

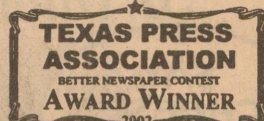
Junior League All-Stars take 3rd in Dist. tournament

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4th Annual Meat Goat Classic held

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Crunch time — The 1995 Buick Skylark (above) owned by Collier Shurley collided with a parked John Deere tractor (at left) belonging to Seidel Construction at about 3:15 a.m. Sunday morning. The right corner of the car impacted the right rear wheel on the tractor, totalling the car, and damaging the tractor's rear wheel and axle.

PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Car loses match with parked tractor

A 1995 Buick Skylark reportedly belonging to Collier Shurley of Eldorado, collided with a parked John Deere tractor at about 3:15 a.m. Sunday morning on North Street in Eldorado. The tractor belongs to Seidel Construction, the contractor that has been resurfacing several streets in the north part of town.

Neighbors nearby reported hearing the collision and seeing

several young males running away from the scene of the accident. Moments following the crash, a resident on West Dorris Street reported seeing someone attempting to get into his pickup which was parked in front of his home. The resident then chased several subjects away and they reportedly fled on foot down North West Street.

Deputy Kevin Herbert and Deputy David Olivan investigated the incident. They say that they believe the car was being driven by a 15 year-old San Angelo youth at the time of the accident and that several other youths may have been pursuing the car on foot.

Deputy David Olivan reports that the '95 Buick was insured but he has yet to obtain a dollar amount for the damage to the tractor. The wreck remains under investigation at press time.

State Comptroller delivers sales tax payments

AUSTIN — Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander sent \$301.3 million in monthly sales tax payments last week to Texas cities, counties, transit departments and special purpose taxing districts.

July sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in May and reported to the Comptroller in June. The state's share of sales tax collected during this period was \$1.1 billion, up 1 percent com-

pared to a year ago. Comptroller Rylander sent sales tax rebates of \$202.7 million to 1,114 Texas cities, up 0.5 percent compared to July 2001. Sales tax rebates of \$17.6 million went to 121 Texas counties, up 0.5 percent compared to one year ago. Sales tax payments for the City of Eldorado, Schleicher County and Schleicher County Health Services Tax are listed below.

For details of July sales tax

payments to other cities, counties, transit departments and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales and Use Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's Web site at:

www.window.state.tx.us/tax-info/allocsum/compsum.html.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, August 9 and will be reported the following week in the Success.

July 2002 Sales Tax Rebates

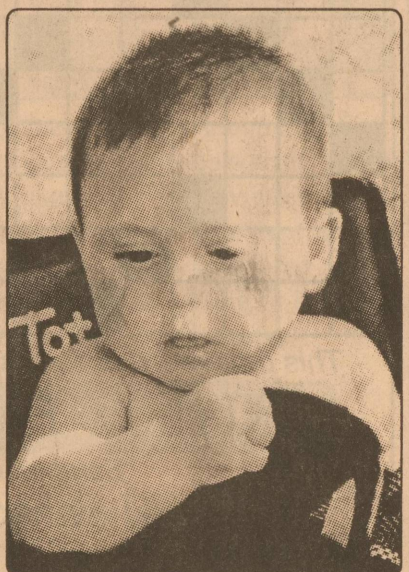
Taxing Entity	July '02	July '01	% Change	2002 YTD	2001 YTD	% Change
City of Eldorado	\$6,673.70	\$6,085.97	9.65% ↑	\$47,122.16	\$51,196.55	7.95% ↓
Schleicher County	\$4,354.22	\$4,994.16	12.81% ↓	\$40,187.91	\$53,071.65	24.27% ↓
Schleicher Co. Health Services Tax	\$5,291.47	\$4,628.98	14.31% ↑	\$40,320.18	\$48,964.38	17.65% ↓

Garcia recovering from fireworks burns

Phillip Garcia, the 8 month-old Eldorado boy who suffered severe burns from fireworks on the evening of July 4, is improving at Parkland Hospital in Dallas.

According to Dr. Jennifer McDougal, young Phillip who suffered burns on 23 percent of his body, is improving in the Intensive Care Unit and is now breathing without assistance. "His burns are healing nicely," the doctor stated, "and he will likely require no surgery for skin grafting."

Phillip is expected to be released from the ICU by midweek and may possibly return home at the end of the week.



Phillip Garcia

Those wishing to contribute to Phillip Garcia's recovery fund may do so by dropping cash in any of the jars that have been distributed around town. Also, a benefit mens softball tournament is planned for August 3rd. Registration is \$75 per team and is open to men of any age or ability. All proceeds from the tournament and the barbecue sale during the event will go to help defray Phillip's medical expenses and associated travel expenses.

Persons interested in signing up for the softball tourney may contact Lee Jimenez at 450-8581 or Sam Hernandez at 853-3501.

Dietz named administrator at SCMC

Nursing Home receives no deficiencies in TDH inspection

Schleicher County Hospital district board of trustees named Sharon Dietz as hospital administrator during a special meeting held on Monday evening, July 15, 2002. The board met behind closed doors with Dietz, hospital consultant Andy Freeman, and interim administrator Larry Baggett. During the executive session the trustees interviewed Dietz for the position.

When the group returned to open session Freeman recommended to the board that Dietz be appointed to the position and the trustees promptly voted unanimously to name Dietz to the post.

At that point board president Randy Mankin offered his congratulations and welcomed Dietz to the SCMC team.

Sharon Dietz is a graduate of Longview College with a degree in Health Care Administration and she has twenty-two years of experience in the health care field. She comes to Eldorado from Guthrie, Oklahoma where she is currently employed by Alterra Healthcare Group.

When Dietz begins her new job at SCMC sometime next month, she will report directly to the board



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

All smiles — Sharon Dietz was appointed to the post of Hospital Administrator Monday evening by the Schleicher County Hospital District board of trustees.

of trustees, however, she will be employed by Preferred Management, the consulting firm that oversees day-to-day operations of the facility. Until Dietz assumes the post, interim administrator Larry Baggett, also an employee of Preferred Management, will continue to fill the administrator's chair.

In other business the board reviewed bids for X-ray and tele-

radiology equipment and discussed the possible purchase of such equipment for the hospital. Trustees present for the meeting included Randy Mankin, Jim Martin, John Callison and Shirley Joiner. Board members Delia Pina and Ricky Fuessel were absent.

The first agenda item under discussion concerned the X-ray equipment. As Larry Baggett reviewed five bids he had received for the equipment he gave the board his impression of each of the five companies.

In the end the board opted to gather more information before deciding on a purchase that could set the hospital district back as much as \$150,000.00. Grant funds are being sought and the trustees noted that a final decision would need to be made before the end of July in order to qualify for a grant through the state Office of Rural and Community Affairs (ORCA), a newly formed agency that merges health care needs with low income housing concerns once handled by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

Another grant being applied for is offered by the San Angelo

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Local and area EMS personnel complete Trauma Life Support training courses here

Eighteen local and area EMS personnel attended a Basic and Advanced Trauma Life Support Course here in Eldorado. The course was hosted by Schleicher County EMS and is provided by Texas Tech Medical Center-El Paso. Five instructors from Texas Tech were on hand for the sixteen-hour course. The curriculum required two eight-hour days of intense study on July 13 and 14.

The course is designed for basic and advanced EMS providers. It emphasizes direct treatment, stabilization, and transport of the trauma patient or patients. Upon completion of the course the students receive a two-year certification from the Basic Trauma Life Support organization.

Those attending from Eldorado were: Melissa Stanford, Tim Vasquez, Connie Andrews, Susie

Richters, Lee Barajas, Michael Faull, Belinda Faull, GERALYN Beach, Lindsay Beach, Maria Hernandez, David Overstreet, Salvador Gallegos, RoseMarie Hernandez, and Sheila Prater. Attending from the area were: Shawna Seton, Kristi Pittman, and John Wimberly.

Trauma victims were played by Tiffany Hernandez, Michael Hill, Kyle Taylor, Nestor Hernandez, and David Doran.

Four arrested, weapons seized on N. Divide

Four people were arrested Tuesday, July 9, after a traffic stop on North Divide uncovered a number of weapons as well as two under age individuals in possession of alcoholic beverages.

Billy Ray Hill, 18, of San Angelo, who was driving the 2001 Dodge pickup involved in the stop, was charged with Minor in Possession of Alcohol. He was booked into the Schleicher County Jail before being released on a citation.

Daniel Shane Davis, 27, of Eldorado, was the owner of the truck. He was reportedly on parole for a previous a DWI conviction. Davis and was charged with Unlawful Possession of Firearm by a Felon when five loaded rifles and one loaded pistol were found in his truck. One of the rifles was a semi-automatic AR-15. Davis was booked into the Schleicher County Jail and later released on a \$20,000.00 surety bond.

Leila Jean Hill, 20, of San Angelo, was also charged with Minor in Possession of Alcohol. She

too was booked into jail before being released on a citation.

Rebecca Ann Simmons, 29, of Eldorado, was charged with Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor. She was later released on a \$2,000.00

surety bond.

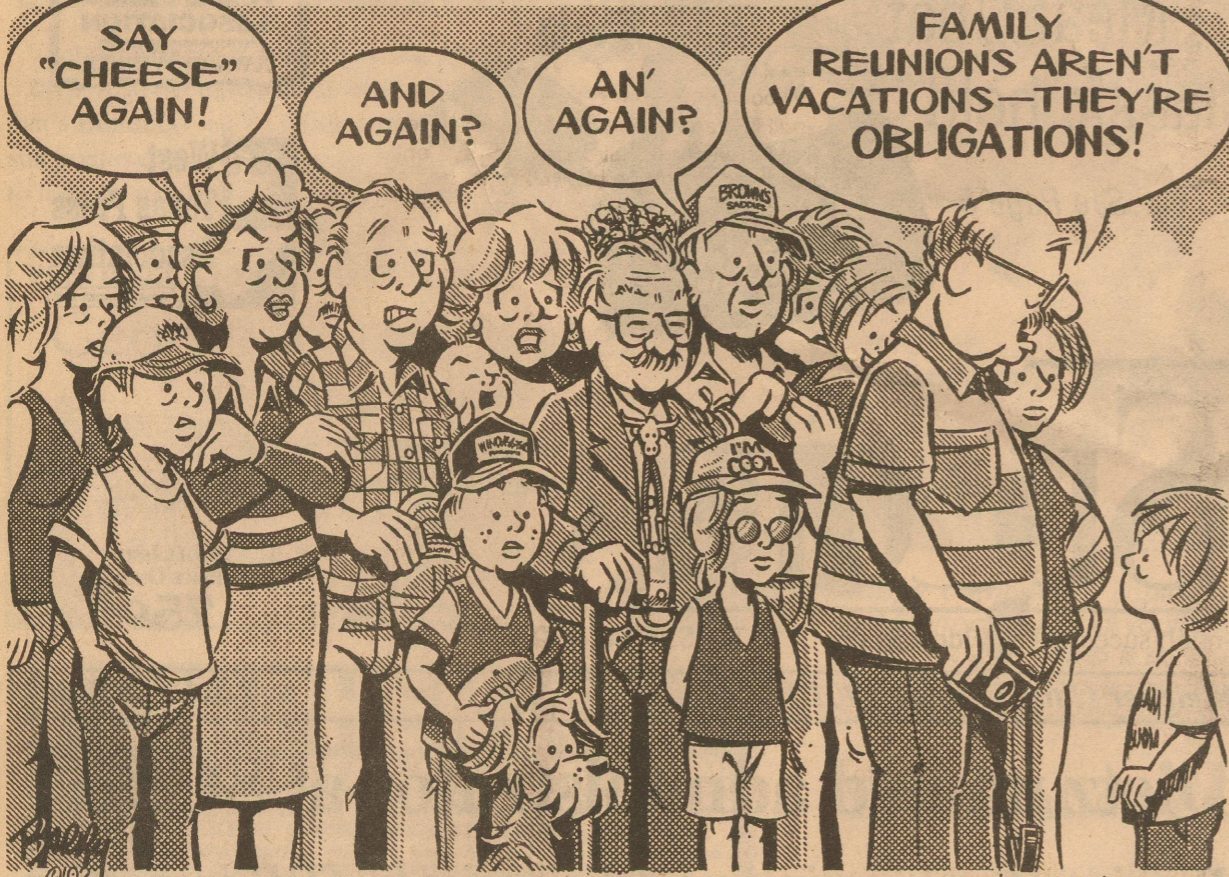
Deputy Jason Chathan reports that the four had been driving around shooting rabbits. A number of dead rabbits were found in the bed of the pickup.



Looking for evidence — Deputy Jason Chatham searched a 2001 Dodge pickup last week after arresting four individuals, one of them on parole was charged with unlawful possession of firearms. Five rifles and one pistol, all of them loaded, were seized as evidence.

PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

57 Family Photos Later...



Or, in other words...it's a dog's life



OVER THE BACK FENCE

by Randy Mankin

"If there are no dogs in Heaven, then when I die I want to go where they went."
Will Rogers

"Dogs love their friends and bite their enemies, quite unlike people, who are incapable of pure love and always have to mix love and hate."
Sigmund Freud

"The reason a dog has so many friends is that he wags his tail instead of his tongue."
Anonymous

"No animal should ever jump up on the dining-room furniture unless absolutely certain that he can hold his own in the conversation."
Fran Lebowitz

"My dog is worried about the economy because Alpo is up to \$3.00 a can. That's almost \$21.00 in dog money."
Joe Weinstein

"Don't accept your dog's admiration as conclusive evidence that you are wonderful."
Ann Landers

"There is no psychiatrist in the world like a puppy licking your face."
Ben Williams

"A dog is the only thing on earth that loves you more than he loves himself."
Josh Billings

"Ever consider what they must think of us? I mean, here we come back from a grocery store with the most amazing haul — chicken, pork, half a cow. They must think we're the greatest hunters on earth!"
Anne Tyler

"If I have any beliefs about immortality, it is that certain dogs I have known will go to heaven, and very, very few persons."
James Thurber

"Women and cats will do as they please, and men and dogs should relax and get used to the idea."
Robert A. Heinlein

"Dogs need to sniff the ground; it's how they keep abreast of current events. The ground is a giant dog newspaper, containing all kinds of late-breaking dog news items, which, if they are especially urgent, are often continued in the next yard."
Dave Barry

"Anybody who doesn't know what soap tastes like never washed a dog."
Franklin P. Jones

"If your dog is fat, you aren't getting enough exercise."
Unknown

"A dog teaches a boy fidelity, perseverance, and to turn around three times before lying down."
Robert Benchley

"I wonder if other dogs think poodles are members of a weird religious cult."
Rita Rudner

"The average dog is a nicer person than the average person."
Andrew A. Rooney

Trans Texas Corridor roadway would bypass I-35

AUSTIN — Ten years from now, motorists may be able to travel from the Red River to San Antonio and beyond on a high-speed, truck-free tollway that bypasses crowded Interstate 35.

A decade sounds like a long time, but that is moving in the fast lane for a major highway construction project.

The Denison to San Antonio to Rio Grande Valley route is one of four routes recently selected by the Department of Transportation as deserving priority in the development of the Trans Texas Corridor.

Designed for phased construction, the Trans Texas Corridor will be a network of corridors up to

State Capital Highlights

by Mike Cox



1,200 feet wide that will have separate lanes for passenger vehicles and trucks, high-speed passenger rail, conventional freight and passenger rail. A dedicated utility zone, 200 feet across, would be reserved for electric transmission, oil and gas pipelines, waterlines and data transmission lines.

Covering 4,000 miles, the corridor would be the largest public engineering project ever undertaken in Texas. Including acquisition

of right of way, cost estimates range from \$145.2 to \$183.5 billion.

So how would it be paid for? The bumper sticker version is that it would be accomplished through a combination of what is known as toll equity, bond money and private investors.

The Texas Transportation Commission released a detailed report on the corridor on June 27. To view the document, check www.dot.state.tx.us/ttc/ttc_home.htm.

Alabama-Coushattas lobby Congress

State Attorney General John Comyn has shut down gambling at the Tigua Indian casino in El Paso and wants to do the same at the Alabama-Coushatta reservation in East Texas. But a federal judge has allowed gaming to continue on the reservation while he weighs its legality in light of complicated treaty considerations.

Tribal chairman Kevin Battise went to Washington to testify before the Senate Indian Affairs committee, hoping for congressional help. Battise told the committee his tribe was not seeking "untold riches" in operating its casino. "We seek what all Americans seek - better schools, better health and better homes."

"Go directly to jail"

Doing time in Texas is still worse than hitting the "Go directly to jail" square on the Monopoly board, but it's better than it used

to be.

Starting in the 1970s and continuing into the '80s, state standards for county lockups became more exacting. Many historic, but not particularly cushy, county lockups were declared obsolete. For a variety of reasons, ranging from overcrowding to old age, the process is continuing.

Thirteen of Texas' 254 counties currently have jails under construction or being renovated, with planning under way in another 45 counties. Interestingly enough, 14 Texas counties don't even have a jail. Those county sheriffs either book their prisoners in a neighboring county facility or use a regional lockup.

High-lites...

Gov. Perry is still ahead in the opinion poll game, but one Republican candidate is behind - U.S. Senate candidate John Cornyn. Former Dallas mayor Ron Kirk, the Democrat in the race to fill the seat being vacated by Phil Gramm, is leading Cornyn in the polls...

Illegal immigrants are traveling up the desolate stretches of the Padre Island National Seashore in hopes of finding jobs in the U.S. The Border Patrol and Coast Guard say increased security elsewhere on the border after September has stimulated the traffic pattern change...

If you haven't received your home owner insurance renewal bill yet, be prepared for a surprise. Rates, along with complaints to the Department of Insurance, are up...



ROLLING ALONG

WITH TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Spitting Seeds at Luling's Watermelon Fest

The announcer screams out, "Nine feet, five inches. That's a good job for Jack Bowman of San Antonio." And the crowd cheers. Competition is fierce at the watermelon seed spitting contest at the Luling Watermelon Thump.

The preliminaries take place on the grounds of the Institute of Texan Cultures in San Antonio during the annual Folklife Festival. At this year's event, James Fenoglio of Nocona won his division with a spit of twenty-nine feet, one inch. He backed up from the spitting line, took a big breath, came forward a couple of steps and launched his seed with a mighty upper body thrust.

"My technique is to just put it in my mouth and blow it. Of course I have to soak it in beer first. I don't like the taste of watermelon, so I have to get that watermelon flavor off of it."

James has won the state tobacco spitting contest. He has several trophies for spitting.

Chris Powell, one of the organizers, strutted around with a hollowed-out watermelon on his head. It covers his entire face has holes for his eyes and mouth. He says it's a pretty good air conditioner and works great until the honey bees show up.

"Course the watermelon smell stays with me for a couple of days after I take it off. It makes my hair kind of sticky."

Fourteen year old Cash Emich of San Antonio was the overall winner at the preliminaries with a

spit of thirty feet, nine inches.

"Just lots of practice," says Cash. "I spit in the house. I'd like to thank my mom for cleaning up all the messes." Commenting on his name, Cash says his parents named him that so they could say they always had plenty of cash.

Jamie Nichols has been Master of Ceremonies for the spitting contest sixteen years. He says his city's annual festival started forty-nine years ago to celebrate a good watermelon crop.

"There was a naming contest and a high school student entered the name The Luling Watermelon Thump and it stuck. Of course thumping is the way you test a watermelon for ripeness."

The record seed spit is sixty-eight feet, nine inches. James says that was set by Lee Wheelis of Luling. "He did that in 1989. That's how long the record has stood."

Luling has an official Spitway, made of concrete and asphalt. It is probably the only one of its type in the world.

The Thump has a fight song. Officials sing it at the end of each age group's competition.

"O when I step up to that starting line, I'm gonna blow with all my might this time. For I am eager and determined to show this grand old town just how good I can do. I'm gonna blow, blow with all my might. I'm gonna send that seed on a record flight. I'm gonna put my name in the Guinness Book, the Guinness Book, just wait and see."

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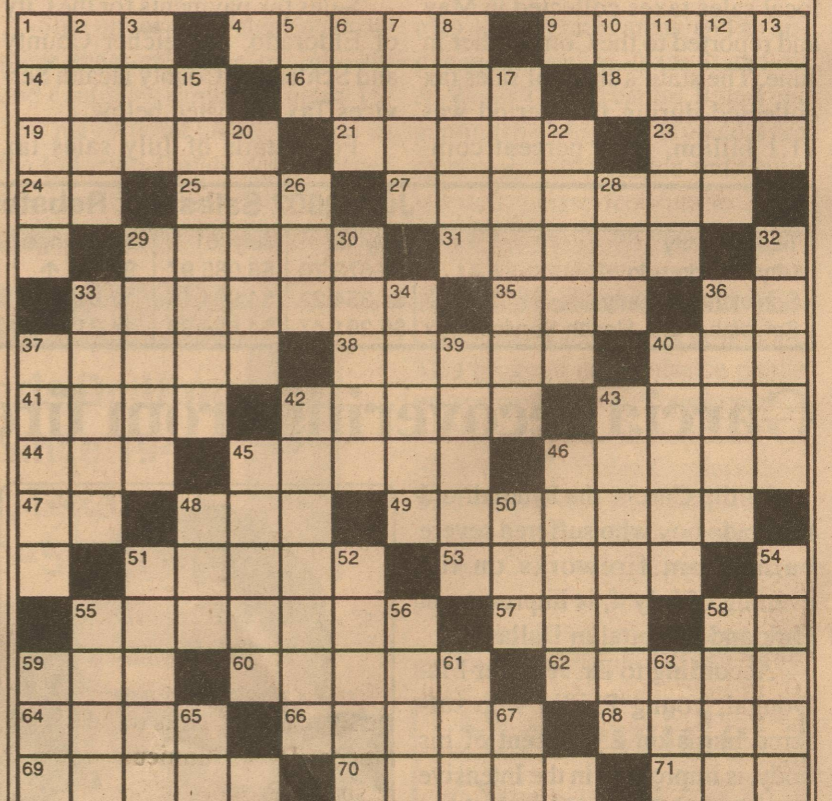
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS		DOWN	
1 Locomote on snow or water	49 Dyspeptic	1 State of matter	46 Fatigued
4 Circular bands	51 River's mouth	2 Knock unconscious or senseless	48 Aegean or Adriatic
9 Country house	53 Large army unit usually consisting of two or more divisions	3 Possessive form of "it"	50 Cut back or trim
14 Vow	55 Hungering	5 Russina river flowing northward to the Arctic Ocean	51 Dismal or gloomy
16 Denuded	57 Favorite or preferred	6 Hard durable wood, especially used for furniture or flooring	52 Clown's caper or prank
18 Balcony necessity	58 12th letter of the Greek alphabet	7 Moveable articles used in a play or movie	54 Rub through a strainer or process in a blender
19 Disintegrations	59 Brewage	8 Brown or yellow finch	55 Detective's hint
21 Asian peninsula	60 Eightsome	10 Iridium, periodically	56 A self-replicating protein molecule
23 Gangster's pistol (slang)	62 Obviate	11 Beer stored for aging	58 Galore or umpteen
24 Closest of Jupiter's moons	64 Twofold	12 Preparator	59 Contribute
25 Afflict	66 Tendon	13 Elevation, for short	61 Tough guy (British slang)
27 Pale Bohemian beer	68 Food that's properly cooked	15 Give encouragement to	63 Fluffy feathered scarf
29 Crawl or fawn	69 Bowler hat	17 Hand over	65 Pound (abbr.)
31 Potassium nitrate	70 Surrendered	20 Screen out	67 Plural of "I"
33 Baltic language	71 A yes vote		
35 Examine carefully			
36 Informal term for a mother			
37 Conical tent			
38 Indiana basketball player			
40 Parcel of land having fixed boundaries			
41 Divine power in Gnostic belief			
42 A small drum with one head of soft calfskin			
43 Remedy			
44 White-tailed sea eagle			
45 Beauty parlor			
46 Imbiber			
47 Suffix indicating resemblance or characteristic			

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OBITUARIES

Owen Albert Fry

ELDORADO — Owen Albert Fry, 87, passed away Friday, July 12, 2002, at his residence in Eldorado.

Graveside service was Monday, July 15, in Eldorado Cemetery.

Owen was born a twin on May 13, 1915, in San Saba County. He married Ora Vondene West on Aug. 1, 1942. He was the father of one child, Barbara Ann Fry.

He was a well-known ranch foreman in Sutton and Schleicher Counties for many years. He had a wealth of knowledge about ranching and ranch animals. He and his wife have resided in Sut-

ton and Schleicher Counties for the past 56 years. They have resided in Eldorado for the past 22 years.

His family included his beloved wife, Ora; his daughter, Barbara; his son-in-law, Jimmy Dean Bryant; four grandchildren, Jerry Dean Bryant, Deana Bryant-Orona, Jimmie Lynn Bryant and Carrie Bryant-Smith. He has one great-grandchild, Amanda Renee Orona.

He impacted his world because he was a man of faith. He was well liked by all who knew him. He was deeply loved and will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

Virginian Louise Bruton



Virginian Louise Bruton, age 83, went to be with the Lord on Thursday, July 11, 2002, at her home with her friends and family.

Rosary was Friday, July 12, in Johnson's Funeral Home with Sister Brigid Mollaghan officiating. Funeral service was Saturday, July 13, at Holy Angels Catholic Church with the Rev. Tom Barley officiating. Burial followed in Eldorado.

Virginia was born July 18, 1918, to Bert and Mabel Hughes. She grew up in Brady. She graduated from the University of Texas where she met and later married Ray Bruton. She and Ray moved to Eldorado, where they farmed and ranched for many years. She was a teacher in the Reynolds community schools. They also farmed and ranched in Dickens County.

She later moved to San Angelo where she was a volunteer for St. John's and Shannon Hospital for more than 27 years. She logged in more than 18,000 hours. She was a current officer of the Texas State Hospital Auxiliary Board. She was a member of Holy Angels Catholic Church, Catholic Daughters, Leading Ladies of San Angelo and New-Timers Club. Her favorite charities include Meals for the Elderly, Baptist Memorials Center and the American Cancer Society.

Her two children, whom she loved dearly, Bert and Shirley Bruton of St. Lawrence and Betsy and Clyde Thackerson of Eldorado, survive her. Her favorite grandchildren were Brenda and Al Schwartz of St. Lawrence, Kim and Eddie Albin of Eldorado, Paul and Patricia Burton of El Campo, and Brent and Lynda Thackerson of Edmond, Okla. She was blessed with 10 great-grandchildren. Also, she is survived by a brother, John and Carolyn Hughes of Corpus Christi.

Her parents, Bert and Mabel Hughes; and her husband, Ray Bruton preceded her in death.

She is loved and cherished in our hearts forever.

Pallbearers were Paul Bruton, Brent Thackerson, Eddie Albin, Al Schwartz, Carlos Mesa and Buddy Poynor. Honorary pallbearers will be the "Pink Ladies" of the Shannon Auxiliary. Memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society.

Kenneth Andrew Menees

Kenneth Andrew Menees was born in Muskogee, Oklahoma, on June 12, 1930, to Lela and Andrew Menees, and passed away on July 9, 2002. He proudly served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War, and retired as an accomplished aircraft maintenance technician for Braniff/Dalfort Corporation. A gifted athlete, Mr. Menees enjoyed sports as a spectator, as well as a participant.

A loving dad, Grandfather, Brother, and Uncle, he will be remembered for his generosity, his sense of humor and his devotion to his family and friends.

Mr. Menees was preceded in death by his wife, Helen Journey Menees; his parents; three sisters, Mary Elizabeth Menees, Emma Lou Chiles and Lois Dedman.

He is survived by three daughters Nikki Menees and Vickie Pin-

ney of Cottonwood, AZ; a son and daughter-in-law, Kenny and Frances Menees of The Colony, TX; three grandchildren Jeanie and Craig Bernier of Denton, Billy Sciscoe of Corpus Christi and Mary Helen Menees of The Colony; two great-grandchildren, Jacob and Alexander Bernier; one brother, Ralph Menees of Dearing, GA; two sisters, Lola Lasis of Coleman and Ruby Franklin of Dallas, formerly of Eldorado; and numerous other family members and friends. Heaven has received an angel.

Graveside services were held July 12, 2002 at the Swisher Cemetery in Lake Dallas.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Christian Community Action of The Colony, 200 South Mill Street, Lewisville, TX 75057.

William C. Bill Sproul

William C. "Bill" Sproul, 89, of San Angelo died Monday, July 8, 2002, at his residence. Graveside service was Wednesday, July 10, in Fairmount Cemetery with the Rev. Grosse Mohler officiating.

Mr. Sproul was born April 23, 1913, in Eldorado to Tobe and Nannie Evans Sproul. He married Bettie Lou Garrett in Mason in 1943. He was owner and operator of Sproul Food Stores in Menard for many years. Bill was a member of First United Methodist

Church.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Robert and J.F. Sproul; and three sisters, Ora Sproul, Ann Knight and Louise Bruton. Survivors include four nieces, Jean Hunnicutt and her husband, Preston, of San Angelo, Sue Cannon of Abilene, Bettie Garrett of Indiana and Mary Holiday of Arkansas; two nephews, Hal Knight of College Station and Alan Garrett and his wife, Judy, of Indiana; and a special friend, Genieva McWhorter of Eldorado.



Juan Sanchez and Dianna Dominguez

Dominguez/Sanchez engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Mario L. Sanchez of Eldorado and Mr. and Mrs. G. Dominguez of San Angelo would like to announce the engagement of their children.

The bride elect is Dianna P. Dominguez of San Angelo. The groom elect is Juan Z. Sanchez of Eldorado. The wedding date is set for August 3, 2002 at the First Christian Church in San Angelo, TX. Officiating the wedding will be Rev. Rudy Luna.

The bride is a 1998 graduate of San Angelo Central High School. The groom elect is a 1998 graduate of Eldorado High School. They both attend Southwest Assemblies of God University in Waxahachie, TX.

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Dear Editor,

I've been thinking. It just doesn't seem fair that I should be the only one having all the fun with the Hysterical District. So I built something in the middle of the district and am conducting a contest to name it, or create a hysterical marker for it. Enter your thoughts by calling me at 853-2434, sending to P. O. Box 199, Eldo... or e-mailing me at:

eldoradotexas@hotmail.com.

The EOBAC committee will peruse the entries, announce the winner in the Success and then paint the sign, etc.

Thanks,
Jim Runge

BIRTHDAY LIST

JULY
18th Carol Estrada, Linda Thomas, Wade Finehart, Mike Brenner
19th B.J. Dacy, Bud Arendt
20th Keith Nolen, Larry Mitchel, Crystal Vallejo, Juan Jesus Martinez, Harvey Hill Jr., Jeremy Ussery, Sabrina Samuels
21st Jeff Johnson, Bobby Helmers, Clint Sykes, Kara Sue Garlitz, David Nolen, Kenneth Hight, Kristin Althaus, Landry Broome, Martin Iglesias Sr.
22nd Drew V. Bosmans, Roy Adame, Alvaro Rojas Jr., Joe Key, Ashley Lozano
23rd Bertha Luz, Coty Tidwell, Corinna Belman, Pam Engdahl Blakeny
24th Sheila Prater, Derek Engdahl, Samantha Santellano

ANNIVERSARIES

JULY
18th Mr. & Mrs. Ken Newman, Jimmy and Sherry Belk
21st Jimmy & Nancy Doyle, David & Kay Creek, Reyes & Mary Lozono
22nd Clay & Lois Burleson
24th Marvin & Z. Hickman

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Jr. League All-Stars finish 3rd in District 4 tournament

Eldorado nine goes 3-2 in tourney

by David E. Hill

The Eldorado Youth Baseball Jr. League All Stars wrapped up their season last weekend in the District 4 Little League Tournament. The tournament, sponsored by Little League, is a double elimination event and the winner advanced to the Regionals in Lubbock. Eldorado finished the tourney in third place losing only to the two teams that finished 1 and 2 in the field. Metro Belman and Tink Wipff coached the team.

Eldorado opened tournament play with an 11 to 1 loss to San Angelo Western. Eldorado just could not get untracked at the plate and struggled defensively. In round two, Eldorado pounded Ballinger 9 to 3. The bats finally woke up for the home team and they played excellent defensive ball and good pitching. The winning continued as Eldorado blasted San Angelo Southern by the 10 run rule 12 to 1. Every thing went well for the Eagles. In Game 4, everyone got his or her monies worth as Eldorado took on Lake View. The Eagles found themselves down early, then fought back to win the game in the final inning for an 8 to 7 win. Last Saturday, Eldorado took on eventual champion San Angelo Northern. The Eagles just could not get anything going offensively and came up on the short end of a 10 to 4 score.

The Eldorado All Star team was composed of Caleb Nixon, Andy Mejia, Lito Trevino, Patrick Chavez, Frank Wipff, Russell Cathey, David Hernandez, Sammy Estrada, Mark

Bybee, Louie Buitron, Artie Montalvo, and Logan Jones.

Here are some of the statistics for the tourney: #12-Lito Trevino: 2 RBIs, 20 at bats, 6 runs, 8 hits, 16 stolen bases, 2 walks, 9 put outs, and 2 doubles. #21-Caleb Nixon: 3 RBIs, 20 at bats, 4 runs, 5 hits, 15 stolen bases, 5 walks, and 9 put outs. #6-Andy Mejia: 4 RBIs, 15 at bats, 4 runs, 5 hits, 6 stolen bases, 1 home run, 3 walks, 4 put outs, and 3 doubles. #2- David Hernandez: 1 RBI, 18 at bats, 3 runs, 5 hits, 10 stolen bases, 4 walks, and 6 put outs. #3-Russell Cathey: 4 RBIs, 17 at bats, 4 runs, 5 hits, 5 stolen bases, 2 walks, 7 put outs, and 2 doubles. #5-Sammy Estrada: 9 at bats, 3 hits, 2 stolen bases, 1 walk, and 5 put outs. #1-Louie Buitron: 8 at bats, 3 stolen bases, 2 walks, and 2 put outs. #11-Logan Jones 2 at bats, 1 walk. #13-Patrick Chavez: 1 RBI, 12 at bats, 4 runs, 4 hits, 10 stolen bases, 2 walks, 2 put outs, and 1 triple. #14-Mark Bybee: 1 RBI, 5 at bats, 1 run, 1 hit, 2 stolen bases, and 1 walk. #20-Artie Montalvo: 13 at bats, 2 runs, 9 stolen bases, 6 walks, and 1 put out. #23-Frank Wipff: 18 at bats, 5 runs, 7 hits, 11 stolen bases, 3 walks, 7 put outs, 1 double, and 1 triple.

The team would like to thank all of those who attended their car wash and assisted them with their uniforms. They also appreciate the excellent fan support they received during the tournament.

Congratulations to this group on a successful season.



Big hitters — Eldorado's Jr. League All-Star team placed 3rd in the District 4 Tournament. Team members are — (Front L-R) Caleb Nixon, Lito Trevino, Russell Cathey, Logan Jones, Louie Buitron, Mark Bybee, Sammy Estrada, David Hernandez (Back L-R) Coach Tinker Wipff, Patrick Chavez, Andy Mejia, Frank Wipff, Artie Montalvo, Coach Metro Belman.

EYB All-Star teams wrap up another successful season

by David E. Hill

Eldorado Youth Baseball's All Star teams have completed another successful summer season of baseball. 2002 was a good year as all of the teams enjoyed a good all star run.

The Minor League All Stars (7 and 8 yr. olds) placed second in the Big Lake Tourney and third in the Crockett County Tournament. This group played tough and were in all of the games they participated in. The All-Star team members were: Eloy Bustos, Blaine Mitchell, Zachary Taylor, Josh Juracek, Austin Barajas, J.R. Martinez, Nathan Jimenez, Ben Wipff, Briley Ledbetter, Miles Mikeska and Robert Buchholz. They were coached by Julian Martinez and Floyd Fay.

The 10 Year Old All-Star team garnered second place in the Big Lake Tourney. After a disappointing outing at home in the Plateau Classic this team regrouped and came back to finish on top in the Junction and Mason Tournaments. All-Star team members were: Ramiro Perez, Mark Garcia, Jonathan Belman, Tony McCord, Marty Powell, Dylan Dombroski, Anthony Mata, Dustin Ramos, Garrett Lux, Shane Young, Aubrey Martinez and Mason Baker.

The team was coached by Lito Belman and Johnny Powell.

The Major League All-Star team (11 and 12's) came in third in the Big Lake Tourney and Plateau Classic and lost tough games in both Junction and Mason to finish out the year. The team was composed of J.Lynn Barajas, Matthew Hill, J.P. Joiner, Michael Redish, Tyler Dombroski, Manny Gonzalez, Milo Vallejo, Rance Cathey, Paul Martinez, David Tirado, Kevin Dykstra, and Jonathan Mejia. The team was coached by David Hill, Jesse Barajas and Ricky Cathey.

A&M lists honor students

COLLEGE STATION — Texas A&M University has named its honor students for the 2002 spring semester, recognizing students for outstanding academic performance. The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least 15 semester hours who have maintained at least a 3.75 grade point ratio (GPR) out of a possible 4.0 during the most recent grading period.

A second designation, "Distinguished Student," recognizes students who earned a 3.25 to 3.75 GPR while taking at least 15 hours.

Four students from Eldorado were among those recognized. They were:

Margaret Elizabeth Anderson and Ben Russell Edmiston, each named to the Dean's Honor Roll, and Jennifer Lee Stafford and Clay Alan Whitten, who were named to the Distinguished Student Roll.

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Annual Meat Goat Classic

The fourth Annual Schleicher County Meat Goat Classic was held here in Eldorado on July 13, 2001 in the renovated show barn. Participants from all across the state were in attendance for the event and a total of 81 animals were entered. Brad Roeder of San Angelo was the judge for this year's Meat Goat Classic.

Grand Champion honors went to Katie Wallace from Lampasas and Reserve Champion went to Jaymie O'Harrow of Eldorado. Jaymie is the son of Jay and Lisa O'Harrow. Senior Showmanship went to Allie Bean of Ozona while the Intermediated Showmanship went to Brittany Prince of Vernon. Pee-wee Showmanship honors went to Carli McAngus of Eldorado. Carli is the daughter of Tim and Nancy McAngus. Brittany Edmiston from McCamey was the

lucky participant whose name was drawn from all the participants to receive the full blood doe kid. The doe kid was donated by Jack and Lois Dean.

Other local participants included: Class 2-Jaymie O'Harrow (2nd and 4th Places), Class 3-Carli McAngus (5th Place), Class 5-Jaymie O'Harrow (2nd, 6th, 8th Place) and Miles Mikeska (9th Place), and Class 7-Jaymie O'Harrow (2nd 8th and 10th Place), Briley Ledbetter (11th Place) and Carli McAngus (5th Place).

Many thanks to all the volunteers and donors who help make this show possible. Each year we receive many comments about the show and how people look forward to coming to Eldorado. Again, many thanks and congratulations to all the winners.



Mindy Haynes and Scott Briley

COURTESY PHOTO

Haynes/Briley engagement set

Mindy Haynes of Eldorado and Scott Briley of San Angelo will be married August 3, 2002, at First Presbyterian Church of Eldorado.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Haynes of Eldorado. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. Lonny Briley of San Angelo.

Miss Haynes is a 1997 gradu-

ate of Eldorado High School and a graduate of Angelo State University with a Bachelor of Science degree and is employed as a teacher by the Ozona School District.

Her fiancé is a 1997 graduate of Christoval High School and is currently employed with Cox Communication in San Angelo.

The bride-elect grandparents are Joyce and Ken Jackson of Andrews; Bud and Shirley Haynes of Mertzon; Dewey and Alice Meyers of Odessa and Carolyn Meyers of Odessa.

Her fiancé grandparents are Faith and Sid Corley of San Angelo; Bob Briley, deceased; Bonnie and Donald Elliott; and Koot Dry, deceased.

A&M names spring grads

COLLEGE STATION - Barbara Anne Hoyle of Eldorado was among 4,929 graduates receiving diplomas from Texas A&M University during spring commencement ceremonies. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Agronomy.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

2002 Showmanship Winner Meat Goat Classic — Carli McAngus won the Showmanship Award in the Pee Wee Division at the Schleicher County Meat Goat Classic held at the Ag barn last Saturday.

Meals for Friends Menu

Monday, July 22
Meatloaf w/ Tomato Gravy, Black-eyed Peas, Honey Glazed Carrots, Cornbread, Melon Salad, Milk

Tuesday, July 24
Polynesian Chicken Salad, Sweet Peas, Wheat Bread, Golden Salad, Vanilla Pudding, Milk

Wednesday, July 25
Steak Fingers w/ Cream Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Steamed Broccoli, Dinner Roll, Peach Cobbler, Milk

Thursday, July 26
Oven Baked Pork Chops, Zucchini & Yellow Squash Medley, Corn w/ Red Peppers, Wheat Roll, Tossed Salad, Fresh Fruit Parfait, Milk

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ROAD TO PERDITION (R)	2:15
CROCODILE HUNTER (PG)	12:45 3:00
HALLOWEEN RESURRECTION (R)	1:10 3:15
MINORITY REPORT (PG13)	1:00

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Evening Showtimes for Monday-Sunday

K-19 THE WIDOWMAKER (PG-13)	5:05 6:50 9:55
REIGN OF FIRE (ds) (PG13)	4:15 7:40 10:15
ROAD TO PERDITION (R)	5:15 7:00 9:45
ROAD TO PERDITION (R)	5:10 8:00
CROCODILE HUNTER (PG)	7:20 9:25
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SCRA Rodeo Assn. seeks volunteers

Troy Daniels, president of the Schleicher County Rodeo Association announced this week that his group needs volunteers to help with the Tri-County Team Roping on July 27, 2002, as well as with the annual Schleicher County Open Rodeo on August 2 & 3. Daniels noted that through the years the Rodeo Association has been very generous to any number of non-profit organizations within the county. He said that he is now calling on groups that have routinely looked to the Rodeo Association for donations and is asking them for help. Volunteers are needed to assist with a number of tasks. Persons interested in volunteering are encouraged to contact Troy Daniels at 853-2202.

The Blotter

The Blotter is a summary of the previous week's activity by 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
July 9 • Davis, Daniel Shane, male age 27, arrested by SC Officer, charge Unlawful Carry of Weapon.

Released on \$20,000 Surety. Billy Ray Hill, male age 18, arrested by SC Officer, charge Minor In Possession. Released on Citation. Hill, Leila Jean, female age 20, arrested by SC Officer, charge Minor In Possession. Released on Citation. Simmons, Rebecca Ann, female age 29, arrested by SC Officer, charge Furnishing Alcohol to Minor. \$2,000 Surety Bond.

July 10 • Barker, Jennifer, female age 21, arrested by SC Officer, charge Affidavit To Release. \$1,000 Surety Bond.

July 14 • Shurley, Collier Mitchell, male age 21, arrested by SC Officer, charge Assault Causing Family Violence. Released on \$2,000 Surety Bond.

Martinez, Timothy Ross, male age 17, arrested by SC Officer, charge Disorderly Conduct.

Belman, Lance Everett, male age 19, arrested by SC Officer, charge Assault Cause Bodily Injury Family Violence. Released on \$2,000 Bond.

Morrison, Oran Leroy, male age 64, arrested by SC Officer, charge Driving While Intoxicated (3rd or More). Released \$5,000 Surety Bond.

REPORTS
July 9 • 9:25 p.m. Complainant stated that there was a subject over at apartment complex and subject had a Criminal Trespass served. Officer responded.
July 11 • 8:05 a.m. Subject reported a ewe on Hwy. FM 915, 1/2 mile of city limits. Dispatcher unable to contact owner by phone.
• 7:30 p.m. Complainant requested a welfare check on a local residence. Officer responded and found everything OK. Subject was not home.
• No Time Complainant on N. Divide stated that someone had broken into their residence although nothing was found missing when they arrived home. Complainant stated this occurred between 2 a.m. and 6:15 a.m. Complainant requested a house watch.
• 9:58 p.m. Complainant on San Antonio stated that there was a woman fighting with boyfriend. Officer responded.
July 12 • 12:06 p.m. Caller requested an ambulance for husband. EMS and officers responded. Officer notified dispatch to contact Justice of the Peace.
• 11:36 p.m. Complainant stated that there was possibly a reckless driver in a blue supercab pickup. Officer responded.
July 13 • 5:08 p.m. Complainant requested an officer check on a over due aircraft. Officer responded check airport and was unable to locate.
• 6:53 p.m. Complainant requested an officer for a Civil Standby. Officer responded.
• 7:08 p.m. Hospital requested an ambulance for an ACLS transfer. EMS responded.
• 9:28 p.m. Complainant requested to speak with an officer about a female subject threatening their daughter. Officer responded. At 11:02 p.m. complainant called back and requested to speak with an officer because they were still receiving harassing calls.
July 14 • 3:17 a.m. Complainant stated that there was a one vehicle accident on W. Dorris and North Street and they were unsure of any injuries. Sheriff Office received three other calls on same complainant. Sheriff Office contacted complainant and they stated that subject had fled their scene on foot. Officers responded.
• 5:19 a.m. Complainant on North Street stated that there was an intoxicated subject in front of their home and their arms were cut up and bleeding. Officer and EMS responded.
• 11:54 a.m. Subject requested an officer at the apartments on Eastfield Dr. Parties were separated.
• 10:20 p.m. Complainant on E Murchinson (Hwy. 190 East) reported some possible Criminal Mischief. Officer responded.
• 11:35 p.m. Complainant at apartments requested an ambulance. Officers and EMS responded.
July 15 • 2:17 p.m. Complainant reported goats out near FM 1828 and that they had hit one goat but it was not dead. No damage done to vehicle. Officer responded and message left for possible owner.

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Griff-Ko plans open house

An open house is planned for Monday, July 29, 2002 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the newly remodeled office/retail complex (former Glidden's Building) on W. Gillis Avenue. Company president James Kosub invites everyone to stop by for the open house and dedication and to tour the newly created office and retail spaces.

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Happy campers — Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran transported four local youths to Camp Hoblitzelle at Midlothian this week. The camp is sponsored each year by the Salvation Army. Pictured above are (Front L-R) Dustin Romos, Josh Taylor, (Back L-R) Jasmine Romero, Sheriff Doran and Crystal Hamilton.

Youths attend Camp Hoblitzelle

Crystal Hamilton, Jasmine Romero, Dustin Romos and Josh Taylor were among the lucky youths chosen for a fun filled week of horse back riding, swimming, sports, boating, fishing and a tour of a full-size Calvary Fort, located at Camp Hoblitzelle in Midlothian Texas.

Salvation Army Chairman Sheriff David Doran drove the Eldorado Youths to Brownwood Texas on Monday, July 15th, and from there they met with approx. 20 other youths from this region and traveled to Midlothian Texas, 34 miles southwest of Dallas.

Hospital board meeting held

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Health Foundation. That application is due by Sept. 30, 2002.

In a related matter Larry Baggett explained that he and Dr. Patrick Taylor will be traveling to San Angelo this week to meet with physicians at Shannon Hospital. It is hoped that a radiologist can be

found who will participate in the as many group insurance plans as possible. Currently the hospital's X-ray charts are read by a Kerrville radiologist who does not participate in a Blue Cross and Blue Shield PPO (Preferred Provider Organization) that is a provided to many local workers.

The trustees then approved a lease agreement with Dr. Taylor that assigns approximately 120 square feet of clinic space for his private use. This is important since the clinic is being converted to a Rural Health Clinic, a distinction that seems to be important only to Medicare. However, once the new program is in place, any part of the clinic used by Dr. Taylor for his private practice will not be subject to cost reimbursement under Medicare. So, Dr. Taylor will lease the 120 square feet of space for approx. \$1,200.00 per year.

Board president Randy Manekin then asked Andy Freeman to update the board on a recent Nursing Home survey by the Texas Department of Health. Freeman explained that TDH surveyors carried out an annual inspection of the local nursing home on Monday, July 1st and Tuesday, July 2nd, and reported finding no deficiencies nor reported any concerns about the nursing home.

Before adjourning the board agreed to move their regular monthly meeting to Thursday, July 25th due to scheduling conflicts.

Local artists featured this weekend at Woolen Mill

An arts festival will be held this weekend at the Eldorado Woolen Mill. Spearheaded by Kathryn Gonzales, a high school senior who was employed at the mill under the Summers Job Program, Along with other works, the festival will feature the work of local artists.

The public is invited to the festival on Friday, July 19 between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. It opens again Saturday morning at

9:00 a.m. and continues until noon. Local artists will be featured during the Saturday showing.

The festival will also include a treasure hunt, door prizes, open house and plenty of fun for the whole family.

The Summer Jobs Program is funded in part by the Rural Trust/Annenberg Program at Schleicher County ISD. All proceeds from the festival will benefit the Eldorado Woolen Mill Foundation.

School board meets, accepts resignation of trustee Whitten

The Schleicher County ISD board of trustees met briefly July 16, 2002 in a rare early morning session for the purpose of hiring a new math teacher and accepting the resignation of trustee Sam Whitten, Jr.

Board members Jo Helen Kotsch, Eddie Albin, John Paul Joiner and Kurtis Homer were present for the meeting. Trustee Phil McCormick was absent. Also in attendance were Superintendent George Blanch and Financial Director Loretta Edmiston.

The board voted to employ Jesse Garza as a high school math teacher and coach. Garza and his wife Shelby are moving to Eldorado from Rankin where he was a math teacher and assistant football, basketball and track coach. Garza is a graduate of Angelo State University with a bachelor's degree in Kinesiology and Mathematics.

Ms. Garza is a certified paraprofessional, will be employed part-time by the district to oversee the Distant Learning Lab.

Next the board was received the resignation of trustee Sam Whitten, Jr., who cited demands of a new job as his reason for step-

ping down. Whitten was the fifth person to hold the board seat in Single Member District 5 since the adoption of the seven at-large district plan a few years ago. Thomas Martinez was the first to hold the seat, followed by Filipe Pina, Ruby Minor, Roxanne Adame and Sam Whitten, Jr.

Supt. Blanch said that several individuals had been approached about filling the position but none of them were interested.

Blanch also told the board he had consulted with the school's Attorney Sara Leon, who is overseeing the redrawing of the new six single-member districts and one at-large district plan. Ms. Leon reported that there will be little change in SMD 5.

Blanch added that he would get a new list of registered voters in SMD 5 and make it available to the board of trustees so they could try to recruit an individual to fill the vacant position. He said that the board can either fill the vacancy or let the seat remain vacant until the next election.

The board tabled further discussion until its next meeting on Monday, July 22.

Sheep & goat validation time

by Scott Edmonson

Once again this year, we will be validating all sheep and goat projects that will be entering the major livestock shows. This is not optional and anyone who wants to participate in the major livestock projects must have their animals validated through the statewide validation program. Please note that this is for major livestock shows only.

However, there is also a validation for those animals that will show at the county only. Therefore, if you are intending on show-

ing at the Schleicher County Livestock, Food and Project Show or any of the major livestock shows with a lamb or goat, you must turn in your orders for validation tags no later than August 21, 2002. All you need to do is call the Extension office and place your order. Please have an accurate count as possible.

Validation will take place during the month of October and the exact dates will be announced later. If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call at 853-2132.

Water Enhancement Program sign-up July 15 - August 15

Sign up for the Water Enhancement Program began on July 15, and continues through August 15. You may fill out an application in the Eldorado-Divide Soil & Water Conservation District Office. All landowners were mailed a letter,

map of designated areas, and an application from the Texas State Soil & Water Conservation Board regarding this program. If you did not receive this information and are interested, please feel free to come by our office.

This is a state funded program for all eligible landowners that fall within the designated area for cost share. This program is to enhance public water supplies through brush control. At the close of the sign up the Texas State Soil & Water Conservation Board will review and rank all applications. Funding for this project is limited. Only the highest priority applications will be funded.

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