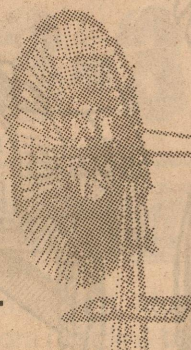
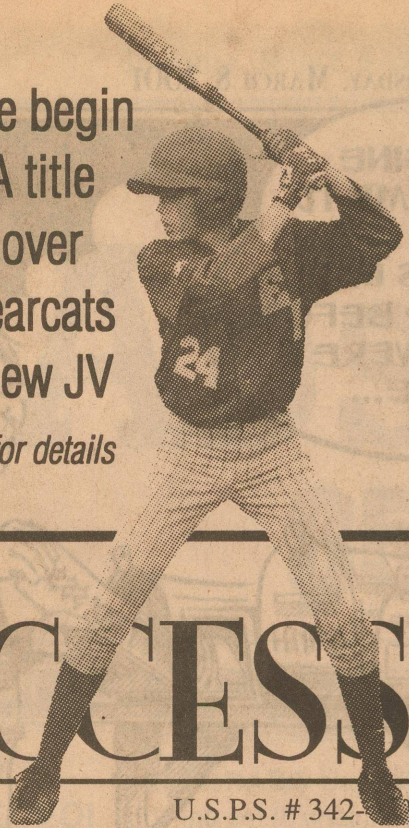


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## Kandace Krueger crowned Miss USA

### Texas A&M student advances to Miss Universe contest

Eldorado can't claim Kandace Krueger as a native, but the newly crowned Miss USA certainly claims Eldorado as part of her Texas heritage. Krueger's mother, Barbara Johnson Krueger of College Station, was born and raised in Eldorado. Kandace's grandparents, Lilly Johnson and the late Lloyd Johnson, lived in Eldorado until 1997, when they moved to College Station.

The stunning 24-year-old beauty, is a journalism student at Texas A&M. She won the Miss USA crown last Friday night at the conclusion of a nationally televised pageant held in Gary, Indiana. Only six months earlier, she had claimed the Miss Texas USA title at a pageant in Lubbock.

Friday's star-studded event was hosted by William Shatner (Star Trek) and featured an equally famous panel of celebrity judges including: multimedia maven Martha Stewart, MTV V.J. and talk show host Ananda Lewis, popular film actor Daniel Baldwin, "Everybody Loves Raymond" star Doris

Roberts, TV and radio personality Dr. Drew Pinsky ("Loveline"), entertainment personality Karen Duffy, and actor Ernie Hudson.

The telecast opened with a cutting-edge music video introduction of the 51 delegates vying for the coveted Miss USA title. The video sequence was followed by a musical performance from chart-topping duo Evan and Jaron and the announcement of the "Top Ten" finalists. A number of other titles were also awarded, including the Clairol Natural Instincts Style Award, Bikini.com Swimsuit Award and the Congeniality Award.

Krueger clearly impressed the judges in preliminary events leading up to the pageant's final evening. And, her star continued to rise throughout the two-hour event as the contestants competed in "Runway," a choreographed evening gown competition on the catwalk; "Swimsuit," a videotaped high fashion styled photo-shoot; and "Interview" categories. During these competitions, the "Top Five"

and "Final Three" finalists were named before the crowning.

Krueger describes herself as a "sports fanatic," but especially enjoys watching football and baseball (the Rangers, Cowboys and Aggies, of course) and aspires to a career in Sports Broadcasting. In addition to sports, her passions include cooking, working out and spending time with family and friends. She says she believes that loved ones and friendships are "priceless treasures that grow more precious with time."

An advocate of fighting breast cancer and educating young women about early detection, Krueger has worked with numerous organizations, including the American Cancer Society, to battle a disease that is close to her heart. Krueger's mother, the person she says she admires most in life, is a breast cancer survivor. Krueger says she respects her mother's constant faith and determination — the driving forces that helped Mrs. Krueger beat the deadly dis-

ease 12 years ago, and describes her as a "wonderful mother and friend."

Liane Angus, Miss District of Columbia USA 2001, was the First Runner-up in Friday night's pageant and is prepared to assume the duties of Miss USA if for any reason Krueger is unable to complete her term. While that may seem unlikely, there is the distinct possibility that Krueger could win the Miss Universe title at the upcoming pageant slated for May 11 in Puerto Rico.

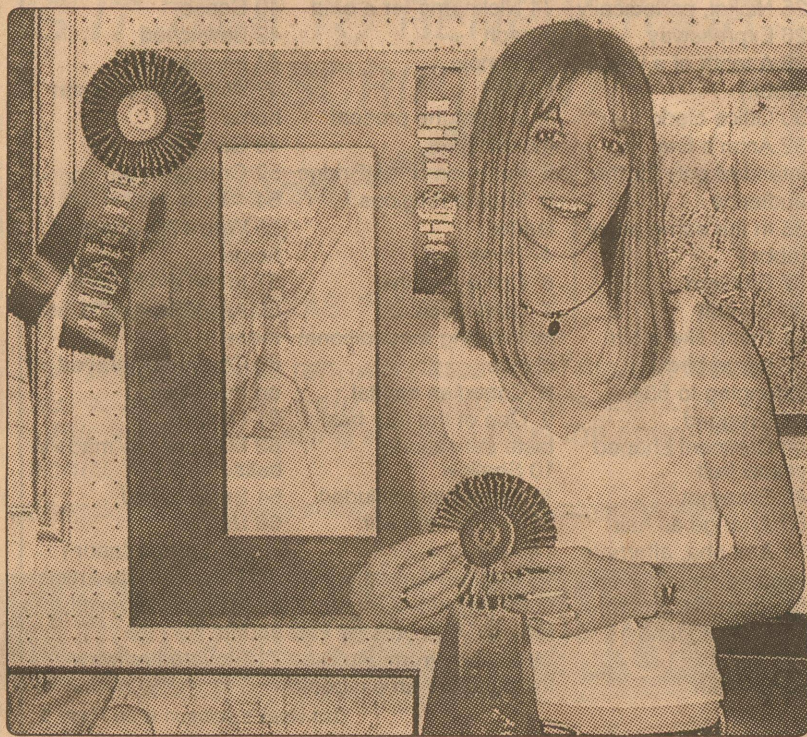
Miss Georgia USA, Tiffany Fallon, was the Second Runner-up. Rounding out the top five were: Gina Giacinto, Miss Nevada USA and Larissa Meek, Miss Missouri USA.

Krueger will spend the next 12 months as Miss USA acting as a goodwill ambassador, educating women about early detection of breast and ovarian cancers and working with renowned organizations including the Carol M. Baldwin Foundation.

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National beauty — Kandace Krueger, Miss USA 2001, reacted Friday night as she learned she had won the 50th Anniversary Miss USA competition in Gary, Indiana.



COURTESY PHOTO

Artistic talents — Kayla Case of Eldorado posed Tuesday with her Best of Show entry in the High School Art Division at the Creative Arts Show at the San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo. Kayla also took third place honors with another of her entries.

## Success offers TPA & WTPA journalism scholarships

The Eldorado Success publisher Randy Mankin is pleased to announce applications are currently being accepted for two \$2,000 scholarships awarded through the West Texas Press Association and Texas Press Association.

The contest is open to applicants in the area served by WTPA member newspapers and whose career goals include working with a community newspaper. Schleicher County students are eligible to apply for the scholarships through the Eldorado Success membership in WTPA.

The scholarships are named in honor of the late West Texas publisher Bob Craig of Hamlin, and will be awarded to a graduating high school senior and a college

junior or senior pursuing journalism careers. Craig, who died in 1981, was the longtime publisher of the Hamlin Herald and member of West Texas board of directors. He served 18 years on the board in all capacities, including president in 1967 and secretary/treasurer from 1969.

Each scholarship will be divided into two payments of \$1,000 for two semesters. The winners must be enrolled in at least three hours of college or university journalism courses each semester that the scholarship is awarded.

Each applicant must fill out an application form and write an essay based on the theme "My Future and Career Plans in Community Journalism."

One scholarship will be presented to a graduating high school senior and the other to a student already attending a college or university as a print journalism or advertising major.

Application forms have been sent to member newspapers and high schools in the areas served by West Texas press Association members and to college journal-

ism departments. Prospective applicants may secure a form from the high school journalism department or counselor, their local newspaper office or download from www.wtpa.org. Applicants must be from the area served by the WTPA membership.

Applications and essays should be sent to Mark A. Jordan, WTPA Scholarship Chairman, P.O. Box 149, Decatur, Texas 76234, and be postmarked no later than June 15, 2001.

Winners will be chosen by the

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## Lupton walks away from Democrats to join GOP

51st District Attorney, Stephen Lupton, announced last week that he has joined the Republican party. Saying that the switch has been on his mind for a while, Lupton noted that the move was prompted by President George W. Bush's ideas for America.

Lupton said he is pleased with the direction President Bush is taking and pointed out that in 1998 he crossed party lines to endorse his re-election as governor.

Lupton also praised Texas Attorney General John Cornyn and other state level GOP officials.

"The Republican Party has made a lot of headway, statewide and locally," Lupton said. "Their

agenda for the future is something I want to be a part of."

Frist elected in as a Democrat 1996, Lupton was re-elected in 2000 without an opponent.

Lupton's serves as District Attorney in Schleicher County, as well as portions of Tom Green and other Concho Valley counties. His switch was praised by Republican leaders across the region. Locally, Republican chairwoman Bessie Jones welcomed Lupton to the Republican fold. "Stephen Lupton has always been a good conservative District Attorney," Jones said. "Now he has aligned himself with like-minded folks. He is a great addition to the party."

## Plateau Relays set for weekend

Eleven girls ten boys track teams will compete in the annual Plateau Relays here on Saturday. Each year the relays give high school track coaches from around the area a chance to assess their talent in one of the earliest large meets of the season. This year, teams from Rocksprings, Iraan, Mason, Brady, Junction, Sonora, Christoval, Wall and Big Lake will travel to Eldorado to take on the Eagles on their home track. The girls team from Ozona will also be on hand. The Ozona boys will not be competing this year. As usual, the Eldorado Middle School version of the Plateau Relays will be held in Eagle Stadium on Friday afternoon and evening.



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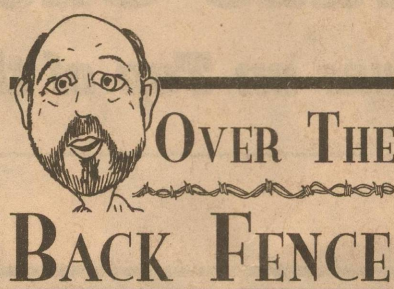
Grateful veterans — Members of American Legion Post 257 gathered around Monday morning as they honored Elementary School music teacher Joella Parker for her dedication through the years in staging the annual Veterans Day Program at school. The award was presented in a moving ceremony before the entire elementary faculty and student body. Pictured above are (L-R) Orval Edmiston, Gene McCalla, Phil Edmiston, Elton McGinnes, Buff Whitten, Leon Stricklan and Kenneth Richardson.





### 3rd annual Einstein award nominees

This week I offer up three more nominees for my annual Albert Einstein Award. Next week, I will list the winners.



by Randy Mankin

**He told his Mom he didn't like broccoli**  
Responding to an inquiry from California, police agencies in Ohio began looking for an overdue truck loaded with broccoli. Cops in Richfield Township soon located the semi on the side of the road, half-buried in a snow bank. The rig was out of fuel but otherwise undamaged.

A quick check of the cab revealed several packages of marijuana but, alas, the truck's driver was nowhere to be found. So, the rig was towed to a nearby garage and impounded as authorities began a more thorough search of its contents. That's when someone no-

gic pair of feet sticking straight up from between two pallets of broccoli. The feet obviously belonged to the missing driver and the cops quickly began removing the frozen cargo.

Making use of a couple of space heaters, the authorities were able to loosen the corpse's head, since it had frozen to the van's floor. Once free, however, the man's body still wouldn't fit through the door of the ambulance the cops had called to haul it to the coroner's office. It seems the arms had been extended straight out from the shoulders and frozen stiff.

Police theorize that the man had run out of fuel and crawled into the back of the truck to retrieve a packet of cocaine which, no doubt, would help him pass the time until help arrived. They say the man slipped and fell, knocking himself unconscious. Hypothermia took care of the rest.

**After all, what are friends for?**

Two men in Brisbane, Australia, a 21-year-old and a 28-year-old, decided to sneak into an RV Park and inflict serious injuries to one of the park's occupants. Once inside a darkened travel trailer, the pair pulled out their knives and be-

gan stabbing their supposedly sleeping victim. However, the target of the hit was a light sleeper and he hid under the bed when he heard the two men enter the trailer.

The pair of wannabe hit men must have thought the victim was fighting back as they viciously stabbed away (at each other) in the dark. In the ensuing confusion, the trailer's owner managed to slip outside and call for help as the two assailants continued to stab one another. The 21-year-old died at the scene while his accomplice and killer was hospitalized with severe injuries.

**What goes up...**

Outraged at the prices charged by professionals, an Oregon man elected to clean his own chimney. Figuring he could impress his wife with the money he had saved (and possibly convince her to let him spend it on something he wanted) the man waited until she was away before he climbed to the roof.

Hoping to make quick work of the project, the man poured a solvent down the flue. Just then, a gust of wind blew his ladder down, stranding him on the roof.

Undaunted, he worked away at cleaning the flue, twice pouring more solvent down to ease the job. Blissfully unaware that fumes had filled his living room, the man tossed down his tools and prepared to leap from the roof. Just then, the contacts on a thermostat near the fireplace sparked and...well, you get the picture.

## Optimistic Texans look to space as final frontier

AUSTIN—In the 19th century, many Texas communities looked to the railroads for economic life. Today, some Texans have set their sights on outer space.

A group called the Texas Spaceport Alliance is working to convince the Legislature to appropriate \$3.1 million for the upcoming biennium as a preliminary step toward development of a Lone Star spaceport.

Three areas of the state, the upper Gulf Coast, Pecos County and South Texas, hope a spaceport could eventually be developed in their region.

The Texas Aerospace Commis-

### State Capital Highlights



by Mike Cox

sion selected these three possible sites from a field of 14 locations.

The commission would use the requested appropriation to assist the three spaceport authorities in environment impact and engineering studies and in developing a business plan.

The estimate is that a spaceport in Texas would create 7,000 indirect and indirect jobs—a potential \$1 billion economic impact only

slightly less powerful than a crashing asteroid.

No one is likely to start a countdown to blastoff any time soon, however.

Before it becomes commonplace to launch vehicles into space from diverse locations across the country, a new RLV must be developed. That's aerospace talk for a reusable launch vehicle that would replace the space shuttle currently used by NASA.

Once such a vehicle is flight worthy, plenty of work will await it. Though the U.S. manufactures three-fourths of all satellites, it launches only 14 percent of them. The rest of the launches are from Russia, China and France.

The Texas alliance says some 1,700 satellites will be placed in orbit through 2007. If the state gets a commercial spaceport, it could enjoy a fair amount of that business.

Also being sought this session is passage of legislation creating a trust fund to contain future appropriations and grants for actual infrastructure.

Beyond that, there are even more steps in the spaceport launch sequence—federal support and landing a commercial entity with the bucks to buy, maintain and launch the reusable spacecraft.

**Meanwhile, back on earth...**

Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff has formed an exploratory committee to look into the possibility of him running for a full term in office.

One of those named to the com-

mittee was Jan Bullock, widow of two-term Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock.

Two Democrats are looking at a run for their party's gubernatorial nomination, Laredo businessman Tony Sanchez and former University of Texas football star Marty Akin.

On the Republican side, it's incumbent Rick Perry and the possibility of a run by U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.

The prime Republican contenders for the lieutenant governor nomination are Comptroller Carol Keeton Rylander and Land Commissioner David Dewhurst.

The primaries are still more than a year away, but 2002 promises to be an interesting year for Texas politics



## ROLLING ALONG

WITH TUMBLEWEED SMITH

### Why do we say Gesundheit?

I don't remember my parents saying "God bless you" or "Gesundheit" after I sneezed. Is that a Yankee thing? The practice wasn't in use much during my college years at Baylor. I heard it a lot when I was in the Army, mostly from guys up north. I heard the phrase most when I attended classes in Mexico. When someone sneezed, the whole class shouted "Salud!" (health).

I really don't like to hear the phrase. I'm so shaken up during the violent upheaval going on in my nose and mouth during a sneeze I don't feel like saying "thank you."

It appears the practice of blessing sneezers originated in ancient Greek or Roman times, or perhaps even earlier. In 77 AD, Pliny the Elder, a Roman naturalist, asked why Tiberius Caesar, who was most unsociable, would insist on a salutation when one sneezed.

According to folklore this custom comes from the idea that you are sneezing out your soul. People thought the soul could separate from the body, escaping through the sneeze or through a yawn, leaving one open to evil spirits. A variation of this idea is that the heart stops when you sneeze. Some believed that because sneezing indicated the onset of illness, a blessing was invoked for protection.

Other folklore of sneezing: A sneeze before breakfast is the sign that you will hear exciting news before the end of the day.

Always say "God bless you" when you sneeze to keep the devil

from flying down your throat.

Five consecutive sneezes will bring you something new. If you sneeze at the table, you will have one more person to the next meal.

When someone sneezes say "God bless you and may the devil miss you."

When someone sneezes say "Gesundheit" (health). The sneezer must answer "Gesundheit ist besser vie krankheit" (health is better than sickness).

Sneezing between noon and midnight is a good omen. Sneezing between midnight and noon is a bad omen.

If you place a hand in front of your mouth when you sneeze, your soul won't escape.

A cat sneezing is a good omen for everyone who hears it.

A sneezing cat means rain.

Sneezing to the right signifies prosperity.

When I turned to the internet for information on sneezing, it directed me to some websites with erotic stories about sneezing. It said sneezing after sex prevents pregnancy. Does everything on the internet take you to sex sites? I searched the internet for the phrase "God bless you," expecting to find loads of information about that. There was only one. It dealt with religion.

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## William Tole Sr.

William Tole, Sr., born in El Paso, TX, November 22, 1919 and departed this life February 25, 2001, attended the Texas College of Mines and Metallurgy and served in the United States Army Air Corps as a bombardier after completion of Aviation Cadet training where he was Wing Commander and President of the Cadet Honor Council. After WWII, he founded The Tole Company, Automotive Parts Wholesalers and Standard Auto Parts of El Paso, and was selected by General Motors Corp. to serve on their distributors council.

In 1957, Mr. Tole was elected Potentate of El Maida Shrine Temple; becoming the youngest Potentate to hold that office after which, he was elected Director of the Royal Order of Jesters. An active member of First Christian Church of El Paso, Mr. Tole was pleased to have

many friends both there and at Montana Street Church of Christ. He enjoyed woodworking, aviation, nature, astronomy, the study of ancient civilizations and photography at which he won local and national contests.

Preceded in death by Katherine Blanchard Tole, his wife of more than 58 years, William Tole is survived by his daughters Susan Buchholz of Eldorado, TX, Frances Pagel and Katherine Bridger of Houston, TX, his son Bill Clifton Tole of El Paso, TX and their spouses Walter Pagel, John Bridger, and Florence Tole. Loved by his grandchildren, Laura Francis, Kevin Francis, Alex Bridger, Emily Bridger, Elliott Bridger and Campbell Tole, he will be fondly remembered for good times shared with his nieces and nephews in the McFadden Family and the many friends he cherished.



Lindsey Gail Griffina and Jon-Michael Parker

## Griffin/Parker to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Griffin are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Lindsey Gail to Jon-Michael Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Parker of Alice, formerly of Eldorado. Lindsey is a

Junior at Texas A&M in College Station majoring in Human Nutrition. Jon-Michael is a nursing student at Blinn College in Bryan. A May 19th wedding is planned at First Baptist Church in Eldorado.

## West Texas Heritage Days stated at Fort McKavett

Fort McKavett State Historical Park will come alive on March 17, 2001, as Living Historians and Reenactors from around the state gather to portray life at the fort in the 1800s. Park gates will open at 8:00 a.m. followed at 9:00 a.m. with a flag raising ceremony.

Throughout the day, activities will include cavalry and infantry drills, gunfights and demonstrations performed by Badlands Texas Rangers and Regulators and Outlaws, both groups famous for their safe and entertaining programs. Other reenactors include Fort Concho's Company F of the 16th Infantry, Company D of the 4th Cavalry, Lubbock's 4th Cavalry and Fort Stockton's Infantry and Laundresses. Buffalo soldiers, Saddletamps, Blacksmith, Soapmakers, Engineers and Civilian Impressionists plan to attend as well.

The day will conclude with the lowering of the flag and candlelight tours of the officer's quarters. Texas Parks and Wildlife will provide their climbing wall for use by the public.

Fort McKavett State Historical Park consists of 15 restored buildings and several ruins. The restored buildings include the Post Hospital, Post Headquarters, Barracks and several Officers' Quarters. There is a historic trail that winds down to a lime kiln exhibit, rock quarry and the Government springs.

Fort McKavett State Historical Park is located 23 miles west of Menard, 41 miles northeast of Sonora, 34 miles east of Eldorado and 15 miles west, then 26 miles north of Junction. For further information, please call (915) 396-2358.

## Journalism scholarships

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West Texas Press Association Board of directors and will be announced at the Association's 71th Annual Summer Convention to be held in Kerrville at the Y.O. Ranch Resort and Conference Center, July 19-21, 2001.

Jeremy Enlow of Granbury, a photojournalism major at the University of North Texas at Denton, was named the 2000 recipient of the scholarship for college students. Kara Turskey, a graduate of Odessa High School, now a journalism major at Abilene Christian University in Abilene, received the high school scholarship.

West Texas Press Association is the world's largest press organization by virtue of the vast geographic area it encompasses throughout West Texas and East-

## Golf Play Day

by Mabel Freitag

A beautiful afternoon and a great group of golfers this past Sunday, March 4th for our regular Play Day. We had 40 adults and 4 youths, Andrew Anderson, Clay Whitten, Wesley Jones and Trey Perkins.

1st Place Score 57- Steve Snelson, Don Richters, Andrew Anderson, Charlie Perkins and Trey Perkins.

2nd Place Score 57 Melissa O'Harrow, Bob Waroneck, Luiz Martinez, Jim Kosub and Jane Kosub.

Score card Play off for 1st and 2nd.

3rd Place Score 59 John Mitchell, Howard Ledbetter, Chris McCravey, Charlie Bradley and Karen Henderson.

Our next tournament will be a 2-Man, Select Shot, on March 17th

and 18th. Tee times 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. Get your partner and come on out. To enter call 853-2484.

Our next Play Day will be on Sunday, April 1st. Day light Savings Time begins on this date - so set your clocks up one hour on Saturday night. Happy Golfing

## Tri-county tourism coalition to host tour market workshop

Owners and managers from area restaurants, motels, retail merchants, and tourism-based attractions will benefit from attending a special workshop on the group tour tourist market to be held on March 14, 2001 from 1:00 until 5:00 P.M. at the Sutton County Civic Center in Sonora. The workshop is sponsored by the Tri-County Tourism Coalition, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University. The workshop is part of a larger project to expand tourism in the area.

The program will feature Charlie McIlvain with Idle Time Tours from Ft. Worth. Charlie is a tour operator and a recognized leader in the Texas tourism industry and

the National Tour Association. The workshop will focus on what the communities and businesses and attractions in the Sonora, Ozona, Eldorado area can do to target group tours as a tourism market segment. The workshop will address the question...are group tours viable and valuable for the tri-county area? The workshop will help businesses in the region become more aware of the requirements for accommodating the bus tour market in the tri-county region. For more information on the coalition or about the Tour Operator workshop, please contact the Chambers of Commerce in Eldorado, Ozona, or Sonora.

## REVIVAL

### First United Methodist Church

Saturday, March 17, 2001  
Sandwich Supper — 6:00 p.m.  
Contemporary Worship — 7:00 p.m.  
Music: Marymichael & Jack Rogers  
Preaching: Rev. Larry Young

Sunday, March 18, 2001  
Sunday School — 9:45 a.m.  
Worship — 11:00 a.m.  
Rev. Larry Young  
Music by Marymichael & Jack Rogers  
Afternoon Worship — 1:00 p.m.



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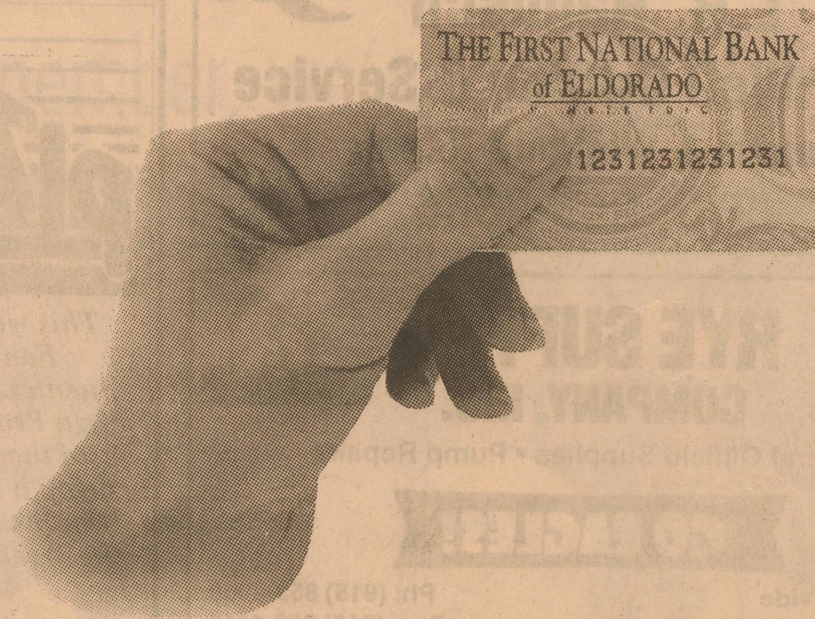
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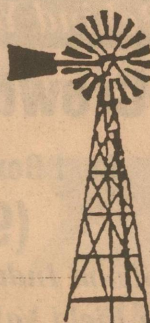
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## Eagles 9 win over Ballinger & Lake View JV to open season

by David E. Hill

The 2001 edition of Eldorado Eagle baseball has hit the diamond under the direction of second year coach Ronnie Molina. The Eagles are coming off a District Championship last year and are expected to be in the playoff hunt again this year. They are currently ranked second in the San Angelo Standard-Times West Texas Class 2A weekly rankings. District 2-2A opponents Sonora and Wall are also in the top 5. This should be a good year for West Texas baseball fans as their should be 4 teams in this District including Mason that will be vying for the post season.

Eldorado opened the season on the 22nd of February against Ballinger. The Eagles came out on top by the score of 12 to 5.

Pitching for the War Birds were: Manuel Hernandez, 3 innings, 1 earned run, 2 K's; Mike Adame, 2 innings, 2 earned runs, 2 K's; Isaac Saldivar, 1 inning, no hits or earned runs, 1 K; and Rocky Robles, 1 inning, no hits or earned runs, and 2 K's.

After the game Coach Molina commented his pitching staff saying, "Early in the season I want to see as many working as I can and I was extremely happy with all the pitchers today."

Offensively, the Eagles had a good day at the plate. Will Robledo had a triple and 2 doubles, Jimmy Aguilar had 2 singles, John Ray Espinosa, Jason Brock, Robles, Hernandez, Phillip Martinez, and Saldivar all had singles. The Ea-

gles have a lot of team speed so its not surprising the Eldorado also had 11 stolen bases on the day.

Overall the Eagles had a good opening game against class 3A Ballinger. Coach Molina commented after the game, "I was pleased with the hitting this early in the season. Will came in and did a good job and John Ray will be depended on heavily for RBI production this year and did well. I am excited about the coming season and this was a good way to start."

Eldorado then hosted the Lake View JV on Tuesday, February 27th at Eagle Field coming away with a 11 to 1 "run rule" win.

Rocky Robles pitched for 3 innings, allowed no earned runs and had 2 K's. Isaac Saldivar threw 1 inning and allowed no hits or runs with 1 K. Mike Adame came in and pitched the last inning and preserved the game in run rule with 1 K.

"Rocky threw hard and had good control of the breaking ball," Coach Molina said after the contest. "We expect big things from him this year. Isaac has not allowed a run this year and Mike came in and did well." It was a good day on the hill for the Eagles.

Offensively, Ramon Ray Barajas and Manuel Hernandez had 3 singles, Espinosa had 2 singles, Robledo, Aguilar, Aaron Fuentes, and Martinez all had singles. Eldorado stole 6 bases on the day with Robles and Barajas each having 2.

The Eagles had faced the second lefty in as many games and struggled at the plate for the first three innings. Then, patience paid off as the bats for EHS came alive and busted the game wide open with 7 runs in the fourth. Molina said, "Another good game for this time in the season."



**State-Bound Tennis Team** — The EHS tennis team is headed to State after winning the Team Tennis Regional Championship in San Angelo last week. Team member include: (Kneeling L-R) Coach Matt Rutherford, Lacy Ragsdale, (Second Row L-R) Rikki Bosmans, Elibeth Montalvo, Lindsay Beach, Gentry Newman, Wesley Jones, Ben Edmiston, Thomas Ballew, Kayla McCravey, Courtney Sauer, Christina Redish (Back Row L-R) Heath Andrew, Dillon Greer, J.L. Mankin, Bobby Phillips, Buddy Greer, Quisto Gonzalez and Courtney Brown.

## Tennis team is State bound for fourth year

The Eldorado High School tennis team won the Regional Team Tennis Championship on March 3, 2001 after 3 rain delays at Bentwood Country Club in San Angelo. The Eagles netters defeated Wall 12-3 in the finals after putting away Sterling City 10-0 and Winters 10-1 to advance to the

championship match.

Team tennis is not a UIL sanctioned sport on the 2-A level, although it is on the 5A & 4A level. The format includes three girls doubles matches, three boys matches, one mixed doubles match, six girls singles and six boy's singles. A player may par-

ticipate in only one singles match and one doubles match. The first team to win ten matches wins the contest and advances to the next round.

The Eagles will be one of the sixteen teams competing for a state championship this weekend in Round Rock, Texas.

## 7th & 8th grade boys Track bring home 1st Place medals from Junction Relays

by Coach Larry Mitchel

The 7th grade Eagles team participated in the Junction Relays on Friday, March 2, 2001.

They placed 3rd over all and the sprint relay team of Hernandez, Mejia, Edmiston, and Taylor was 2nd and the mile relay team of Mejia, Ussery, Nixon and Taylor placed 4th. Kyle Taylor placed first in the shot put with a throw of 32'7 1/2" and first in the discus with a throw of 91'81/2". Jeremy Ussery got second in the high jump with a jump of 4'6". The team total was 94.5 points.

The 8th grade Eagles also ran in the relay, placing 4th overall.

The sprint relay team of Garcia, Leggett, Roberts, and Garcia was 3rd with the mile relay team of Roberts, Garcia, Leggett and Dombroski placing first with a time of 4:12. Tony Garcia placed first in the 100 M with a time of 12:32, Eric Garcia placed 2nd in the mile (5:50), Norberto Moya placed 4th in the mile (56:01) and Lance Roberts placed second in the High Jump (4'10"). The team total was 79 points.

All athletes are looking forward to the Plateau Relays this Friday, beginning at 3:00 p.m. in Eldorado. Everyone is encouraged to attend and cheer on the Eagles.

**7th Grade Boys Results:** High Jump- Jeremy Ussery, 2nd (4'6"); Discus-Kyle Taylor, 1st (91'8 1/2"); Andy Mejia, 3rd (81'6 1/2"); Shot Put-Kyle Taylor, 1st (32'7 1/2"); Frank Wipff, 4th (30'1/2"); 2400 M-Jeremy Ussery, 3rd (9:32); Sprint Relay (Nestor Hernandez, Andy Mejia, Frank Edmiston, Kyle Taylor) 2nd (Time Unknown); 800 M-Frank Wipff, 6th (2:54), Andrew Gonzales, 5th (2:49); 100 Hurdles-Michael Ballew, 5th (19:10), Frank Edmiston, 6th (20:1); 100 M-Kyle Taylor, 3rd (13:22), Andy Mejia, 5th (13:45); Nestor Hernandez, 6th (13:48); 400 M-Andrew Gonzales, 5th (69:3); 200 Hurdles-Michael Ballew, 5th (35:6); 200 M-Nestor Hernandez 6th (28:2); Mile-Andrew Gonzales, 6th (6:51); Mile Relay-(Andy Mejia, Jeremy Ussery, Caleb Nixon, Kyle Taylor), 4th (4:27).

**8th Grade Boys Results:** Pole Vault-Tony Garcia, 6th; Long Jump-Tony Garcia, 4th (15'1"0); Triple Jump-Eric Garcia, 5th (29'8"), Bryce Leggett, 4th (29'11"); High Jump-Lance Roberts, 2nd (4'10"); Discus-Lance Roberts 4th, Joey Hernandez 5th, Manuel Arispe 6th; Shot Put-Manuel Arispe, 5th (34'6"), Joey Hernandez 6th; Sprint Relay-Eric Garcia, Bryce Leggett, Lance Roberts, Tony Garcia) 3rd (51:1); 100 Hurdles-Bryce Leggett, 5th (19:7); 100 M Dash-Tony Garcia, 1st (12:32); 300 Hurdles-Kolby Dombroski, 6th (54:6); Mile-Eric Garcia, 2nd (5:53), Norberto Moya, 4th (6:01); Mile Relay-(Lance Roberts, Eric Garcia, Bryce Leggett, Kolby Dombroski) 1st (4:12).

**CORRECTION**  
Lindsey Schwiening's name was inadvertently omitted from the 8th Grade, 4th Six Week "A" Honor Roll in last week's Success.

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## Neal is Reserve All-Around Cowgirl

Pecos County Livestock Association hosted Region II of the TH-SRA March 3 and 4, 2001 in Ft. Stockton.

Saturday, March 3, Ft. Stockton HSR, Region II Results All Around Cowgirl: Cassidy Boyles Junction; Reserve All Around Cowgirl: Kaycie Teague Rankin All Around Cowboy: Shank Edwards San Angelo; Reserve All Around Cowboy: Jacob Kelly Iraan;

On Saturday, Leigh Ann took 4th place in the Barrels with a time of 16.15 and 2nd place in Goat Tying with a time of 10.4.

Sunday, March 4, Ft. Stockton High School Rodeo Region II Results: All Around Cowgirl: Kaycie Teague - Rankin; Reserve All Around Cowgirl: Leigh Ann Neal - Eldorado; All Around Cowboy: Tim Abbott - San Angelo; Reserve All Around Cowboy: Clay Long - Midland

Leigh Ann Neal was 5th in Barrels with a time of 16.16. Second in Poles with a time of 20.61 and took 1st Place in Breakaway Roping with a time of 3.0. Leigh Ann ended with 4th place in Goat Tying with a time of 10.6.

The next two Region II rodeos will be held on March 17th & 18th at the West Texas Horse Center in Odessa. In addition to the rodeos, Region II will sponsor a barrel race, with added money, on Saturday March 17th. Books will open at 9:00 AM & exhibitions will start at 10:00 AM. Order will be Pole Exhibitions, 3-D Poles, Barrel Exhibitions, 4-D Barrels. The rodeo will start at 4:00 PM and following the rodeo will be a # 7 & # 9 Team Roping at 7:00 PM. The team roping is also sponsored by Region II.

**Hoop Scores**

**7th GRADE GIRLS**  
January 25, 2001  
Eldorado 07-10-05-01=23  
Grape Creek 06-07-09-01=29  
Maxie Holley 4, Chandra Wanoreck 6, Allison Reynolds 2, Rachel Joiner 3, Micaela Gonzales 4, Charlotte Adame 1, Taylor Niblett 2, Karina Sanchez 7.  
February 1, 2001  
Eldorado 04-04-01-04=13  
Sonora 06-14-12-08=40  
Chandra Wanoreck 5, Rachel Joiner 2, Micaela Gonzales 6.

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# Behind every face is a story...Sheryl Meador

by Maria Hernandez

Behind every face is a story, some mysterious, some exciting, and some simply interesting. For many in Eldorado, the name Sheryl Meador conjures up the image of a wife, a mother and something else: hearing impairment.

As a young child, Sheryl was able to hear, but at the age of four she contracted hemophilus influenza, a form of non-contagious spinal meningitis.

"I was unconscious for two days and the disease almost killed me," Sheryl said.

Consequently, Sheryl lost her hearing and entered a month long period of denial, a time she doesn't remember. Fortunately, she recovered, but had to face a new challenge — communicating.

Sheryl's elementary education was completed in a "hearing" school that held separate classes for deaf students. Surprisingly, Sheryl was not allowed to use sign language, but was encouraged to learn to speak. At that point in time, the widely held belief centered upon speech as the main means of communication. At age ten, Sheryl enrolled in Texas School for the Deaf in Austin.

"I liked it at the school, but I also missed my parents," Sheryl said about her years spent at the school.

Sheryl continued her education at TSTI in Waco, Texas, where she

studied dental laboratory technology. Her education complete, Sheryl began the daunting task of finding a job. Because of her disability, she was faced with job discrimination, but luckily came out on top.

"Some employers don't want to hire deaf people, while other people do," Sheryl said. "Because we work fast and focus, we are able to do things more quickly and are more productive in the workplace."

In 1996, Sheryl returned to Texas State School for the Deaf for a class reunion and met John David Meador, her future husband. Interestingly, the two were not strangers.

"We dated during high school," Sheryl said, a huge grin lighting up her face. "I was thirteen and he was seventeen."

The couple was married in 1997 and Sheryl and her family moved to Eldorado from Houston, where she made the transition from city girl to country girl. After sixteen years of working, Sheryl decided to become a stay-at-home mom and care for her two young sons, Robbie and Shane.

Sheryl doesn't believe that her hearing impairment has hindered her ability to raise her children. There are numerous obstacles throughout the wonderful world of parenting that Sheryl has been faced with. Yet, she seems to have conquered them easily. Of course,

many of us still wonder how a hearing impaired mother deals with the problem of not being able to hear her infant cry.

To that question, Sheryl had a simple answer. "Everything is lights."

Sheryl had a crying baby signal monitor that would blink when one of her children cried. Doorbells, phones, and alarm clocks are all attached to lights that flash to alert the user. Other inventions that enable hearing-impaired persons include the closed captioning and the teletype device (TDD). The TDD allows a hearing person to communicate with a deaf person on the telephone. By calling a relay number, a hearing person can speak with an agent who contacts the person you wish to call. As a phone message is relayed to the agent, it is typed and forwarded to the person so that they can read it. To answer, a hearing impaired person merely types their reply and the agent reads it back to the caller. Sheryl warns that this method of talking is slow and takes a little patience.

But as technology advances, more and more products are available to aid the hearing impaired. Computers and two-way message pagers are only two of the many products that allow Sheryl to communicate with fewer barriers. The pager allows Sheryl and her husband to communicate in the same way that we do with our cell

phones.

"My pager is a life saver," Sheryl said, clutching it tightly in her palm.

When Sheryl isn't chatting online, she occupies her time remodeling her home and caring for her family. She taught sign language classes in Eldorado two years ago and would like to again if there is ever enough interest. Recently, the Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf in Big Spring offered Sheryl a position instructing students in dental laboratory technology, but she had to decline.

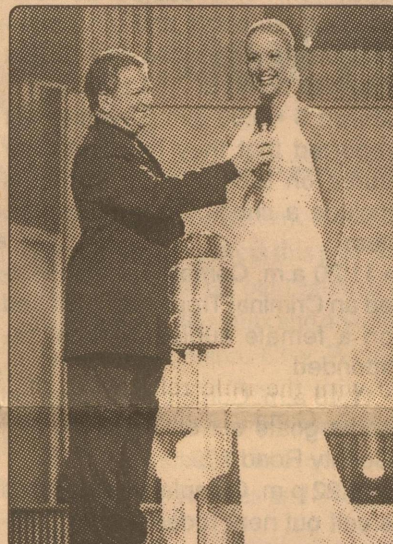
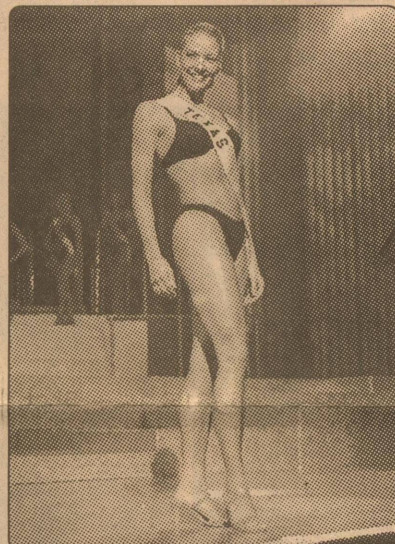
Not surprisingly, few people in Eldorado are aware of the numerous issues concerning hearing impairment. Eldorado is the home of only a handful of deaf citizens so there has been little emphasis on educating the public. Luckily, all elementary aged students are exposed to sign language in Mrs. Joella Parker's elementary music class. Besides that, there is little, if any, contact with the hearing-impaired world. For many of us, the thought of initiating a conversation with a deaf person may seem uncomfortable, but talking is the best way to learn and understand someone else's situation.

To this, Sheryl can offer a few words of advice. "Don't be afraid."



PHOTO BY LORI STRICKLAN

Technological assistance for the deaf — Sheryl Meador of Eldorado, deaf since the age of 4, uses a TDD teletype device to communicate over the telephone. She says that using the device is slow but it allows her to communicate with a hearing world, a feat that wasn't so easy only a few years ago.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Talented young lady — Kandace Krueger, of College Station was crowned Miss USA 2001, at the pageant held in Gary, Indiana last Friday night. Here she is shown posing in a designer dress during pageant week, competing in the swim wear contest held at Chicago Steel, during the pre-taping of the show and during her interview with pageant host William Shatner.

## Krueger crowned Miss USA 2001

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win Breast Cancer Research Fund and Gilda's Club to raise money to battle the diseases. She also plans on furthering her own personal and professional goals all the while looking forward to representing the United States at the Miss Universe competition.

As part of her Miss USA title, Krueger won an extensive list of prizes, including:

- a year long salary as Miss USA
- a luxury New York City riverside apartment for the year of her reign
- a 2001 Ford Mustang Convertible
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- CBS casting opportunities
- the right to represent the United States in the Miss Universe 2001 competition
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- a \$1,000 cash prize and an assortment of spa products

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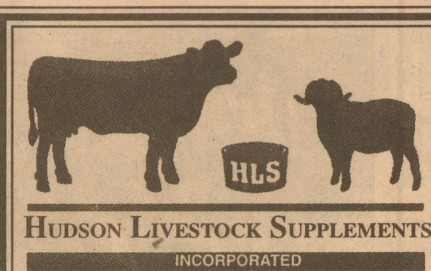
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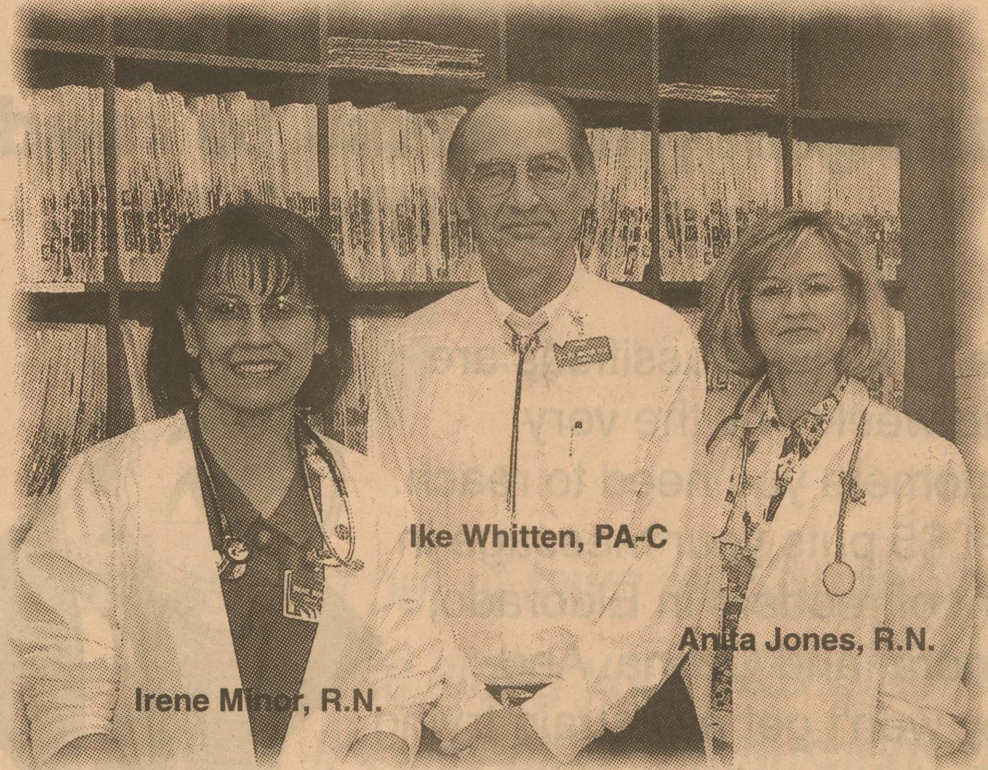
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# Additional Grand Jury indictments made public

Schleicher County grand jurors met on Friday, February 9, 2001 and handed down thirteen indictments. Not all of the indictments were made public at that time, pending arrests. This week, the remaining five indictments were released. They include:

Thomas Luther Lambert, 29, of San Angelo, was indicted for "Driving While Intoxicated, 3rd Offense or More" in connection with an incident that occurred on January 2, 2001. Bond was continued.

Enrique, Juan Rocha, 19, of Eldorado, was indicted for "Burglary of a Building." The incident in question occurred on February 1, 2001. A previous \$7,500 surety bond was amended to a \$10,000.00 personal recognizance bond.

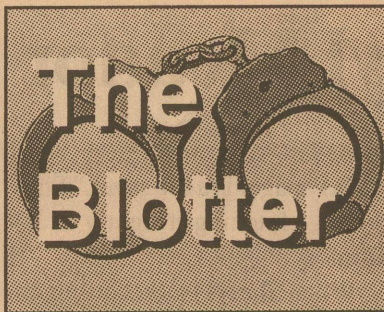
Maria Jesus Garza, 18, of El-

dorado, was indicted for "Burglary of a Habitation" in connection with an incident occurring on September 24, 2000. Bond was continued.

Estella Garza Martinez, 17, of Eldorado, was indicted for "Burglary of a Habitation." The incident in question occurred on September 24, 2000. Bond was continued.

Charles Ray Timms, 34, of Lubbock, was indicted for "Possession of a Controlled Substance in connection with an incident that occurred on September 28, 2000. Bond was set at \$10,000 surety bond.

An indictment is issued when at least nine of twelve grand jurors find that there is enough evidence against a defendant to bring a case against them in a court of law.



The Blotter is a summary of the previous week's activity at the Schleicher County Sheriff's Dept. For practical reasons of time and space, The Blotter does not include every call made to the Sheriff's office, nor does it include routine security checks, minor traffic stops or routine patrols. Incidents of major impact will be reported separately. Subjects reported to have been arrested are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

### ARRESTS

**March 1** • Harris, Sandra Jean, female age 38, arrested by SC Officer, charge Terroristic Threat. Released on a \$1,000 Surety Bond.

**March 4** • Hernandez, Nick Mike, male age 32, arrested by DPS Trooper, charge DPS Warrants.

• Rocha, Enrique Juan, male age 19, arrested by SC Officer, charge Burglary of Building. \$7,500 Surety Bond issued and dropped. Released on a \$10,000 PR Bond.

• Lawrence, Jay Paul, male age 32, arrested by SC Officer, charge Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Released on Citation.

**March 5** • Garza, Francisco Jr., male age 20, arrested by SC Officer, charge Indecency With A Child.

**March 6** • Encinias, David Luis, male age 44, arrested by SC Officer, charge Bench Warrant.

### REPORTS

**February 27** • 5:58 p.m. Complainant reported a large number of bees on Depot Street. Sheriff Office contacted Fire Chief.

• 10:45 p.m. Convenience store employee reported a elderly male subject who was unsure of how to get home. Officer responded and also a friend of the family. All OK.

• 6:45 p.m. Complainant wished to speak to an officer about the utilities being turned off at residence. Officer advised subject of his rights and advised him to speak to Justice of the Peace.

**March 1** • 12:08 p.m. Complainant requested a Criminal Trespass be placed on a subject. Trespass served.

• 1:35 p.m. Complainant reported a black goat in the road. Possible owner contacted.

• 6:21 p.m. Complainant reported criminal mischief on Hwy. 190 West. Officer responded.

### Solution to puzzle on Page 2

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• 8:01 p.m. Complainant reported a door open at a local business. Officer responded, notified owner who advised officer to lock the door.

• 8:10 Complainant requested a Criminal Trespass be served on 2 subjects. Officer responded.

• 8:13 p.m. Hospital requested an ambulance for a ACLS transfer. EMS responded.

• 8:40 p.m. Complainant requested to speak with an officer. Officer responded.

• 9:09 p.m. Complainant requested an ambulance for a male subject. Subjects blood sugar is very low. EMS 1 and officer responded.

**March 2** • 8:15 p.m. Hospital requested an officer check on a female subject whose Life Line had went off. Officer responded.

• 9:20 p.m. Complainant reported a controlled burn on County Road 101.

**March 3** • 7:35 a.m. Complainant reported that someone had keyed their car in the Nursing Home parking lot. Officer responded.

• 10:38 a.m. Complainant requested an officer because their son had taken money from their wallet.

• 11:00 a.m. Complainant reported they were having trouble with a male subject at local grocery store.

• 10:53 p.m. Complainant reported a reckless driver in a blue Pontiac Grand AM 8 miles North on Hwy 277 heading south. Officer responded.

**March 4** • 11:00 a.m. Complainant reported goats in their yard on Nance Street. Officer and Animal Control responded.

• 11:40 a.m. Complainant reported a horse out on the East Street running around. Officer responded and owner was contacted.

• 7:27 p.m. Complainant reported that their 15 year old son had run away from home. Subject last seen wearing tan pants and tan sweater. Officers responded and subject returned home at 7:54 p.m.

**March 5** • 9:00 a.m. Complainant reported that they had lost their purse on Eldorado Dr. Contents include a check, and other misc. item.

• 11:20 a.m. Complainant requested a Criminal Trespass be placed on a female subject. Officer responded.

• 11:48 a.m. Complainant reported some goats out on FM 2129 and County Road 109.

• 12:22 p.m. Complainant reported a calf out near rodeo arena. Officer responded.

• 8:07 p.m. Complainant reported their bike was taken from the school grounds. Blue Mongoose stuntbike.

# 2001 GEESO winners named (Great Eldorado Elementary Shoot Out)



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**Kindergarten 2001 G.E.E.S.O. Champions:** Front (L-R) 6th-Michelle Collett, 5th-Kimberly Sanchez, 4th-Chasity Wills, 3rd-Ashley Bullard, 2nd-Sloan Lovette, 1st-Miranda Arispe. Back (L-R) 6th-Aaron Conn, 5th-Dylan Ramos, 4th-Mark Sanchez, 3rd-Rudy Montez, 2nd-Lane Griffin, 1st-Blaine Mitchell. \*New Record-Blaine Mitchell shot 7 out of 8 free throws.



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**1st Grade 2001 G.E.E.S.O. Champions:** Front (L-R) 6th-Nancy Granados, 5th-Karina Granados, 4th-Clatissa Gomez, 3rd-Kyndal Broome, 2nd-Sierra Arispe, Not Pictured, 1st-Marissa Gonzales; Back (L-R) 6th-Austin Barajas, 5th-Rico Martinez, 4th-C.J. Knutson, 3rd-Hagen Porras, 1st-Oscar Robles. Not Pictured, 2nd-Allen Espinosa.



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**2nd Grade 2001 G.E.E.S.O. Champions:** Front (L-R) 6th-Ashley Paulson, 5th-Jessica Sellers, 4th-Holly Romero, 3rd-Sami Brown, 2nd-Laura Garcia, 1st-Roby Iglesias; Back (L-R) 6th-Zach Taylor, 5th-J.R. Martinez, 4th-Eloy Bustos, 3rd Briley Leadbetter, 2nd-Chris Sanchez, 1st-Steve Garner (Not Pictured).



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**3rd Grade 2001 G.E.E.S.O. Champions:** Front (L-R) 6th-Samantha Dominguez, 5th-Alex Guzman, 4th-Adriana Hernandez, 3rd-Shelsea Rodriguez, 2nd-Aubrey Martinez, 1st-Maureen Martinez; Back (L-R) 6th-Juan Medrano, 5th-Andy Sanchez, 4th-Mason Baker, 3rd-Shane Young, 2nd-Garrett Lux, 1st-Dylan Dombroski.

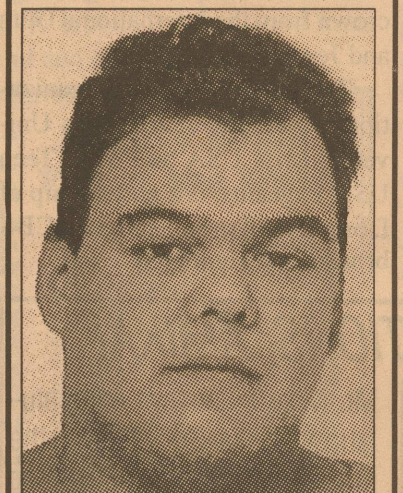


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**4th Grade 2001 G.E.E.S.O. Champions:** Front (L-R) 5th-Deyanira Cruz, 4th- Victoria Fuentes, 3rd-Cassandra Buitron, 2nd-Marcela Huerta, 1st-Kirsten Stubbs; Not Pictured 6th-Meg Griffin; Back (L-R) 6th, Mark Rodriguez, 5th-Ivany Sanchez, 4th-Mark Garcia, 3rd-Gabriel Gomez, 2nd-Emilio Vallejo, 1st-Rance Cathey. • New Record: Rance Cathey made 18 out of 20 shots.

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*Raymond Mittel*

*We want to take this opportunity to thank our community and the people in Eldorado who visited, sent food, flowers, cards, made phone call, during the loss of our mother, Mary Charles Dacy.*

*A very special and heartfelt thanks to the ladies of the First Baptist Church who prepared the noon meal before the funeral on such short notice. Our hearts are sad, but we are so thankful for our friends and loved ones who share our loss. "We have known and believed the love that God has for us." God is love...1 John 4:16.*

*C.F. Monroe and Dorothy, Lee Dacy, Jean Schmidt and Debbie Sue Rios.*

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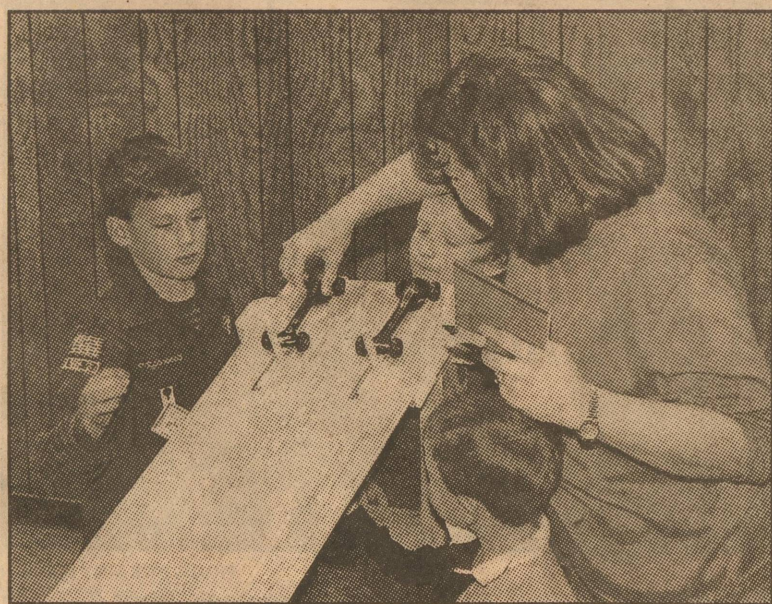
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## April Foolishness Festival in Art to have Eldorado flavor

This spring's April Fools Spoof in Art, Texas will have a decidedly Eldorado flavor when it kicks off on March 31. Although located in the crown of the Texas Hill Country, many residents and former residents of the Eldorado/San Angelo area will be actively involved in the production.

San Angelo entrepreneur Paul Bean will join columnist Tumbleweed Smith of Big Spring in judging the Slick Willie Lying Contest. Mary Leigh Dunagan of Eldorado will assist in judging the Worst Elvis Impersonator contest, as well as participate as a vendor. Nancy Lester and her Sonora partner are expected to walk away with honors in the Blindfolded Washer Tossing Contest.

Eldorado businessman Bob Halbert is entered as one of the Mountain Oyster Chefs. Former Eldoradoite and Sonora businessman Mack McAngus is a heavy favorite to win the Crazy Beard Contest. Former team-mates on the EHS track dynasty teams of the late 1950's, Dan Mittel and Jerry Carlman will judge the Slug Races and Crab Crawl Races.

Former EHS educator Edna Earle Benton, currently living in Mason, will help judge the Ugliest Pet Contest. Former Schleicher County resident Jim Runge is producing the weekend, dedicated to the proposition that there is "not one shred of evidence supporting the notion that life should be taken seriously." He will also appear as Brother Jim and Zoltar. Former

Eldorado Mayor, Bob Lester, will MC the Worst Elvis Impersonator Contest.

Eldorado legend, C. F. Dacy will be present to sign autographs. Fort McKavett will probably have the largest percentage of its population in attendance as Postmistress Heather Treadwell and boys will be contest entrants and Caroline Moore, the only lawyer in town, will serve as a Mountain Oyster Cook-Off judge.

Former San Angelo resident John Pipkin, now of Fredericksburg, will be the featured judge of the Snipe Hunter's Costume Contest. Kathy Straach, Dallas Morning News Travel writer formerly of San Angelo, will help judge the Gnat Catching Contest. Gil Trigg, former Brady resident, is a heavy

favorite in the Trivial Pursuit Tournament. Charles Newlin, current Brady resident emeritus, is entered in the Calf Fries Eating Contest. Jack Baker of Sonora will assist with the "Kiss My Jackass" festivities.

Art is located approximately 90 miles east of Eldorado on Highway 29 between Llano and Mason. Several West Texans are expected to make the short trek to the Texas Hill Country to participate in the fun-filled event, as well as to take in the fresh spring wildflowers and other attractions in the Fredericksburg/Highland Lakes area. For more information contact Jim Runge via 830-990-4478, rungini@hotmail.com, or an aluminum helmet with baling wire antennae.

## Astronomy at Ft. McKavett State Historical Park

Members of the Johnson Space Center Astronomical Society (JSCAS) will sponsor a Star Party at Fort McKavett State Historical Park on Saturday, March 24, 2001. Members of JSCAS will have their telescopes set up for the public to view the night skies. Fort McKavett offers a nearly perfect site for the stargazers because of its isolation and dark skies at night.

Members of JSCAS will start the program at 3:00 p.m. with a series of lectures followed at 5:00 p.m. with an orientation on the

telescope equipment. Stargazing will begin at dark. We ask visitors to be at the park before dark and bring a flashlight that will be fitted with special paper to block out white light!

Schedule for Star Party on March 24, 2001; lectures 3:00-5:00 p.m.; public tour 5:00 p.m. until dark; star gazing after dark.

Stargazers will be able to see several planets, constellations, stars, and nebulae that night at the park. Our expert amateur astronomers are very knowledgeable with West Texas sky and eager to answer all your questions.

Fort McKavett State Historical Park is located 23 miles west of Menard, 41 miles northeast of Sonora, 34 miles east of Eldorado and 15 miles west, then 26 miles north of Junction. The event is subject to cancellation due to bad weather (even cloudiness) so for more information, or to confirm event status please call (915) 396-2358.



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**State Bound EHS Horn Quartet** - L-R Tana Williams, Kristina Prater, BreeAnn Davis and Ellbeth Montalvo will be performing in the Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest May 26, 2001, in San Marcos, Texas. This french horn quartet received this honor by memorizing their music and clenching a Division 1 Rating at Solo and Ensemble Contest held in San Angelo on February 17, 2001.

## Gillespie attends seminar in Chicago

Eldorado High School Government/Economics teacher Alan Gillespie attended the Rural Trust/Harmony National School Reform Faculty Seminar in Chicago, Illinois on February 27, 28, and March 1st. The purpose of the gathering was to examine NSRF's Critical Friends Group (CFG) process and explore how it might inform and contribute to their work with place-based learning in rural communities.

Gillespie was invited to attend because of Schleicher County Independent School District's (SCISD) work with the Annenberg Trust in developing community-school relations and educa-

tional related programs. All of the Rural Trust stewards were present including Jose Colchado of New Mexico who oversees the portion of the trust involving SCISD.

Others present at the Chicago meeting included teachers, administrators, and stewards from Alaska, Wisconsin, Indiana, Illinois, New Mexico, Louisiana, Tennessee, North Carolina, and Vermont. Time was spent becoming acquainted with the CFG process by looking at authentic work related to responsibilities in various communities. Potential applications were then examined. Various related publications were reviewed and utilized along with protocols

designed to foster trust and to build working relationships. These protocols included "constancy dilemmas," "chalk talks," and other types of procedures. The program was intensive and enjoyable.

After the meeting Gillespie stated, "I enjoyed meeting with and discussing the different types of educational programs and concerns with people from so many backgrounds and geographic locations. I would like to thank Cherie McCollough (SCISD employee who works with Annenberg) for making me aware of this opportunity and helping me to plan."

## WTU seeks to recover uncollected fuel costs

AUSTIN — American Electric Power's (AEP) West Texas Utilities (WTU) subsidiary has filed a request with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) for permission to recover in customer bills approximately \$59.5 million in under-collected costs for fuel used to generate electricity. The filing is the result of the continuing increase in natural gas costs throughout the entire country. These costs have exceeded significantly the amount charged to customers.

If approved as requested the surcharge would begin with the May billing cycle and continue

through December. Residential customers using 1,000 kilowatt hours of electricity will see an increase of \$17.40 a month during this seven-month period.

WTU customers this month began seeing the impact of an interim increase in the fuel factors used to determine the fuel charge portion of the bill to more accurately reflect the market price of natural gas. However, this interim increase in fuel factors, which still must receive final approval from the PUCT, did not address the approximately \$59.5 million in uncollected fuel costs for the period from July 2000 to January 2001.

Natural gas prices from July 2000 through January 2001 were up to four times higher than prices during the same period of the prior year. Despite the fact that 43 percent of WTU's generation is fueled by low-cost coal, the sheer magni-

tude of the continued increases in the price of natural gas that began last summer prompted WTU to request the fuel factor increases in January and now the surcharge.

Fuel costs are an expense of generating electricity, which WTU must pay to fuel suppliers. WTU does not make any profit on fuel costs as the PUCT requires that these costs be passed through to customers at the price paid by WTU.

Investor-owned electric utilities in Texas, like WTU, are required by the PUCT to sue fuel factors based on cost estimates to collect the projected cost of fuel used to generate electricity at their power plants. When the actual cost of fuel is significantly more than the amount customers paid in their monthly bills, then PUCT rules require that the utility file a request for permission to recover these amounts through a surcharge.

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