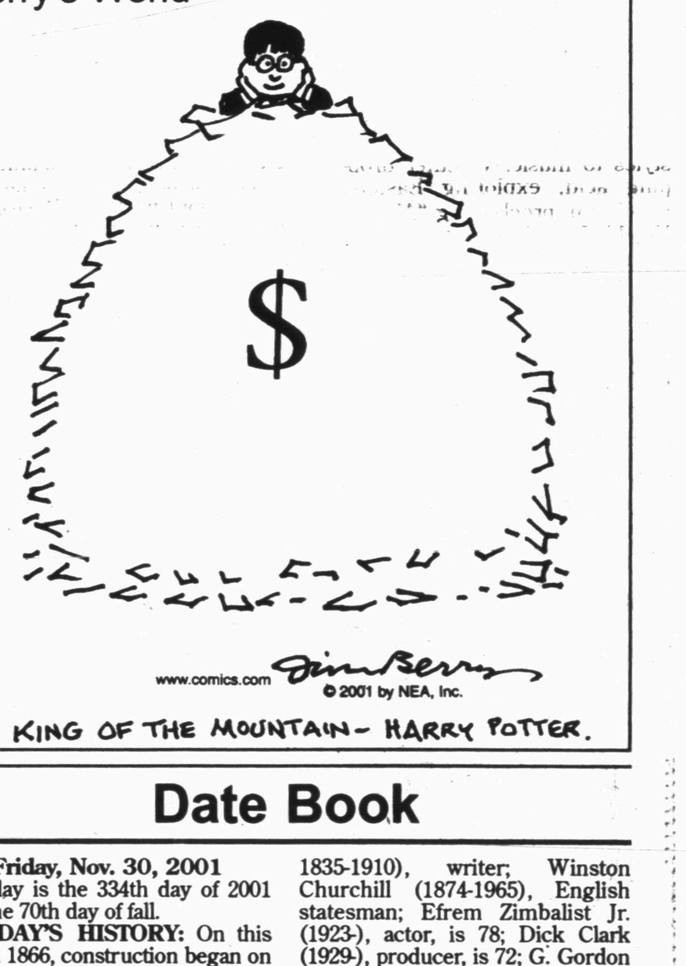
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TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1866, construction began on the first underwater highway tunnel in the United States, Chicago's Washington Street tunnel. The tunnel was finished in 1869.

On this day in 1942, United States and Japanese vessels fought in the Battle of Tassafaronga, the last major naval action in the Solomon Islands during World War II.

On this day in 1988, Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. made a successful bid of $24.53 billion for RJR Nabisco Inc.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Jonathan Swift (1667-1745), writer; Mark Twain (Samuel Clemens, 1835-1910), writer; Winston Churchill (1874-1965), English statesman; Efrem Zimbalist Jr. (1923-), actor, is 78; Dick Clark (1929-), producer, is 72; G. Gordon Liddy (1930-), burglar-talk show host, is 71; Bill Walsh (1931-), football coach, is 70; Abbie Hoffman (1936-1989), revolutionary; David Mamet (1947-), dramatist, is 54; Bo Jackson (1962-), baseball player, is 39.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1979, middleweight titleholder Vito Antuofermo and Marvin Hagler fought a 15-round draw at a match in Los Vegas.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Courage is resistance to fear, mastery of fear — not absence of fear." — Mark Twain

TODAY'S MOON: Full moon.

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Cancer claims Beatles' George Harrison, 58

LOS ANGELES (AP) — George Harrison, the Beatles' quiet lead guitarist and spiritual explorer who added both rock 'n' roll flash and a touch of the mystic to the band's timeless magic, has died. He was 58.

Harrison died at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at a friend's Los Angeles home following a battle with cancer, longtime friend Gavin De Becker told The Associated Press late Thursday. Harrison's wife, Olivia Harrison, and son Dhani, 24, were with him.

"He left this world as he lived in it, conscious of God, fearless of death, and at peace, surrounded by family and friends," the Harrison family said in a statement. "He often said, 'Everything else can wait but the search for God cannot wait, and love one another.'"

With Harrison's death, there remain two surviving Beatles, Paul McCartney and Ringo Starr. John Lennon was shot to death by a deranged fan in 1980.

"I am devastated and very, very sad," McCartney told reporters outside his London home today. "He was a lovely guy and a very brave man and had a wonderful sense of humor. He is really just my baby brother."

It wasn't immediately known if there would be a public funeral for Harrison. A private ceremony had already taken place, De Becker said. He wouldn't release details about the ceremony or say at whose home Harrison died.

In 1998, Harrison disclosed that he had been treated for throat cancer. "It reminds you that anything can happen," he said at the time. The following year, Harrison survived an attack by an intruder who stabbed him several times. In July 2001, he released a statement asking fans not to worry about reports that he was still battling cancer.

The Beatles were four distinct personalities joined as a singular force in the rebellious 1960s, influencing everything from hair styles to music. Whether dropping acid, exploring Eastern mysticism, proclaiming "All You Need is Love," or sending up the squares in the film "A Hard Day's Night," the Beatles inspired millions.

Harrison's guitar work, modeled on Chuck Berry and Carl Perkins among others, was essential.

He often blended with the band's joyous sound, but also rocked out wildly on "Long Tall Sally" and turned slow and dreamy on "Something." His jangly 12-string Rickenbacker was featured in "A Hard Day's Night."

Although his songwriting was overshadowed by the great Lennon-McCartney team, Harrison did contribute such classics as "Here Comes the Sun" and "Something." Harrison also taught the young Lennon how to play the guitar.

"As he said himself, how do you compare with the genius of John and Paul? But he did, very well," rock star and activist Bob Geldof told BBC radio.

"All the way back, he measured up," Geldof said. "Maybe because of the necessary competition between the other two, his standard of songwriting was incomparably better than most other contemporaries anyway."

He was known as the "quiet" Beatle and his public image was summed up in the first song he wrote for them, "Don't Bother Me," which appeared on the group's second album.

Harrison also had a wry sense of humor that helped shape the Beatles' irreverent charm, memorably fitting in alongside Lennon's cutting wit and Starr's cartoonish appeal.

At their first recording session under George Martin, the producer reportedly asked the young musicians to tell him if they didn't like anything. Harrison's response: "Well, first of all, I don't like your tie."

He was even funny about his own mortality. As reports of his failing health proliferated, Harrison recorded a new song — "Horse to the Water" — and credited it to "RIP Ltd. 2001."

He always preferred being a musician to being a star, and he soon soured on Beatlemania — the screaming girls, the wild chases from limos to gigs and back to limos. Like Lennon, his memories of the Beatles were often tempered by what he felt was lost in all the madness.

"There was never anything, in any of the Beatle experiences really, that good: even the best thrill soon got tiring," Harrison wrote in his 1979 book, "I, Me, Mine." "There was never any doubt. The Beatles were doomed. Your own space, man, it's so important. That's why we were doomed, because we didn't have any. We were like monkeys in a zoo."

In a 1992 interview with The Daily Telegraph, Harrison confided: "We had the time of our lives: We laughed for years."

"George has given so much to us in his lifetime and continues to do so even after his passing, with his music, his wit and his wisdom," Lennon's widow, Yoko Ono, said today.

Alan Williams, the Beatles' first manager, described Harrison as the major cog in The Beatles. "He kept them together, probably because of the calming effect he had," Williams said.

After the Beatles broke up in 1970, Harrison had sporadic success. He organized the concert for Bangladesh in New York, produced films that included Monty Python's "Life of Brian," and teamed with old friends, including Bob Dylan and Roy Orbison, as "The Traveling Wilburys."

Harrison was born Feb. 25, 1943, in Liverpool, one of four children of Harold and Louise Harrison. His father, a former ship's steward, became a bus conductor soon after his marriage.

Harrison was 13 when he bought his first guitar and befriended Paul McCartney at their school. McCartney introduced him to Lennon, who had founded a band called the Quarry Men — Harrison was allowed to play if one of the regulars didn't show up.

"When I joined, he didn't really know how to play the guitar; he had a little guitar with three strings on it that looked like a banjo," Harrison recalled of Lennon during testimony in a 1998 court case against the owner of a bootleg Beatles' recording.

"I put the six strings on and showed him all the chords — it was actually me who got him playing the guitar. He didn't object to that, being taught by someone who was the baby of the group. John and I had a very good relationship from very early on."

Harrison evolved as both musician and songwriter. He became interested in the sitar while making the 1965 film "Help!" and introduced it to a generation of Western listeners on "Norwegian Wood," a song by Lennon from the "Rubber Soul" album. He also began contributing more of his own material.

Among his compositions were "I Need You" for the soundtrack of "Help"; "If I Needed Someone" on "Rubber Soul"; "Taxman" and "Love You To" on "Revolver"; "Within You, Without You" on "Sgt. Pepper"; and "While My Guitar Gently Weeps" on the White Album.

In 1966, he married model Patti Boyd, who had a bit part in "A Hard Day's Night." (They divorced in 1977, and she married Harrison's friend, the guitarist Eric Clapton, who wrote the anguished song "Layla" about her. Harrison attended the wedding.)

More than any of the Beatles, Harrison craved a little quiet. Late in 1966, after the Beatles had ceased touring, he went to India, where he studied the sitar with Ravi Shankar.

In 1967, Harrison introduced the other Beatles to the teaching of the Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, and all four took up transcendental meditation. Harrison was the only one who remained a follower — the others dropped out, with Lennon mocking the Maharishi in the song "Sexy Sadie."

By the late '60s, Harrison was clearly worn out from being a Beatle and openly bickered with McCartney, arguing with him on camera during the filming of "Let It Be."

As the Beatles grew apart, Harrison collaborated with Clapton on the song "Badge," performed with Lennon's Plastic Ono Band and produced his most acclaimed solo work, the triple album "All Things Must Pass." The sheer volume of material on that 1970 release confirmed the feelings of Harrison fans that he was being stifled in the Beatles.

One of those songs, the hit "My Sweet Lord," later drew Harrison into a lawsuit, which he lost, by the copyright owner of "He's So Fine."

Another Harrison project also led to legal problems. Moved by the starvation caused by the war between Bangladesh and Pakistan, Harrison in 1971 staged two benefit concerts at New York and recruited such performers as Starr, Shankar, Clapton and Dylan.

Anticipating such later superstar benefits as Live Aid and Farm Aid, the Bangladesh concerts were also a cautionary tale about counterculture bookkeeping. Although millions were raised and the three-record concert release won a Grammy for album of the year, allegations emerged over mishandling of funds and the money long stayed in escrow.

Despite the occasional hit single, including the Lennon tribute song "All Those Years Ago," Harrison's solo career did not live up to initial expectations. Reviewing a greatest hits compilation, Village Voice critic Robert Christgau likened him to a "borderline hitter they can pitch around after the sluggers (Lennon and McCartney) are traded away."

Harrison's family life was steadier. He married Olivia Arias in 1978, a month after Dhani was born.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



New husband objects to old boyfriend's Christmas visit

DEAR ABBY: Twelve years ago, our 16-year-old daughter, "Heather," began dating "Johnny," a nice boy from a troubled home. During the three years they went together, Johnny became almost like a foster son to us. We provided emotional support he didn't get at home, and he even lived with us for a year before going to college.

Even though Heather's relationship with him ended nine years ago, we have stayed close to Johnny. He has spent every Christmas at our home.

Heather married last summer and wants to bring her new husband home for Christmas this year. (Since we live on opposite coasts, visits are infrequent.)

Our daughter has no objection to her former boyfriend's presence, but her husband refuses to come if Johnny is here — which he has been every Christmas for the past 12 years. Heather defends her husband and has requested we disinvite Johnny.

I feel torn about what to do, Abby. On the one hand, I don't want to distance my daughter and her husband, whom we are still getting to know. On the other hand, I feel a responsibility for Johnny with whom we've grown so close. Over the years he has come to count on our love and support and considers us his "family." What in the world should I do? — **CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE**

DEAR CAUGHT: It is regrettable that your daughter's husband feels threatened by this man who is such a large part of all your lives. Chalk it up to immaturity, insecurity and a controlling nature.

However, to keep peace in the family, invite Johnny to spend any holidays with you that your daughter and son-in-law cannot.

P.S. Heather should be the one to break the news to Johnny. After all, she's an adult now. It should be done soon, so he can make other plans.

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DEAR ABBY: Our son came to us and said that his friend — I'll call her Cheryl — wanted to stay with us until she got on her feet. We agreed.

Cheryl had a job making $10 an hour, but she quit. She says she's looking for another job, but from what we see, all Cheryl does is party with her friends and go to church. Then she sleeps all day.

Our son is sleeping on the couch. Cheryl is living in his bedroom. When she comes in late she disturbs his sleep, and he has to be at work at 3:30 a.m.

Cheryl refuses to follow our house rules. Once in a while, she will sweep or do the dishes, but that's all she contributes. Her mother lives in town, but Cheryl says she can't stay with her parents. She gave our son one reason, and me a different one.

It has been two months, Abby. We would like her to move out, but she has no job. What should we do? — **HAD IT IN LAS VEGAS**

DEAR HAD IT: Cheryl is not your responsibility. Give her a deadline to make other living arrangements and be out of your home — and insist upon it! You'll be doing her — and yourselves — a favor. As long as you tolerate her freeloading, it will continue.

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Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips.

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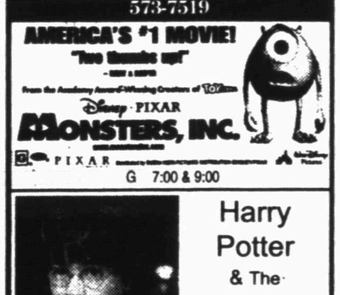
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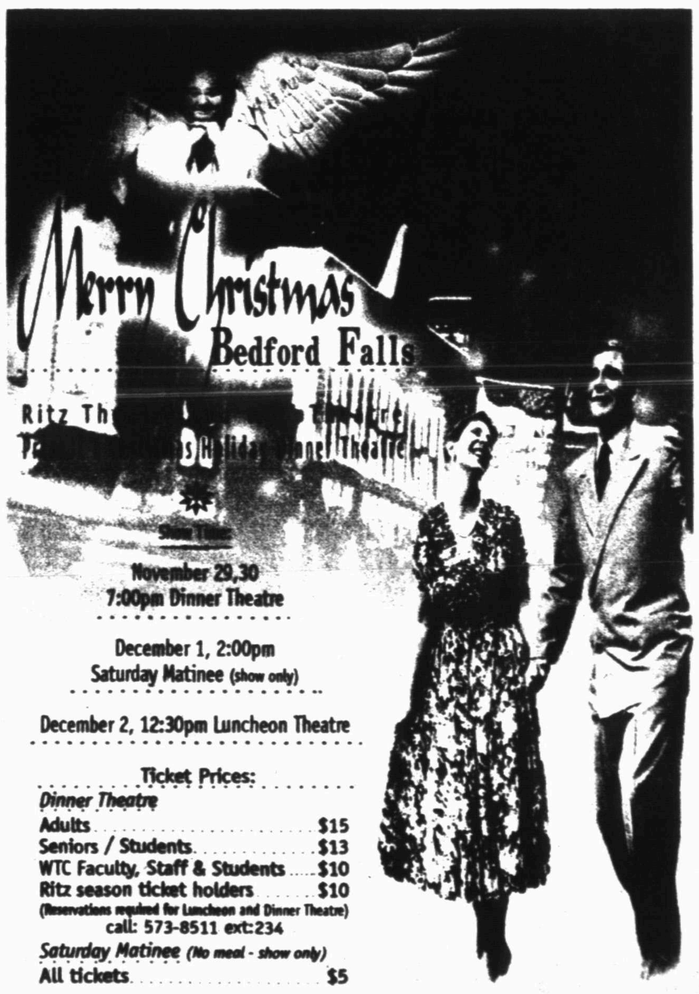
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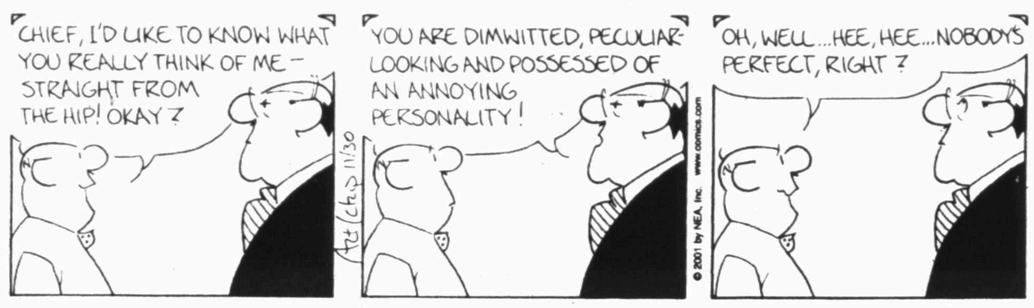
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31 Sugarloaf locale
32 Begley and Marinaro
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34 Gonzalez's gold
35 Kind of neckline
38 Dairy sound
39 Talking birds
42 Customer
44 Wharf denizen
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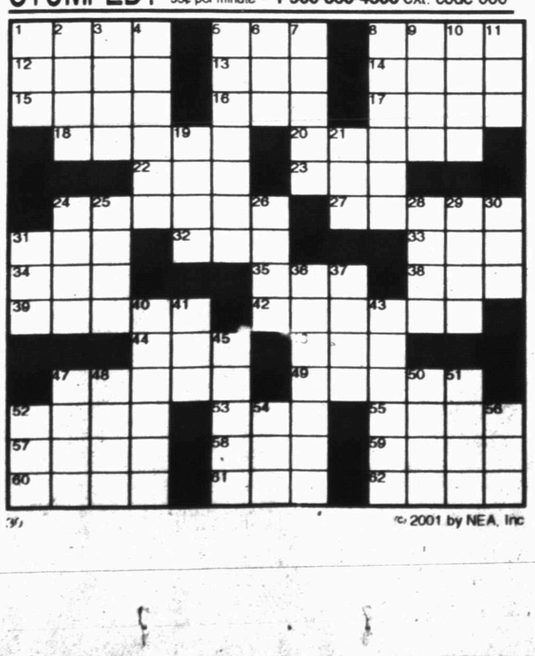
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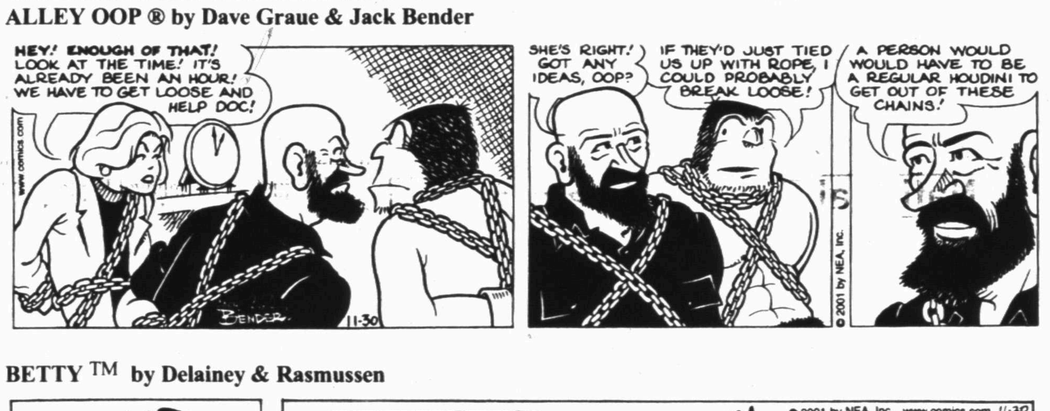
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'Horns, Buffs match strengths

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas coach Mack Brown admits he's a little afraid of Colorado, and maybe his players are worried, too.

That's what a 62-36 whipping of Nebraska will do.

"The way they attacked Nebraska, I've never seen anything like that before," Brown said as his No. 3 Longhorns (10-1) prepared for Saturday night's Big 12 title game against No. 9 Colorado (9-2). "It absolutely scares you do death."

Colorado's offensive line and physical running backs ran all over the Cornhuskers and sent a message that whoever they would play in the conference championship should beware of the Buffaloes' running attack.

Texas certainly took notice.

"We're not playing Colorado," Longhorns offensive tackle Mike Williams said. "We're playing some kind of monster."

Texas' defensive coaches went into hiding for a couple of days to study film, Brown said.

"It's unbelievable. Our defensive staff won't come out of their room," he said.

But what about the guys who actually have to tackle Colorado? There's no shake in their boots.

"Speed kills," said Texas defensive end Cory Redding, who leads the team with 13 tackles for losses and has five sacks. "We have guys who can really run."

Colorado's running backs will be running into one of the Longhorns' biggest strengths.

The Texas defense ranks third against the run nationally, giving up 77.4 yards per game, and is second in total defense with 227.3 yards per game. The Longhorns have "much more speed and quickness" than Nebraska, Colorado coach Gary Barnett said.

"As a total defense, I think we have an advantage in speed over Nebraska," Texas cornerback Quentin Jammer said. "It's a little harder running the counter plays against us because it's a long-developing play."

Texas would do well to remember all the yardage Colorado gained up the middle against the Cornhuskers.

As it has all season, Colorado used a group of running backs to pound the ball for yardage. The offensive line averages 304 pounds, and Chris Brown, Bobby Purify and Cortlen Johnson all have rushed for more than 100 yards three times this season.

"Our offense is a physical unit that likes to line up and play smash-mouth football," Colorado running backs coach Eric Bieniemy said.

Against Nebraska, Brown had 198 yards and six touchdowns, while Purify rushed for 154. A week earlier against Iowa State, Johnson became the first Colorado player with 100 rushing and receiving yards in the same game.

"Anybody could start," Johnson said. "Anybody could get our snaps."

The committee didn't have much success in Texas' 41-7 win over Colorado back on Oct. 20.

The Buffaloes' game plan was to run the ball against the Longhorns, but early turnovers led to a 24-7 halftime lead for Texas.

Forced to abandon the run, Colorado gained just 124 yards on the ground and 45 total yards in the second half. Purify led the Buffs with 51 yards on seven carries as nine of Colorado's 15 drives in that game lasted just three plays.

Texas linebacker D.D. Lewis expects Saturday night's rematch in chilly weather will be more physical that the previous matchup.

"In this type of game, speed is not really going to matter," Lewis said. "It's pound for pound."

Snyder squads split tournament games

Snyder High School's basketball teams got off to different starts in Thursday's tournament action at San Angelo and Wolfforth.

The Lady Tigers held off El Paso Burges for a 57-52 first-round victory at the Concho River Classic, while the Tigers dropped a 65-38 decision to El Paso Franklin at the Gene Messer Shootout.

The Lady Tigers improved to 2-2 after winning their second consecutive game. The Snyder girls opened the season with losses to Midland Lee and Clyde before knocking off Lamesa last week.

The Lady Tigers were to have squared off with El Paso Coronado in a second-round match-up this afternoon at the Lake View High School gym. A victory would earn the SHS girls a berth in tonight's semifinals at 7:30 at Central High School.

In the boys' competition at Wolfforth, the Tigers fell in a hole early and couldn't climb out.

Franklin raced to a 26-8 lead in the first quarter and held a 37-17 advantage by halftime. Snyder trailed by as many as 30 points in the third period before posting 14 points in the final frame.

Jay Scott dropped in eight points to pace the Tigers.

Snyder, which fell to 0-5 on the season, was to have faced Seminole or Fort Worth O.D. Wyatt this morning.

Mavericks fall to Kings, 110-98

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Mavericks couldn't pull off another big comeback. This time, they weren't playing Golden State.

Sacramento, with the NBA's second-best record (12-4) despite being without injured All-NBA forward Chris Webber, built a 20-point lead Thursday night and went on to beat the Mavericks 110-98.

"You get lucky once in a while against a young team, but this was a veteran team," said Mavericks coach Don Nelson, whose team overcame a 21-point deficit two nights earlier to beat the last-place Warriors.

Peja Stojakovic scored 17 of his 32 points in the first quarter, when Sacramento went ahead to stay. Then, after Dallas got within four points in the closing minutes, Stojakovic made his last three shots — two with Steve Nash all over him.

"He was quiet in the second and third quarters, but when they needed him, he was there," said Mavericks forward Dirk Nowitzki, whose 29 points left him just short of his fourth straight 30-point game. "When he makes those shots, it's tough to beat them."

Stojakovic's 22-foot jumper with 2:40 left — his first shot of the fourth quarter — gave the Kings a 95-87 lead. Michael Finley hit a 3-pointer at the other end, but Stojakovic came right back and shed Nash long enough for a fadeaway.

"I'm supposed to take those shots when Chris isn't in there, and they felt good," said Stojakovic, who finished 13-of-19 from the field. "I felt good, kept shooting and my teammates were looking for me."

The Mavericks were down just 100-94 when Nowitzki scored with 1:18 left. But Stojakovic did it again, hitting another tough 15-foot jumper over Nash to seal the game.

"He's just an unbelievable player. He came out real active, and the Mavs tried all kinds of different guys on him," said Kings coach Rick Adelman, now just five wins shy of being the 22nd NBA coach with 500 wins.

After playing at San Antonio on Friday, Sacramento returns home for five games in eight days. That stretch includes a Dec. 7 game against the Pacific Division-leading Los Angeles Lakers (13-1).

Smith, Campo feuding again

IRVING (AP) — Dallas Cowboys running back Emmitt Smith and coach Dave Campo are feuding again after Campo suggested that the player can't handle 30 carries a game.

"I don't know why he feels I'm not a 30-carry back," Smith said. "They haven't given it to me 30 times to find out if I can still carry it 30 times.

"I feel like I can carry the ball as many times as they need me to, if they give me the opportunity."

Campo commented to reporters in Washington conference call on Wednesday after being asked how much the Cowboys will use Smith this season.

The coach insisted he wasn't insinuating that Smith's skills were eroding, but was instead trying to protect his veteran running back.

"I was making a positive comment," Campo said. "We're going to take care of him because, at 12 years in the league, he shouldn't be carrying the ball 30 times in the game. I don't think there's a 30-carry back in the league."

It's the latest complication in the increasingly antagonistic relationship between Smith and Campo.

They've clashed through the media two other times this season. Both situations involved Smith protesting Campo's emphasis on the evaluation of young, inexperienced players.

"I'm stuck between a rock and a hard place," Smith said. "I heard Campo say Emmitt's job is to run the football and block. Let me run the football. Then let me block. But don't sit up there and tell someone I'm not a 30-carry back."

Campo's comments come after Smith ran for just nine yards on nine carries in a 26-24 loss to Denver on Thanksgiving Day.

In the fourth quarter, Smith was on the sidelines as second-year back Troy Hambrick scored the Cowboys' first two rushing touchdowns by a running back this season.

Hambrick has been impressive in limited duty this season, rushing for 471 yards and two touchdowns on 88 carries.

Meanwhile, Smith has struggled his way to just 487 yards on 132 carries. Smith is on pace to finish with career-low 231 carries and fewer than 1,000 yards for the first time since his rookie season.

Campo and owner Jerry Jones said there's no plan to increase Hambrick's carries and limit Smith's.

"Emmitt is an excellent NFL back now," Campo said. "He is still our guy."

Smith doesn't know for sure.

"I'm not at liberty to discuss that right now," he said. "I think I'd rather hold onto those comments to myself because enough comments have been made to last the entire year. I'd rather be reserved right now and let nature take its course.

"But I know one thing, I haven't had the ball in my hands 24 times consecutively in a while."

Jones has said he plans to have Smith on the team next season and resume his pursuit of Walter Payton's all-time rushing record.

But that may depend on if Smith is willing to take a pay cut. Smith is due to earn $6 million in 2002, which is expensive price tag for a then-33-year-old running back.

Jones won't discuss whether Smith will be asked to take a pay cut or re-negotiate his contract, which runs through 2005, after the season.

Either way, Smith said he just wants better communication between him and the coaching staff.

"I don't know what's going on," Smith said. "It's another thing to leave me out here in limbo and not know what's going on, and you're planning all kind of strategies around me and not include me and have me over here second-guessing what's going on.

"Then when I get in the press, it makes me look like I am crazy, like I am going against the philosophy, and I don't even know what the philosophy is."

Minnesota mayors pitch bids

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — United in their desire to save the Minnesota Twins, the leaders of Minneapolis and St. Paul are split on which city should be the team's home.

The incoming mayors of both cities pitched ballpark plans Thursday to a state task force examining whether a new, partly subsidized stadium is feasible.

The discussion followed a vote by baseball owners on Nov. 6 to eliminate unnamed two teams, with the Twins and Montreal Expos the best bets to fold before next season.

Minneapolis Mayor-elect R.T. Rybak is pushing a $315 million, 38,000-seat, open-air ballpark to be built near the Target Center.

About two-thirds of the money would come from the team and private investors, about $25 million from game-day parking revenue and $45 million to $50 million in loans. The loans would be backed by a rebate of Minnesota income taxes paid by players on the Twins and visiting teams.

"You can't do this cheaper anywhere else," Rybak said. "If this task force decides to move forward, you'll have a strong aggressive partner in Minneapolis."

St. Paul Mayor-elect Randy Kelly wants a $375 million stadium to be constructed in his city, funded by private sources and state-issued bonds. The government debt would be paid off with income from game-day parking receipts and a new 3 percent sales tax on restaurant and bar sales.

The intercity battle means nothing if the Twins don't survive the offseason.

National Football League

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

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East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	7	3	0	.700	214	212
N.Y. Jets	7	3	0	.700	208	182
New England	6	5	0	.545	257	212
Indianapolis	4	6	0	.400	265	298
Buffalo	1	9	0	.100	180	273
Central	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Pittsburgh	8	2	0	.800	189	121
Baltimore	7	4	0	.636	198	187
Cleveland	6	4	0	.600	189	150
Cincinnati	4	6	0	.400	140	204
Tennessee	4	6	0	.400	183	237
Jacksonville	3	7	0	.300	172	172
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Oakland	8	2	0	.800	278	201
Denver	6	5	0	.545	254	239
Seattle	5	5	0	.500	182	224
San Diego	5	6	0	.454	263	226
Kansas City	3	8	0	.273	200	229

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	7	4	0	.636	255	141
Washington	5	5	0	.500	141	206
N.Y. Giants	5	6	0	.454	191	206
Arizona	4	6	0	.400	174	238
Dallas	2	8	0	.200	156	229
Central	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Chicago	8	2	0	.800	214	145
Green Bay	7	3	0	.700	237	167
Tampa Bay	5	5	0	.500	207	180
Minnesota	4	6	0	.400	189	242
Detroit	0	10	0	.000	192	291
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
St. Louis	8	2	0	.800	296	170
San Francisco	8	2	0	.800	267	225
Atlanta	6	4	0	.600	188	191
New Orleans	5	5	0	.500	226	216
Carolina	1	10	0	.091	161	252

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Philadelphia 23, Kansas City 10

Sunday's Games
Denver at Miami, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 1 p.m.
New England at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Carolina at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Seattle, 4:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Atlanta, 4:15 p.m.
Dallas at Washington, 4:15 p.m.
Arizona at Oakland, 4:15 p.m.
Buffalo at San Francisco, 8:30 p.m.
Open: N.Y. Giants

Monday's Game
Green Bay at Jacksonville, 9 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 9
Carolina at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at New England, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
New York Giants at Dallas, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Washington at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Oakland, 4:15 p.m.
New York Jets at Pittsburgh, 4:15 p.m.
Seattle at Denver, 8:30 p.m.
Open Date: Baltimore

Monday, Dec. 10
Indianapolis at Miami, 9 p.m.

Men's Basketball League

Snyder Men's League

Team	W	L
American State Bank	9	3
Big Country Autoland	8	4
YZ Systems	8	4
West Texas State Bank	3	9
Snyder National Bank	2	10

Monday's games: Big Country Autoland vs. Snyder National Bank; YZ Systems vs. West Texas State Bank; American State Bank vs. YZ-WTSB winner.

NCAA Basketball

MEN
EAST
Marist 86, Lafayette 80
Quinnipiac 94, Long Island U. 64
Rhode Island 57, Buffalo 55
Robert Morris 66, Mount St. Mary's, Md. 57
Seton Hall 72, Monmouth, N.J. 51
Syracuse 76, Cornell 58
Temple 72, Charlotte 64
UMBC 77, St. Francis, Pa. 75
Wagner 78, Fairleigh Dickinson 69
SOUTH
Alabama 90, McNeese St. 61
Belmont 90, Campbell 78
Florida Atlantic 82, Stetson 71
Gardner-Webb 56, Colorado St. 54
Georgia Southern 87, Illinois St. 76
Miami 87, Howard 71
Murray St. 72, Chattanooga 63
Samford 69, Mercer 60
Tenn.-Martin 109, St. Mary's, Mich. 38
Tennessee 97, Appalachian St. 66
The Citadel 83, Navy 47
Troy St. 70, Jacksonville St. 52
UCF 73, Jacksonville 72
Va. Commonwealth 66, N. Carolina A&T 53
Vanderbilt 69, Cal Poly-SLO 64
Virginia Tech 79, Northeastern 56
MIDWEST
Creighton 102, Grambling St. 64
Loyola of Chicago 86, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi 66
Missouri 106, Jackson St. 68
N. Iowa 74, Texas-Pan American 66
Ohio 73, Duquesne 60
S. Illinois 76, Ill.-Chicago 68
Valparaiso 80, Youngstown St. 50
Wright St. 66, Tennessee St. 54
SOUTHWEST
Baylor 92, Cal St.-Fullerton 56
Houston 62, Rice 61
Oklahoma St. 95, New Orleans 47
FAR WEST
E. Washington 47, Boise St. 42
Gonzaga 92, Ark.-Pine Bluff 42

TOURNAMENT
Phoenix Classic
First Round
Cent. Connecticut St. 73, Hartford 59
Niagara 63, Winthrop 58

WOMEN
EAST
Columbia 86, Manhattanville 44
Lafayette 75, Rider 72
Providence 67, Brown 53
Seton Hall 71, Monmouth, N.J. 61
SOUTH
Auburn 58, Syracuse 55
Belmont 79, Alabama A&M 44
Centenary 70, MVSU 64
Duke 64, N.C. Charlotte 39
Florida 78, Florida St. 74, OT
High Point 84, Furman 80
James Madison 56, Massachusetts 49
Lipscomb 78, Birmingham-Southern 64
Nicholls St. 70, Louisiana-Lafayette 64
Purdue 64, Tulane 52
Southern Miss. 73, New Orleans 69
UAB 76, Mississippi St. 56
Virginia 60, Virginia Tech 58
W. Carolina 72, Wake Forest 64
William & Mary 88, Richmond 85
MIDWEST
Bowling Green 73, Ind.-Pur.-Ft. Wayne 57
Bradley 80, UMKC 59
DePaul 80, Loyola of Chicago 72
Michigan 65, Marquette 49
Nebraska 87, Texas Southern 51
UC Santa Barbara 70, Ohio St. 50
Wis.-Green Bay 87, New Mexico St. 47
SOUTHWEST
Oklahoma 89, Wichita St. 68
Texas 65, LSU 63
FAR WEST
BYU 75, Southern Cal 73
Montana St. 73, Montana Tech 47
Portland St. 75, UC Riverside 64
Rutgers 61, Pacific 53
Utah 58, Oregon St. 46
Washington St. 80, Gonzaga 72

National Basketball Association

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New Jersey	10	5	.667	—
Boston	7	6	.539	2
New York	8	8	.500	2½
Philadelphia	7	7	.500	2½
Orlando	7	9	.438	3½
Washington	4	10	.286	5½
Miami	2	12	.143	7½
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Milwaukee	9	3	.750	—
Detroit	9	5	.643	1
Toronto	10	6	.625	1
Indiana	9	9	.500	3
Charlotte	7	7	.500	3
Atlanta	6	11	.353	5½
Cleveland	5	11	.312	6
Chicago	2	12	.143	8

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	10	3	.769	—
Minnesota	10	4	.714	½
Dallas	10	6	.625	1½
Houston	7	8	.467	4
Denver	6	9	.400	5
Utah	6	9	.400	5
Memphis	2	12	.143	8½
Pacific Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
L.A. Lakers	13	1	.929	—
Sacramento	12	4	.750	2
Phoenix	9	7	.562	5
Portland	8	7	.533	5½
Seattle	8	9	.471	6½
L.A. Clippers	7	8	.467	6½
Golden State	7	9	.438	7

Thursday's Games
Toronto 91, Memphis 88
Atlanta 105, Cleveland 96
Boston 99, Orlando 89
Chicago 78, Miami 72
Sacramento 110, Dallas 98

Friday's Games
Detroit at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Houston at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Utah at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Denver, 9 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Milwaukee at Portland, 10 p.m.

Saturday's Games
Boston at New Jersey, 1 p.m.
Toronto at Atlanta, 2 p.m.
Orlando at Washington, 6:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at New York, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Indiana at Utah, 9 p.m.
Phoenix at Portland, 10 p.m.
Dallas at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Minnesota at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Boston at Toronto, 3 p.m.
Memphis at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Dallas at Sacramento, 9 p.m.
Milwaukee at Seattle, 9 p.m.
Indiana at L.A. Clippers, 9 p.m.

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Former sheriff, two others charged in ambush slaying

DECATUR, Ga. (AP) — A former sheriff was arrested and charged today with the ambush assassination of an anti-corruption crusader who defeated him in an election.

Former DeKalb County Sheriff Sidney Dorsey is one of three men charged with murdering Derwin Brown days before Brown was to take office. In August, Brown, 46, had defeated Dorsey in a bitter runoff after promising to clean up a department plagued by years of corruption.

After the slaying, Dorsey repeatedly denied any involvement. In one television appearance, he said the people responsible "should be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. And I mean capital punishment."

Also charged were former sheriff's Deputy Melvin Walker of Conyers and Daniel Isaiah Ramsey, whom Dorsey tried to recruit as a sheriff's deputy.

Dorsey surrendered at police headquarters, and the others were arrested without incident at their homes, DeKalb Police Chief E.J. Moody said.

Authorities declined to say whether they believed any of the men opened fire on Brown, who was shot 11 times in front of his home on Dec. 15.

"This has been a long 11 months," Moody said. "It's been a long haul. It's been a long time getting here."

Authorities awoke Brown's widow, Phyllis, to tell her about the arrests.

"I just want it to be over," she told WSB-TV. "The sad thing is, nothing will bring my Derwin back."

The suspects were scheduled to appear before a magistrate judge this afternoon. They were being held in jail, but authorities would not disclose their exact location.

Dorsey had been under investigation for allegedly using on-duty deputies to work for his private security company and for letting jail inmates work in a home repair program run by his wife.

Brown told 38 department employees they would be fired when he took office Jan. 1.

Moody said last year he had no doubt Brown was assassinated because of his proposed reforms.

Walker and Ramsey both were charged in March with lying to investigators looking into the slaying. Ramsey applied for a job in the DeKalb sheriff's office but was rejected for allegedly falsifying his employment history.

On the Net:
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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Should I see an orthopedic specialist?

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 72 and about six months ago, I was sitting on the floor with my grandson. When I went to stand up, I experienced pain in my left knee. The next day, there was a large lump on the knee. My doctor diagnosed bursitis and prescribed an elastic wrap. Four weeks later, the lump was still present. Today, my knee is still stiff and painful. The lump persists. Should I insist on an orthopedic consult?

DEAR READER: Yes, you should. Continuing symptoms in the face of inadequate therapy must be investigated. While I agree with your doctor's initial conclusion of "bursitis" (an inflammation of the joint covering), you need, in my opinion, a more aggressive approach to discover the source of the bursitis. In particular, I'd be very interested in an analysis of the cartilage in your knee. It's entirely possible, even likely, that during your act of standing, you may have injured the cartilage, with resulting pain, stiffness and fluid — the "lump" that persists and which your doctor thought was merely bursitis.

An orthopedic specialist will thoroughly examine the knee and — unless I miss my guess — order an MRI scan to determine if the cartilage were torn or crinkled. In such an instance, arthroscopic surgery (to repair the cartilage) may be necessary.

I routinely advise second opinions from specialists if my patients' symptoms fail to resolve in a reasonable time - as a general rule, within two to four weeks. Request a consultation and let me know what the doctor discovers and advises.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Lately, I've been experiencing pain during and after sex with my husband. This pain is so severe that I've been forced to stop having relations. I've also noticed that I have to urinate several times a night. The act often burns and I feel a constant pressure on my bladder. What can I do?

DEAR READER: See a gynecologist, who will examine and test you. A dropped uterus, for example, could be the cause of your problem, as could a chronic urinary infection, vaginal irritation and other factors. The specialist should be able to sort this out and offer you advice and treatment.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Vaginal Infections and Disorders." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167. Be sure to mention the title.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North 11-30-01
♠ K 5 4
♥ J 10 8 7
♦ 7 5 4
♣ A J 9

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

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

South
♠ A 9
♥ A K Q 6 5 2
♦ K 6 3
♣ Q 10

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: North-South

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ Q

dummy, and cashes the spade king, discarding a club from hand. South continues with dummy's club ace and club jack (or nine). If East plays low, declarer discards a low diamond. Even if West can win with the club king, he cannot profitably attack diamonds, so the contract is safe with two spades, six hearts and two clubs.

Here, if East covers with the club king, South ruffs, enters dummy with a trump, and cashes the established club winner.

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You just know the lie of the land

By Phillip Alder

What is the a priori probability of winning one finesse out of two? Half the time (50 percent) the first finesse will win. And half the rest of the time (25 percent) the second finesse will work. So, the answer is 75 percent. (To stop a flood of mail, it is actually 76 percent because a 1-1 division of two cards is 52 percent, not 50.)

How would you try to deliver four hearts after West leads the spade queen?

The deal occurred in Napa, Calif. South saw nine top tricks (two spades, six hearts and one club), so decided he needed either the club finesse or diamond finesse to work. After winning with his spade ace and drawing trumps, declarer ran the club queen. However, East produced the king and switched to the diamond queen.

After finishing one down, South complained about his bad luck. North, though, was unsympathetic. He had noticed that the contract was cold. South should have ducked trick one! (If West had seven spades, he wouldn't have passed over South's one-heart opening.) Declarer wins the next spade with his ace, draws trumps ending in the

Markets

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AMR Corp		21.41	21.00	21.35 + .30
AOL TimeWrn		36.65	35.13	35.84 + .46
AT&T Corp s		17.65	17.36	17.36—.26
Albertsons		33.85	33.33	33.35—.50
Alltel		64.63	63.90	64.52 + .47
AmEl Pw		41.49	40.86	41.43 + .85
AndarkPtr		52.70	51.35	51.38—.83
ATMOS Egy		19.80	19.70	19.75 + .01
Aviall		5.33	5.15	5.25 + .07
BP PLC		43.82	43.45	43.67—.64
BakerHughes		33.30	32.60	33.00 + .01
Bank of Amer		62.63	62.00	62.35—1.25
BellSouth		38.75	38.01	38.16—.59
vjBeth Steel		.39	.38	.38—.02
BurlNoSFe		29.25	28.80	28.95 + .10
Caterpillar		47.97	47.33	47.90—.30
ChevronTex		85.50	84.60	84.65—.80
Citigroup		48.47	47.67	48.03—.33
CocaCola		47.25	46.88	47.16 + .08
ColgatePal		57.55	57.05	57.30—.38
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CooperIn		40.60	40.15	40.24—.26
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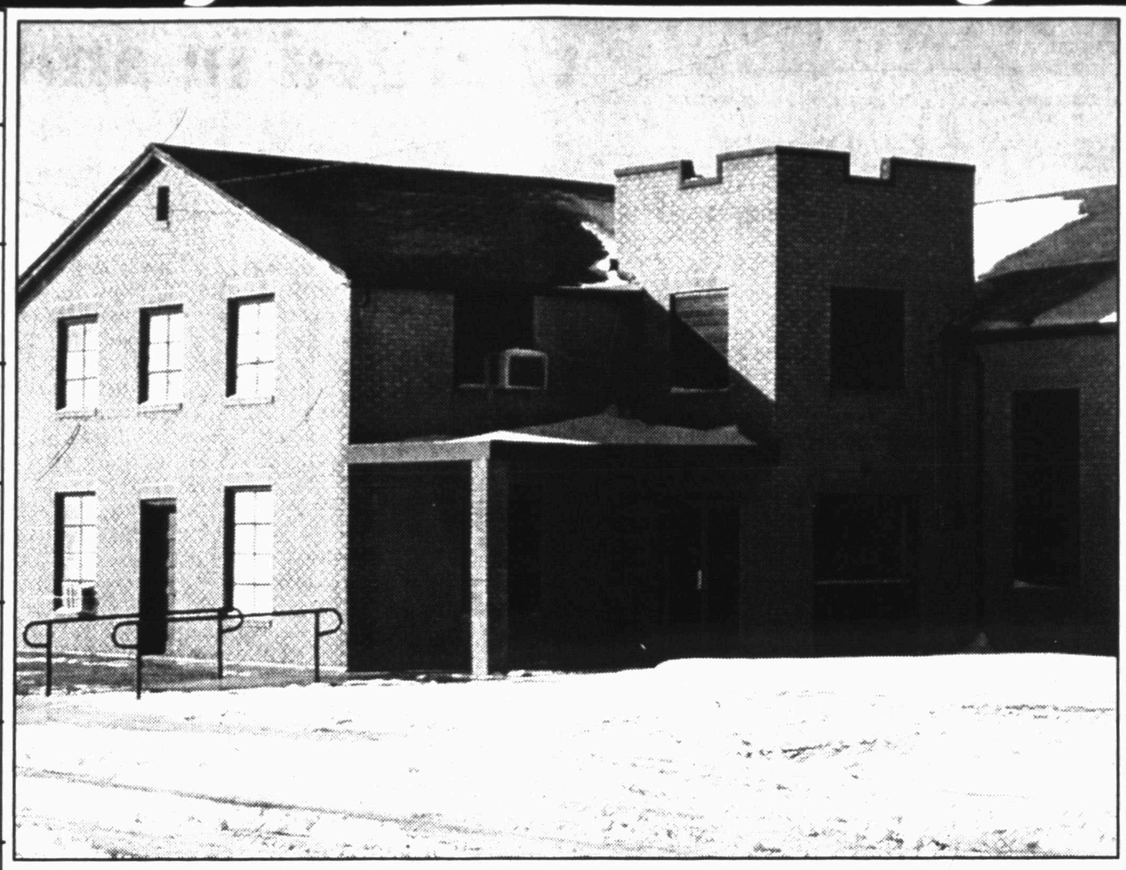
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'Separate Peace' author dies at age 75

MIAMI (AP) — John Knowles leaves behind a legacy that included nearly a half-century of writings and nine novels, but none matched the success of "A Separate Peace" — considered an enduring study of an adolescent's inner conflict.

Knowles died Thursday after a short illness at a convalescent home in a Fort Lauderdale suburb. He was 75.

Written in 1959 and read by millions of students, "A Separate Peace" is considered an American literary classic.

The book recounts hero Gene Forrester's allegiance to two fellow students: Brinker Hadley, a buttoned-down student leader who personifies New England conservatism, and Phineas, a natural athlete and eccentric who wears a bright pink shirt.

Forrester causes Phineas to break his leg in a fall from a tree and later is the putative cause of Phineas' second, fatal fall down a flight of stairs. Before Phineas' death, the two teen-agers reconcile, offering some help in assuaging Forrester's guilt.

Knowles' death leaves unanswered the main debate by the millions who have read the famous book: Did Forrester intentionally cause the accident that crippled Phineas?

"John used to say he would never answer that question," Bob Maxwell, Knowles' brother-in-law, said in announcing the author's death. "He took that one with him."

The book was voted the 67th best English-language novel in a 1998 Radcliffe College student poll. Millions of copies have been sold, and "A Separate Peace" was made into a movie in 1972.

According to the book, "Contemporary Novelists," published this year: "Knowles is intelligent, highly literate, a skilled and sensitive craftsman and stylist. He is knowledgeable of the world, tolerant, a connoisseur of many cultures."

Knowles failed, however, to match the success of "A Separate Peace" in any of his eight later novels.

Knowles' later works had no plausible characters, according to "Contemporary Novelists." Only Forrester and Phineas in his first work "stay in our memory," the reference book says.

Knowles was born Sept. 16, 1926, in Fairmont, W. Va., and was sent at 15 to the prestigious Phillips Exeter Academy in New Hampshire, where he graduated in 1945.

The school became the model for Devon, the school in "A Separate Peace."

"(Exeter) picked me up out of the hills of West Virginia, forced me to learn to study, tossed me into Yale and inspired me to write a book, my novel 'A Separate Peace,' which, eschewing false modesty, made me quite famous and financially secure," Knowles wrote in the school magazine in 1995.

After Exeter, Knowles qualified as a pilot in the U.S. Army Air Corps, then enrolled at Yale University before working as a reporter and drama critic at the Hartford Courant from 1950-52.

After touring Europe, he returned to New York in 1955, where he became an associate editor at the magazine "Holiday," a job he quit after "A Separate Peace" was published.

In the 1960s, he served was writer-in-residence at the University of North Carolina and at Princeton. Since moving to Fort Lauderdale 15 years ago, Knowles taught creative writing at Florida Atlantic University.

He is survived by sisters Dorothy Maxwell of Arizona and Marjorie Johnson of Texas, and a brother, James Knowles of San Francisco. Funeral services are private.

Enron employees bitter and bewildered

HOUSTON (AP) — Sitting at his desk at Enron Corp.'s 50-story world headquarters, Nathan Will knows his days are numbered, but he isn't worried about losing his job. He is worried about finding another.

"Am I tainted when I come out of here?" he asked Thursday. "Is an employer going to look at me and say, 'Oh, he worked at Enron'?"

The spectacular meltdown of what was once the world's biggest buyer and seller of energy has left employees bitter and bewildered.

The free-fall continued Thursday, with Enron stock sliding another 25 cents to a humiliating 36 cents a share after reaching more than $80 earlier this year. Analysts warned that bankruptcy was the only way out.

"I've written them off and I'm afraid Wall Street has written them off," said Prudential Securities analyst Carol Coale. "Do you retrench and go seek protection from the creditors in the bankruptcy courts or do you try to just keep it afloat with what you've got? Personally, I would go seek shelter."

Many of Enron's 20,000 employees have already seen their retirement savings devastated because their 401(k) plans were invested heavily in Enron stock.

Enron — an aggressive, even swaggering, player in the deregulated energy market — suffered one of the swiftest, steepest falls ever seen on Wall Street, imploding in just a matter of weeks.

It collapsed after disclosing that executives had engaged in off-the-books business deals and that it had overstated profits by more than a half-billion dollars over the past four years.

Investors lost confidence and dumped their stock, causing Enron to lose tens of billions in value.

Houston-based energy marketer Dynegy had struck a deal to come to Enron's rescue, but the $8.4 billion takeover agreement came apart on Wednesday after Wall Street lowered Enron's credit rating to junk status.

The crash has left many investors and employees resentful of Enron's upper management.

"Most people feel as though they know they didn't have anything to do with it, so why are they essentially going to be punished?" said Will, who manages a trading desk for the company's broadband division and up until recently had boasted about working for Enron.

Bob Knudson of Omaha, Neb., a former employee who lost a significant amount of his family's retirement savings, said he wants answers from Enron's top management on why it let it all go down the tubes.

"The swiftness with which all this has happened, I don't think anybody, whether it is on Wall Street or Omaha, Neb., or Houston could have imagined," he said. "Even the analyst never saw it coming."

Enron has not announced any job cuts, saying in a statement that it would "work to retain the employees necessary to the continuing operations of our trading and other core energy businesses."

A group of Enron employees sued the company last week, alleging mismanagement by executives running the 401(k) plan resulted in huge losses in their retirement funds. The lawsuit says employees were encouraged to invest more heavily in Enron stock just before it tanked.

"Probably the worst thing is that people who have been with the company the longest amount of time had the most losses," said Robin Harrison, an attorney for some of those employees.

One employee, who refused to give his name, said he's taking a cautiously optimistic attitude toward his future with the company.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Friday, Nov. 30, 2001

In the year ahead you might take over an endeavor initiated by another. Once in your hands, the venture should grow considerably into a profitable and pleasurable experience.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Unless it is absolutely necessary, avoid any kind of partnership arrangements today. People in general are not as cooperative as usual and could turn out to be a hindrance rather than a help. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — This is one of those days where you need to get going early, because unless you get a running start, tasks could pile up on you and cause a logjam difficult to dislodge.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — No one, including you, will take kindly to butting into one's personal affairs. Mind your own business today, and politely tell others to do likewise when it's directed at you.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Being too rigid regarding the position you take on a domestic issue will get the sparks flying today. A compromise can be reached, if you take the time to find it.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — There is always something to be learned, so long as we keep an open mind. If you're too good at talking today and poor on listening, you'll miss data that could be important to you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Stubbornly putting good money after bad would be a stupid move today. Before adding more to an already faltering investment, seek and follow sound advice.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Decisions aren't apt to be wise or beneficial when made under pressure today. Don't let outside factors control your timetable. Be patient, even if you're squeezed.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Know your limitations as well as your assets today, or else you could get yourself involved in a project or enterprise way beyond your talents and capabilities.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — If you're looking for ways and means to increase your holdings, forego gambling or following a tip from a well-meaning pal today. You're more apt to lose than win.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Failing to achieve your objectives today will be due to employing erratic methods or procedures. Test the waters first before jumping off any cliffs.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Should you run into someone with whom you've recently crossed swords, don't fall for any flimsy excuses to re-ignite the fuse. No one will win or get any pleasure out of it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Friends and money rarely mix, and today will be no exception. Involvements you have that require the sharing of funds must be handled with extreme care.

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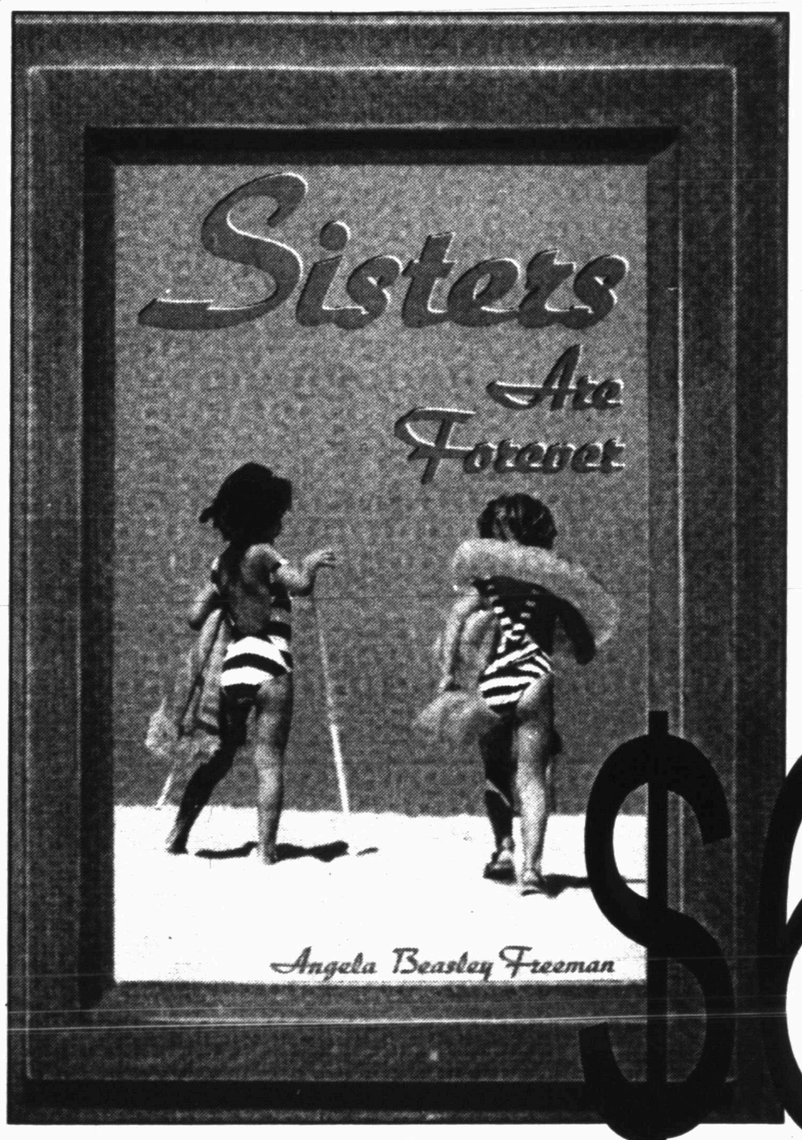
Recovery expected

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Surgeons removed the prostate gland of Charlie Daniels after he was diagnosed with cancer. A doctor said the 65-year-old country singer is expected to make a complete recovery.

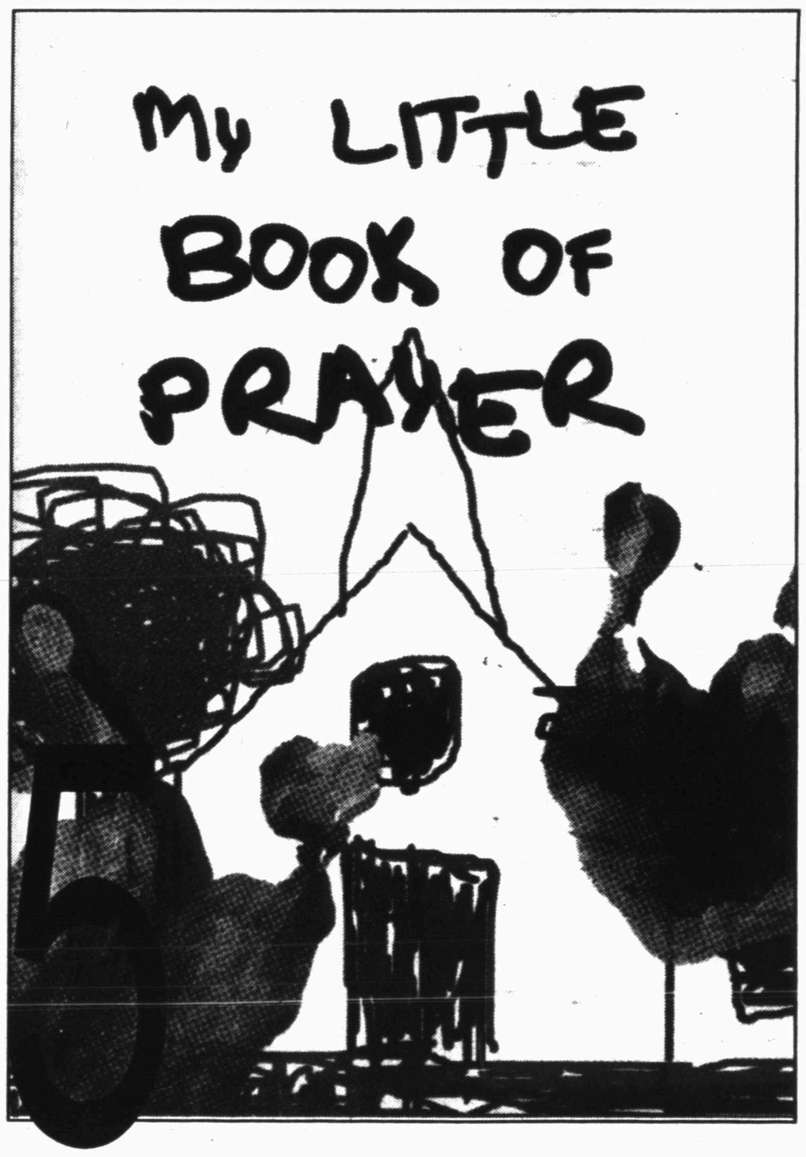
Daniels underwent surgery on Nov. 20 at Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Dr. Joseph Smith said on Wednesday.

"The cancer was contained. ... And has been completely removed," Smith said. "We expect that his cancer is cured."

Daniels plans to return to performing next year. His hits include "The Devil Went Down to Georgia" and "Long Haired Country Boy."



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Endeavour launch put on hold

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Space shuttle Endeavour's flight to the international space station is on hold because of a Russian cargo ship that is hanging from the orbiting complex without a firm grip.

Shuttle managers called off Thursday's liftoff of Endeavour because of danger from the unmanned supply ship. They initially targeted today for the next launch attempt, but later ruled that out and were debating when to try again.

The supply ship pulled up at the space station on Wednesday but failed to attach itself securely. NASA feared the forces exerted by the arriving shuttle would cause the supply ship to wobble, damaging the space station.

Endeavour is supposed to drop off two Americans and one Russian for a six-month stay aboard the space station, and bring back the three men who have been living up there since August.

The launch was scrubbed with just hours left in the countdown as space agency managers tried to diagnose the trouble and decide what to do. Fixing the problem will almost certainly require a spacewalk.

"We need to develop a plan and make sure that we can support it ... and that we don't, in the process, make something worse," said NASA's Jim Van Laak, a space station manager.

The countdown continued under unprecedented security, with fighter jets, attack helicopters and military personnel in camouflage on guard against terrorist attacks. A 35-mile no-fly zone on small planes was established around the launch pad.

The supply ship arrived at the space station with more than a ton of food, fuel, clothes and other supplies. But the eight docking latches that are supposed to hold it securely did not click into place.

Based on a fuzzy video of the docking, flight controllers suspect a 1-foot cable — or something else entirely — is preventing the ship from latching on. But no one seemed to know where the cable came from.

"As different people look at the video, some say, 'Oh, there it is,' and they clearly point to a piece of debris. And other people say, 'I've no idea what you're pointing to,'" Van Laak said.

Russia has proposed that the two cosmonauts aboard the space station go out on a spacewalk as early as Monday to remove the debris.

NASA wonders whether it would be better for Endeavour to wait on the launch pad until the repair is completed.

Accidents taper off as snow melts in county

•Accidents

Local law enforcement agencies have been kept busy this week with more than 50 accidents reported on icy roads around the county. Sunny skies helped to thaw much of the snow and ice off roads by Thursday afternoon, but some motorists continued to have problems early in the day.

A wrecker was requested for a vehicle stuck near the Co-Op gin on east Hwy. 180 yesterday morning.

At 8 a.m. officers responded to a caller near Rip Griffin's Truck Stop who reported three trucks parked in the road and causing a traffic hazard.

Minutes later officers were dispatched to Coliseum Dr. and Ave. B in reference to a car stuck in the street.

A three-car accident was reported at College Ave. and 37th Street, but none of the drivers wished to file a report.

Another stalled vehicle was reported in front of Wilson Motors on Coliseum Dr. at 9:15 a.m.

DPS troopers responded to a two-vehicle accident on U.S. 84 half a mile south of the Garza County line a short time later.

Dispatchers received numerous calls of vehicles stalled at several locations in town including 30th Street and College Ave., 13th Street near Northeast Elementary, 25th Street and El Paso and 37th Street and Ave. V.

At noon Thursday, a woman requested a trooper on U.S. 84 in reference to an accident with an 18-wheeler. She was driving a Ford Escort and reported the truck didn't stop after the accident. No injuries were reported.

•Arrests

Snyder police officers arrested Tommy Gerald Baldwin, 24, of 2401 Ave. L just after midnight today in the 1900 block of Ave. R. Baldwin was taken into custody for driving with a suspended license and on a number of outstanding warrants including revoked probation for attempted sexual assault, failure to comply with registration requirements, criminal attempt of theft of service, failure to appear before a judge and driving with a suspended license.

At 1 a.m. today, officers arrested a 25-year-old man in the 500 block of 27th Street for public intoxication. 9-1-1 operators dispatched the officers to the residence after receiving two hang-up calls and then talking to a man who reported problems in the home.

•Close patrol

Janice Hodges requested a close patrol of her residence in the 2200 block of Ave. O after observing footprints in the snow on her porch.

Billy Smith requested a close patrol on College Ave. in front of the Spanish Inn in reference to several pickups driving recklessly.

C. L. Green reported subjects knocking on his door then leaving in a pickup.

•Officers requested

A man requested to speak with an officer Thursday and said another man pulled a knife on him earlier in the week. Officers contacted the caller and told him they would attempt to contact the other man and advise him of the complaint.

Military to search caves and tunnels

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. ground forces and air power are being assembled to dislodge Taliban and al-Qaida leaders from caves, tunnels and other fortified hide-outs in Afghanistan.

While the American commander, Army Gen. Tommy Franks, has made no decision yet on the use of ground troops, it is clear he will move U.S. forces closer to key targets in Afghanistan in case anti-Taliban forces cannot finish the job.

Fighting for control of the Taliban stronghold of Kandahar continued outside the southern city today and opposition forces reported they captured 80 Taliban soldiers.

"Clearly, there's a lot going on there," Pentagon spokeswoman Victoria Clarke said today. She said that U.S. Marines on a makeshift base 70 miles south of Kandahar have not moved to join the fighting.

Obituaries

Patricia Weyel

1924-2001

MIDLAND – Patricia Jean Weyel, a former resident of Snyder, died Tuesday, Nov. 27, in a Midland hospital.

A memorial service for Mrs. Weyel, 77, is set for 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the Grace Presbyterian Church. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Born June 29, 1924 in Tulsa, she married Elmo Weyel, an engineer for Standard Oil Co., on May 22, 1943 in Houston.

The Weyels lived in Snyder from 1953 to 1972 before moving to Midland. She was a member of the Grace Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include her husband, Elmo Weyel of Midland; a son, Steven Weyel of Kingswood; two daughters, Candance Ping of Edmond, Okla., and Nancy Ruff of Pampa; a brother, James Pitcock of Houston; a sister, Martha Roshto of Richardson; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

H.N. Stephens

1918-2001

MIDLAND – H.N. Stephens, a former resident of Snyder, died Wednesday, Nov. 28, at his home in Midland.

Funeral service for Mr. Stephens, 83, is set for 3 p.m. Saturday in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. James McCormick, pastor of Oasis Christian Fellowship in Carlsbad, N.M., and Sammy Hayes, pastor of the First Assembly of God in Midland, will officiate. Burial will follow in Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Born Aug. 30, 1918 in Fort Worth, he married Lula Mae Vaughan in Mitchell County on June 6, 1942. He farmed in Mitchell County from 1940-51 then moved to Snyder and joined Universal Oil Well Service Company.

Mr. Stephens moved to Midland in 1965 and joined Mack Machen and later worked for L&L Well Service, retiring in 1981. He continued to work part-time at Fannin Terrace Baptist Church from 1982-86.

He was preceded in death by his parents, T.W. and Josie Stephens; two sisters, Leona Dowty and Omie Stephens; and a brother, Alvis Stephens.

Survivors include his wife, Lula Mae Stephens of Midland; two daughters, Joyce Baugh of Midland and Mary Helen McCormick of Carlsbad; a brother, Earnest Stephens of Abilene; four grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

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Eugenio Trevino

1958-2001

SWEETWATER — Eugenio Trevino Jr., the brother of Ruben Trevino of Snyder, died Thursday, Nov. 29, in an Abilene hospital.

Rosary for Mr. Trevino, 43, is set for 7 this evening in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel.

Mass is set for 9 a.m. Saturday in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, followed by a military graveside service in the Sweetwater Cemetery. Father Mike Goode will officiate and the Nolan County Honor Guard will conduct the military rites.

Born May 23, 1958 in Edinburg, he married Margarite Guerrero in 1989 in Sweetwater. He was a graduate of Roscoe High School and TSTC with EMT and CMA degrees and worked for Pro-Health 10 years. A lifelong resident of Nolan County, he has also recorded in Nashville, Tenn. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

Survivors also include his wife, Margarite Trevino of Sweetwater; a daughter, Pat Trevino of Sweetwater; two sons, Anthony and Paul Trevino, both of Sweetwater; his parents, Eugenio and Sylvia Trevino of Roscoe; a stepson, Jason Sepeda of Sweetwater; two stepdaughters, Rosanna Valdez and Leticia Sepeda, both of Sweetwater; and one grandson, Anthony Trevino of Sweetwater.

Hardie Robinson

1908-2001

WEATHERFORD – Hardie Robinson, a native of Scurry County, died Thursday, Nov. 29 in a Weatherford nursing home.

Funeral service for Mr. Robinson, 93, is set for 1:30 p.m. Sunday in the Poolville First Baptist Church where he had served as a deacon. Burial will follow in the Howard Cemetery in Desdemona. Arrangements are under the direction of Galbreaith-Pickard Funeral Chapel in Weatherford.

Born Oct. 16, 1908 in Camp Springs, he was a resident of Poolville and was a retired employee of General Dynamics and Higginbotham Lumber Company.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Cleta Fern, in 1969; and his second wife, Faydelle, in 1996.

Survivors include four sons and daughters-in-law, David and Helen Robinson of Peaster, Bill and Nancy Robinson of Weatherford, Charles and Susie Beck of Keller and L.G. and Ellen Beck of Midlothian; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Dan Ransberger

1950-2001

SWEETWATER — Jerry Dan Ransberger, brother of Paul Ransberger, chaplain at the Price Daniel Unit in Snyder, died Thursday, Nov. 29, at his home in Sweetwater.

Funeral service for Mr. Ransberger, 50, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Timothy Rickman and Chaplain Ransberger will officiate. Burial will follow in the Sweetwater Cemetery.

Born Dec. 24, 1950 in Sweetwater, he was a 1969 graduate of Sweetwater High School. He was a lifelong resident of Sweetwater with the exception of four years in the U.S. Navy He had also worked as a nurse's aide.

Survivors include his parents, Bill and Doris Ransberger of Sweetwater; another brother, Billy Ransberger of Sweetwater and his wife, Cindy; his sister-in-law, Susan Ransberger of Sweetwater; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Linda and Jack Geron of Sweetwater, and Joni and Mike Anders of Houston; and several nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews.

Family will receive friends at McCoy Funeral Home from 5 to 6:30 p.m. today.

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First Presbyterian Church services

First Presbyterian Church will have its hanging of the greens service at 7 o'clock today. A dinner will be served earlier at 6:30 and everyone is invited.

Tiger's Lair

This is the final week to order 2002 yearbooks for $45. Beginning next week, the price for a yearbook will be $50. Orders may be mailed to SHS Publications at the high school. Monday is also the deadline for senior dedications to be submitted. Cost is $45 for a color photo and message. Call 573-6301, ext. 35 for additional information.

Head Start registration

Today is the last day to register for Scurry County Head Start. Registration is from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Children must be three years old and meet income guidelines or have a disability. Bring a certified birth certificate, immunization record, child's social security card and proof of income.

GED testing dates

GED testing for the first time or re-testing will be held until 5 p.m. today; Tuesday, 5-9 p.m.; Thursday 5-9 p.m.; and next Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For further information, call Molly Kattes at 573-2919 or Emily Hataway at 573-8511, ext. 297 or 574-2112.

His Joy Ministries

His Joy Ministries, 904 26th, will host the 8th annual conference today and Saturday. Speakers will be Keith Miller from Amarillo and Moses Akitwine from Uganda. Music will be provided by Mercy and Truth from Dallas. Call 573-8401 for registration.

Turkey shoot

The Snyder FFA Booster Club will sponsor a Turkey Shoot from 9 a.m. until dark Saturday at the Canyon Reef Gun Club. For information, call Skip Craig at 573-7750 or Paula Williams at 573-5881.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "How the Cross Changes People," followed by "Does God Answer Prayer?"

SHS Madrigal Dinners

SHS' annual Madrigal Dinners are set at 7:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday at the high school student center.

Snyder Lions Club

Snyder Lions Club members are to bring a toy to Tuesday's meeting or be fined. The toy will go to Toys for Kids Christmas project headed by the Girl Scouts.

Korean War display

The Scurry County Museum is honoring veterans of the Korean War with displays of memorabilia through Tuesday.

"Married for Life" information

"Marriage for Life" information night will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at The Word of Life Church, 312 Coliseum Drive. Home Bible study groups will soon start. For information, call Doug or Donna Nehring at 573-7471.

Nurse testing dates

Testing for the next class of the Vocational Nursing program at Western Texas College will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and also on Dec. 15, Jan. 22, and Jan. 29, with the last day to interview set for Feb. 2. Classes are scheduled to begin March 4. Potential students must bring a photo ID. To schedule an appointment, call the Counseling Center at 573-8511 ext. 313.

Ira booster club

The Ira booster club will meet at 8:15 p.m. Wednesday in the school cafeteria.

Seniors helping seniors

Snyder High School's senior class would like to help senior citizens decorate for Christmas. Students will provide the labor by putting up lights or decorating Christmas trees, etc. Call 573-6301 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday to make arrangements.

Head Start fundraiser

Early Head Start and Head Start programs are selling raffle tickets for a drawing to be held Dec. 13. There will be a drawing for $100 worth of groceries from Davidson's Supermarket and another drawing for a $50 gift certificate from Wal-Mart. Proceeds will be used to buy Christmas gifts for students. Come by 2800 2nd St. or call 573-7403. Last ticket sales day is Monday.

VFW membership drive

The VFW is currently conducting its annual membership drive. Membership is restricted to veterans who served overseas in times of conflict or war. For more information, contact the post commander Jim Bailey at 573-5338.

Red Cross volunteers needed

Red Cross volunteers are needed for Snyder and Scurry County. Contact Sherry Faulkenbery at 573-1974 after 5 p.m.

Mesquite Country Writers Guild

The Mesquite Country Writers Guild is now accepting submissions for the winter issue of *Bards of a Feather.* The deadline is Dec. 15. The theme is open. Mail submissions to Pam Mauldin, Box 237, Ira, 79527 or e-mail to upside@nwol.net.

Military support group

Family members, volunteers, friends, and active or inactive soldiers of Scurry County interested in forming a local Military Support Group are asked to contact Dale or Elaine Byrd at 573-8088 after 4 p.m., or e-mail dbyrd@nwol.net. The purpose of this group is to provide an avenue of mutual support, assistance, community resources, and a network of communication.

WTC adult basic education

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