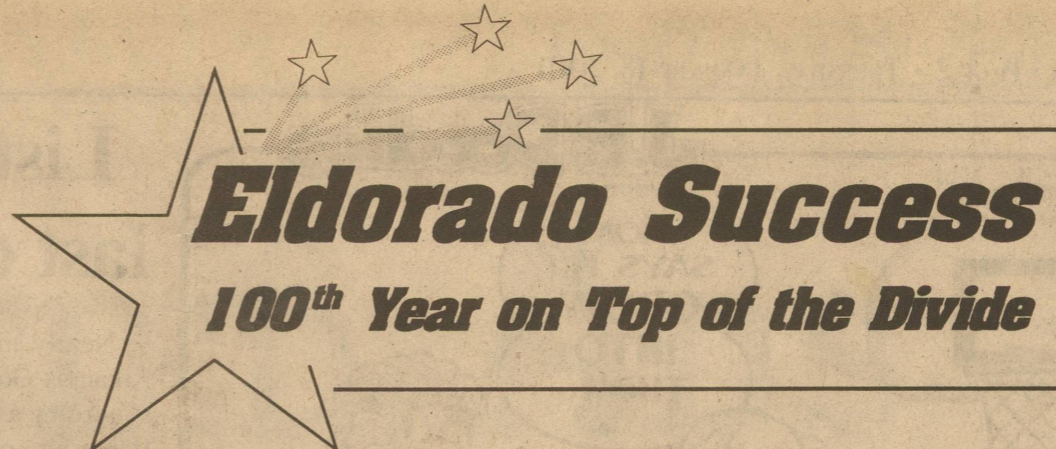


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Recycling Center location — Assistant City Superintendent Floyd Fay and City Administrator Randy Mankin are pictured standing on the spot where the City of Eldorado plans to construct a recycling center. Currently it is the site for the City's recycling trailer and paper recycling bins. The construction will be funded with a grant from the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission and will be administered through the Concho Valley Council of Governments.

City wins TNRCC grant to build recycling center

\$53,881.00 grant to fund construction

Recycling in Eldorado will get a big boost soon thanks in part to a \$53,881.00 grant from the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) to the City of Eldorado. The grant, issued through the Solid Waste Committee at the Concho Valley Council of Governments (CVCOG) in San Angelo, received final approval from the CVCOG executive committee last week. Under the terms of the grant, the City will have until July 31, 2001 to complete construction of a recycling center near the intersection of South Cottonwood St. and East Murchison Ave., adjacent to Eldorado City Hall.

Currently, the city's recycling effort is limited to two paper recycling bins and trailer mounted bins for aluminum and other metal cans.

The centerpiece of the recycling center will be a baler donated to the city by Ford Oglesby. "The baler is an essential part of the equation," said City Administrator Randy Mankin. "It will allow us to bale and store cardboard and aluminum, then sell it by the truck load. We are very grateful to Ford for making this available to us."

A metal building will be constructed on the site where the city's paper recycling bins are now located. The building will be used to warehouse the baled paper and cardboard until enough can be accumulated for shipment.

Fencing, paving and the construction of a loading dock are also

included in the plans. So is the purchase of various recycling bins.

Mankin says he has already been in contact with County Extension Agent Nancy Lester concerning the project and that a trip to inspect other recycling centers is being planned.

"We have to move on this fairly quickly," Mankin said. "It's my understanding that TNRCC is closing out this particular program and that the funds must be expended before the end of July."

The city of Eldorado made formal application for the grant on November, 16, 2000 before the CVCOG Solid Waste Review Committee. The committee scored the grant application then forwarded it to the executive committee.

Comptroller Rylander delivers monthly sales tax rebates

State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander delivered a total of \$206.6 million in monthly sales tax payments last Friday to 1,107 Texas cities and 119 counties. That represents a 4.7 percent increase compared to the same period one year ago.

In the allocation, the City of Eldorado received \$6,372.23 up 2.10 percent from the January payment last year of \$6,241.05.

Schleicher County's sales tax rebate this month totalled \$7,079.37, up 89.87 percent from January, 2000's total of \$3,728.45.

The Schleicher County Health Service tax rebate for January totaled \$5,741.87, an increase of 55.12 percent from January, 2000's rebate of total of \$3,701.47.

This month's sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in November and reported by businesses filing monthly tax returns in December, 2000.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation is scheduled to be delivered on Friday, February 9, 2001 and will be reported the following week in the Eldorado Success.

Tourism coalition being organized

The Chambers of Commerce in Eldorado, Ozona and Sonora are joining forces to form a "Tri-County Tourism Coalition." With the assistance of the Texas department of Agriculture and Texas A&M University, the coalition has been formed to encourage and promote tourism in the Tri-County region. Though the coalition is in its infancy, representatives from the tourism industry in the tri-county region are already expecting positive results to come from the partnership.

The ultimate goal for the coalition is to attract tourists to the area and by working together, encouraging tourists to stay in the tri-county region longer than they might normally stay. The coalition's members currently consist of volunteers through the chambers of commerce as well as representatives from the tourism industry within the tri-county region.

The first public meeting regarding the coalition was Wednesday, January 17, 2001 evening at the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center. The meeting covered the goals and objectives for the coalition, as well as future projects and programs that have already been scheduled.

One such project will be a "Discovery Bus Tour" which has been scheduled for February 20. The purpose for the tour is to give everyone who comes in contact with tourists and potential tourists an understanding of what there is to do and see in the tri-county region. The tour will cover the tri-county region and will make stops in Eldorado, Ozona and Sonora. Anyone who works with tourists on a regular basis is encouraged to participate in the tour. The cost for the tour is being negotiated, but the volunteers organizing the tour are optimistic that the tour will either be free or at a very minimal cost to each

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photo by Randy Mankin

Rehab volunteers — Manning the local phone bank during the West Texas Rehabilitation Center's REHAB 2001 telethon last Saturday night were (front L-R) Mabel Freitag, Geneva McWhorter (back seated L-R) Wendi Lovette, Stacy Haynes (back standing L-R) Domingo & Delia Pina, Orval & Charlene Edmiston, Mike Haynes & Bill Freitag. Local Rehab donors contributed more than \$6,000.00.

Why natural gas bills are higher this winter

by Railroad Commissioner
Charles Matthews

During the last year I have been traveling throughout the state discussing the challenges facing the Texas natural gas industry. As the demand for natural gas is increasing, we are seeing the tightening of supply.

Experts in the energy field expect the U.S. demand for natural gas to grow during the next decade. By 2010, it is projected to be more than 30 percent over the 1998 level. In addition to the national demand picture, Texas natural gas consumption has been increasing steadily over the last six years. The biggest driver for that growth is gas-fired electric generation.

On most residential and commercial gas bills, gas is a "pass-through" cost. Utilities make no profit on the cost of gas; they simply pass through to the consumer what it costs the utility to purchase the gas in the marketplace. When natural gas costs increase, consumers face higher bills. When natural gas costs decrease, consumers pay less.

Utilities make their profit from distributing the natural gas to consumers. In most cases, the rate that a utility charges for distributing natural gas is approved by the city in which it serves, but in some cases the rate is approved by the Railroad Commission of Texas.

The cost of natural gas is market based, subject to the forces of supply and demand, and changes frequently. The major cause of recent high natural gas prices has been uneasiness in the marketplace over natural gas supply. Simply put, the injection rate of gas into storage was too slow to comfort the market for this winter's heating season. Consumption of natural gas in the summer is usually relatively low, which allows excess gas to be injected into storage. However, gas that would otherwise have been injected into storage was being used to generate electricity to

run air conditioners.

While natural gas imports have been rising significantly in recent years, the United States may be running into some short-term supply constraints. Several years of relatively low prices have slowed down exploration and drilling for new sources of supply. During the first downturn in 1986, the oil and gas industry lost over 500,000 jobs nationwide. In addition to that number, another 50,000 jobs were lost during the most recent downturn of 1998-1999, which lasted over 18 months. The recent higher prices should be causing an increase in drilling opportunities, and in fact rig counts have increased significantly from a year ago. However, at the Commission we are seeing a decline in drilling permits and completion permits for natural gas wells. This should not be happening. This shows that we have lost talented, qualified people in the industry who have the ability to identify

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Classic Cable plans rate hike

Classic Cable notified the City of Eldorado this week it would be increasing the rate for expanded basic cable service in Eldorado by 17.47 percent. Currently, Eldorado customers pay \$17 for that level of service. The rate will be increasing to \$19.97 plus applicable fees and taxes.

The company noted that only the expanded basic service is increasing. The charge for limited basic cable, as well as all other services will not be increasing.

The company blamed escalating costs for the increase. One cost cited in the notice was the cost of programming.

According to the company, local customers will be notified of the rate increase during January. The hike is scheduled to take place with the next billing cycle, thirty days after the notice.



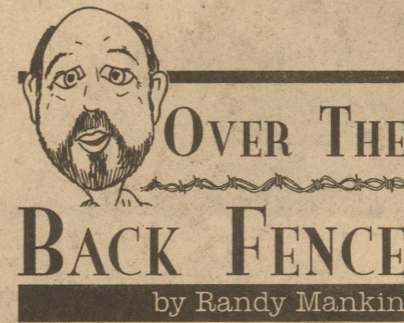
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Early morning roll-over — This 1984 Ford station wagon was found overturned and abandoned Wednesday morning four miles northwest of Eldorado on Rudd Road, damaging. Chief Deputy George Arispe investigated the accident. He reports the vehicle was being driven by Shawn Gonzales of Eldorado at the time of the accident. The driver reported only minor injuries.

J.P. Doodles

Listen closely and you can hear the last dog whimpering under the porch

Nearly nine years ago, then Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton, buoyed by a primary win in New Hampshire mere days after revelations of an affair with Gennifer Flowers threatened to scuttle his candidacy, pledged to his supporters in the Granite State that he would never forget them. He told a cheering crowd that since they had stood by him in his time of need, he would be there for them "until the last dog dies."



by Randy Mankin

and Kathleen Willey-gate. As one of his critics, it is difficult for me to admit that I have developed a grudging respect for President Clinton. As he battled his way through one scandal after another, wagging his finger in our faces and chiding us for not believing whatever version of the truth he happened to be telling that day, Bill Clinton was admirable, if only for the way that he never accepted defeat. He is undoubtedly the most gifted politician of our day. But the last dog is dying now. It has crawled under the porch and if you listen closely, you can hear the old mutt whimpering.

Interestingly, the Gennifer Flowers allegations were made public not by Bill Clinton's Republican adversaries, but by fellow Democrats who opposed him in the primaries...at least two of whom came to President Clinton's defense on the Senate floor during the

his impeachment trial in 1999. Those same charges brought Hillary Clinton before the TV cameras to stand by her man even as she expressed disdain for the heroine in the Tammy Wynette song for doing the very same thing.

The Clintons changed the face of politics in Washington. Their scorched earth tactics served them well as time and again they outwitted, outmaneuvered and outlasted their political opponents. It is for this that I believe Bill Clinton will be best remembered by historians, even more than for any of the scandals that swirled around him for eight years.

Yet, scandals do have a way of attaching themselves to a president's legacy. Richard Nixon had Watergate. Ronald Reagan had Iran-Contra-gate. Bill Clinton, well let's just say that Bill Clinton has had a series of swinging gates including, but not limited to: Draft Dodging-gate, Whitewater-gate, Cattle Futures-gate, Travel Office-gate, Vince Foster-gate, State Trooper-gate, Monica Lewinsky-gate, Buddhist Temple-gate, Paula Jones-gate, Chinese Missile-gate,

miscalculation by the Federal Reserve in its tweaking of interest rates.

While these are potential problems, the report concluded, "the probability of any of them seriously impairing state economic growth over the next three fiscal years remains fairly low."

What's the number for 911?

Anyone who's ever called a government agency knows that the first person to answer the phone usually doesn't know anything about what you're interested in.

In the not-too-distant future, however, it's going to be easier to get helpful governmental information by dialing one three-digit number.

Someday, in addition to existing 411 and 911 services, citizens will be able to call 211 for non-emergency health and community services information or 311 for non-emergency local governmental services.

If funding is made available, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission will coordinate the 211 community services program.

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Revenue estimate shows tight state budget

AUSTIN — If you're a state employee hoping for a sizable pay raise, don't go out and order that new bass boat just yet.

For that matter, anyone with a stake in state spending—highway contractors to heads of state agencies—needs to wait until the proverbial chickens hatch.

The 2002-2003 biennial revenue estimate released last week by the Comptroller shows the state budget is going to be even tighter than expected.

Texas should collect \$106.8 billion in revenue from all sources during the biennium and other million dollar tidbits should raise the

State Capital Highlights



by Mike Cox

total kitty to about \$109 billion.

But of that amount, more than 40 percent is already dedicated for major items like schools, highways and various federal programs. After that, the available portion of the pie just gets smaller and smaller.

The difference between what is available and what needs to be spent to support existing state programs is \$1 billion. That seems like a lot until \$700 million in unexpect-

ed costs is subtracted. Bottom line, at least the bottom line at this early stage of the legislative session, is only \$300 million left for new programs.

Those new programs would be anything any agency has asked for above the last budget, such as pay raises for state workers, additional employees, construction, whatever.

The economic picture

Lost in the news coverage of the overall revenue picture was another element of the Comptroller's report—the 2002-2003 state economic outlook.

The report declared Texas' economy "by general measures healthy" but said the economy has slowed "consistent with recent national trends."

Texas' gross state product (GSP) will drop from a 6 percent annual growth rate to 5 percent this year and 4 percent during the 2002-03 biennium. In other words, Texas will be enjoying less of more. The economy still will be growing, just not as fast.

Of course, if government economic analysts were right all the time, they should be making millions in the stock market, not working for the state.

The report does note that at least three things could have an adverse affect on Texas' economy in 2002-2003: High oil prices (with a negative impact on the transportation industry and the general public); weakness in the European community's euro; and any

off. That building was glass and steel and made a perfect echo chamber. It was a loud boom that went back and forth about three times, ricocheting off the walls."

But luck was with him. People thought it was an explosion in the chemistry lab and Big John talked that up because he didn't want to get caught.

"Those days they used a board. And they hit pretty hard. We had a superintendent that went crazy when he was giving somebody a paddling."

In a few days, interest in the incident faded. John was feeling confident that he had pulled a good one. Then the superintendent called John into his office. "He told me he was going to expel me from school during mid-term exams. That would bust me out of basketball automatically because I couldn't make the grades without taking the tests. I asked him if he had anything else. He told me he had the board. I told him to get it out."

The superintendent gave Big John a severe beating. "I was bruised from my fanny to my ankles. If that happened today, they'd put him in jail."

John didn't tell his parents. "I didn't think they would take up for me and I was afraid my daddy might whip me again."

Many years later, Big John was on the school board. The superintendent came before the board and announced some boys had brought some firecrackers to school and he needed a vote on the punishment. Big John excused himself. The boys got three days suspension. No spanking.



ROLLING ALONG

WITH TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Firecrackers in the Classroom

I met a man the other day who had a firecracker experience while in high school and it reminded me of something my father did when he was a teenager. He exploded a firecracker in class one day and nobody told on him. My dad was well liked and respected by his fellow students and graduated as class valedictorian. If the teachers ever knew who popped that cracker, they never did anything about it.

The man I met was Vastine Jawn Jannsen of La Grange, where he was born and raised. People call him Big John. When Big John was a junior in high school, he was made captain of the basketball team. It was a high honor because the school system in La Grange had just consolidated several rural schools and brought those students in, so it was a real challenge to make the squad.

The team won most of its games because of the number of players. The roster listed seventeen members and the coach played five at a time. When one group of five got tired, the coach sent in another five.

"It kind of made my head big to be captain," says Big John.

One day after the Christmas holidays Big John was sitting in study hall when a classmate pulled out a firecracker. He told Big John, "I bet you a dollar you won't light it."

Big John took the challenge. He planned to light it, throw it on the floor real fast and step on it before it exploded. That way, he would still win the bet. It didn't work out that way.

"When I lit it, it burned my fingers and I dropped it and it went

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Leola Boyer Stephenson

SAN ANGELO — Leola Boyer Stephenson, 91, died Jan. 12, 2001, in a local nursing home.

Nancy Leola Boyer Stephenson, one of nine children, was born Oct. 1, 1909, to Sam and Rutha May Boyer in Talpa. She married Howard M. Stephenson on June 6, 1942. He preceded her in death in 1990. The couple lived and worked in Menard and Eldorado before moving to San Angelo in 1956. Leola's working career spanned many years while she was also a homemaker. She worked in retail sales in Eldorado and San Angelo from her early adult life to the ear-

ly 1960s. She was a nursing assistant at Baptist Memorial Center in the late 1950s and retired with the San Angelo Independent School District in the early 1970s. While with the school district, she was well known to the children and teachers at the Stephen F. Austin school cafeteria for her "hot rolls."

She is survived by a son, Mack B. Stephenson of San Angelo; one sister, Billie Belcher of San Angelo; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral service was Monday, Jan. 15, at Johnson's Funeral Home. Graveside service followed in Old Runnels Cemetery in Ballinger.

Catherine Harris Spence

SAN ANGELO — Catherine Harris Spence died Friday, Jan. 12, 2001, after a brief illness. She was born Mary Catherine Davis, daughter of Willie Susan Nichols and John Edward Hill Davis in Blum on Oct. 29, 1907.

During her long, full and productive life, Catherine had many accomplishments. During her young life she was a milliner, managing hat shops in Amarillo, Fort Worth and Waco. In 1935 she moved with her husband, Al C. Harris, to San Angelo, where he was manager of the J.C. Penney Store; and it was here they began their family. They were both active in many civic organizations and community affairs. They also became devoted members of the First Baptist Church.

In 1959 Catherine founded the Gingerbread House Preschool and Kindergarten. She was its inspired director for more than 20 years, nurturing generations of young children with her firm guidance and her loving spirit. In 1983 she moved the school to its present location on Austin Street and subsequently sold it.

In the last years, Catherine has been active in the San Angelo Symphony Guild, the Leading Ladies of San Angelo, and has been a leader of the Elizabeth Class of the First Baptist Church.

Catherine was predeceased by her loving husband of 48 years, Al Harris. She is survived by her husband of seven years, George B. Spence, Eldorado rancher; and by her daughters and their husbands, Sue and Ray Bennett of Austin and Jo-Al and John Donovan of Galveston. They cherish the mem-

ories of their beautiful and spirited mother.

She also is survived by seven grandchildren and their families, David and Ann Bennett; Jonathan and Jennifer of La Plata, Md.; Dr. Brian and Nancy Bennett, David, Diana, Christina and Anna of Red Bank, N.J.; Karen Bennet and Greg Tamayo, Joshua, Aaron, Benjamin and Andrew of Marietta, Ga.; Charles and Kate Bennett, Nicholas, Joseph and Daniel, of Austin; Mark Donovan of Albuquerque, N.M.; Harris and Leslie Donovan of San Miguel de Allende, Mexico; and Tom and Kristine Donovan of Prescott, Ariz. She also is survived by her longtime, faithful friends, Wanda and Elmo Hudson; and by her caring helper, Alejandrina Garcia, all of San Angelo. Her lively faith, her high spiritedness and her positive attitude were examples to them all.

Catherine was a loving and thoughtful friend and a gracious hostess. She loved beauty, she enjoyed traveling and she especially delighted in her home in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, where she spent some of her happiest times. She loved her Lord, and she loved people. She was a blessing to all who knew her.

Funeral Service was Monday, Jan. 15, in the First Baptist Church chapel with her son-in-law, the Rev. John C. Donovan, rector emeritus Trinity Episcopal Church, Galveston, and Dr. Jerold McBride and the Rev. Tom Martin of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial followed in Fairmount Cemetery. Pallbearers were her grandsons and Elmo Hudson.

Eleanor L. Powell

ELDORADO — Eleanor L. Powell, 87, of Eldorado died Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2001, at her residence.

Service was Friday, Jan. 12, at Primitive Baptist Church. Burial followed in Eldorado Cemetery. Kerkow Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Eleanor was born Sept. 25, 1913, to Dave and Rachel Wells Maddox in Kerr County. She was a homemaker and a rancher. She was also known for her barbecuing and the ability for making hats. She learned the art of hatmaking from the Good Neighbor Home

Demonstrating Club of which she was a member for 70 years.

She married Bethel Jeffrey on June 24, 1933, in Schleicher County. He preceded her in death in 1980. She married George Powell Sept. 11, 1983, and he passed away in 1996.

She is survived by five children, David Jeffrey and wife, Jeanette, of Eldorado; Cecil Jeffrey and wife, Beverly, of Houston, daughters, Billie Collett, Linda Daniels and Frankie Schrier, all of Eldorado; 15 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Page/Hellmann engagement

Ms. Sherry Jackson of Lake Jackson and Mr. Bob Page of San Angelo, announce the engagement of their daughter, Courtney Virginia, to Mr. Gary Hellmann, of San Antonio.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Brazoswood High School and Louisiana State University, receiving a degree in Kinesiology. Miss Page currently resides in San Antonio.

Parents of the prospective bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Billings of Pleasanton. The wedding will take place on Feb. 17th, 2001 at Alamo Heights Methodist Church in San Antonio.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Clark High School, San Antonio, and attended Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos.

The couple will reside in San Antonio.

Eldorado students appear on Dean's List at Angelo State

Ten local students attending Angelo State University in San Angelo, were listed on the school's Dean's List for the 2000 Fall semester.

To be eligible for the ASU Dean's List, a student must be enrolled as a full time student and have at least a 3.25 grade point average.

Those named to the list, along with their majors are as follows: Kimberly M. Beach, Biology; Kirk A. Curtis, Communications; Matt

A. Fryar, Kinesiology; Mindy D. Haynes, Interdisciplinary Studies; Sarah A. Mankin, Physics; Sara Kate Meador, Early Childhood Development; Luzelvinia J. Molina, Spanish/Secondary Certification; Alana J. Oliver, Physics; Jennie W. Swyter, History; and Ty B. Williams, Animal Science.

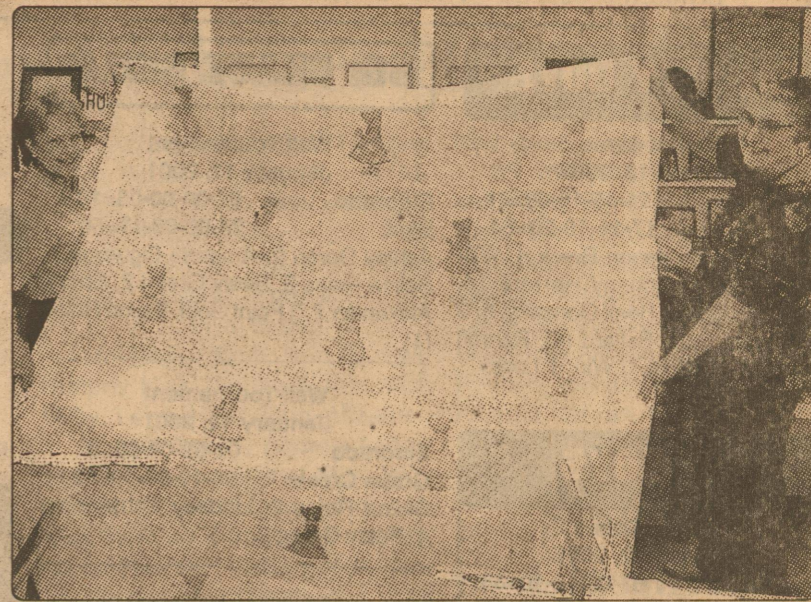


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Instant heirloom — Sylvia Griffin and May Kiskko hold up a quilt Sylvia's grandmother gave to her 42 years ago. Actually, Beulah Kerr Anderson gave Sylvia the quilt pieces just after she was married. Thanks to the Schleicher County Quilters Club the masterpiece was completed recently.

Local quilters meet at museum

The Schleicher Co. Quilters continue to meet at the museum every Tuesday afternoon with eight to 10 members present. Some of the ladies return to the museum on Thursdays and Friday to continue quilting.

Anyone interested in the art of quilting, whether experienced or inexperienced is invited to come and join. Our dues are \$5.00 per year, and with this money we buy supplies such as needles, pins, and other supplies. We meet at 1:30 each Tuesday and quilt until about 4:30.

If you have one of your mother's or grandmothers' quilt tops that you are interested in having quilted, contact one of our members and we will be happy to discuss it with you.

Our goal is to have two quilt frames up at all times; on one frame, we will have a member's quilt top and on the other frame, we will have a quilt top from a non-member.

We charge \$200 for king-sized quilts, \$170 for queen, \$150 for full, and \$125 for twin. The money that we make from these quilts is given to the museum to defray the expenses of our meeting there as well as to promote museum activities. Even if you have no tops to quilt, come by the museum on Tuesday and visit with us. We have a wonderful time, and we love to show our handiwork. We love to take the time to stop and visit with a friend.

Meals for Friends Menu



Monday, January 22

Chicken Fried Steak, Oven Fried Potatoes, Carrots, Hot Rolls, Vanilla Pudding w/ Fruit, Milk

Tuesday January 23

Chicken Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Broccoli, Crackers, Tossed Salad, Fruit Cup, Milk

Wednesday January 24

Meat w/ Spaghetti Sauce, Spaghetti Noodles, Zucchini Squash, Garlic Bread, White Cake w/ Caramel Icing, Juice, Milk

Thursday January 25

Smothered Steak w/ Onions, Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Apple Crisp, Orange Juice, Milk

Friday January 26

Salmon Croquettes, Macaroni and Cheese, Turnip Greens, Roll, Cabbage Slaw w/ Carrots, Peach Halves, Milk

Agape Assembly plans revival services

Rev. Don Twiford, along with his wife Vicki, will be holding revival services at Agape Assembly of God, January 21-24. Sunday services will begin at 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and weeknight services will begin at 7:00 p.m. The church is located at 502 E. Warner. Pastor Walter Griggs and the congregation of Agape Assembly of God warmly invite everyone to attend.

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- 21st Vera Bradshaw, Carolyn Wike, Leslie Hunter, Chad Williams, Mary Lyn Jones, David Nolen, Jessica Robertson, Tony Cheatham, Victorina Rivera
- 22nd Bill Hodges, Collier Shurley, Lori Loomis, Andrew Gonzalez, Gloria Kent
- 23rd Justin Phillips, Mika Key, Dusty Barton, Wanda Edmiston, Caroline Mittel
- 24th Cole Wilkerson, Jan Wanoreck, Tommy Minor

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- 18th Gary Ben & Claudia Stephens
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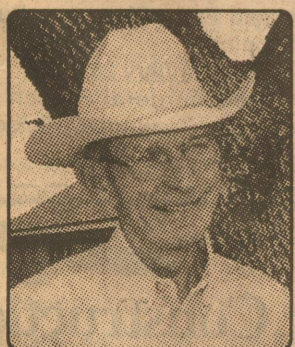


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Glenda has lived in Eldorado most of her life. After graduating from Eldorado High School, she attended Southwest Texas Jr. College in Uvalde. Glenda has one son, Stoney Harris of San Angelo.

Glenda enjoys reading, knitting, crocheting, crafts and family get-togethers. She is a member of the Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary and Hill Country Fireman's Ladies Auxiliary. She is a member-at-large of Beta Sigma Phi. Glenda is a member of First Presbyterian Church of Eldorado.



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VARSITY BOYS

District Game
January 12, 2000
Eldorado 21-15-16-09=61
Wall 17-11-16-20=64
Joey Bullard 22, Jason Brock 4, William Robledo 6, Johnny Herrera 14, Ramon Barajas 9, Benji Gonzales 6. 3 Point Goals: Joey Bullard (4), Ramon Barajas (1). District: 0 Win, 1 Loss.

8th GRADE GIRLS

Wall Tournament
January 11, 2001
Eldorado 07-00-00-03=10
Wall 24-00-09-17=50
Ashley Doran 2, Amanda Figueroa 1, Selina Rojas 3, Betsy Green 2, Sheryl Alexander 2. 3 Point Goal: Selina Rojas (1).

Wall Tournament
January 12, 2001
Eldorado 02-02-04-00=8
Grape Creek 08-10-04-10=32
Selina Rojas 2, Lindsey Schwiening 4, Betsy Green 2.

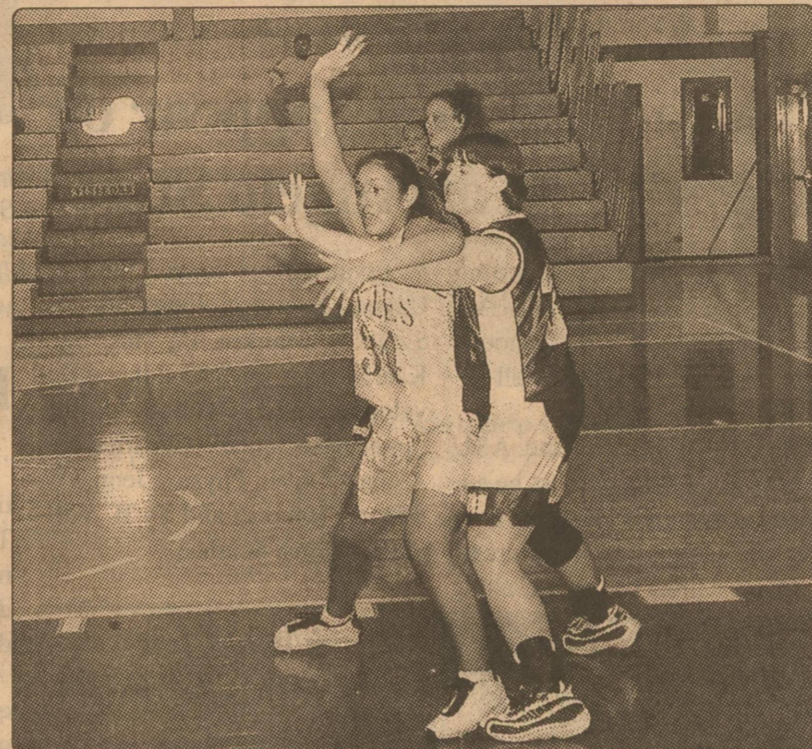
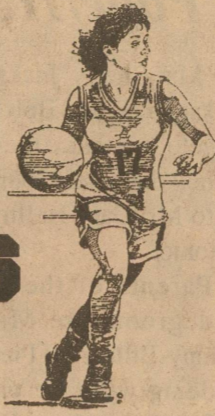
Wall Tournament
January 13, 2001
Eldorado 04-03-11-06=27
Ballinger 04-03-06-04=17
Amanda Figueroa 10, Lindsey Schwiening 8, Britney Sellers 4, Betsy Green 3, Sheryl Alexander 2. 3 Point Goal: Betsy Green (1).

J.V. BOYS

District Game
January 12, 2001
Eldorado 07-09-12-10=38
Wall 09-06-07-10=32
Michael Adame 3, Bobby Phillips 9, Juan Diego Guzman 2, Quisto Gonzales 6, Phillip Martinez 9, Leonel Medrano 3, Jordan Fay 2, Ray David Buitron 2, J.L. Mankin 2. 3 Point Goals: Bobby Phillips (1), Phillip Martinez (1). Record: 8 Wins, 5 Losses.

Wall Tournament
January 13, 2001
Eldorado 04-03-11-06=27
Ballinger 04-03-06-04=17
Amanda Figueroa 10, Lindsey Schwiening 8, Britney Sellers 4, Betsy Green 3, Sheryl Alexander 2. 3 Point Goal: Betsy Green (1).

HOOP SCORES



Calling for the Ball — Teresa Barajas called for the ball as the Lady Eagles JV team took on Mason's JV here recently. Mason won the game 35-24.

VARSITY GIRLS

Reagan County Tournament
December 28, 2000
Eldorado 09-14-07-13=44
Coahoma 20-14-16-14=64
Leigh Ann Neal 5, Gentry Newman 7, Megan Poynor 3, Christina Redish 7, Vanessa Gonzalez 5, Mitzi Sessom 4, Martha Lively 8, Tabitha Lloyd 4. 3 Point Goals: Leigh Ann Neal (1), Megan Poynor (1), Vanessa Gonzalez (1), Mitzi Sessom (1).

Reagan County Tournament
December 29, 2000
Eldorado 20-09-03-16=48
Ft. Stockton 13-09-09-11=42
Leigh Ann Neal 3, Gentry Newman 9, Megan Poynor 2, Tabitha Lloyd 6, Christina Redish 11, Vanessa Gonzalez 7, Mitzi Sessom 8, Martha Lively 2. 3 Point Goals: Vanessa Gonzalez (1), Mitzi Sessom (1).

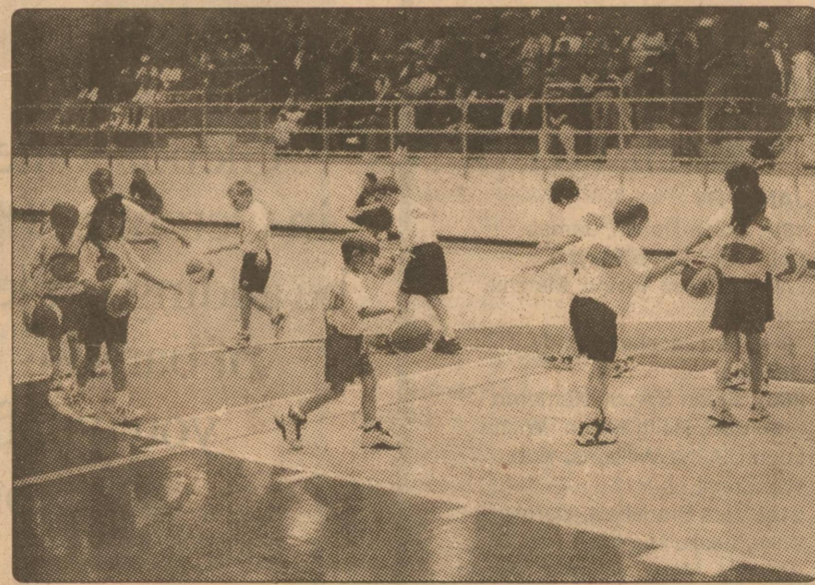
Reagan County Tournament
December 30, 2000
Eldorado 11-11-10-16=47
Klondike 07-11-09-15=42
Leigh Ann Neal 8, Hannah Robledo 1, Gentry Newman 10, Megan Poynor 3, Christina Redish 7, Vanessa Gonzalez 10, Mitzi Sessom 2, Amanda Wanoreck 2, Stacy Nicholson 4. 3 Point Goal: Leigh Ann Neal (1).
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VARSITY GIRLS

District Game
January 5, 2001
Eldorado 03-11-04-17=35
Mason 13-11-06-13=43
Leigh Ann Neal 4, Megan Poynor 2, Tabitha Lloyd 9, Christina Redish 10, Vanessa Gonzalez 2, Mitzi Sessom 3, Stacy Nicholson 3, Martha Lively 2. District: 0 Win, 1 Loss.

District Game
January 9, 2001
Eldorado 12-17-21-22=72
Junction 03-18-12-09=42
Leigh Ann Neal 8, Gentry Newman 10, Megan Poynor 3, Christina Redish 25, Vanessa Gonzalez 8, Mitzi Sessom 9, Stacy Nicholson 4, Martha Lively 5. 3 Point Goal: Megan Poynor (1), Vanessa Gonzalez (1). District: 1 Win, 1 Loss.

District Game
January 12, 2001
Eldorado 11-04-14-05=34
Wall 04-18-13-15=50
Leigh Ann Neal 3, Megan Poynor 3, Tabitha Lloyd 2, Christina Redish 10, Vanessa Gonzalez 7, Mitzi Sessom 3, Stacy Nicholson 6. 3 Point Goal: Leigh Ann Neal (1) and Christina Redish (1).
District: 1 Win, 2 Losses.



Starting them out early — Eldorado's "Players in Progress" squads demonstrated their ball handling skills last Friday in Eagle Gym during the half time of the varsity boys game.

J.V. Girls

District Game
January 9, 2001
Eldorado 07-11-11-04=33
Junction 06-08-05-02=20
Heather Homer 2, Hannah Robledo 8, Clara Herrera 2, Mikinzie Holley 7, Teresa Barajas 8, Lacy Ragsdale 4, Jennifer Bybee 2. Record: 7 Wins, 8 Losses.

District Game
January 12, 2001
Eldorado 14-02-03-07=26
Wall 10-13-10-10=43
Hannah Robledo 11, Courtney Whitten 2, Clara Herrera 5, Mikinzie Holley 6, Lacy Ragsdale 2. Record: 7 Wins, 9 Losses.

Way To Go Eagles!
Lady Eagle Christina Redish and Eagle Joey Bullard both earned a placed on the All Tourment Team during the 70th Reagan County Tournament held in Big Lake December 28-30, 2000.

7th GRADE BOYS

January 4, 2001
Eldorado 05-04-06-08=23
Mason 08-02-05-09=24
Frank Edmiston 5, Diego Barrera 2, Patrick Chavez 4, Jeremy Ussery 2, Michael Ballew 4, Michael Hill 2, Kyle Taylor 4.

Junction Tournament
January 6, 2001
Eldorado 07-12-04-07=30
Sonora 07-10-02-05=24
Frank Edmiston 9, Patrick Chavez 5, Michael Ballew 8, Caleb Nixon 3, Frank Wipff 2, Kyle Taylor 3.

Junction Tournament
January 6, 2001
Eldorado 03-05-06-03=17
Junction 19-13-03-12=47
Andrew Gonzales 2, Frank Edmiston 3, Patrick Chavez 3, Jeremy Ussary 6, Caleb Nixon 1, Kyle Taylor 2.

District Game
January 8, 2001
Eldorado 04-04-07-04=19
Junction 14-14-09-06=43
Diego Barrera 2, Patrick Chavez 7, Jeremy Ussary 2, Michael Ballew 4, Caleb Nixon 4.

Wall Tournament
January 11, 2001
Eldorado 09-12-12-08=41
Wall "B" 04-00-02-03=09
Andrew Gonzales 2, Frank Edmiston 7, Diego Barrera 2, Patrick Chavez 4, Jeremy Ussery 9, Michael Ballew 2, Caleb Nixon 2, Frank Wipff 4, Kyle Taylor 7, Nestor Hernandez 2.

Wall Tournament
January 12, 2001
Eldorado 02-07-02-05=16
Wall 09-15-07-03=34
Andrew Gonzales 2, Frank Edmiston 7, Jeremy Ussery 2, Michael Ballew 2, Frank Wipff 1, Nestor Hernandez 2.

Eldorado scholars place at Ozona UIL practice meet

Georgina Caldwell placed 2nd in Poetry, Lori Loomis placed 4th in Current Events and Travis Joiner placed 5th in Spelling at the UIL Literary practice meet held in Ozona on Saturday, January 13, 2001. Candace Henry, Teresa Baker and Linda Thomas were the team's coaches.

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8th GRADE BOYS

Wall Tournament
January 11, 2001
Eldorado 02-00-08-06=16
Veribest 09-10-04-03=26
Bryce Leggett 1, Ryan Cathey 2, Lance Roberts 2, Logan Neal 3, Will Griffin 4, Joey Hernandez 4.

Wall Tournament
January 12, 2001
Eldorado 02-14-07-09=32
Wall "B" 10-08-02-08=28
Bryce Leggett 2, Ed Martinez 2, Lance Roberts 8, Eric Garcia 2, Luis Hernandez 2, Simon Duran 2, BJ Dacy 2, Logan Neal 4, Will Griffin 2, Joey Hernandez 2.

7th GRADE GIRLS

Wall Tournament
January 11, 2001
Eldorado 07-10-05-01=23
Sonora 07-09-13-11=40
Lauren Brown 2, Maxie Holley 8, Allison Reynolds 6, Rachel Joiner 2, Micaela Gonzales 2, Kali Roberts 1, Taylor Baker 2.

Wall Tournament
January 12, 2001
Eldorado 12-05-07-12=36
Unknown 08-02-02-02=14
Maxie Holley 15, Karena Sanchez 2, Chandra Wanoreck 4, Micaela Gonzales 2, Taylor Baker 4, Angela Fuentes 2.

Wall Tournament
January 12, 2001
Eldorado 15-08-06-02=31
Wall "B" xx-xx-xx-xx=0
Maxie Holley 8, Chandra Wanoreck 4, Allison Reynolds 2, Rachel Joiner 3, Micaela Gonzales 4, Josie Diaz 2, Taylor Baker 4, Chelci Rodriguez 2, Taylor Niblett 2.

7th GRADE BOYS

Wall Tournament
January 13, 2001
Eldorado 02-07-07-06=22
Ozona 06-04-05-04=19
Frank Edmiston 2, Patrick Chavez 10, Jeremy Ussery 8, Michael Ballew 2. 3 Point Goal: Patrick Chavez (1).

School Lunch Menu

Milk & Bread Offered
Menus Subject To Change
Cafeteria Line
Monday, January 22
Super Nachos, Tossed Salad, Mixed Fruit, Cornbread, Orange Jello/Topping

Tuesday, January 23
Lasagna, Whole Kernel Corn, Pear Halves, Spice Cake/Icing
Wednesday, January 24
Corn Chip Pie, Pinto Beans, Lettuce and Tomato Salad, Cornbread, Chilled Fruit/Topping
Thursday, January 25
Hamburger Steaks/Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Early June Peas, Chocolate Pudding/Topping

Friday, January 26
Cheeseburgers, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Ice Cream
Breakfast
½ pt. Milk & 4oz Juice Offered with each breakfast

Monday, January 22
Orange Juice, Sausage Patties, Biscuits/Jelly
Tuesday, January 23
Grape Juice, Hot Oatmeal, Toast/Jelly
Wednesday, January 24
Sliced Peaches, Waffles/Syrup
Thursday, January 25
Pineapple Chunks, Cheese Toast
Friday, January 26
Applesauce, Blueberry Muffins, Choice of Cereal

Fast Food Line
Monday, January 22
Cheeseburgers, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Orange Jello/Topping
Tuesday, January 23
Fish Sandwiches/Cheese, French Fries, Lettuce/Tartar Sauce, Spice Cake/Icing
Wednesday, January 24
Sausage and Cheese Pizza, French Fries, Tossed Salad, Chilled Fruit/Topping
Thursday, January 25
Corn Dogs, Tater Roundabouts, Mixed Fruit, Chocolate Pudding/Topping
Friday, January 26
Cheeseburgers, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Ice Cream

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Secluded house of worship — The newly constructed Our Lady of Grace Monastery in eastern Schleicher County on land donated by Pierce and Deana Holt. The facility will be dedicated on Saturday, February 3rd. The public is invited to attend.

Carmelite Sisters plan dedication of monastery

In the eastern part of Schleicher County stands something perhaps no one ever dreamed of -- a Carmelite Monastery. This place of prayer houses a small group of nuns whose chief occupation is prayer.

Our Lady of Grace monastery has been under construction for more than two years, and will be formally dedicated on Saturday morning, February 3, at 10:00. The public is invited.

The Sisters are deeply grateful for the encouragement they have received from Eldorado: Fire Chief Jerry Jones, Jerry Felver and the entire Department; Our Lady of Guadalupe CCD students; the Lion's Club; Sheriff David Doran and his staff and helpers. The spirit of the "City of Gold" shines with warmth and welcome for this praying community.

The presence of the monastery may encourage people to pray, to ponder the place of God in their own lives, to desire and try to develop a deeper relationship with Him. It is a reminder that faith is worth whatever effort it takes. The cloister is a symbol of that space in the heart where every person is called to union with the Lord. And it is a reminder that you are NEVER alone. The Sisters are here for you.

The Carmelites need you to be there for them, too. Because of the

amount of time spent in prayer, they cannot engage in full-time means of support for themselves. They do what they can. (Right now they have gifts to sell.)

The new Carmelite monastery is a monument to the wonderful charity and support of the local community. Land was most generously donated by Pierce and Deana Holt; most of the stone for the building came from Eldorado ranches. Help came from all over the San Angelo Diocese and beyond, and from people of many different faiths. It continues to

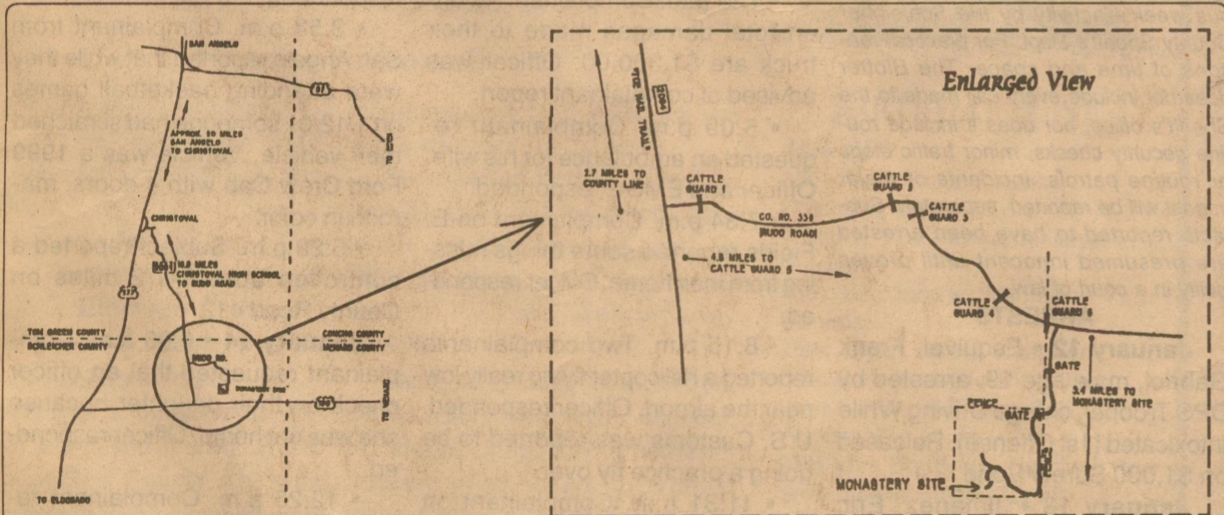
be a most inspiring experience of the goodness of countless persons.

The Carmelite Sisters hope you will join them in this celebration on Saturday, February 3. For those who cannot come on Saturday, there will be an opportunity to attend Mass at the monastery chapel the following day, Sunday, February 4, at 10:00. Guided tours will follow. On both days, visiting will end at 5:00 p.m. The Sisters offer Evening Prayer (Vespers) at 5:30. Come and see what you will find out in the desert.



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Thank You — Carmelite Sisters displayed a thank you banner recently in appreciation for contributions many local groups have made toward the work at the newly completed monastery. One contribution was a decision by Schleicher County and the Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department to locate the department's old pumper truck at the monastery.



Directions from Eldorado travel 17 miles east on U.S. 190. Turn north on FM 2084 (Toe Nail Trail) and travel approximately 14 miles. Turn right on County Rd. # 303 (Rudd Rd.) cross five cattle guards and turn right.

Why natural gas bills are higher this winter

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Railroad Commission and the Texas Legislature should be considering policies to increase the production of natural gas.

This legislative session, I will suggest we address this issue of high natural gas prices by looking long range. Political policy is sometimes looked at as a short-term fix when prices are either too high or too low. We should view energy issues from a long-term perspective and seek to help stabilize the industry, which should result in lower prices for consumers and businesses. The legislature will need to look at what we can do to help revitalize the industry, encourage people to invest their money in Texas energy projects and encourage the skilled labor to return.

I have testified to the legislature about policies and incentives for investing capital in the Texas oil and gas industry. This will ultimately lead to competitive electric rates for Texas consumers and businesses and the reassurance that enough supply of natural gas is available to meet electric and human needs. I have confidence that the natural gas exploration and production companies will eventually increase production, however that will take time. I will continue working with industry on how technologies and opportunities can be applied today to ensure that Texas can meet the challenge of providing the natural gas to fuel electric generation and other growing demands.

The demand for natural gas most certainly exists, and the resource is in the ground. The problem is how to stimulate production and ensure that the necessary infrastructure to move gas to consumers remains available. In the long run, the market will answer most of these concerns. But regulatory and legislative policies will certainly influence how quickly the market responds. I believe that with the growing demand for gas by electric generation in Texas, the

High School releases Honor Roll

9th Grade

"A" Honor Roll: Clara Herrera, Lori Loomis, Seth Taylor

85 and Above: Brian Bethke, Jeffrey Bybee, Scott Cawley, Mitchell Cole, William Dykstra, Heather Homer, Travis Joiner, Robert Parker, Lacy Ragsdale, Joshua Trejo, Courtney Whitten

10th Grade

"A" Honor Roll: Georgina Maritz, Layna Murr, Courtney Sauer, Mayci Schwiening

85 and Above: Loida Almazan, Courtney Brown, Santiago Hernan-

dez, Kimberly Hight, Ross Hodges, James Mankin, Toni Martin, Luis Munoz, Landon Nixon, Bobby Phillips, Hannah Robledo, Armandina Rodriguez, Miguel Segura, Ruth Suarez, Amanda Wanoreck

11th Grade

"A" Honor Roll: Juan Herrera, Brittany Key, Tabitha Lloyd, Mitzi Milby, Leigh Neal, Tana Williams

85 and Above: Andrew Anderson, Thomas Ballew, Max Barstchies, Cristie Belman, Jessi Cal-cote, Whitney Edmiston, Tony Fay, Aaron Fuentes, Hallie Greer, Tanner Haynes, Maria Hernandez, Jose Munoz, Gentry Newman, Alan Pina, Kristina Prater, Dest Sud-duth, Joshua Taylor

12th Grade

"A" Honor Roll: Lindsay Beach, Nancy Cawley, BreeAnne Davis, Ben Edmiston, Kayla Mc-Cravey, Stacy Nicholson, Sandra

Rodriguez, Suzanne Rojas

85 and Above: Joseph Bullard, Kayla Case, Matthew Curtis, Coby Edmiston, Jesus Esparza, Vanessa Gonzalez, Amy Green, Melissa Hinojosa, Javier Iglesias, Cayla Jeffrey, Daniel Mata, Alison Montalvo, Alfredo Munoz, Megan Poynor, William Robledo, Mario Robles, Bryan Sproul, Jeffrey Stafford, Clay Whitten

Tri-county tourism coalition being organized

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participant.

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LCRA offers scholarships to deserving seniors

College-bound high-school seniors have an opportunity to receive one of 21 scholarships worth up to \$2,000 each from the Lower Colorado River Authority.

The LCRA has mailed application packages to high schools in its 60-county Central Texas service area. The deadline for applications is the close of business Feb. 9, 2001.

"We want schools, students and parents to begin now to investigate this opportunity," said Beverly Seffel, LCRA manager of Community Assistance and Volunteer Services. "The LCRA scholarships can be a valuable part of a college student's finan-

cial-aid package."

The LCRA will award 16 scholarships, each worth \$2,000. Half of the scholarships will be awarded to students planning to attend a four-year college or university. The other half will go to students planning for a two-year degree program for technical/trade school. In addition, the LCRA will award five scholarships, each worth \$1,000 to students who plan to enroll in studies related to the electric-utility industry.

Each school may nominate up to three candidates, one candidate each for the four-year, two-year and electric-utility schol-

ships. Students who are interested in the LCRA scholarships should contact their school counselors for more information about applying. Schools may contact Renee Randall at 1-800-776-5272, Ext. 4089, to request application materials.

Candidates must be seniors with a "B" grade average, will graduate this spring, and plan to attend a college or trade school in Texas.

"We're looking for good, hard-working students," Seffel said. "Good grades are important, but we're more interested in students who demonstrate personal responsibility and show great potential for giving something back to their communities."

An LCRA employee will score the applicants and select finalists on the basis of grades and class standing, test scores, financial need, leadership and extra-curricular activities, and a personal statement written by each student. A second LCRA employee committee will interview finalists and select winners. Students may use the scholarships to pay for expenses related to their college studies.

This is the 14th year for the LCRA to offer scholarships. Since the LCRA began the program in 1988, it has awarded scholarships to 107 students.

Solution to puzzle on Page 2

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Kindergarten Jumpers — These Kindergarten students collected \$590.36 for Jump Rope For Heart. They are (Front L-R): Keven Solis and Ryan Espinosa; (Middle L-R) Dylan Ramos, Miranda Arispe, Samantha Ard, Jaun Carlos Aranda, Camron Capps, Roger Gehrels; (Back L-R) Victoria Olivan, M'Kenna Gillespie, Mary Lou Martinez, Sloan Lovette, John Cody Brenner, Rudy Montez, Blaine Mitchell.



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1st Grade Jumpers — These 1st Grade students collect \$976.87 for Jump Rope For Heart: Front (L-R) Ashby Ragsdale, Abby Fuentes, Rico Martinez, Sierra Arispe, Hagen Porras, Brianah Creek; Middle Row (L-R): Brianda Torres, Christian Sanchez, Clarissa Gomez, Brandon Sanchez, Bridget Gentry, Luis Vasquez, Amanda Garcia; Back Row (L-R): Polli Guerrero, Diamantina Torres, Colt Jones, C.J. Knutson, Allen Espinosa, Dacy Whiddon, Kyndal Broome, Clarissa Castro.

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The Blotter

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ARRESTS

January 12 • Esquivel, Frank Gabriel, male age 19, arrested by DPS Trooper, charge Driving While Intoxicated (1st Offense). Released on \$1,000 Surety Bond.

January 13 • Jimenez, Eric Eleazar, male age 17, arrested by DPS Trooper, charge No Drivers License, No Insurance, No Registration.

January 14 • Williams, Craig Stevens, male age 38, arrested by SC Officer, charge Unlawful Carrying of a Weapon, Aggravated Assault W/Deadly Weapon. Released on \$5,000 and \$2,000 Surety Bond.

January 15 • Ramirez, David Ramon, male, arrested by SC Officer, charge Tom Green County Motion To Revoke/City Warrants. Released time served.

REPORTS

January 9 • 8:35 p.m. Complainant contacted Sheriff Office over low band radio to report the phone at the mission was out of order. Contact was made with phone company and they reported they could not take a complaint from a second party.

• 10:14 p.m. Complainant on West Ave. reported a white Labrador dog at their residence and it was tearing up the screen door. Owner was contacted and stated they would get the dog. Dollar amount unknown for door.

January 10 • 12:45 a.m. Complainant requested an officer and the Justice Of The Peace for an unattended death. Officer and Justice Of The Peace responded.

January 11 • 4:00 a.m. Menard Sheriff Officer reported that there was an individual headed to Eldorado from Mertzon that was over an hour late. Officer responded.

• 4:14 p.m. Complainant reported total damages made to their truck are \$1,300.00. Officer was advised of complainant report.

• 5:09 p.m. Complainant requested an ambulance for his wife. Officer and EMS 2 responded.

• 7:34 p.m. Complainant on E. Fields reported some things missing from their home. Officer responded.

• 8:15 p.m. Two complainants reported a helicopter flying really low near the airport. Officer responded. U.S. Customs was reported to be doing a practice fly over.

• 11:31 p.m. Complainant on Dixie Drive reported a possible fight in progress. Three officers responded.

January 12 • 5:23 p.m. Complainant stated that she had not heard from husband and was not able to contact him on his cell phone. Tom Green County was contacted and an officer was to check Hwy. 277 North. Dispatch was able to contact subject by cell phone. All OK, complainant contacted, officer cancelled.

• 6:23 p.m. Complainant reported several goats on the right of way on Hwy. 190 East. Dispatch contacted possible owner.

• 7:07 p.m. Complainant asked to speak to the Game Warden, number was taken and forwarded to Game Warden.

• 8:26 p.m. Complainant requested an officer at their residence. The family dogs were barking and they heard a noise from the back yard. Officer responded to call.

• 8:34 p.m. Unknown complainant requested directions to the hospital, stating that their friend was having severe stomach pain.

• 10:14 p.m. Complainant requested an officer to check the alley behind their residence on N. Divide. Officers responded.

• 10:58 p.m. Complainant reported a fight on Carson Street. Officers responded.

January 13 • 9:28 a.m. Complainant reported several ewes out on Hwy 277 south one mile. Officer responded.

• 3:58 p.m. Complainant from San Angelo reported that while they were attending basketball games on 1/12/01 someone had scratched their vehicle. Vehicle was a 1999 Ford Crew Cab with 4 doors, maroon in color.

• 5:29 p.m. Subject reported a controlled burn 3 1/2 miles on County Road 412.

January 14 • 6:06 a.m. Complainant requested that an officer check on their daughter because she was not home. Officer responded.

• 12:25 p.m. Complainant reported a minor accident on Honey-suckle Street. Officer responded.

• 1:31 p.m. Officer reported a disturbance behind the field house at the school.

• 2:15 p.m. Report of a reddish brown dog missing since 7:00 a.m. this date. Dog weighs 60 pounds, has collar.

• 7:09 p.m. Complainant reported a possible domestic disturbance about 2 miles north on Hwy. 277. Two officers responded.

January 15 • 3:14 p.m. Report an airplane on fire. Officer and fire chief responded. All OK.

• 8:13 p.m. Complainant on County Road 312 reported while doing pipeline maintenance saw what appeared to be a red laser light beam coming towards him. Complainant left the area. U.S. Customs was contacted and stated that they had no equipment like that and that they were not operating in that part of the county.

January 16 • 9:30 a.m. City employee reported several locks being broken at sewer plant. Requested a close patrol of the area.

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A slightly different perspective on the importance of a hometown newspaper



by Nancy Lester,
Schleicher Co. Extension Agent -
Family & Consumer Science

Editor's note: The Eldorado Success has begun its 100th year in print! As part of our year-long celebration we will be featuring guest columnists who will offer their views on the value of a hometown newspaper.

I enjoyed the privilege of moving to Eldorado the first week of August in 1974. My arrival in town was heralded in the Eldorado Success with my picture and an article about me on the front page of the paper. The bold headlines read "New Home Demonstration Agent Moves to Schleicher County." Richard Nixon resigned the presidency of the United States that same week and it was noted in a small article on page 4 entitled "President Resigns."

Later that year, when Bob and I announced our upcoming marriage, my picture was once again featured on the front page of the paper, while national articles were buried in the middle of that edition. I had already decided by then that small town newspapers had their priorities in order!

Over the years, I have had the opportunity to have a somewhat "regular" column in various renditions of the paper. They were "somewhat regular" due to my schedule and total disregard for deadlines on my part. It seems like one of these was called "Hints for the Homemaker" and contained timely information on food prepa-

ration, clothing construction and home maintenance information.

In the late 1970's Extension Service had a teaching program called "You Can Do It" complete with a section on home plumbing.

I went to the training meeting and received the series of news articles to be submitted to the local paper on how homemakers could do their own plumbing. It even contained an article on how to replace your toilet. The men at the courthouse convinced me that the husbands in town would pay me not to put the articles in the paper!

I have to admit that my own ventures into the world of plumbing have not met with much success. Slim Green has always been a good friend to us and usually came whenever we needed help with our plumbing. One morning, however, he told Bob that it would be that

afternoon before he could get to our problem. Bob told him that he thought I would try to fix it myself and Slim beat him back to our house. We never did get to use those articles on plumbing!

Jerry Swift and friends did submit a "Stewed Skunk" recipe for me that did make the paper and I had friends from all over the state requesting this column!

My writing attempts in those early days was not limited to the Eldorado Paper. Being a starry eyed bride, I packed Bob's lunch every morning and put a cheerful little note in with his sandwiches and chips. He would read these to those assembled at the lunch table

out at Northern Natural Gas. I'm not sure when it happened but the men who rode with him in the car pool started replacing my notes with creative ones that they had written. Their notes were far more ambitious than the ones I wrote and I learned the power of the written word!

I think that this is the message that I want to pass along this week. We are very lucky to have our local newspaper! Our 4-H activities are always featured prominently and it is never a problem to get your information published. I appreciate this very much and congratulate the Eldorado Success on their 100th Anniversary!

State Representative Bob Turner co-authors teacher insurance legislation

There is a growing number of Texas public school employees that do not have health insurance. Although many school districts offer their employees insurance plans, these plans are often inferior in quality and exorbitant in cost when compared to benefits offered by the private sector. These substandard benefits have contributed to the state's teacher shortage that is getting worse each year.

In an effort to help solve this and other related problems, State Representative Bob Turner has co-authored House Bill 12 (HB 12) that would create a uniform group insurance plan (UGIP) for public

school employees to offer them health insurance coverage that is comparable to what public college and university staff have.

"Many school districts throughout the state, including rural ones, are finding it increasingly difficult to recruit and retain quality school employees," Turner said. "We must be pro-active and no longer expect teachers and their families to continue to make the same sacrifices they did in the past."

HB 12 will allow Texas public schools to compete with the private sector and neighboring states for teachers and staff. In addition to providing employees with a non-

taxed pay raise, local school boards and administrators would be freed from the time, effort, expense and legal exposure of selecting suitable insurance coverage. If they chose to, local school boards could also reduce the district's ad valorem taxes through the \$1 billion that school districts would save under a UGIP.

"Although this legislation can among other things lower property taxes, it's main objective is to improve our state's education system," Turner said. "Quality teachers are a must in our classrooms if we want to ensure a bright future for our children and our state."

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 Windbreak trees can reduce wind erosion, provide food, cover and nesting areas for various species of wildlife and be very aesthetically appealing thus increasing land values. The Natural Resources Conservation Service in Eldorado can assist you with windbreak tree and drip irrigation designs to ensure stand establishment.
 The deadline for ordering is January 29, 2001, so if your interested in purchasing trees, you need to do so as soon as possible!
 Available evergreen and hardwood trees and prices are listed below:
Evergreen - \$20.00 per individual tree / \$54.00 per group of 30 trees
All evergreen trees are potted in containers
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Plastic: Afghan Pine; Redcedar; Pinyon Pine; Austrian Pine
Hardwoods - \$40.00 per group of 50 trees
All hardwoods are bareroot stock seedlings.
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 Each packet has 25 trees of each of the 4 different trees for a total of 100 trees per packet. Split packets cannot be ordered.



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2001 Players in Progress Basketball Group: (Front L-R) Aaron Conn, Ashley Bullard, Brian Parsley, Zack Taylor, Camron Capps, Sloan Lovette, Dylan Ramos, Miranda Arispe; (Middle Row L-R) Miles Mikeska, Jaymie O'Harrow, Melissa Bullard, Carlie McAngus, Kymberlyn Conn, Tyler Farmer, Kaitlyn Bluford, Dylan Dombroski, Mason Baker; (Back Row L-R) Ben Wipff, Ashley Paulson, Darci Bullard, Meg Griffin, Jessi Valero, Cassandra Buitron, J.P. Joiner, Lynley Glass, Josh Taylor, Brittani Romero, LIA Ana Danford, Dustin Ramos.

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TxDOT plans enhancement funding workshop in San Angelo

The San Angelo District of the Texas Department of Transportation will host a workshop in Monday, Feb. 5, at 10 a.m. to assist public authority groups in application of funding for non-traditional transportation related projects.

To be eligible for funding, activities must fall under one or more of the 12 categories listed in the Statewide Transportation Enhancement program. These activities include facilities for pedestrians and bicycles, scenic easements or historic sites, tourist in-

formation facilities, landscaping and other scenic beautification, historic preservation, and establishment of transportation museums. Local public authorities such as city or county governments must provide a minimum match for 20 percent for the project.

The workshop is scheduled at the district training room located in the Vehicle Titles and Registration Building at 4502 Knickerbocker Rd.

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