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Officials had three to four days warning for safety inspections

Former secretary with diary alleges Pepcon cover-up

by Mark Brennan
Home News Staff Writer

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A former secretary for Pacific Engineering's plant manager kept a diary that chronicled several fires and explosions at the plant that routinely were not reported to the county fire department.

She also recorded company tip offs to Occupational Safety and Health Administration inspections and noted how the company specially prepared for them.

Bruce Halker, plant manager and company's vice president of operations, was one of two

men killed in a series of explosions at the plant May 4.

Aletha Weyburn made the statement in a sworn affidavit designed to help an investigation by the United Steelworkers of America.

Weyburn was Halker's secretary from Oct. 13, 1983 until the end of September 1985, and kept a daily diary during that period.

In the affidavit, Weyburn said, to her knowledge, several fires and explosions at the ammonium perchlorate plant were not reported to county fire officials.

"My conscience would not

allow me to keep quiet about it," Weyburn said.

"When I saw the explosion last week, I said 'Oh my God, how are they going to cover-up this one?'"

Weyburn said there were numerous occasions of unreported fires at the plant.

"In my opinion, the safety

conditions at Pepcon were 'atrocious'. There were approximately eight to ten fires that I was aware of during my employment."

The affidavit did not say how many of those fires were not reported, but Weyburn did recount specific instances.

"On June 7, 1984, there was

an explosion and fire at one of the batch houses and Danny Balduck was injured," Weyburn said in an interview last Thursday.

"I was told not to call the fire department and not to call the media."

In the written statement, she said when she tried to call the

county fire department, Halker "screamed at me, instructing me not to call anybody because Pepcon would take care of it."

She said there was also another unreported fire in 1984.

"On Aug. 23, 1984, there was a fire outside of the storage area," Weyburn said in the interview. "Again, I was told not to call the fire department or news media. They told me to refer all calls to the front office."

Weyburn said on April 7, 1985, Norm Dias was hurt in a fire. The fire department responded, but representatives of the media were told "nothing serious" happened.

Pepcon officials would not comment on the allegations. Balduck and Dias could not be

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— Diary author Aletha Weyburn

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FUN AT BURKHOLDER—Jeremy Brandon catches the camera catching him during a pie-eating contest at Burkholder Junior High School.

Union dissatisfied, to tour Pepcon site

by Mark Brennan
Home News Staff Writer

Although the United Steelworkers of America will be among the groups allowed to tour the ravaged Pacific Engineering site, the president of the Local 4856 is not satisfied.

An agreement that was reached Friday afternoon between several groups wanting to inspect the site and Pepcon officials has cleared the way for the tours. District Judge Donald Mosley signed a court order implementing the pact Monday.

Reid action kills test ban

The United States Senate approved a motion by U.S. Senator Harry Reid to kill an amendment to the 1988 defense bill Thursday that would have placed a moratorium on nuclear testing at the Nevada Test Site. The vote was 57 to 39.

The initial tours will be conducted as soon as the site is deemed safe from hazardous chemicals, probably by the end of the week.

Jim Thompson, president of the Steelworkers Local 4856, said the tours will be hands-off, which will negate much of his union's investigative ability. Hands-off means no evidence will be allowed to be collected during the tours.

"Do they want the truth to be known?" Thompson said. "To get into the plant and not properly do the investigation when we have an investigation

Reid argued that the proponents of the moratorium were "standing the nuclear disarmament debate on its head by saying that ending nuclear testing was more im-

portant to do it is a joke."

The union has brought in a team of investigators for the project from its Pittsburgh home office.

Thompson was also upset

that his group will be fifth on the list to tour the facility.

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Council moves to McCaw school for meeting tonight

by John Dailey
Home News Editor

Anticipating a large crowd to speak on the direction the city should take in the aftermath of the May 4 disaster, the Henderson City Council will meet in Gordon McCaw Elementary School's multi-purpose room tonight at 7 p.m.

Council will report on a Tuesday morning meeting with the Clark County Commission during the citizens' concerns portion of the meeting and seek statements from the public at the evening session.

An overflow crowd Thursday heard council encourage them to attend today's County Commission meeting at 9 a.m. to state their opinions regarding the industries.

City leaders noted they were powerless to regulate or govern the plants because they are located in the county, but promised to seek such powers in cooperation with the county.

Council also considers adoption of their tentative city budget for the 1988-89 year and a use permit for a cold-storage warehouse on Horizon Drive.

Another view
John Dailey



All the protest now evident will most surely press its case for removal of industry within the county's Basic Management, Inc., property and the Gibson Business Park.

But in keeping with this column's theme, here's another view.

Regulation in the wake of the May 4 blasts that destroyed Pacific Engineering and Production Company (Pepcon) may be so onerous that decisions to stop production will be inevitable.

I mention "stop production," because for many of the BMI firms, relocation is impossible with today's market conditions and costs of new construction.

Perhaps government would see its way to fund the building of new ammonium perchlorate production facilities for Pepcon and Kerr McGee Corp., elsewhere, but such aid addresses only a small part of the BMI output.

Ammonium perchlorate's status as a strategic material may force the

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BOULDER HIGHWAY PROJECT—Jack Reynolds (left) and Gary Johnson discuss concepts for the Boulder Highway Beautification Project as Brad Nelson looks

on at a public meeting Friday. Citizen input is sought for the \$8.2 million community project.

Photo by Katherine Scott

Comments sought for Boulder Highway project

by Katherine E. Scott
Home News Staff Writer

The specific design to beautify the Boulder Highway corridor will be completed this summer, and the consultants are in town actively seeking public input before working out the details.

Few people attended the public meeting Friday, which was rescheduled from its original time due to the Pepcon explosions.

Consultants are scheduled to speak Thursday at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon. The Chamber will meet at noon at Nick's Supper Club.

Brad Nelson, chairman of the citizens committee overseeing the project, said consultants discussed parts of the project such as use of plants and how water can be incorporated.

He noted a questionnaire was

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Henderson High Flyers qualify for world competition



JUMPING—Henderson High Flyers perform at February Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Photo by Katherine E. Scott

by Katherine E. Scott
Home News Staff Writer

The Henderson High Flyers, a jump-rope team based at Fay Galloway Elementary School, has two teams qualified to compete in the world championships in Washington D.C. this summer.

However, coach Erin Muth said lack of funds and a possible discriminatory rule may prevent their attending.

Three teams from the High Flyers returned Sunday from Seattle, Wash. with two first place and one third place in the regional championship there.

They defeated the world champion double-dutch teams and were said by a Tacoma coach to be the first team in eight years to rival the Seattle Hot Dogs.

Muth, a physical education

teacher at the Henderson school, was uncertain whether they would be able to raise the funds to compete in the world championship in June. She isn't certain yet what the costs may be.

"I'll be looking into it over the next couple of days," she said Monday morning. "We just got back last night and it's still sinking in."

She said they may consider a discrimination suit if the rules state there cannot be more than one boy on a single-rope team.

Muth mentioned 44 teams competed in the Western regional tournament in Seattle this weekend. Canadian teams also participated.

The contests were held at the Totem Lake Mall in Seattle. Representing the High Flyers

fifth and sixth graders "Henderson Hops," fourth graders "Reack Attack" and kindergarten and first graders, the "Midgets."

The older groups won first prize, and the Midgets came in third. However, because there were so few their age, the youngest group competed against third grade students.

Muth and assistant coach Mark Monaco accompanied the teams on the weekend trip.

The Henderson Hops are Jared Owen, Scott Vivier, Megan Strussenberg, Tanya Chiatovich and Jenny Laszlo.

On Reack Attack are Rebecca Sillitoe, Andrea Croft, Christel Eves and Kristen Rose.

The Midgets are Dustin Croft, Brant Stewart, Amber Jenchowski and Heather Tolboe.

Calico Ridge developer seeks zone change for condominiums

by Mark Brennan

Home News Staff Writer

The developer of Calico Ridge on East Lake Mead Drive wants to bring condominiums to the area.

A zone change request that would make the project possible will be before the Henderson Planning Commission Thursday night.

The zone change would be

from R-R (rural residential) to R-3 (multi-residence family) on a 41-acre tract of land. The land is about one-half mile away from the rest of Calico Ridge.

Dr. Melvin Bagley, the developer, said his master plan of the development calls for condos in the area.

"The original master plan calls for condos," Bagley said. "That's what we'll be shooting

for."

The entire Calico Ridge development covers about 200 acres of land in the Foothills section of Henderson.

Another condominium project will also be on the planners' agenda Thursday.

Warm Springs Investment of Las Vegas will submit plans for a 376-unit condo complex in Green Valley.

The plans will be in front of the commission for a tentative map review and public hearing.

The group wants to build the two-story buildings on 19 acres at the southeast corner of Warm Springs Road and Arroyo Grand Boulevard. The land is currently zone R-3.

Also on the planning agenda will be:

• A request for architectural

review from Robert V. Jones Corporation of Las Vegas for a 116-unit apartment complex just south of Wigwam Parkway in Green Valley South. The Five-acre site is currently zoned R-4 (apartment residence district).

• A use permit and architectural review request that would make way for a 55,374-square foot hotel-casino on Boulder Highway. The requests are coming from Magna Leisure

Partnership of Las Vegas.

The project would include a 112-room hotel, and would be located between Roberts Road and Wagon Wheel Drive in the Foothills neighborhood.

• A use permit request from Witness Music Ministry of Henderson to allow the operation of an alcohol and drug abuse rehabilitation center. The facility would be at 124 Market Street.

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government to lend assistance, simply to restore a domestic source of the rocket fuel oxidizer.

But what about the other chemicals and metal manufactured within BMI?

Lime at Chemstar, Inc., chlorine and water purity materials at Jones Chemicals Company, Inc., the boron, manganese dioxide and other products made by Kerr McGee Corp., chlorine, caustic soda and hydrochloric acid made by Stauffer Chlor Alkali Company, Inc., water purifying aluminum sulfate made by Thatcher Chemical Company, strategically necessary titanium sponge metal produced at Timet, and now propane to be stored within the Gibson Business Park: all these substances pose serious threats in an uncontrolled fire.

Can these materials be prevented from exploding or releasing toxic gases in an uncontrolled fire?

If this is to be the safety standard desired, many of the manufacturers may as well close today.

Retrofitting to prevent fire will be costly enough for industries within the county's donut hole, if that is to be required of them.

Ensuring no danger from a fire out of control may be physically impossible, and most certainly prohibitive to remain competitive in a world market.

The question for some then becomes, "Where will the regulations fall in the wake of the fire and explosions at Pepcon?"

Others could care less, there are no questions. They want all the plants gone because they have permanently endangered the residential and commercial growth in southeast areas of the valley.

Where the regulatory ax falls will determine the future of other industries in the BMI and Gibson properties.

For now, three have already been put on the *verboten* list: Pepcon and Kerr McGee's ammonium perchlorate production facilities and the propane tanks approved last year and only now ready for operation.

Because of the clear profile these industries have, they may have to be the sacrificial lambs to keep public gods appeased.

Don't be confused. There's a whole lot of room for stronger safety regulations in Nevada, but allaying public fear over uncontrolled fire in a chemical complex may be impossible, as stated before.

If those fears are to die, for many the only way will be to see the plants closed. Closed, not relocated. The capital in-

vestment in renovations alone, for example \$45 million at Timet recently, prohibits moving any large manufacturing facility.

In these industries the only time expansion or new factories are considered is when market demand warrants them or technological pace mandates them.

Timet is the only domestic producer of titanium sponge, the raw metal used throughout the aerospace industry.

Will they be asked to close because in an uncontrolled fire they cannot say that bad things will not occur?

If "everybody out" is to be the sentiment guiding post-blast decisions, we are indeed at a historic mark in our history.

Industrial Days becomes a shallow memory of things past, and BMI becomes an overbuilt storage or assembly yard at best.

BMI's demise or the regulation the blasts inspire may have chilling effects on others.

For instance, an ice cream manufacturer was recently reported as a joint cause of an ammonium cloud in Henderson, a substance the company uses in its refrigeration process to avoid use of environmentally damaging hydrocarbons.

Others within the incorporated boundaries of Henderson store and use chemicals and substances dangerous, perhaps explosive, in an uncontrolled fire.

I am called a pessimist by some because I dwell on these things and because I surmise they must have an effect on those persons deciding to invest in Henderson.

I'd called myself a realist. We are at a turning point in our area's history, whether to maximize our potential as a suburb or to remain with industrial development that created us, and that now only partially sustains us.

Private and public leaders will decide our fate. The next weeks and months will determine the course of Henderson for the next decades. It is an interesting time to report.

An interesting missive was posted to me recently.

In bold capital letters it started, "Suggestion for John Dailey," and included this newspaper's name and the date of the message in type half the size of the headline just below it. The message follows.

"If you are successful in overcoming your obvious infatuation and enamoration of the bizarre and unorthodox use of semantics, 'Us Common Folk' might realistically be able to

comprehend the content as well as the intent of information contained in your column.

"In the meantime, you might attempt to grammatically diagram one of typical sentences and thereby ascertain the origin of your problem.

"Remember, K.I.S.S."

The last acronym is an editor's axiom. The translation is well known but for those who may not know, it's "Keep It Simple, Stupid!"

First, I'm pleased my name was spelled correctly. After suffering a weekend at state press convention absent an "e," it's nice to know your public cares for such details.

Yes, I am aware that my columns often do not lead to definite conclusions about their topics, that they tend to obfuscate rather than demarcate.

But this is the way I see life and for the most part, and my close friends and associates will substantiate this, I am bizarre and unorthodox when compared to most.

As far as being infatuated and enamored with language, it is a vice I readily indulge myself, no doubt incorrectly and to my own chagrin at times, a pedantic peccant at its worst.

As far as diagramming is concerned, it taught me a little about grammar and the language, but I could never escape from the thought that I was designing the Starship Enterprise rather than locating proper modifiers.

If one is to really learn English grammar and sentence structure, I recommend Latin. That may be a "bizarre" suggestion, but given church history, I would demure from labeling it as "unorthodox."

Finally, anyone who could compose such pointed and precise correspondence writes like my kind of person.

I'm sorry they didn't sign or include their name. Perhaps they will take claim later.

As to what is weekly presented here, I hope the content can be understood when considered and ruminated, perhaps with the assistance of a dictionary if need be.

Intent implies direction and decision about the proper course for events. Such wisdom usually escapes this corner of the world.

Meanwhile, continue to write. Criticism is always welcomed, especially good critique as recounted above.

Even when mean-spirited, it shows that people are reading and we can ask for little more.

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distributed seeking public input on goals and themes for the project.

Nelson added the consultants were conducting a workshop this week and should have more concrete concepts to present at the next public meeting in June.

Representatives from Howard, Needles, Tammen and Bergendoff of Phoenix waited for input from the first public meeting before making preliminary designs.

The Chamber of Commerce had spearheaded the campaign to pass a \$3 million bond issue to pay for part of the project. The issue originally lost by 99 votes in 1986 but was returned to the ballot early the next year.

After Henderson voters approved the issue, the Boulder Highway beautification fund rose to \$8.2 million with \$4.8 from the federal government

and \$300,000 from the state of Nevada.

Boulder Highway is controlled by the Nevada Department of Transportation, which officially governs the activities for the project. However, NDOT officials have left control within Henderson. Jack Reynolds is the city's project manager.

Nelson's committee, consisting of local residents active in other city advisory groups, was formed to oversee development of the project.

He said they hope to get a good response to the questionnaire. Among the questions is the type of landscaping that should be used for the project.

People are also asked to set a priority list for goals of the project: to beautify the highway, link the east and west sides of the community, encourage economic growth, improve drainage and traffic, etc.

Fire station grand opening Thursday

by Katherine E. Scott

Home News Staff Writer

The public is invited to join the city council in visiting fire station number three Thursday afternoon.

An open house is scheduled following a ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony 4 p.m. at the fire station on Lake Mead Drive and Burkholder Boulevard.

The city council will dedicate stations one and three, which have been operating since March. Station one moved to Horizon Drive and College Drive the same day station three was opened.

The two moved together so the city could receive uninterrupted protection.

"The new fire stations replace those previously located on Atlantic Street and major Avenue and will provide better coverage city-wide," states a press release from the Henderson city manager's office.

"Construction of the two facilities completes the fire station relocation program which began in 1985," it continues.

All four city fire stations were relocated, but damage from the Pepcon blasts now prevents fire station two on Gibson Road from being occupied.

Until repairs are complete, the engine is working out of station three and the ambulance is working from station four in Green Valley.

Also damaged in the blast was the city's fire training center and city shop, which shared the building with fire station two.

The other three stations were designed by Harry E. Campbell Architect. Station four opened last year.

Construction of the new stations was done by Lynn Williams of St. George, Utah.

The city invites the public to drop by either of the two new fire stations for a tour on May 19.

Office to assess damages

Lou Harris of the American International Adjustment Company, Inc., representative of the Insurance Company of Pennsylvania, the liability carrier for Pacific Engineering Company, is setting up an office to assess the damages caused by the accident of May 4.

Those wishing to report injuries or property damage may call 731-2020 extension 194.

The ALAC will then have an adjuster come out and assess your damages. Calls will be accepted from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

High school to perform musical benefit

Basic High School's Drama Department will perform a musical revue to raise money to benefit blast damage victims and disaster organizations.

Drama teacher Jack Schnepf said Monday that more than 75 percent of proceeds would go toward disaster relief.

Two dance classes, school songleaders and Schnepf's "En-core" musical show-tune performers make up the revue that features 35 to 40 participants, according to Schnepf.

Shows tonight and Wednesday begin at 7:30 p.m. with a \$5 donation charged.

The show will be staged in the school's Little Theatre but expanded seating will extend into the school's hall and dining commons, Schnepf said.

"We hope to sell as many as 3,000 tickets," he added. Students in the revue will perform Broadway show tunes and other song-and-dance routines, Schnepf said. "It will be more of a variety show atmosphere than a musical play," Schnepf added. For more information, contact Schnepf at Basic High School.

Black Mountain Ladies' Club lists news

The Black Mountain Country Club Ladies Association conducted their monthly meeting May 11 at the club house. The May 4 luncheon and meeting were cancelled because of the disaster occurring in the city.

New officers elected for 1988-89 were president LaCreta Lope-man, vice president Barbara

Christensen, secretary Mary Jo Sheehan and treasurer Ellie Juratsch.

Awards were presented were for Medal of Golf to LaCreta on March 30 and to Betty Emigh on April 27.

Blind Hole Draw went to Elaine Raney on April 13. Beat the Pro: All that played

were very successful. Hole in One to Barbara Christensen with a hole in one on No. 3. Congratulations

HOME FRONT



by Paul Gargis

THE POST-OCTOBER MARKET

When the stock market took a tumble last October 19, there were reverberations all over the world. Prices wobbled on all the international markets, and are expected to continue volatile. But there were a few bright spots: mortgage rates fell somewhat and housing prices moderated, to the benefit of real estate sales.

Does this mean it's easier to sell a house now? Probably. Does it mean it's easy enough for a homeowner to market his own property? Probably not.

Nine out of ten owners who attempt to sell themselves will end up listing with a broker. They discover that it's costly and time-consuming to advertise a property and show it. It's difficult to determine market value and asking price. And worst of all, by the time these sellers give up, their houses are "stale" on the market. Likely prospects may have missed the ad, or been scared off by a too-high price.

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Testing available for lead oxide

A local chemist said Monday his laboratory is offering testing to determine if local residents may have hazardous levels of lead oxide around their homes.

Dr. Bhanu Joshi of Vegas Analytical Laboratory said his company was the only locally Environmental Protection Agency certified lab to perform such tests.

Joshi said residents who desire the test would be given sample containers in which 10-inch soil core samples would be placed.

He said lead oxide levels

throughout the sample would be compared to those at the soil's surface to determine if any significant contamination occurred from a May 4 blast that leveled Pacific Engineering and resulted in an estimated \$81 million in damage throughout the valley.

Lead oxide has been identified as one of the problems in cleaning Pepcon's site, according to EPA reports.

Joshi said residents also may want the assurance that lead oxide that may have settled after the blast is not at a dangerous level.

Steelworkers to hold public meeting

The United Steelworkers of America's Local 4856 and a contingent from the union's national headquarters in Pittsburgh will hold an open meeting Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Henderson Convention Center.

At the meeting, union officials will update the community, concerned citizens groups, and its members on events stemming from the Pepcon disaster nearly two weeks ago.

Correction

A news article in the May 12 edition of the *Henderson Home News* was inadvertently "edited" by a computer glitch.

The story as printed may have indicated the Henderson Fire Department did not help people injured in the Pepcon explosion as they came out of the desert.

The correct version should have read:

Price said there was "no way" they could fight the inferno. They did work to help the injured as they came out of the desert.

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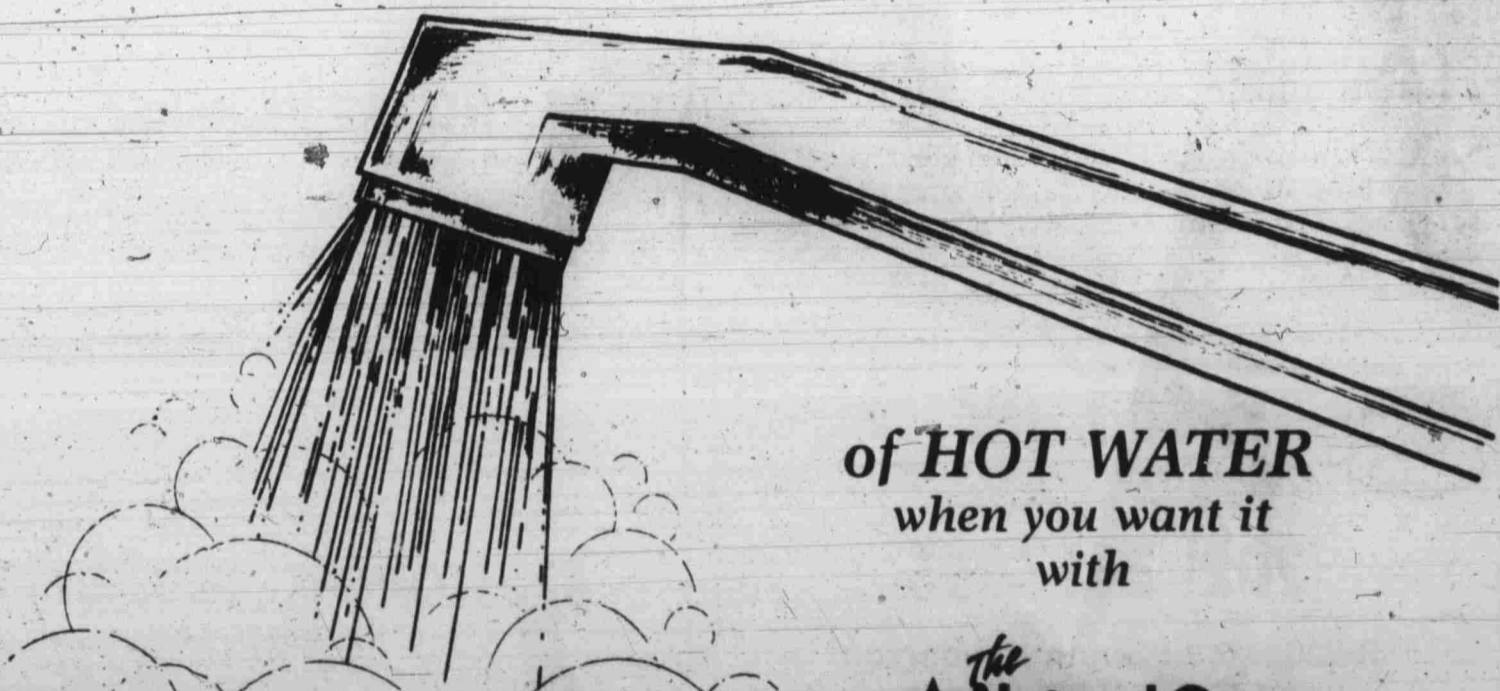
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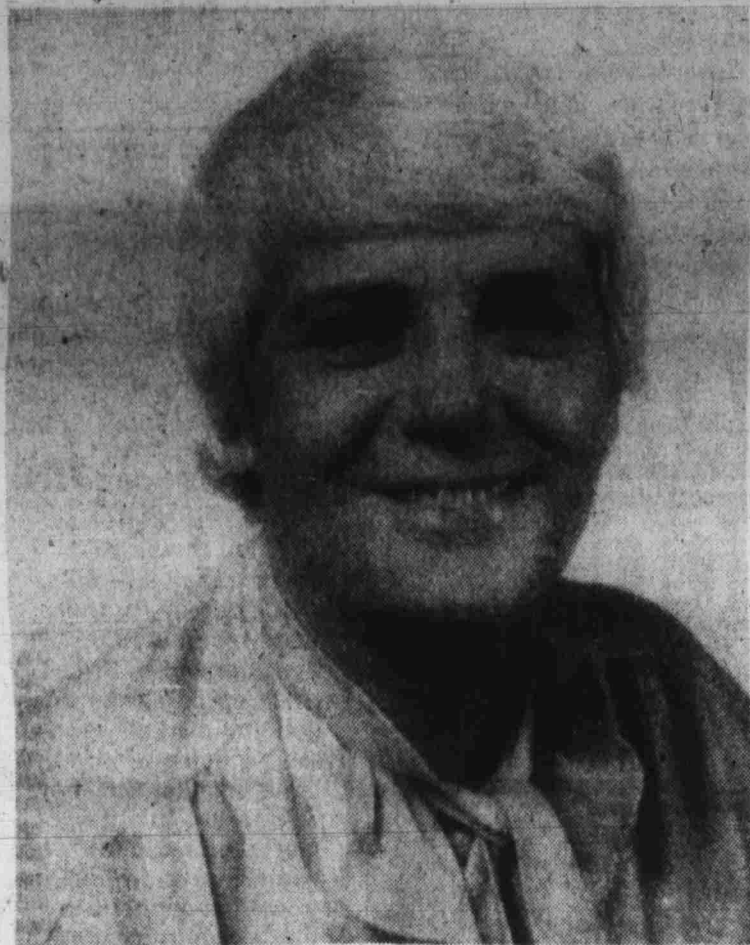
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Long-time McCaw teacher to be honored on retirement

A reception in honor of Barbara Nicholas' retirement will be conducted May 25, in the library of McCaw Elementary School at 3:30



Barbara Nicholas

p.m. Friends and former students are invited to stop by and say hello. Cards will be appreciated as a memento of this occasion.

Nicholas has taught 24 years with Clark County schools all at Gordon McCaw Elementary in the kindergarten. She has started more than one thousand two hundred children down the path of education. She likes the trust and enthusiasm about the kindergarten pupils.

When she first started teaching at the kindergarten level student emphasis was on resting rugs and graham crackers with milk. To tie ones shoes and rest quietly were important items on the report card. Working with the letters of the alphabet and with numbers was taught very informally, and rather incidentally with whatever else was going on in the class.

Now, however, children do math operations and read books, all kinds of books. This year in a school wide contest lasting seven weeks, this class read between seven and eighty-five books by themselves.

Nicholas says her ultimate joy is at the beginning of each year when a pupil will tug at her skirt and looking up with trusting eyes and say, "Are you the one who is going to teach me to learn!"

Burkholder Drama Club participates in festival

The Drama Club of Burkholder Junior High School participated in the District Speech and Drama Festival '88 held this year at Van Tobel Junior High School on April 21.

Burkholder's Drama Club sent a cast and crew of 19 students. The crew consisted of property mistress Heather Workman, sound Chris Snowden and set crew, props and make-up Heather Ortiz, Trista Barton, Leslie Brown and Christine Dirk.

Competing in the category of oral interpretation of literature was Charla Lambert reciting a sonnet by Elizabeth Barrett Browning. In the drama division, the club presented three short

plays. Performing in the cast of *Meet Miss Stone-Age* were David Gutierrez, Charla Lambert, Andy Risheg, Dennis Mesinar and William Watkins. The cast of the play, *Broadway Hit*, consisted of performers Damon Sager, Nicole Workman, Paul Heinen, Charla Lambert, Nicole Weir, Max Green, Mary Craig and Pete Kelly. The cast of *The Case of the*

Frustrated Corpse consisted of performers Max Green, Nicole Workman, Pete Kelly and Candie Dirk.

Performances of all contestants at the festival were rated as good, excellent, or superior by the judges. All eighteen performances of the members of the Burkholder's Drama Club received superior ratings.

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'Buckaroo Days' begins at St. Rose de Lima

by Marcia Hawkins
St. Rose de Lima
Hospital Publicist

Dozens of St. Rose de Lima Hospital employees will trade their traditional hospital uniforms and business attire for western wear this week as the hospital hosts the second annual "Buckaroo Days."

Buckaroo Days is a Community Education event intended to help kindergarten, first- and second-grade schoolchildren understand that hospitals are a place to heal and solve health problems.

"This is a hands-on experience for children," Community Education director Sister Robert Joseph Bailey said. "We want to do some of the things children will experience when coming into a hospital for treatment, so they won't be afraid if they ever need our care."

The "hand-on experience" Sister Robert Joseph described includes checking the children's height and weight, attaching a hospital identification band, looking at how x-rays lets us look inside the body and letting them listen to their own hearts with a stethoscope (before and after a brief exercise session with stick horses).

Children will also be shown, with stuffed animals in western

outfits, how doctors and nurses use an otoscope to check for healthy ears as well as how they might be given a shot with medicine to help them feel better.

Other activities will include a simplified pulmonary (lung) function test and the "Yuk Bucket." The Yuk Bucket Corral lets the children decide which photographs of various healthy and noxious items can be fed to a cowboy bear, or tossed into the Yuk Bucket. It was one of the most popular Buckaroo activities last year, and should help teach children to avoid health hazards and poisonous household products, Sister Robert Joseph said.

According to hospital president-CEO David B. Coats, the hospital hosted more than 1,500 students during last year's Buckaroo Days. Because the project was so successful and popular, he said, the hospital made a major commitment to have Buckaroo Days every year during National Hospital Week.

This year's event, however, was delayed one week to let schools return to normal after the chemical plant explosions May 4. Almost every kindergarten, first- and second-grade class in Henderson and Green Valley will take part in the event.

Local's son named to dean's list

Students have been named to the dean's list of Mercer University's College of Liberal Arts for Winter quarter 1988. Included on the list is Henderson resident

Stephen Hedden.

To be listed on the dean's list, students must maintain at least a 3.66 grade point average on 12 or more quarter hours of work.

VOTE YES

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Currently, Clark County Schools are severely overcrowded with more and more students entering the school system each year. In order to meet the growing need for more classrooms, the Clark County School Board has authorized the issuance of \$600 million worth of general obligation bonds.

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1 NO TAX INCREASE

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3 NEED

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2 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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Soroptimist to hear commissioner



The organization meets in the Balboa Room of the Eldorado Club at noon and the public is invited to attend.

A 21-year resident of Nevada and former teacher, Compton was first appointed Commissioner by Gov. Richard Bryan in January 1983. She is responsible for the administration of the agency along with guest speaking appearances at various service groups and classrooms from elementary through college level.

The Consumer Affairs division deals with complaints filed by the consumer against businesses when the consumer feels he has been unfairly treated. A good example would be the automobile repair business which once was number one on the complaint list but through state legislation the consumer now has some protection. Telemarketing complaints have been at the head of the list more recently.

Shari Compton
Commissioner of Consumer Affairs Division for the State of Nevada Shari B. Compton will be guest speaker at Wednesday's Soroptimist International of Henderson's program meeting.

The New York Times' Tom Wicker looks at America's prison crisis in *Monuments to Failure*

by Carrie Baston
KLVX Publicist
New York Times columnist Tom Wicker is the on-camera reporter for *Monuments to Failure: America's prison crisis*, airing Tuesday, May 24 at 10 p.m. on Channel 10.

America's prison systems are becoming more crowded, more costly, and less effective every year. In the last ten years this

country's prison population has grown by 70 percent to 500,000 men and women. It now costs tens of thousands of dollars to house one inmate annually.

But America's prisons are failing in their primary responsibilities of deterring crime and rehabilitating criminals and are becoming little more than warehouses for society's outcasts.

Videotaped in seven states,

Monuments to Failure finds that prison officials throughout the country are having to deal with growing prison populations while facing lawsuits to make their facilities more humane. At the

same time, the courts are sentencing more people to prison in a shortsighted response to the public outcry against the rising crime rate.

Obituary

Katherine B. Kelly

Katherine B. Kelly, 79 died Thursday, May 12 in Las Vegas. She had been a resident of the Henderson area for the past 12 years.

She was born in Kansas City, Mo. on Sept. 23, 1908 and was a doll restorer.

Survivors include daughter Mary Kay Barilleaux of Hender-

son, 3 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Visitation was held Sunday, May 15 at noon. Rosary was recited at 7 p.m. Mass was held Monday, May 16 at 10 a.m. all in the Palm Chapel in Henderson. Father Tony Vercellone from St. Peter's Church officiated. Interment was private.

Reid names O'Driscoll press secretary

U.S. Senator Harry Reid recently named Mary O'Driscoll as press secretary.

O'Driscoll, 27, has been deputy press secretary in Reid's office since July 1987. A longtime Nevada resident, she grew up in Reno and was graduated from Bishop Manogue High School. She earned her bachelor's degree in journalism from Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff in 1982, and reported for newspapers in Flagstaff and Las Cruces and Albuquerque, N.M., and Las Vegas.

At the *Las Vegas Sun*, she covered politics and the Nevada Legislature. O'Driscoll is the daughter of Paul and Margaret O'Driscoll of Reno.

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portant than reducing the numbers of nuclear arms in the world.

"I don't agree with that argument, and I don't believe that most other Americans do, either," Reid said.

Reid pointed out that the defense bill has the "expressed purpose of strengthening our

PALM provides workshop

PALM (Alcoholism in Labor and Management) will be providing a workshop on "Employee Preventive Maintenance," Tuesday, May 17 from 9 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. at the Care Unit Hospital of Nevada.

The workshop is open to the public. For more information call Susan Gregg call 362-8404.

national defense, not unilaterally undermining it," and that such a bill was not the place for this type of amendment.

He argued that there is nothing in the moratorium that stops the Soviets from doing all the preparatory work for a round of nuclear tests while our Test Site operations are stopped and our scientists and technicians are scattered across the country.

Reid called on the Senate to let the arms negotiators in Geneva do their job. "The United States cannot have 535 Secretaries of State making foreign policy decisions," he said.

The arms discussions in Geneva are delving into the question of a nuclear testing treaty.

Reid also pointed out that the proponents of the moratorium have gained three votes since the last moratorium vote last year.

"The fight to protect the jobs at the Test Site is getting tougher every year and it is going to take the efforts of everyone in the Nevada delegation if we are to succeed."

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FREEDOM—A Freedom Shrine was dedicated recently at Edna Hinman Elementary School. The Freedom Shrine as presented to the school by the United Steelworkers of America and the Nevada State AFL-CIO in conjunction with the Las Vegas Exchange Club. The Freedom Shrines

are used to teach children about the importance of freedom and the unlimited opportunities citizenship in the United States provides. Pictured with Hinman students Joshua Rivera and Amy Tinderholt is executive secretary of the state AFL-CIO Blackie Evans.

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The Nevada Department of Health and Safety and Pepon officials will be in the first group to tour the plant.

Southwest Gas Co. (Pepon officials have blamed the blasts on a faulty gas line) and the State Public Service Commission will comprise the second group.

Southwest Gas has denied any fault in the blast and feels its own investigation will help prove outside factors lead to the gas line break.

A group of attorneys will follow, then representatives of Kidd and Co. Marshmallow, and finally the Steelworkers.

In a related event last week, Governor Richard Bryan appointed the "blue ribbon committee" that will look into the hazards of heavy industry in the Las Vegas Valley.

Named to the committee were: Lt. Gov. Bob Miller; County Commissioner Bruce Woodbury; American Nevada president Mark Fine; Sparks city manager Pat Thompson; State Fire Marshal Rex Gordon; Danny Evans of the

Steelworkers Local 5282 (Stauffer Chemical); Father Cesar Caviglia, pastor of St. Peter's Catholic Church.

Kerr McGhee, another BMI plant, will be keeping a close eye on the actions of that committee and another group of independent chemical experts that will be inspecting its plant.

The factory, which is the only other producer of ammonium perchlorate in the country, has suspended operations for at least two weeks while investigations into its own safety procedures are conducted.

After shutting down operations for almost a week following the April 4 Pepon disaster, Kerr McGhee resumed operations last Tuesday. Under pressure from state, county and local government officials, however, the plant agreed Thursday to suspend operations again.

Kerr McGhee officials have said at this point, the company has no intentions of leaving its current site.

Fay Galloway presents annual Spring Carnival

The Parent Teachers Organization of Fay Galloway Elementary School recently announced their annual Spring Carnival will be May 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The carnival will be at Fay Galloway Elementary School, 701 Skyline Drive.

There will be refreshments, a raffle and game booths. Some of the activities will include the cake walk, duck pond, wheel of fortune, ring toss and a clown painting booth.

Prizes will be given to all game winners.

The public is invited to attend.

SMA names Dale Anderson vice president and chief operating officer

Dale J. Anderson has recently been appointed vice president and chief operating officer for Southwest Medical Associates (SMA), Nevada's largest multi-specialty medical group. Anderson's career in medical group administration spans 18 years, and he is a Fellow of the American College of Medical Group Administrators.

For the past 10 years, Anderson has taught, lectured, written and consulted in the fields of group practice management and strategic planning.

Anderson worked as a consultant in the Denver area for the past year and previously held posi-

tions of administrator of Littleton Clinics in Colorado, Nicolet Clinic in Neenah, Wisconsin, and Hannibal Clinic in Missouri.



Dale J. Anderson

"Southwest Medical Associates is comprised of seventy providers and 425 employees with offices in Las Vegas, Reno, Carson City, Green Valley and Boulder City. I'm looking forward to carrying on the tradition of quality medical care for which SMA has always been known," states Anderson.

SMA is a division of Sierra Health Services. It is the primary provider for members of Health Plan of Nevada and Sierra Health and Life Insurance. It also services the general population on a fee-for-service basis.

SMA offers medical services in anesthesiology, cardiac rehabilitation, cardiology, clinical labor-

atory, endocrinology, family practice, internal medicine, mental health, neurology.

Eder completes recruit training

Navy Seaman Recruit Mark A. Eder, son of David R. and Margaret L. Eder of Henderson, has completed recruit training at Recruit Training Command, San Diego, according to a recent press release from the Fleet Hometown News Center.

During Eder's eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic fields.

Eder's studies included seamanship, close order drill, Naval

history and first aid.

Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in Physical Education and Hygiene.

A 1987 graduate of Basic High School, he joined the Navy in February of 1988.

St. Rose de Lima Hospital marks Medical Transcriptionist Week

by Marcia Hawkins
St. Rose de Lima
Hospital Publicist

Almost hidden in offices equipped with efficient word processors, dictation machines and other modern record-keeping devices, thousands of medical transcriptionists across the country every day transfer physicians' consultations, patient progress observations and expert notes to permanent medical record reports.

St. Rose de Lima Hospital employs three full-time Medical Transcriptionists, and a fourth who works part-time. They are being honored this week as part of the hospital's recognition of National Medical Transcriptionist Week.

The hospital's transcriptionists follow American Association for Medical Transcription (AAMT) guidelines for the transfer and

handling of medical reports: They accurately and swiftly record physicians' dictated notes, treating every report as if it were a legal document. Among other things, that means they maintain strict confidentiality and never repeat what they see in the 60 to 70 reports they each transcribe every day.

According to Irene Butts, CMT, the AAMT National Board Examination for Medical Transcriptionists is "fairly rough." Of 447 people who took the general exam (specialized tests are also given for specific areas of expertise, such as Radiology record transcription) in 1987, only 201, or 45 percent, passed the exam.

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Wolves swim to state title

by Paul Szydelko
Home News Sports Editor

Two years ago, they fell short because of a disqualification; one year ago, they lost by four-hundredths of a second; but this year, the Basic High School Wolves narrowly defeated Reno for the state swimming championship Saturday.

Basic and Reno, who have dominated state since 1976, exchanged leads throughout the afternoon at UNLV. With Reno up by three points, the title was up for grabs entering the final event.

Basic's freestyle relay team of Phil Brown, Chad Stringfellow, Jamie Somers and Barry Eyestone finished second to Bishop Gorman, while Reno managed only a sixth place finish. Gorman won with 3:18.01, and Basic's 3:20.19 shattered a school record that was on the books since 1977.

Last year Basic had an eight-point lead going into the relay, but Reno won. Gorman was second and Basic, edged for

third in the event, lost the team title by two points.

"We knew going in we couldn't make a mistake," said Basic coach Dan Cahill. He emphasized to the swimmers not to jump early and be disqualified.

State Swimming Boys Team results

1. Basic	199
2. Reno	190
3. Gorman	143
4. Manogue	104
5. Carson City	97
6. Las Vegas	78
7. Boulder City	48
8. Western	43

With second place in the relay, the Wolves finished with 199 team points and Reno had 190. Gorman finished third in team points with 143 points.

"We did it just like we thought we would—with

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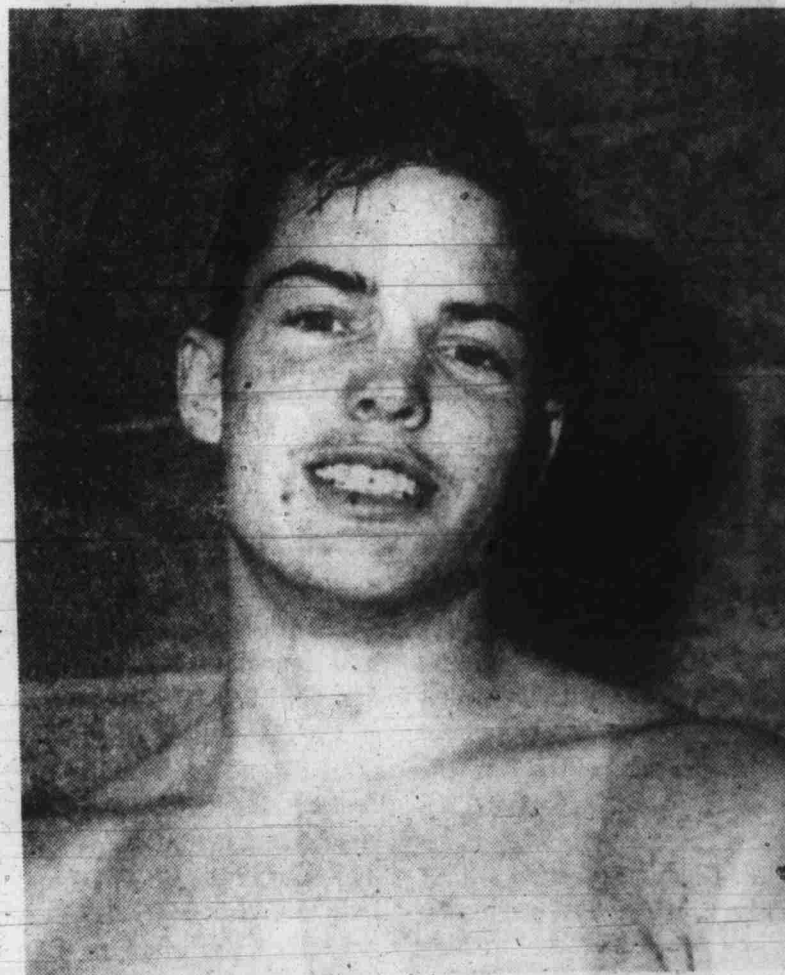
ALL SMILES FOR SIMS—Basic's Preston Sims was third last weekend at UNLV. in the diving portion of the state swimming championships

Photo by Jeff Cowen

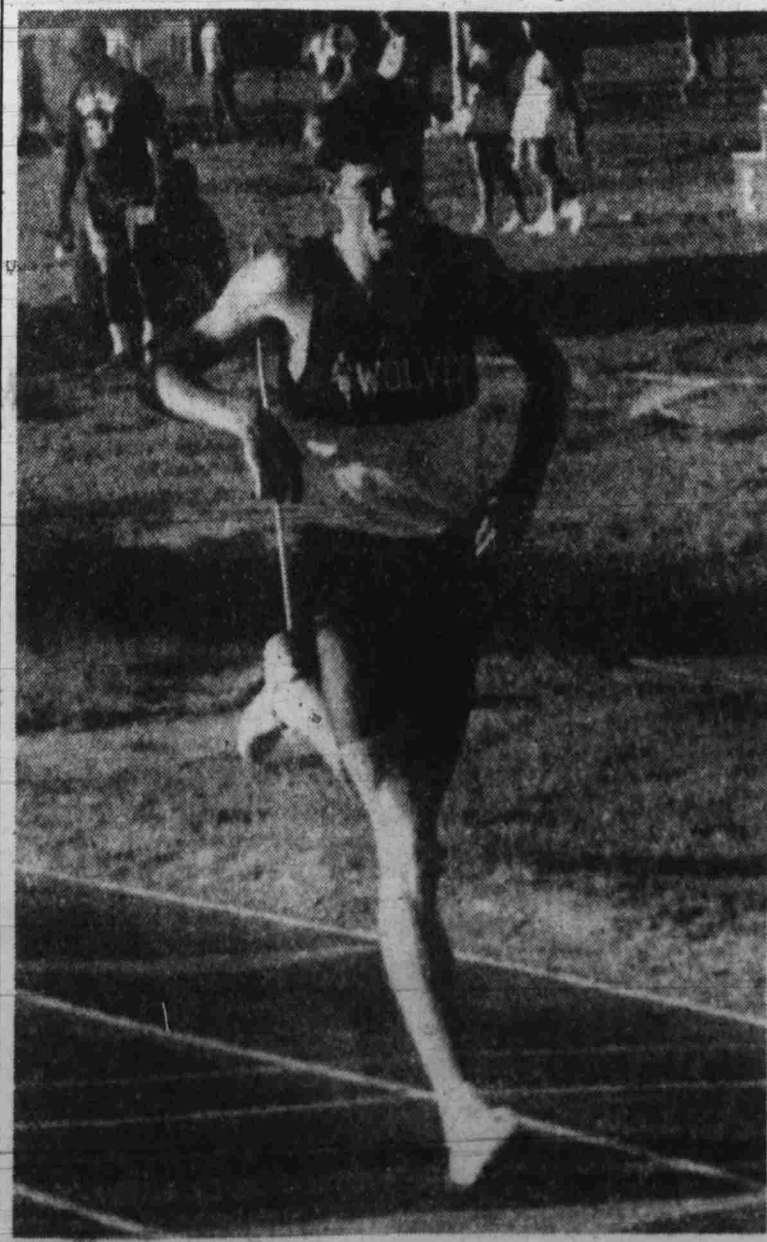


MEDLEY RELAY—Preston Sims, Robert Richter, Craig Martin and Ken Fust finished second (1:45.50) for Basic.

Photo by Jeff Cowen



DIVING RUNNER-UP—Senior Jacob Curtis placed second in the state diving, helping the Wolves to a state championship.



KEN HARMON—The Basic junior was second in the state 1,600-meter run Saturday at Eldorado.

Photo by Jeff Cowen

Ott, Davis state track champions

by Paul Szydelko
Home News Sports Editor

Seniors Eric Ott and Chris Davis won state championships as the Basic High School Wolves finished fourth in the state track meet Saturday at Eldorado.

The Sundevils took the team title with 79½ points, Western placed second with 54., Rancho was third with 52 and Bonanza and Basic each had 48½.

Ott won the 800 in 1:56.4 and Davis easily won the shot-put with a 55 feet, one and one-half inch effort—a personal record.

Ken Harmon set a personal best and ran second in the 1,600-meter run with 4:24.2.

Pat Hubbard finished second in the 3,200-meter run with 9:30.9 and fourth in the 1,600 with 4:34.00.

David Butler's fifth place :40.9 300 hurdle performance was also a personal record.

Basic's mile relay team (Butler, Harmon, Hubbard and Ott) set a new school record, 3:28.2, to finish third in state.

Girls results

Alicia Butler was sixth in the

800 (2:32.7) and Shonna Wicklund seventh in the 800 (2:41).

Julie Robles was fifth in the 3,200 and sixth in the 1,600; Tara Thomas finished seventh

in both the 1,600 and the 3,200 runs.

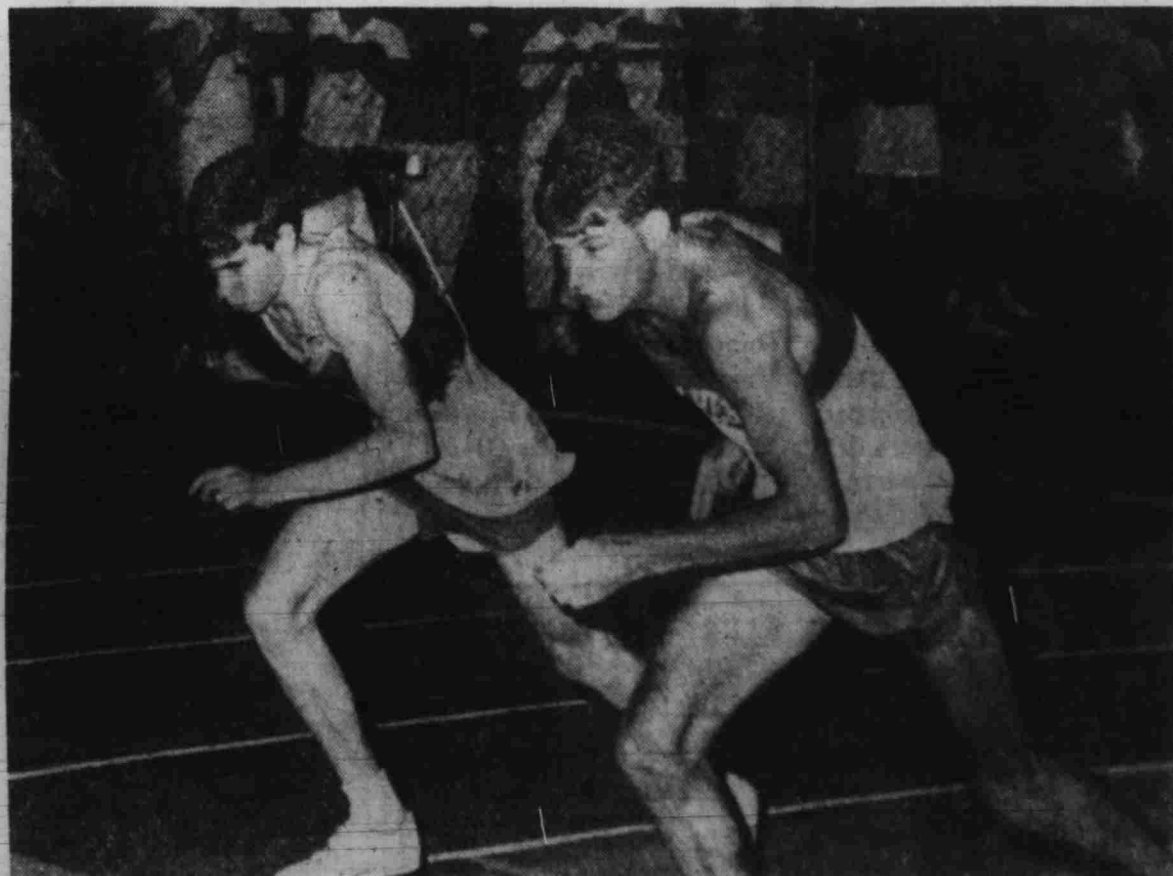
Angie Bloom was fifth in the 300 hurdles and sixth in the 100-yard dash.

The Lady Wolves mile relay

team was sixth.

"I don't know if the boom caught up with us, but we were

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STATE CHAMP—Senior Eric Ott was one of two Basic state champions. Ott ran the 800 in 1:56.4.

Photo by Jeff Cowen



STATE TRACK—Angie Bloom finished fifth in the 300 hurdles Saturday. Photo by Jeff Cowen

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flat," said coach Larry Burgess of the Pepcon explosion which forced Basic to close for six days. "Part of it was that they were out of school and out of the routine," Burgess said. Basic's good showing in the zone meet surprised Burgess and he said he might have overlooked some of the effects of being out of school.

"One of the things that bothered us was we didn't know what would happen. We were in limbo," Burgess said. "I don't think there's any question the girls could have done better and the boys could have been second. "We're all a little disappointed we didn't do better," the coach added.



EIGHT-HUNDRED-METER RUN—Shonna Wicklund, left, sixth and Wicklund finished seventh. and Alicia Butler compete in the state 800 run. Butler was

Photo by Jeff Cowen



DIVING WINNERS—Mercy Heard, left, and Susan Whitehead were two-three in the state diving event. Photo by Jeff Cowen

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depth," Cahill said. "We won the state meet at zone," Cahill said. Reno and other schools had the top individuals, but Basic had far more qualifiers. We won the meet with our 11th and 12th kids." Basic did not have a first place finish all day. In addition to the freestyle relay finishing second, the medley relay team (Ken Fust, Craig Martin, Preston Sims and Robert Richter) was second with 1:45.50 and southern zone champ Jacob Curtis was second in the diving with 303.00 points. Sims was third (276.25), Mark Bird was sixth and Matt Triplett was ninth in the diving. "They did a real good solid job," Cahill said. Basic outscored Reno by nine points in the diving, which proved to be the margin of difference in the overall competition.

Carducci shoots 87 in state golf tourney
Todd Carducci, Basic High School's lone state tournament golf representative, shot an 87 Friday at the Calvada Golf and Country Club in Pahump. Eddie Heinen's 69 led Valley to victory in the team competition. Valley's team score, 368, broke a record that Western set in 1974 (378 strokes).

for Basic included: Fust, third in the 100 backstroke (:56.73) and fourth in the 50 freestyle (:21.94); Somers, fourth in the 200 individual medley (2:01.91) and fourth in the 100 breaststroke (1:02.87); Eyestone, fourth in the 200 freestyle (new school record, 1:47.14) and fifth in the 500 freestyle (4:54.22), and Richter sixth in the 50 freestyle (:22.77). "The meet itself was extremely fast," Cahill said, noting that 12 state records were set. Cahill decided to split the strengths in the relay team, hoping for points from two second place finishes rather than a first and lesser place. "It was the team that won, it was a group effort," Cahill said. The coach noted the performances of Dave Mesinar, Martin, Brown, Stringfellow, Richter and Triplett. "Not taking anything away from our top swimmers, but those others put us over the hump." Basic also won state championships in 1976, 1977 and 1982. Reno has won all the rest.

Girls results
Reno easily took the girls' competition with 213 points; Chaparral and Bonanza tied for second place with 136; and Basic followed with 104. Heidi Wood was the Lady Wolves' top performer; she

finished fourth in the 200 freestyle (2:04.68) and fifth in the 500 freestyle (5:34.88). Mercy Heard was second in diving (284.30), with Susan Whitehead third (278.00).

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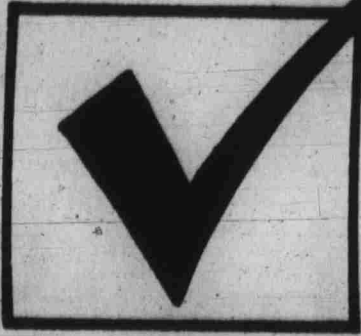
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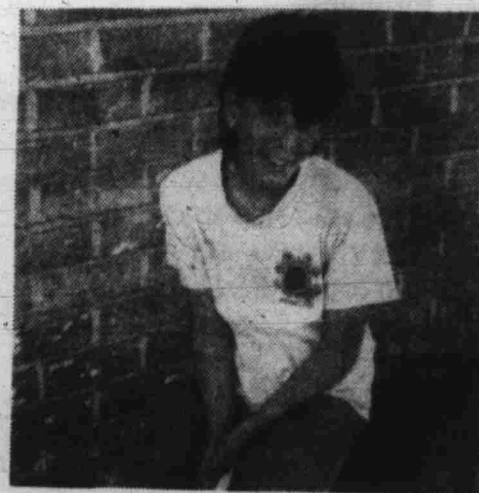
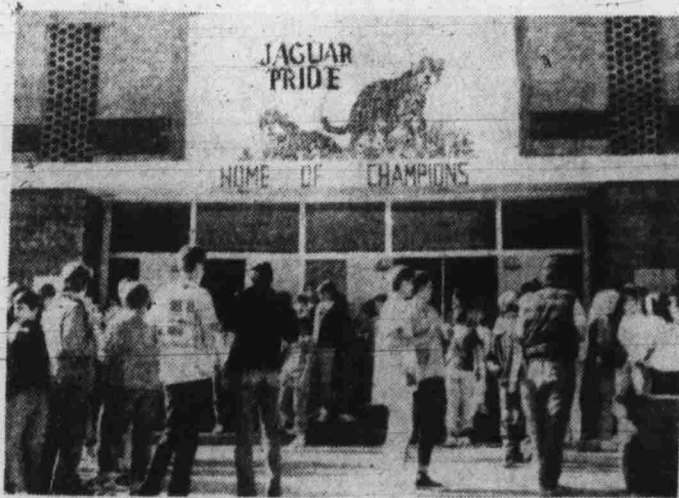
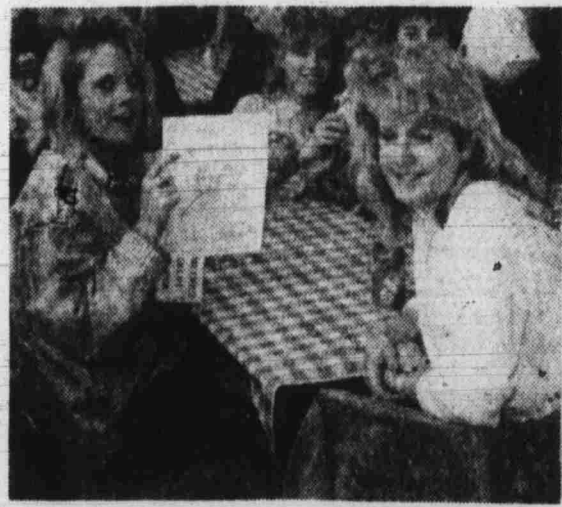
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I'VE GOT IT—Nicki Workman nabs the food on a string at a recent fun time at Burkholder Junior High School.

American Pacific Corporation releases company's preliminary investigation on Pacific Engineering fire

Editor's note: The following is a press release from American Pacific Corporation stating the company's preliminary position as to the causes of a May 4 fire that destroyed Pacific Engineering. Southwest Gas denied AmPac's allegations and said gas mains in the area ruptured as a result of explosions, not as a cause of them.

American Pacific Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS:APFC; PSE-APP) announced May 12, preliminary results of the early-stage investigation of the explosive destruction of the ammonium perchlorate plant operated by its wholly-owned subsidiary Pacific Engineering and Production Co. of Nevada (Pepcon) in Henderson on May 4.

Chairman and chief executive officer of American Pacific Fred D. Gibson, Jr., reported "We have confirmed that for at least one-half hour prior to the initial fire in the Pepcon plant the large 400 plus (pressure per square inch) psi high pressure gas line passing through the plant suffered a catastrophic leak that reduced the pressure in the line very substantially.

"This gas line was, of course, installed, owned and operated by firms unrelated to American Pacific or Pacific Engineering. The massive gas leak is believed to have saturated the earth below the paved surfaces of the Pepcon plant and to have ignited at the point of origin as a result of circumstances unrelated to Pepcon operations.

All of the subsequent destructive events were caused by the gas leak, the gas fire and the gas explosion." Gibson further advised that "it is too early to assessing responsibility for the occurrence."

Exclusive Clark County Fire Department control of the site has not allowed on-site investigation to date. Extensive analysis will be required to determine whether the pre-ignition leak in the gas line was attributable to faulty manufacture of the pipe, to faulty installation, to aging, to improper maintenance, or to other causes.

"We intend to pursue these investigations vigorously to their conclusion."

Gibson finally noted that prior public statements issued by Southwest Gas to the effect that explosions of ammonium perchlorate preceded and caused the gas leak and subsequent massive gas explosion were mistaken, and are completely inconsistent with the dramatic reduction in pressure in the gas line that has been established, and that is understood to have been confirmed by Southwest Gas to officials of Kerr-McGee Chemical Corporation upon inquiry.

In relation to other matters, vice president and general counsel of American Pacific C. Keith Rooker, noted the erroneous media reports that "the Gibson Brothers" were the owners of Pacific Engineering. Rooker stated, "Pepcon is a wholly-owned subsidiary of American Pacific, which is publicly and widely held. Fred D. Gibson, Jr. is the owner of less than 18 percent and James I. Gibson is the owner of less than five percent of the stock of the corporation.

"This information is, of course, readily available from the public reports of the corporation."

Rooker also restated Pepcon's position in relation to release of the confidential files of Nevada OSHA: "While we are convinced that Pepcon had no responsibility and will be determined to have no liability for the damages resulting from the massive gas leak, gas fire and gas explosion, we have a duty to protect our liability insurance coverage for the benefit of the public whom it is intended to protect.

"We have been advised by the attorneys engaged by our liability insurance carrier that they will not approve release of the file. To release these confidential files without such approval would put our continued liability insurance at risk, which is not acceptable to us, and should not be acceptable to the public."

Rooker also emphasized the preliminary character of the investigation results to date, and stated that further information would be provided as it becomes available.

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This guide was developed by the National Newspaper Association, representatives of more than 5,000 community newspapers, to assist newspaper publishers in their effort to better serve their communities.

Everyone likes to read about his special interest, group or team in the community newspaper. You may be planning a benefit or other social event that needs the support of your local newspaper. Perhaps you would like to express your views or respond to the views of others.

This guide will give you the basics of dealing with your local editor, so that you can "get your story out" in the fastest, simplest way. It is a guide that will answer your basic questions about how news makes it to print, how to contact your newspaper and how to present your story. We offer this guide in the interest of working together to keep the community informed.

P UBLICITY BASICS

Only one person from your organization should be in touch with the newspaper.

It is often said there are three rules of journalism: accuracy, accuracy, and accuracy. Write everything down, check the spelling of names and never trust your memory.

Get your story to the newspaper as soon as possible. Know the newspaper's deadlines. Whenever possible, let the newspaper know about an event before it takes place.

Use creativity. If you have an idea for a feature story, suggest it. Newspaper editors appreciate fresh ideas.

Never try to obtain publicity by pressure of friendship or business connections.

W HAT'S NEWS?

Editors choose their news according to the importance of an event to their communities. A fire, a crime, or an accident is important—but so is the award your club gave last week. Club elections, new projects, unusual actions, social events, milestones, athletic events,

benefits that need public support, and member participation in local, national or world events are all of interest to your community newspaper editor.

P ACKAGING

Your newspaper sees a constant barrage of paper. You're already one step ahead if your news release or story is obviously local. However, remember that the typical editor must make quick decisions regarding newsworthiness. As a newspaper reader you know that your reading decisions are based first on the headline, and then on the first paragraph of the news item.

Give the most important information first. Be sure to give the "who, what, when, where and how" of the story right away. Background material should come last.

Include the name of the contact, the group, and a phone number at the top of the page for quick reference.

When submitting a story to your local newspaper, type it double-spaced on one side of 8½-by-11-inch paper. Start about one-third of the way down the paper on the first page and leave ample margins. Number your pages. When you're done, type this symbol: # # #

W RITING

Use your simplest English. Never use fancy wording or terms that only a member of your club would understand. Watch the newspaper to learn its style. Most important, be honest, impartial, accurate and brief. Never use a quote unless it is direct and accurate, and always identify your sources.

Remember that there can be different writing styles for different parts of the newspaper. Use "I" only in letters to the editor or opinion columns. Give more description in feature stories. Keep your newswriting to the point, with the most interesting and important information first.

D EADLINES

Pre-planned events should always reach the editor's desk well before the last-minute rush. Learn your newspaper's deadlines, and keep as far ahead of them as possible. It is always best to stop by or call the newspaper office after the last issue has been published, rather than just before the presses roll. Remember that there will be times when an editor or reporter is simply too close to deadline to talk to you.

T HE OPINION PAGE

When you write letters to the editor, always include your name, address, affiliation (if any), and phone number. As a matter of accountability, and to protect the newspaper from irresponsible letter writers, newspapers rarely publish a letter without this information. If you have an opinion, remember that the opinion or editorial page is considered the property of the public; it's your page, so feel free to use it. Editors appreciate receiving your views for this page.

P ICTURES

Editors are always seeking good picture opportunities. If you think your story merits a photo, talk to the editor about it. If a newspaper photographer cannot make it to your event, take one yourself and include it with your story or release.

Always try for action, rather than posed, pictures. If little Jane Doe, for example, has been presented an award for volunteering at the local hospital, a picture of Jane at work is much better than one of the mayor presenting her with an award. Write the outline, or description, of the photo on a separate piece of paper rather than the back of the photo, and list names left to right.



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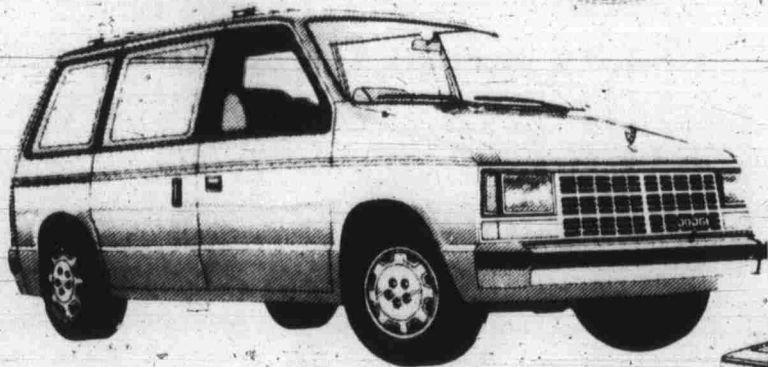
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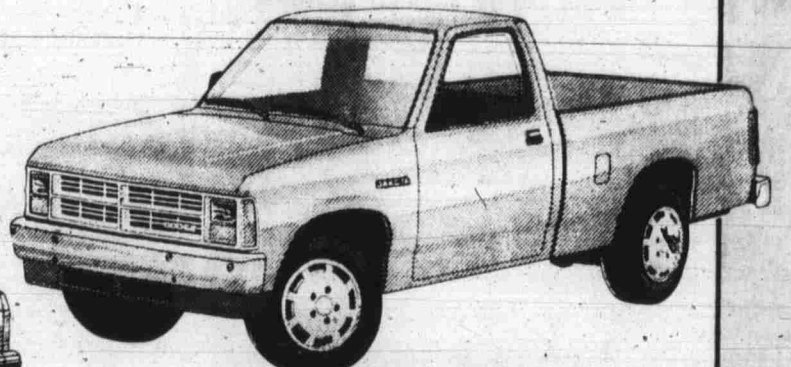


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