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Voters asked to approve bonds in the amount of \$650,000

The Warner Schools Board of Education is having a school bond election on April 4, 2000. The voters are being asked to approve bonds in the amount of \$650,000.

The Board of Education has spent a great deal of time studying the needs of the district and how to provide space for the students while minimizing the cost to taxpayers.

The Board worked with the architect to develop a plan that meets the needs of the students and the community. This bond issue would allow the district to construct an Elementary multi-purpose building which would house 4 classrooms, a band room, physical education space, a stage area, dressing rooms for PE, restrooms and a concession area.

After careful consultation with their financial advisor the Board of Education chose to ask the voters to

Warner Public Schools \$650,000 Building Bonds April 4, 2000					Tax Impact	
If your taxes were....		Your new taxes would be.....				
Previous Tax Amount		First Year's Tax Impact	Annual Increase	Monthly Increase		
\$25.00	*****	\$28.96	\$3.96	\$0.33		
\$50.00	*****	\$57.93	\$7.93	\$0.66		
\$75.00	*****	\$86.89	\$11.89	\$0.99		
\$100.00	*****	\$115.85	\$15.85	\$1.32		
\$200.00	*****	\$231.71	\$31.71	\$2.64		
\$300.00	*****	\$347.56	\$47.56	\$3.96		
\$400.00	*****	\$463.41	\$63.41	\$5.28		
\$500.00	*****	\$579.27	\$79.27	\$6.61		
\$600.00	*****	\$695.12	\$95.12	\$7.93		
\$700.00	*****	\$810.97	\$110.97	\$9.25		
\$800.00	*****	\$926.83	\$126.83	\$10.57		
\$900.00	*****	\$1,042.68	\$142.68	\$11.89		
\$1,000.00	*****	\$1,158.53	\$158.53	\$13.21		

approve a bond issue with an 8 year maturity because this would lessen the tax impact on its patrons. The tax impact for the residents of the Warner School District will be an annual increase of \$15.85 for each \$100.00 of taxes paid in 1998-1999. This is a monthly increase of \$1.32 for every \$100.00 paid in taxes in 1998-1999.

The election will be held April 4, 2000. The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Voters will vote at their regular precinct location.

Absentee voters can still cast their ballot

Registered voters in Muskogee County who want to vote by absentee ballot in next Tuesday's Elections have missed the deadline to apply for a ballot to be mailed to them, County Election Board Secretary Kenneth Blackburn said today.

"They aren't out of luck, however," Blackburn said.

Registered voters who want to vote absentee still can receive and cast a ballot by going to the County Election Board office on Thursday, March 30, Friday, March 31, or Monday, April 3. A two-member, bipartisan Absentee Voting Board will be on duty each day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to assist in-person absentee voters.

"In-person absentee voters will complete an application form when they arrive at the office. They are not required to state a reason for voting in-person absentee," Blackburn said. "They are required to swear that they have not voted a regular mail absentee ballot and that they will not vote at their polling places on election day."

According to Blackburn, the Absentee Voting Board will verify the voter's registration information, then will issue the correct ballots. The voter will mark them in the privacy of a voting booth and insert them into a voting device. "It is very much like voting at a precinct polling place," said Blackburn.

For more information, contact the County Election Board office at (918) 687-8151.

Warner Schools seek public input

Warner Public Schools will be having an Open House on Tuesday March 28, 2000 at 6:30 p.m. in the Elementary Cafeteria.

We would like to invite the Public and Patrons of Warner School District to come and participate in discussions of the new proposed building project for Warner Public School. The Warner Board of Education has approved a school Bond election in the amount of \$650,000.

At the Open House, the Architect, and a representative from Stephen McDonald & Associates, who are serving Warner School district as financial advisors, along with Warner School Board members will be present at the Open House.

Sequoyah County woman found dead in her home

The body of Joann Risley, 59 was found in her home near Gore, the victim of an apparent homicide, around noon last Thursday.

Apparently the woman arrived home from work around 7 a.m., took her son to school, then returned home. Her husband found her body in the bedroom after he returned home from doing some work.

Fingerprints were taken by the OSBI, as well as interviews with family members and processing of other clues. There was no known motive or suspects. The cause of death was not released pending the results of an autopsy.

Mark your ballots . . . it's time to vote

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 4, for the Special School Bond Elections and the City of Muskogee Municipal General Election. Kenneth Blackburn, Secretary of the Muskogee County Election Board offered these tips on how to make your votes count.

A valid marking, a filled-in arrow is shown on posters at the polling place and inside the voting booths. If voters make mistakes marking their ballots, Blackburn said they should not try to correct the errors. Instead,

voters should return the spoiled ballot to the precinct officials, who will destroy it and issue a new ballot to the voter.

Blackburn also urged voters to take their Voter Registration Cards to the polls with them. "That Voter Identification Card is like an insurance policy," Blackburn said. "If we in the election system have made any errors. You can vote on the strength of that Voter ID card." Blackburn went on to say that the voter identification card must show the voter to be registered

in the precinct, and that the voter must fill out a voter registration application form, sign an affidavit, and turn in the voter identification card. "After the election, we will mail the person a new voter card."

Blackburn said that voters who want to be processed quickly should vote during mid-morning or mid-afternoon, as those are the two slowest periods for voting during the day.

"Anyone who is eligible and at the polling place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday will be entitled to vote," he added.

State Regents support national mentoring programs

Encouraging more Oklahoma college students to help younger students gain the math and reading skills they need to succeed is the goal of a statewide initiative being undertaken by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

The State Regents have allocated \$300,000 in seed money for Oklahoma public and private colleges and universities to participate in America Counts and America Reads, federal programs designed to bring more adult mentors and tutors into the nation's schools to help students in the first through ninth grades improve math and reading skills.

Under new regulations approved by the U.S. Department of Education, colleges and universities

may now pay the full wages of participating college students through the Federal Work Study Program. The State Regents' funding support will enable colleges and universities to develop the training and administrative infrastructure needed to obtain the federal work study financing.

"Through these mentoring programs, college students gain an opportunity to become more active in their community by helping younger, academically at-risk students gain necessary reading and math skills. And the younger children are exposed to positive role models who can not only help them improve necessary skills, but also talk about the benefits of a college education," said Chancellor Hans Brisch.

Seven institutions have requested funds for the spring to support planning and implementation of one or both of these programs at their sites. Among those institutions participating is Connor State College.

"We are pleased to see such strong commitment from public and private Oklahoma Institutions for programs that greatly benefit our young people," said State Regents Chairman Bill W. Burgess Jr. "America Counts and America Reads strengthen the link between common and higher education and pool resources from federal, state and local sources to help students at all levels achieve their potential."

Sixteen years is enough says Cowgirl's employee



Edith Carmon is shown here preparing for another day of cooking hamburgers, as she has for sixteen years. (Staff photo by Gary Head)

By Staff Writer Gary Head

"I'm sick of hamburgers," says Edith Carmon of Cowgirl's Drive In. "I don't eat hamburgers, even at home. I can't stand the smell of hamburger cooking. Sixteen years is enough! I'm outta here!"

Edith is half joking. She is tired of hamburgers, but that is not the reason she is retiring after sixteen years of being the heart beat of Cowgirl's Drive In. Her husband has a serious illness and she wants to spend more time with him. They want to close out their horse raising business and then do some traveling. "We have relatives we have never seen. I've never met my husband's sisters in Florida. We have a grandchild we have not seen. It's time we do that," says Edith.

When asked to tell about herself, Edith replies: "Not much to tell. I

get up about 3:00 a.m. and I am at Cowgirls around 7. I spend the next 3 hours getting ready for the day." She has potatoes to get ready for frying, tomatoes to slice and lettuce to get ready. There is cornbread and beans to prepare and the daily special to get ready. "That's all there is," she says modestly.

Edith finally gets serious. "I know that I'm going to miss our customers and I dread that. I'll miss cutting up and joking with them for all these years. I've worked for six owners, one of them twice, and like all of them. Sure, we had some moments but managed to laugh them off and get on with business."

She plans to still raise a garden, travel and spend some quiet time at home.

One thing is certain, Cowgirl's will be quieter. The customers will have to find someone else to rag.

Arts & Crafts sale coming soon

TUIT Chapter of the American Business Women's Association of Muskogee is having an arts and crafts show and sale on Saturday and Sunday, April 8 and 9th at the Muskogee Civic Center at 4th and Okmulgee from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday and 12 Noon to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. There

will be over 100 exhibitors, secured area and ample parking. For more information call Gail Rhodes (918) 682-2422. Proceeds go toward scholarships & educational programs for women. Last year \$2,500 was contributed in scholarship funds.

Partnership helps count Oklahoma

Oklahoma's public libraries have been recruited to assist the U.S. Census Bureau with the national count coming up this spring. Virtually all of the state's 200-plus public library sites have signed up for the "Be Counted" program. These libraries can provide Census forms to citizens who have lost their form or did not receive one in the mail.

"This partnership between the U.S. Census Bureau and America's public library community is an attempt to make sure the national count is as accurate as possible," according to Steve Beleu, U.S. Government Information Librarian at the Oklahoma Department of Libraries.

Census population totals are used to reapportion among the states the seats in the U.S. House of Representatives and, within states, to redraw the boundaries of state legislative districts and even some local voting districts. Census counts also help determine the disbursement of federal funds to state and local governments.

"According to the Oklahoma State Data Center, Oklahoma has lost at least \$13.8 million in federal funds since 1991 because our state was undercounted," Beleu said. The Center estimates 57,000 Oklahomans were not counted in 1990.

"In some instances, citizens may have misplaced or lost their 1990 form, or they may have recently moved and the Census form didn't follow them to their new address," Beleu said. "For Census 2000, citizens who lose or don't receive a form can pick one up at their local public libraries."

Census forms were due to arrive in mailboxes no later than March 15. Persons needing forms can check with their local library between April 1 and April 11.

Both short and long versions of the Census forms are being provided to the public libraries. "If the Census Bureau originally sent you a long form, keep in mind you can't switch it out for a short form," Beleu said.



Blaize Dakota Scheulen

The Azalea Pageant 2000 was held March 18 at the Muskogee Civic Center. Shown above is Blaize Dakota Scheulen, 2 years old. Blaize won Mr. Azalea King in the beauty contest and Mr. Azalea King in the photogenic contest in his age group of 19 to 36 months. He will also participate in the Azalea Parade on April 8. Blaize is the



Braden K. Scheulen

son of Phillip Scheulen, Jr. of Warner.

Braden K. Scheulen, 13 months also participated in the event winning First Alternate in the beauty contest in his age group of 0 to 18 months. He too, will participate in the Azalea Parade. Braden is also the son of Phillip Scheulen Jr., of Warner

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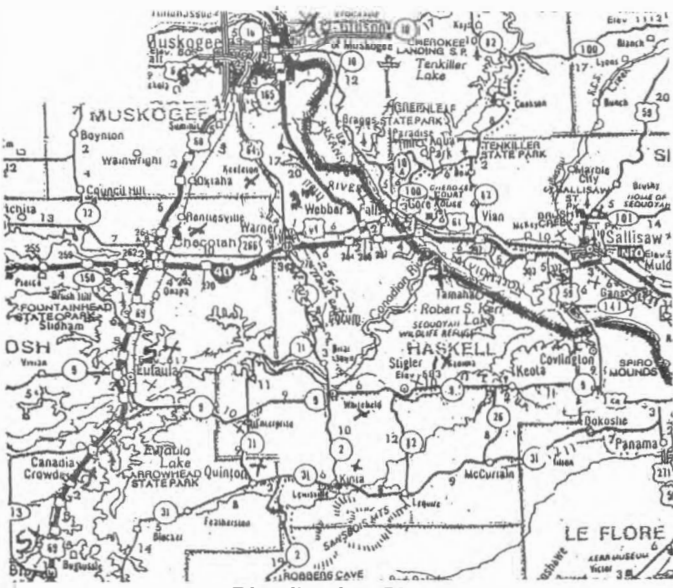
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POTATO POINTERS:

A quick list of helpful hints for buying, cooking, and storing potatoes.

- Select potatoes individually, choosing ones that are fairly clean, firm and smooth. Avoid any with wrinkled or wilted skins, bruises, discolorations or sprouts.

- Knobby potatoes and those with irregular shapes are more difficult to peel and produce more waste.

- For even cooking, pick potatoes of uniform size.

- A sprouting potato is edible, but you should remove eyes, which indicate aging.

- Reject potatoes with green-tinged skins, indicating prolonged exposure to light and the presence of solanine, a naturally occurring toxin. If green- ing is present, pare it away before cooking.

- Discard potatoes that are badly shriveled or softened — one bad potato can adversely affect the remaining ones.

- Don't store potatoes with onions. Each vegetable produces gases that can accelerate the decay of the other.

- Leaving the skin on potatoes during cooking is the best way to conserve their nutrients. If peeling, keep peels as thin as possible.

- Peeled potatoes turn dark if not cooked right away. Toss with a little lemon juice to protect the whiteness.

- You can peel potatoes and place them in a saucepan with cold water just before cooking, but leaving them in water too long leads to vitamin loss.

He Is A Winner!
McPeak

for Warner School Board

SHOP THE CLASSIFIEDS!

Ice cream patrons invited . . . to register for the draft

In 1984, a Palo Alto, California family received a Selective Services reminder that it was almost time for Johnny Klomberg to register for the draft. Problem was, there was no John Klomberg living at that address. Or anywhere else. He was purely the fictional invention of the two boys who did live there, Eric and Greg Hentzel.

To remind them to register for the draft, Selective Service had been tracking down young men through commercial mailing lists. They got caught at this practice when they sent such an invitation to a fictional kid who'd been dreamed up by a couple of young Dillingers whose dad was an ex-Serviceman, a lawyer, and not amused.

He didn't think it right that a kids' "free ice cream" list should be turned into a Selective Service name harvesting opportunity.

Young men had to register for the draft within 30 days of their 18th birthday. Selective Service tried to trace those who have not done so through driver's license records, and sometimes, Social Security cards and the Internal Revenue Service. Failing to register was punishable by a maximum \$10,000 fine, up to five years in jail, or both.

Fair enough. But using a kids' birthday club list?

Selective Service didn't see anything wrong with what they were doing. "We do everything we can to get every 18-year-old to register," said Will Ebel, their director of public affairs. "Our concern is equity. If your son registers, the guy who lives across the street who is 18 should have to register also."

That's all well and good, but news of an ice cream parlors' birthday

club mailing list being used for such recruitment struck a number of people as plain wrong.

Seven years earlier, the Hentzel brothers dreamed up Johnny in an effort to weasel free frozen treats out of the local ice cream parlor. Farrell's birthday club rewarded its members with a free sundae on their special day. It was but a matter of filling out a form with name, address and date of birth - a Farrell's invitation for the annual free treat would arrive through the mail at the appropriate time.

Magic, the Hentzel boys thought. Also too good an opportunity to pass up on. "We made up really phony names and put different birthdays on but our own address," said Eric. Which is how Johnny Klomberg's Selective Service notice ended up arriving at their house.

Their bit of childhood perfidy uncovered what the government had been up to. Selective Service was forced to acknowledge that in 1983 it paid a mailing list broker \$5,687 for 167,000 names of other birthday club boys who would be 18 that year so that it could remind them to register. Farrell's Ice Cream Parlor Restaurant, a large national chain, was "outraged" to discover its list had been passed to the government without permission.

The restaurant had kept a list of the children's names and addresses so it could mail out "free ice cream" invites to those who signed up on it. It also sometimes rented its list through a direct mail broker. (Mailing lists are rented or traded between various businesses as a matter of due course. The standard agreement provides for the payment of a fee or a list swap in return for the one-time use of the names; each additional mailing using those

Country Chatter
by Timothy Montgomery

Faith Hill will be singing "Poor Sweet Baby, Charlie Brown," on the CBS tribute to the late Charles M. Schulz, the creator of Peanuts and its wonderful characters, Charlie Brown, Snoopy, Schroeder, Lucy, Linus, et al. The special will air during May sweeps. ***

On March 27, the animated musical, "Tom Sawyer," debuts on TNN with an encore presentation on April 1. The country stars whose voices will be heard singing original songs in the production are Rhett Atkins as Tom, Waylon Jennings as Judge Thatcher, Mark Wills — the 1999 Academy of Country Music Top New Male Vocalist — as Tom's best friend, Huck, Lee Ann Womack as Becky Thatcher, and Hank Williams, Jr. as Injurin' Joe. Betty White stars as Aunt Polly and Don Knotts ties it all up as Mutt Potter.

This is a Hammer
by Samantha Mazzotta

LANDSCAPING THAT SAVES ENERGY

Finally, spring is in the air — birds are singing, flowers are blooming and you're sitting inside with a pile of gardening catalogs, wondering what to do with the yard this year.

If you're looking for a good way to start planning your landscape project, consider designing the space outside your home to save money on energy bills inside the house. The U.S. Dept. of Energy has plenty of information on maximizing energy efficiency through landscaping.

Trees, shrubs and vines provide shade and act as windbreaks. Three properly placed trees can save \$100 to \$250 in heating and cooling costs each year. Deciduous trees — those that lose their leaves in the fall — are ideal for this task.

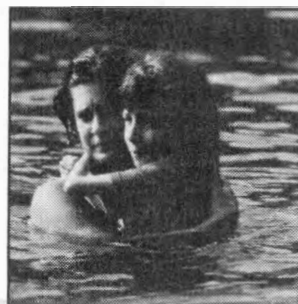
Vines, shrubs and evergreen trees deflect winds year-round. Plant them on the north and west sides of your house to deflect winter winds. In warmer climates, where hot summer breezes make your air conditioner work harder, place them on the south and west sides of the house.

Consider the climate where you live, then take a walk around the outside of the house. Where does the sun hit it the most? What's the coolest spot? What kind of plants are growing in each area of the yard? Draw a quick sketch of the yard as it looks now, noting the "hot" and "cool" spots. Then, put together a second drawing, adding energy-saving plants.

Take both sketches to the local nursery or home-and-garden store, and have a professional show you the best trees and shrubs to plant in your area.

• I improved the size of my tomato crop last year by making the planting holes a little deeper than normal. Then, I put two tablespoons of Epsom salts into each hole, sprinkled a little dirt in and planted the seedlings. — Edna J. Gainesville, Fla.

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Speaking Frankly

A Weekly column by
Governor Frank Keating

REAL Car Tag Relief, Now

The debate is still going on at the Capitol about how to reduce the cost of your car tags. Sadly, the Democrats in the Legislature are playing the same shell game with this issue they tried last year.

You will recall that they sent me a phony tag relief bill in 1999, which I vetoed. It did lower tag fees, but it also dramatically increased excise taxes on used cars.

Why penalize people who can only afford a used car with a hidden tax increase? And if you're going to give Oklahomans some relief on the excessive cost of car tags, go ahead and do it -- don't play games with back door tax increases and claim you're doing people a favor with one hand while you pick their pockets with the other.

I vetoed that bill. Now, Rep. Ron Kirby (D-Lawton) has refilled what is essentially the same bill. It still increases excise taxes on used cars, and although it contains a small tax exemption against the value of a trade-in, that won't help most used car buyers. The Kirby bill is still a selective and unfair tax

increase masquerading as a tax cut.

I'll veto it again if it passes, because it is not a real, honest approach to car tag reductions.

Rep. Todd Hiett (R-Kellyville) has introduced a separate bill that sets car tag fees at \$85, \$45 and \$15, depending on how long you've owned your car, with NO increase in any other fees or taxes. It would save everyone who buys or owns a car real money. It is a REAL tax cut, not a sham. That's the bill I support.

So what did the Democrats do to that bill? They loaded it up with silly amendments designed to cripple it.

As this is written, both of these bills are alive. Legislators may not take final action on them for some time -- or they might try to spring another hidden tax increase surprise tomorrow!

If you're tired of the ripoff behind Oklahoma's terribly expensive car tag system, call or write your legislators and demand that they pass the Hiett bill the way it was written -- for REAL car tag relief.

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Education Results 2000

by Sandy Garrett
State Superintendent



Stand Up and Be Counted!

All across the nation, it's time to count everybody, because everybody counts. It's time for Census 2000. Please take the time and fill out the form.

Last month, Congress invited schools to get involved with "The Census Bureau counts everybody because everybody counts," event. Count von Count, one of "Sesame Street's" brightest stars, visited students at a Washington, D.C. school. The Count was accompanied by several dignitaries, including White House Chief of Staff, John Podesta.

The appearance by the children's TV personality serves to bring attention to the Census in Schools Program.

The census determines how approximately \$185 billion in federal funding for education, housing and community development programs, health care, job training, highway improvements, emergency services and other services is distributed.

Industries use the census information to determine new locations for factories, shopping centers, apartment buildings, hotels, restaurants, retail outlets, banks and other commercial centers which create job opportunities and enhance the quality of life for Oklahoma residents.

City, county and state governments use census data to determine the location of schools, highways, libraries, public transportation systems, police and fire departments,

hospitals and other public facilities.

Federal funding for Title I and HeadStart in our schools depend on a fair and accurate census count. Yet, in the last census, many children were not counted.

In fact, it is estimated in the last census that almost 60,000 people in Oklahoma were not counted.

For Census 2000, we hope all our children will be counted with all the rest of the people in our state. I am encouraging educators across the state to talk about the census, and teach a census lesson to our students.

The Census Bureau guarantees that the answers given on census forms are kept strictly confidential. Federal law mandates that no one outside the Census Bureau can be given any information that would enable them to connect your answers with your name and address. It also says that before anyone inside the Census Bureau sees your completed questionnaire, they must first be sworn to secrecy.

Providing Census 2000 demographic and socioeconomic data will help our state legislators prepare new initiatives and allocate resources where they are most needed.

House Resolution 1050 declared the importance of the census. Teachers are encouraged to utilize lesson plans with the "Teach Census Week." Please complete and return the Census 2000 form. Let's stand up and be counted for Oklahoma.

Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) New opportunities spring up for the Aries. Kick up those heels and go, go, go for them. Remember: Someone special will be rooting for your success.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Indulge your love of beauty. Buy something marvelous for your home. Then plan a romantic dinner at a special place with that special person.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your diligent search for the truth pays off. You can now go ahead and make the decision fully armed with the facts. Expect some resistance to your plans.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Travel is favored. But be prepared to be flexible in planning your trip. A family situation may cause you to delay your original departure date.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Be careful to whom you confide your secrets. While you certainly have your admirers, you also have detractors who would love to puncture the Lion's pride.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) That family problem still needs your attention. It would be unwise at this time to let things slide. Things start to look more promising on the job.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your mate seems to feel increasingly ignored. Try for a better balance between your home and work commitments. Start with a romantic weekend

getaway.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Missed opportunities usually come from miscommunication. It's not too late to correct the wrong assumptions. A timely call can help re-establish important contacts.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your usually keen sense of direction needs some sharpening this week. Stay focused on your goals despite those pesky distractions. Your efforts will soon pay off.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Don't automatically reject suggestions from friends and family members. Some of their ideas might be helpful. Check them out before you decide to chuck them out.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Expect to be pleasantly startled when a promise from the past finally comes through for you. Use this as an opportunity to restart that long-delayed project.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) An air of conspiracy dominates the workplace. Avoid taking sides. This is one time when you need to concentrate on being your own best friend.

YOU WERE BORN THIS WEEK: You despise hypocrisy. Your honesty is admired, although your friends sometimes feel you could be less blunt and a little more diplomatic. You love living life to the fullest.

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Top 10 Movies

1. **The Whole Nine Yards** (R) Matthew Perry, Bruce Willis
2. **The Next Best Thing** (PG-13) Madonna, Rupert Everett
3. (tie) **My Dog Skip** (PG) Frankie Muniz, Diane Lane
3. (tie) **Drowning Mona** (PG-13) Bette Midler, Danny DeVito
5. (tie) **Pitch Black** (R) Vin Diesel, Cole Hauser
5. (tie) **Snow Day** (PG) Chevy Chase, Chris Elliott
7. **Reindeer Games** (R) Ben Affleck, Charlize Theron
8. **Wonder Boys** (R) Michael Douglas
9. **American Beauty** (R) Kevin Spacey, Annette Bening
10. **What Planet Are You From?** (R) Gary Shandling, Annette Bening

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Funeral services for Virginia Rose Taylor, 95, of Gore, OK were held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 23, 2000 at Gore City Cemetery with the Reverend Nathan Lamirand officiating. Burial was under the direction of Mill-sap Funeral Service of Webbers Falls.

Mrs. Taylor was born December 7, 1904 in Marietta, OH. the daughter of Edwin Earl and Aurilla (Miller) Winger and died Monday, March 20, 2000 at Gore, OK. Mrs. Taylor studied music at the conservatory in Marietta OH. She was very active in the Seventh Day Adventist Church where she played the organ and piano for many years. Mrs. Taylor was very good at oil painting and painted the baptismal background for the church in Sallisaw.

Survivors include one son, Richard F. Taylor and wife, Doris; two grandsons, Richard A. and Randy E. Taylor, all of Gore; three great-grandchildren, Angie Long of Mustang, Randy & Amber Taylor of Gore; one great-grandchild, Bradley Long of Mustang, OK.

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MICHELLE FORBES' WONDERLAND

ABC's new series, "Wonderland," debuts on March 30 with Ted Levine ("Silence of the Lambs") as Dr. Robert Banger, Martin Donovan ("The Opposite of Sex") as Dr. Neil Harrison, Billy Burke as Dr. Abe Matthews, Michael Jai White as Dr. Derrick Hatcher, Joelle Carter as Dr. Heather Miles and Michelle Forbes ("Homicide: Life on the Streets" and "Kalifornia" with David Duchovny) as Dr. Lyla Garrity, who heads up the Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program, a.k.a. CPEP, a critical response facility for people suffering from psychiatric emergencies.

The setting for "Wonderland" is Rivervue, a psychiatric hospital in New York City where the staff is considered among the world's best at what they do for the troubled people who come under their care. Peter Berg, who played Dr. Billy Kronk on "Chicago Hope" for three years, is the executive producer and also the writer and director of the series. In preparation for the show, Berg and his staff of writers spent months at a real New York working alongside psychiatrists and ER physicians. Through this research they were able to observe everything from electric shock therapy sessions to interviews with serial killers, schizophrenics and people who attempted to commit suicide.

The last time we saw Michelle Forbes on "Homicide," her character, Dr. Julianna Cox, was in a car heading out of Baltimore to New York City, presumably to work as a pathologist in the coroner's office. At the time, members of the press suggested there might be the possibility of a spin-off series for Cox as a female

version of "Quincy."

Obviously the spin-off never happened, but Forbes wasn't disappointed.

"It's an interesting thought; I liked playing Julianna very much," she said. "But by the time I left 'Homicide' I had other things under consideration. And I'm very happy with the



way things turned out."

She's especially happy about Garrity, whom she describes as "the sort of character actors love to play. She's strong, she's smart, she's passionate. And with all that, she can be quite vulnerable. With every episode we've shot so far, I find myself fascinated by how much there is to her."

Forbes feels that Cox, the pathologist, and Garrity, the psychiatrist, have one common goal.

"Both doctors are in search of the truth," she said. "Cox looked for it in the bodies that came to her table. She

had to find the clues that would reveal how these people died and, if they were murdered, who killed them. Garrity looks into the minds of people who can no longer deal with the torments in their lives."

And, as frightening as Cox's discipline was — dealing with the dead — Garrity's occupation seems to be even more daunting. After all, there has always been an uneasiness about what lies beneath our conscious selves.

"It's the unknown that makes mental illness so frightening," Forbes said in agreement. "We've only just become aware that some illnesses are caused by chemical imbalances. But for the most part, we still don't know very much about the mind. It's still largely unexplored territory."

However, executive producer Peter Berg feels the mind is an unexplored wonderland where wonderful things wait to be found. Hence, the name of the series — "Wonderland."

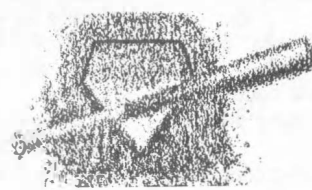
At one time, women's roles on medical shows were limited as well. They usually played nurses and, if they were doctors, they were in the shadow of a male counterpart. But, that's begun to change in recent years. That's something to which Forbes can attest to this, having played two take-charge medics.

"On 'Homicide,' I headed up the Medical Examiner's office and on 'Wonderland' I head up the psychiatric emergency ward," she said. "And as the men have known for years, and as the women are finding out, it's nice being the boss."

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Trivia Test by Fifi Rodriguez

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2. MUSIC: For what crime did country singer Merle Haggard spend time in prison?
3. CARTOONS: What was the name of Space Ghost's chimp?
4. GOVERNMENT: What country did Haile Selassie rule for more than 30 years?
5. MEDICINE: Who is credited with discovering a vaccination against smallpox?
6. MOVIES: What is Luke Skywalker's relation to Princess Leia in the "Star Wars" movies?
7. ANIMALS: What characteristic is the whippet breed of dog known for?
8. RELIGION: Who were the French Huguenots and why were they persecuted?
9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What does a tachometer measure?
10. LANGUAGE: What does the Latin term "soma" refer to?

Trivia Answers:

1. Joseph Heller; 2. Attempted burglary; 3. Blip; 4. Ethiopia; 5. Edward Jenner; 6. Brother; 7. Speed; 8. Protestants persecuted in Catholic-dominated France because of their beliefs; 9. Speed in revolutions per minute; 10. The entire body of an organism.

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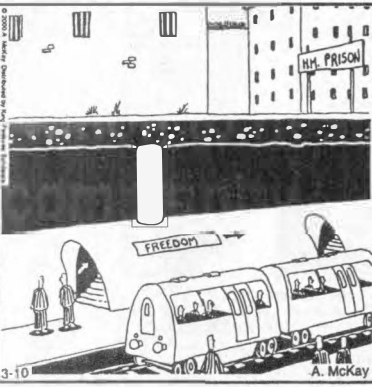
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We cover local news

Education Today by Teresa Thorne

At the national conference for the American Association of School Administrators earlier this month, Steven Spielberg announced the formation of the AASA/Shoah Foundation Initiative which will promote tolerance and embrace diversity in our public schools.

The object of the program will be to combine the Shoah Foundation's educational resources with the AASA's leadership to create programs that will help students learn the importance of respecting humanity. They will also learn the tragic consequences that almost inevitably flow from intolerance. Currently, five school districts — Portland, Ore., Fairfax, Va., Chicago, Ill., Long Beach, Calif., and Sarasota, Fla. — will be part of a three-year pilot program to study ways to strengthen tolerance education.

Steven Spielberg established the educational resources of the Shoah Foundation to preserve the history of the Holocaust through videotaped testimony by survivors and witnesses so future generations, regardless of religious, racial or ethnic backgrounds, will learn from the past and avoid recreating the horrors of history.

Paul Houston, executive director of the American Association of School Administrators, citing the importance of teaching tolerance in our increasingly diverse public schools, said the Shoah/AASA initiative will help "young people acquire genuine respect and appreciation for the differences that enrich our nation."

(Note: Founded in 1865, the AASA is the professional organization for some 14,000 educational leaders in the United States, Canada and other areas around the world. Its mission statement "to achieve the highest quality of public education through effective school system leadership, with emphasis on superintendents.")

"School Daze": A friend sent these three examples gleaned from science exams which show some originality, if nothing else, in interpreting science facts: "One horsepower is the energy needed to drag a horse 500 feet in one second"; "When people run around in circles, we say they're crazy, but when planets do it we say they're orbiting"; "Many dead animals of the past changed to fossils, others preferred to be oil."

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Top Of The Charts

Top 10 Pop Singles

1. Lonestar "Amazed" (BNA) Last Week: No. 1
2. Santana "Maria, Maria" (Def Soul) No. 5
3. Faith Hill "Breathe" (Warner Bros. - Nashville) No. 3
4. Savage Garden "I Knew I Loved You" (Columbia) No. 2
5. Montell Jordan "Get It On Tonight" (Def Soul) No. 10
6. 'N Sync "Bye Bye Bye" (Jive) No. 7
7. Backstreet Boys "Show Me the Meaning of Being Lonely" (Jive) No. 9
8. Celine Dion "That's the Way It Is" (550 Music) No. 6
9. Blink-182 "All the Small Things" (MCA) No. 8
10. Santana, Feat. Rob Thomas "Smooth" (Arista) No. 13

Top 10 R&B/Dance Singles

1. Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott, Feat. NAS, EVE & Q-Tip "Hot Boyz" (The Gold Mind/EastWest) No. 1
2. D'Angelo "Untitled (How Does It Feel)" (Virgin) No. 4
3. Montell Jordan "Get It On Tonight" (Def Soul) No. 3
4. Sisqo "Thong Song" (Dragon/Def Soul) No. 5
5. Joe "I Wanna Know" (Jive) No. 6
6. Mariah Carey, Feat. Joe and 98 Degrees "Thank God I Found You" (Columbia) No. 2
7. Jagged Edge "He Can't Love U" (So So Def) No. 7
8. J-Shin, Feat. LaTocha Scott "One Night Stand" (Slip-N-Slide) No. 8
9. Sammie "I Like It" (Freeworld) No. 9
10. Aaliyah "I Don't Wanna" (Priority) No. 10

Top 10 Country & Western Singles

1. Lonestar "Smile" (BNA) No. 3
2. Tim McGraw "My Best Friend" (Curb) No. 1
3. Toby Keith "How Do You Like Me Now?" (DreamWorks) No. 5
4. Mark Wills "Back At One" (Mercury) No. 2
5. George Strait "The Best Day" (MCA Nashville) No. 6
6. Dixie Chicks "Cowboy Take Me Away" (Monument) No. 4
7. Tracy Lawrence "Lessons Learned" (Atlantic) No. 7
8. Martina McBride "Love's the Only House" (RCA) No. 8
9. SheDaisy "This Woman Needs" (Lyric Street) No. 11



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10. Jo Dee Messina "Because You Love Me" (Curb) No. 10

Top 10 Video Rentals

1. American Pie Mena Suvari (Universal Studios Home Video) No. 2
2. Runaway Bride Julia Roberts (Paramount Home Video) No. 1
3. Stir of Echoes Kevin Bacon (Artisan Home Entertainment) No. 10
4. Blue Streak Martin Lawrence (Columbia TriStar Home Video) No. 11
5. Bowfinger Eddie Murphy (Universal Studios Home Video) No. 3
6. The 13th Warrior Antonio Banderas (Touchstone Home Video) No. 4
7. Mystery Men Ben Stiller (Universal Studios Home Video) No. 9
8. An Ideal Husband Rupert Everett (Miramax Home Entertainment) No. 8
9. Tarzan Animated (Walt Disney/Buena Vista) No. 5
10. The General's Daughter John Travolta (Paramount Home Video) No. 6

Top 10 DVD Sales

1. Double Jeopardy (Paramount Home Video) New Entry
2. The Matrix (Warner Home Video) No. 1
3. Blue Streak (Columbia TriStar Home Video) No. 3
4. Tarzan (Walt Disney Home Video) No. 2
5. American Pie (NR Version) (Universal Studios Home Video) No. 4
6. The Thomas Crown Affair (MGM Home Entertainment) No. 8
7. Shawshank Redemption (Columbia TriStar Home Video) No. 6
8. Runaway Bride (Paramount Home Video) No. 9
9. Stir of Echoes (Artisan Home Entertainment) No. 11
10. The Story of Us (Universal Studios Home Video) No. 5

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Dollars and Sense by David Uffington

The good news this year for tax filers is that April 15 is a Saturday, so you actually have until April 17 to mail off your return.

But if those two extra days aren't enough because you still haven't finished your return or don't have the money to pay what you owe, don't let that deadline pass!

Don't owe any money? You still need to file a return. Unless a return is filed, the three-year statute of limitations period for the commencement of an IRS audit never gets started. That means the IRS can audit your 1999 situation five years (or more) from now, and hit you with a tax bill, plus interest and penalties. Also, if you had a tax loss in 1999, you may be able to carry it back as far as your 1997 tax year and claim it refund. But if you don't file a 1999 return, your loss doesn't officially exist, and no refund claims are possible.

Don't have time to complete your return, but have the money to pay your tax bill? The IRS will automatically approve any request for a four-month filing extension to August 15. Just complete Form 4868 (Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File U.S. Individual Income Tax Return) and send it in by April 17. The form is easy to complete and you don't have to have a reason for asking for the extension. Signatures are no longer required. The only requirement is that you estimate your total 1999 income tax liability and pay it.

Don't have the money to pay your tax bill by April 17? File a request for an installment agreement (Form 9465). You suggest your own terms. Approval is automatic if you owe less than \$10,000 and propose a repayment period of 36 months or less. For higher amounts, you may be required to provide some financial information, but the agency usually quite reasonable. As long as you have an unpaid balance, you will be charged interest (about 8 percent), but that's probably a better rate than you can get with a commercial lender.

Finally, if you're experiencing a short-term cash crunch, pay what you can on April 17; the IRS will bill you for the balance (usually within 30 days) and you can pay up when you receive the notice.

Antiques by Ralph and Terry Kovel

Q: My mother is cleaning out her house before selling it. She still has some of my childhood books on her shelves. There are about 10 different Little Golden Books, which I know are still sold new at bookstores. Are the old ones worth anything?

A: Little Golden Books were first published in 1942. Any near-mint copy of the first 35 titles published between 1942 and 1947 is worth \$20 to \$30. The early editions had blue spines and dust jackets. If your mother has the dust jackets, double the value of each book. If your books are the 1950s or '60s reissues of the early books, they are not valuable.

Q: My husband just bought an English pottery bowl-and-pitcher set. Both pieces have bright green bases and are decorated with a multicolored hunt scene. They are marked "Palissy" inside a crest above the word "England." Can you date the set for us?

A: The mark you describe was used from about 1908 to 1936 by A.E. Jones & Co. and its successor, Albert E. Jones Ltd. The company made earthenwares at the Palissy Pottery in Longton, Staffordshire, England, beginning in 1905. The firm's name changed to Palissy Pottery Ltd. in 1946. The mark on your pitcher and bowl was used again, but it was combined with other factory marks. The company took its name from a man named Bernard Palissy who made French majolica in the 16th century.

Q: I have a copper-and-glass sign with gold and silver lettering. It is advertising the N. Thomas Brewing Company of Dayton, Ohio. The sign is 29 inches in diameter. Can you tell me anything about its history?

A: The Thomas Brewing Company worked in Dayton from 1880 to 1893. The company changed its name to the N. Thomas Hydraulic Brewery from 1893 to 1906, and it was later changed to Dayton Breweries. An early glass beer sign like yours, that dates before 1893, would be worth more than \$1,000.

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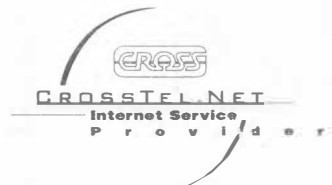
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Health and Nutrition
by Judith Sheldon

There's evidence that even if people get eight hours of uninterrupted sleep, they will still want to nap at some point during the day. Apparently, napping isn't only for people who don't get much sleep, or whose sleep is frequently interrupted. It's for everyone, and it's about time everyone recognized that fact.

Several sleep specialists have said that napping is built into our genes because it's a way of recharging energy efficiently and relatively quickly. Most mammals nap during the day. And, in some cultures — especially in Spain and northern Africa — mid-day napping is practically a religious rite. Beyond that, we certainly know that children who are deprived of their naps tend to be cranky and feel out of sorts.

Still, while youngsters from preschool through the first grade nap during the day, the practice largely disappears after the second grade. However, a growing number of educators cite studies that show students learn better after a brief nap and recommend the practice for students in all primary and secondary school grades.


NASA has also found that napping keeps the brain active for longer periods and helps reduce accidents. A growing number of employers are setting aside nap times for their employees. In fact, one of my colleagues who works in the administrative offices of a health organization says her supervisor has put a napping policy into effect, and it's made a big difference in her life.

Most experts agree that 15 minutes to a half an hour is enough time for a restorative nap. Longer naps tend to leave people sluggish and, ironically, sleepy because their brains have gone into actual sleep mode and they have trouble waking up.

(Note: Daytime napping may not be advisable for people with insomnia or other sleep disorders. Ask your doctor about it.)

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Capturing first place in the Warner High School Art Contest sponsored by Armstrong Bank is Tyler Scott. Presenting the \$35.00 award is Carla Howard (left). Looking on is Lori Bailey, art teacher for the school.



Receiving the second place award of \$25.00 is Liz Blanchett from Carla Howard representing Armstrong Bank. The art contest is for students taught by Lori Bailey (right).



Third place in the art contest sponsored by Armstrong Bank is Alicia Jones. She is shown here receiving \$20.00 from Carla Howard. Art classes are taught at Warner High School by Lori Bailey (right).

ON APRIL 4 VOTE STEVE MERRILL for Warner School Board

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Warner Middle School principal releases honor roll recipients for 3rd nine weeks

Mike Hensley, Principal of Warner Middle School recently announced the names of students making the honor roll for the third nine weeks. They are:

Superintendent's Honor Roll;
Fifth grade: Justin Cockrell, Robert Hayes, Julie Henderson, Hillary Lawrence, Jeremiah Melvin, Joshua Melvin, Bradlee Ross; *Sixth grade:* Chelsea Hayes, Tosha King, Eric Stout, Julie Stroud, Jaclyn Toney;

Seventh grade: Amy Branam, Logan Collins, Heather Keith, Gregory Melvin; *Eighth grade:* Jennie Atkerson, Leslea Fitzgerald, Jamie Kyzer, Cody Mangum.

Principal's Honor Roll; *Fifth grade:* Nikkie Schmeisser, Kaydi Toney, Rachel Blundell, Monica Collins, Demi Gilliam, Cassie Hamm, Chase Milligan; *Sixth grade:* Rachel Clark, Cortney Biles, Robert Bright, Asheley Bushey, Emily Clemons,


Derryk Franco, Lacey McCoy, Jared Meschberger, Crisandra Smith, Amber Weaver; *Seventh grade:* Lauran Chandler, Desree Huenergradt, Chad Morris, Kelsey Norred, Jonathan Smith, Ryan Vanderpool, Russell Walker; *Eighth grade:* Chad Chesser, Tiffani Standifer, Beth Thompson, Cody Aston, Tricia Brown, Delsey Devin, Ashley Gilley, Sarah Hood, Tye Weaver, Shanna Whorton.

Comfort Foods Made Fast & Healthy by JoAnna M. Lund

A PEACH OF A SALAD
This salad is so pretty, it really could be served as dessert. Whichever way you choose to serve it, though, you'll be glad you did because it tastes as good as it looks. Be prepared to share the recipe, but then you'll have to admit how easy it is to make!

Peach Melba Gelatin Salad
1 (4-serving) package sugar-free raspberry gelatin
1 cup boiling water
1 1/2 cups frozen unsweetened red raspberries
2 cups frozen unsweetened sliced peaches, coarsely chopped
1 cup miniature marshmallows
In a large bowl, combine dry gelatin and boiling water. Mix well to dissolve gelatin. Stir in frozen raspberries. Add peaches. Mix well to combine. Fold in marshmallows. Pour mixture into an 8-by-8-inch dish. Refrigerate until firm, about 3 hours. Cut into 6 servings.
Serves 6 — Each serving equals: 76 Calories, 0 g Fat, 2 g Protein, 17 g Carb, 41 mg Sodium, 2 g Fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 1 Fruit; Weight Loss Selections: 1 Fruit, 15 Optional Calories

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Pet Care
by Peter Edwards

If you've noticed your pets starting to shed a lot more these days, it's not the weather that's to blame; it's the sunlight.

In the spring, as sunlight increases, animals begin to shed their longer, thicker winter coats to let their thinner, warmer-weather coats come in. In the fall, as sunlight decreases, the animals' physiology responds by reversing the process. The thinner coat is shed so the thicker coat can replace it. Pets who are largely indoor animals may shed all year in response to the constant presence of artificial light.

Proper daily grooming helps both you and your animals deal with the shedding situation. Frequent brushing, for example, removes the hair that might otherwise form your cat's next hairball.

Although shedding is a natural part of a pet's life, excessive shedding — especially if the hairs come off in clumps — should alert you to take your pet to the veterinarian immediately. She or he may find an underlying and relatively easy-to-treat skin condition that's causing the hair to fall out. Or the symptoms may point to a far more serious illness such as a kidney or liver problem.

To Charlie in Washington State: Your pug does have some royal connections that have nothing to do with the fact that the late Duke and Duchess of Windsor doted on them. Apparently, Chinese emperors bred pugs down from their large, fierce, so-called "Lion Dogs" that used to guard the royal throne rooms. Pugs may have lost their original size, but not their original "pugnaciousness." They're still a feisty, fearless breed.

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Jerry McPeak For
Warner School Board

WARNER SCHOOL MENU
Monday, March 27
Breakfast: Doughnuts, cereal, milk & juice.
Lunch: Steak fingers, potatoes & gravy, rolls, salad & fruit bar, milk & juice.
Tuesday, March 28
Breakfast: Ham & cheese omelet, toast/jelly, milk & juice.
Lunch: Corn dogs, pea salad, salad & fruit bar, milk & juice.
Wednesday, March 29
Breakfast: Oatmeal, bacon, milk & juice.
Lunch: Indian tacos, refried beans, salad & fruit bar, milk & juice.
Thursday, March 30
Breakfast: Sausage patty, chocolate gravy, biscuits/jelly, milk & juice.
Lunch: Pizza pockets, corn, salad & fruit bar, milk & juice.
Friday, March 31
Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, cereal, milk & juice.
Lunch: Char burgers, french fries, salad & fruit bar, milk & juice.

MOTHER'S DAY Great Gifts That Mom Is Sure to Love

(NU) - Pay the bills, do the laundry, pick up the kids — it seems like your work is never done.

When the pressures of daily life get completely overwhelming, sometimes you forget some of the most important things like remembering to call Mom every once in a while.

With Mother's Day just around the corner, now is the perfect time to show her how much you really care about her. Give her a gift that will make her realize just how much you appreciate her.

Victorian Treats, the makers of English Toffee, recommend the following tips as you look for the ideal gift. As long as you remember the basics, you won't go wrong:

- **Keep it simple.** Sometimes, the best gifts are not necessarily the ones that last the longest. Mother's Day isn't about practicality. It's a fun time when thoughtfulness takes precedence.

- **Little things count.** Mom will appreciate the effort you put into her gift. Put together your own gift basket with small presents she will enjoy, such as chocolates or coffee.

- **Add personal flair.** Putting the finishing touches on Mom's gift can mean everything. It shows her that you care enough to take time preparing her present.

- **Go gourmet.** The quickest way to her heart is through her stomach. Give her a gift that may not last long in her mouth, but will always be



Hand-made toffee makes a great Mother's Day gift.

remembered. The most delicious way to do this is with some good old-fashioned English Toffee, like the toffee from Victorian Treats. This hand-made toffee is only made in small batches and has a three-month shelf life if stored in a cool dry place.

Founded in Massachusetts in 1993, Victorian Treats has been a favorite among New Englanders. But in the last couple of years, the company has branched out and now sells its toffee throughout the United States. In addition to English Toffee, you can get Coffee Toffee and the newest flavor, New England Toffee, flavored with sweetened dried Cape Cod cranberries.

Luckily for those looking for a unique gift, Victorian Treats comes in special packaging: gift boxes wrapped with ribbons, decorative tins and other wonderful packages. This Mother's Day, all you need to do is order your toffee and leave the decorating up to them.

To learn more about Victorian Treats, you can call (978) 475-5051.

WEBBERS FALLS SCHOOL MENU
Monday, March 27
Breakfast: Sausage, gravy, biscuits, orange juice, milk.
Lunch: Corn dogs, curly Q's, fruit, salad bar, tea, milk, lemon-aid.
Tuesday, March 28
Breakfast: Doughnuts, cereal, orange juice, milk.
Lunch: Oven baked chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls, green beans, fruit, salad bar, tea, milk, lemon-aid.
Wednesday, March 29
Breakfast: French toast, sausage links, orange juice, milk.
Lunch: Fish on a bun, mo jos, fruit, salad bar, tea, milk, lemon-aid.
Thursday, March 30
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, jelly, orange juice, milk.
Lunch: Goulash, corn, rolls, fruit, salad bar, milk, tea, lemon-aid.
Friday, March 31
Breakfast: Eggs, biscuits, gravy, orange juice, milk.
Lunch: Chicken fajitas, nachos, refried beans, fruit, salad bar, milk, tea, lemon-aid.

Announcements

MUSKOGEE COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM SCHEDULE

Driver, Evelyn Wooten (918) 464-2413
8 am-2:30 pm: Porum to Muskogee, Monday and Thursday, 484-5323
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MEETINGSCHEDULE
WEBBERS FALLS LODGE
The Webbers Falls Masonic Lodge #14 meets on the second and fourth Monday of every month at 7 p.m. at the lodge building.

PORUM LODGE
The Porum Masonic Lodge #351 meets on the first Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. at the lodge building.

WEBBERS FALLS VFW
The Webbers Falls Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #4609 Auxiliary holds a bean dinner the second Friday of each month with the public invited to attend.

PORUM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
The Porum Chamber of Commerce meets on the 4th Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center in Porum. Call Kathy McKinney at 463-2921 for more information.

FAMILY DANCE
Every Monday night, 7-10 p.m., Eufaula Community Center. Music by Ted Goforth and the Lakesiders.

AUCTION
Saturday, April 1, 2000 • 10:00 a.m. • Martin, Ok
DIRECTIONS: 12 Miles South of Muskogee, OK on Highway 64 • 5 Miles No. of Warner, OK I-40 Exit

AUCTION NOTE: Our April Auction looks to be a good one. We have several pieces of good equipment already consigned and more being consigned daily. As always, if you are looking for farm equipment, you will want to mark your calendar for April 1 at 10:00 a.m. Hope to see you here at Martin. We will start taking equipment on our yard Monday, March 27 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. thru Friday before sale.

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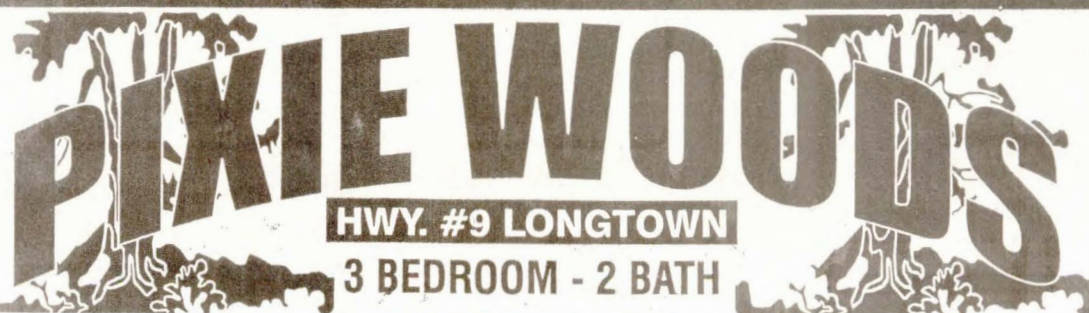
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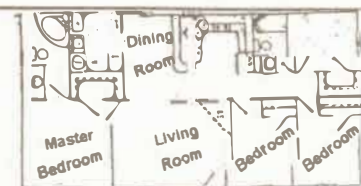
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