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Warrant reveals alleged hoax calls continued for days after YFZ raid

Caller claimed to be in San Angelo shelter

An arrest warrant was issued for Rozita Swinton of Colorado, Springs, Colorado on April 16, 2008, by a district court in El Paso County Colorado. The affidavit filed in support of the warrant reveals that Ms. Swinton is the woman who allegedly placed hoax telephone calls that prompted the raid on the YFZ Ranch. Not only did Swinton's calls allegedly trigger the raid, but they continued much longer than the public was originally told and well after hundreds of women and children were removed from the YFZ Ranch and taken to shelters in San Angelo.

The affidavit indicates that Schleicher County Reserve Deputy John Conner received calls from a woman identifying herself as Sarah, saying that she was in one of the shelters but that she was being observed by her sister wives and was unable to identify herself to CPS workers or

law enforcement officers.

The caller further stated that she was told by her sister wives that CPS workers were trying to poison the people from the YFZ Ranch with food in "shiny wrap-

At one point, the caller noted that it had rained the night before in San Angelo. A fact verified by Texas Ranger Kemp, who was assigned to the case in San Angelo.

The caller, who identified herself as Sarah Barlow, contacted a shelter for battered women in Snohomish County, Washington on April 10, 2008, seven days fter the raid began. An operator at the shelter contacted Deputy John Conner and set up a 3-way conversation with her. At

that time, the caller said that girls at the shelter had received teddy bears and that the boys received small toy cars, another bit of information verified by officers and CPS workers at the shelter.

The caller ended the call as she had several others by saying that her sister wives were coming.

In another call, Deputy Conner asked if he could assist the caller in contacting him. He said he would wear any color shirt she suggested. The woman would only say that he should not to wear red.

Most of the calls were reportedly made from trac-phone type cellular telephones, making the calls difficult to trace.

But by this time, law enforcement officials were very suspicious, aided by the fact that the caller contacted the Snohomish County shelter 28 times between March 29th through April 12th. The Newbridge Family Shelter was contacted 16 times between March 29th and April 5th. Numerous other calls were made to other shelters around the nation, including one in Florida.

Finally, the U.S. Marshals and FBI were contacted to help trace the phone calls. That led to contact with officials in Colorado Springs. Law enforcement officers there identified Ms. Swinton as someone who had a history of making false reports of abuse.

Apparently, it was two such messages from Swinton on March 29th & 30th in which she said she was a 16-year-old girl named Sarah with an 8-month old baby SEE YFZ RAID ON PAGE 8



Lamar Johnson and his son Jake Johnson came forward last Thursday to submit to DNA testing ordered by 51st District Judge Barbara Walther. Lamar Johnson is considered one of the elders of the FLDS church. None of the other leaders at the YFZ Ranch were willing to come forward.

Utah accountant sets his

sights on assets at YFZ Ranch **Local officials told that YFZ** San Angelo attorney hired to assist in the effort children were home schooled

SCISD Superintendent Billy Collins says he and Sheriff David Doran met with Merrill Jessop and Richard J. Barlow of the YFZ Ranch on January 21, 2008 concerning the children at ranch and their schooling needs.

Jessop and Barlow provided Collins with a letter stating that the children at the YFZ Ranch were attending a private chool "designed to provide education in reading, writing, spelling, math, and good citizenship."

The letter continued by saying that the school season extends from September to

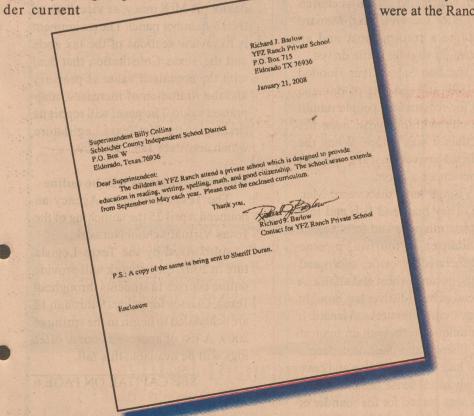
May of each year. Collins notes that the document was the only thing required un-

Texas law. But, the men went further and provided Collins with a year-by-year breakdown of the school's curriculum for the 1st through 8th grades and an overall curriculum for the high school.

The meeting was arranged by Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran and took place in his office. Chief Deputy George Arispe also sat in on the meeting.

Collins says that he and Doran had met twice previously with Merrill Jessop, beginning in the Fall of 2006 and then again in 2007. Both times they were assured the children at the YFZ Ranch were being properly school. He said there was

> never an indication as to how many children were at the Ranch.



Bruce Wisan was appointed Special Fiduciary over the United Effort Plan Trust in June of 2005 after a Utah judge found that FLDS Prophet Warren Jeffs and his fellow trustees were not prop-

erly overseeing the fund. Since that time, Wisan has tried to gain control of the trust's estimated \$100 million in assets. A job that was complicated by lack of cooperation from Jeffs loyalists living on UEP owned property in Hildale, Utah and Colorado City, Arizona. Equally frustrating was the action city councils of Hildale and Colorado City, also comprised of Jeffs' faithful followers.

But, little by little, Wisan has chipped away at the wall of secrecy that surrounds much of the day-today activities in C-City/Hildale. And, little by little, he became convinced that Warren Jeffs and his followers were funneling assets away from the trust he was assigned to oversee and converting them into cash to send to the YFZ Ranch near Eldorado, Texas where the group was building a new community, and an enormous white limestone temple.

Wisan recently hired San Angelo attorney Samuel Allen to represent the trust's interest in Texas. On Wednesday, April 16, 2008, Allen served subpoenas on 51st District Attorney Stephen R. Lupton and Assistant District Attorney Allison Palmer on April 16 requesting the access to documents and items seized during the 6-day-long raid on the YFZ Ranch.

The subpoenas seek documents and tangible objects that might indicate a connection between the YFZ Ranch

and a long list of defendants including: Warren S. Jeffs, Truman Barlow, Leroy S. Jeffs, James K. Zitting, William E. Jessop a/k/a William E. Timpson and the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Wisan is seeking any records that might reveal assets belonging to the defendants in hopes of satisfying an \$8.8 million judgement he won against them on behalf of the UEP Trust.

Wisan has already satisfied part of that judgement by seizing property owned by the church in Utah and Arizona, including a large diary farm near Beryl, Utah.

Still, more that \$4 million remains to be paid. Plus there are attorney fees and fees due to Wisan's accounting firm that have not been paid.

At first there appeared to be few if any legal ties between the YFZ Ranch, owned by YFZ Land, L.L.C. and the FLDS church.

However, as lawmen descended on the ranch during the recent raid, Merrill Jessop, the man who oversees daily operations at the ranch, and Isaac Jeffs, a brother to Warren Jeffs, filed a motion to quash the search warrant. On the motion to quash, the men listed the FLDS church as a petitioner. Among other things the motion sought to prohibit lawmen from entering the FLDS Temple, located on the YFZ Ranch.

Judge Barbara Walther denied the motion and the search continued.



This building, widely referred to as the Temple Annex is where lawmen are rumored to have found a vault during the raid on the 6-day-long YFZ Ranch that began Thursday, April 3rd

The Olympics: **Bush Shouldn't Go**

"The journey of harmony" isn't living up to its name.

That's what organizers of the Olympic Games dubbed the tour of the Olympic torch before realizing that the flame would have to be secreted away during its ceremonial meanderings. It was extinguished at least once in Paris as pro-Tibet protesters besieged it, and in San Francisco it popped up unannounced in unexpected places lest demonstrators create an unseemly ruckus.

If they have a sense of humor, the gods of public relations must be smiling. China celebrated landing the 2008 Summer Olympics as a global PR coup that would seal its status as an internationally respect-



able power of the first rank. Instead, China is reaping the embarrassment that comes with cracking skulls in Tibet and abetting genocide in Sudan as the world's eyes turn to it as the host of an event devoted "to

promoting a peaceful society concerned with the preservation of human dignity."

If the games weren't a de facto seal of approval, thugs wouldn't pant over hosting them. Hitler worked to keep the 1936 Olympic Games -awarded to Berlin in 1931 prior to his rise to power -- in Germany. For good reason: historian William Shirer says that turned them into "a dazzling propaganda success for his barbarian regime." In its eagerness to keep the Summer Games in Seoul in 1988, the then-authoritarian state of South Korea didn't crush protesters, thus arguably paving the way for its eventual political opening.

China won't be so gingerly, but to the extent the games become the occasion for embarrassment for Beijing rather than glorious self-congratulation, the better. The torch should be harried, and Western leaders should stay away from the opening

All of this is mere symbolism, of course. For China, though, it's the ceremony and the pretty picture that matter most.

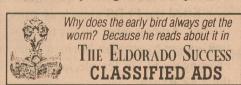
President Bush hasn't declared himself about the opening ceremony, understandably. If he says he won't go now, he'll lose any leverage over the Chinese. But ultimately he can't go, unless he wants to repeat his father's experience of rubbing shoulders with Chinese officialdom fresh from a crackdown. Bush has talked about religious freedom more than any other American president. In the past, he hasn't hesitated to irk China, meeting with the Dalai Lama in the White House.

It is the misfortune of Beijing that it has lost the cachet it once had on the left. The country is associated less with Mao's Little Red Book than with capitalist development and rampant pollution, making it an acceptable target for moral censure. It helps that Tibet's most famous representative is a Buddhist monk and that the autonomy of a landlocked Central Asian region at 16,000 feet is a cause safely sequestered from any hint of the American national interest.

Tibet will surely get more restive rather than less as the August games approach. They are simply too good a platform for international attention (the 1989 Tiananmen Square protests began upon a high-profile visit by Mikhail Gorbachev). China will respond brutishly and hope its Olympic stagemanagement still comes off without a hitch

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Standing with our Neighbors

by Teresa Todd

Last week a friend made a very wise statement: How we treat the weakest among us is how we as a society should be judged.

In that context, I would like to commend the Child Protective Services caseworkers and law enforcement officers who removed over 400 children from the polygamist compound up the road in Eldorado,

When I heard the news, the first thing I felt was relief for the children, especially the young girls. The second thing I felt was empathy for the caseworkers, lawyers, judges, court staff, law enforcement, Children's Advocacy Center interviewers, and CASA volunteers who would soon be absolutely overwhelmed, not just with the sheer numbers of their new cases, but also with the unenviable task of performing their duties under the ever-invasive eye of the national press.

I experienced this phenomenon during my tenure as Presidio County Attorney, as the press descended en masse on our courthouse two times in the spring of 1997. The first time was after the Republic of Texas standoff in late April, when Rick McLaren and his cronies were brought to the Presidio County Jail.

Less than a month later, Presidio High School student Esequiel Hernandez, Jr. was gunned down near his home in Redford, Texas by U.S.

And Another Thing....



Marine Corporal Clemente Bañuelos. I felt nothing but contempt for the hundreds of scoop-hungry reporters that descended like Old Testament locusts, and nothing but sadness for the Hernandez family, who was engulfed each day by an intrusive, screaming horde as they made their long walk into the courthouse.

That sadness is what I feel now when I watch girls in Little House on the Prairie dresses being shepherded from place to place. No child should have to endure great personal tragedy with a TV camera in her face.

So who are these people? The Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (FLDS) splintered off from the Mormon Church in the 1930s when the Mormon leadership officially renounced polygamy. The controlling principle of the FLDS was then and continues to be plural marriage, and its practitioners believe that no man with fewer than 3 wives can attain the Kingdom of God.

Since 2002, the FLDS has been led by Warren Jeffs. Jeffs is currently doing time, after being

convicted in Utah on two counts of aiding rape by using his influence in 2001 to pressure a 14 year-old girl into marrying her 19 year-old cousin. He informed the uncooperative girl that she "risked her salvation" if she didn't go through with the marriage.

Having worn out his welcome in Utah, Jeffs and his followers bought their Yearning for Zion Ranch in Schleicher County in 2003, relocated, and began constructing their own temple and town. You know, the No One Goes In, No One Goes

There are many things about this sad situation that I do not understand. I don't understand the mystery of which kids go with which mothers. Apparently the "sister wives" raise their children communally, so many of the children don't actually know which woman is their own birth mother. The Judge recently ordered DNA testing of all 437 children and the polygamous adults in order to prove paternity... and maternity.

I do not understand how any mother can bring up her children in this type of environment, or give her underage daughters up for marriage to adult men. There has simply got to be something inside you screaming that this is wrong. For this reason, I have no pity for any of the mothers who have done this, and I don't think they should

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Governor asks for help in curbing food and feed prices

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - With grocery bills and livestock feed prices inching higher and higher, Gov. Rick Perry asked a federal agency to help bring relief.

In a letter dated April 25, Perry requested a waiver from the Environmental Protec-

tion Agency to TEXAS cut the renewable fuel mandate for ethanol produced from grain by 50 percent. The waiver, if granted, would provide Texans with re-



lief at the grocery store and enable the Texas livestock industry to continue providing its big share of the nation's food supply, Perry said. "We appreciate the good intentions behind the push for renewable fuels. In fact we're diversifying our state's energy portfolio at a rapid rate, but this misguided mandate is significantly affecting Texans' family food bill," Perry said. The renewable fuel mandate increases corn crop diversion to ethanol production through 2015. The Energy Policy Act of 2005 established the mandate, and amended by the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007.

Count of YFZ children increases

The number of children removed from the polygamist YFZ Ranch near Eldorado on April 3 and ensuing days originally was tabulated at 416. The count increased to 437, and then climbed to 462. The increase from 437 to 462 accounts for the discovery that at least 25 of the mothers who left the religious sect's 1,700-acre ranch compound are in fact less than 18 years of age. Ranch children have been transferred to state-certified foster homes, with their parentage to be determined and legal status still up to Texas courts of law. In a related development, authorities identified 33year-old Rozita Swinton, a Colorado Springs, Colo., woman, as a "person of interest" in calls made to a crisis hotline that resulted in law enforcement intervention at the ranch compound. The Texas Rangers are investigating.

Due date for new tax is extended .

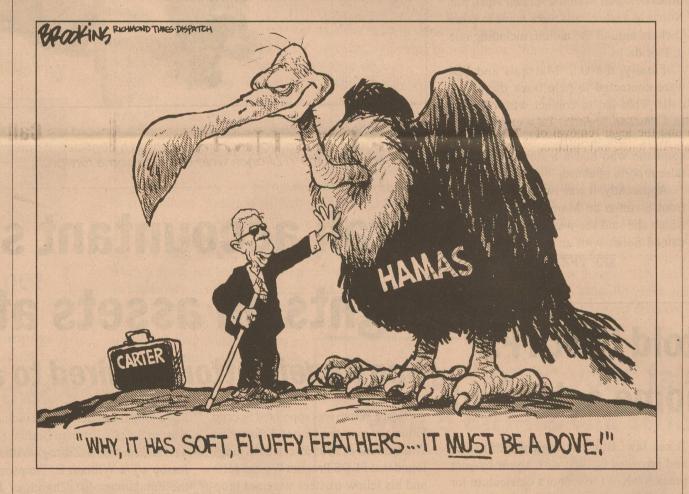
Texas Comptroller Susan Combs on April 22 announced that businesses unable to meet the May 15 due date for the franchise tax will have an additional 30 days to submit their returns or file an extension without penalty. The complexity of the revised franchise tax and the newness of the enhanced electronic reporting methods have caused concern among taxpayers statewide, Combs said. Panel to study property taxes House Speaker Tom Craddick on April 24 announced the formation of the Select Committee on Property Tax Relief and Appraisal Reform. Craddick named Rep. Jim Otto, R-Dayton, as chair and Rep. Ken Paxton, R-McKinney, as vice chair of the 13-member panel. The assignment is to review sections of the tax code and the Texas Constitution that deal with the appraised value of property and the limitation of increases in appraised value. The panel will report its findings to the 81st Texas Legislature, which convenes Jan. 13, 2009.

High school classes will be online

The Texas Education Agency announced April 25 the launching of the Texas Virtual School Network.

Authorized by the Texas Legislature in 2007, the network will provide online courses to students throughout Texas. Classes for grades 9 through 12 are scheduled to begin in the spring of 2009. A list of approved course offerings will be available this fall.

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Menard is a City of Practical Jokers

I had the distinct pleasure of speaking to Menard's annual chamber of commerce banquet the other night. It was something I had wanted to do for a long time because I wanted to tell the residents of Menard how much material I have found there and how much enjoyment I've had visiting the city. I've met some fascinating people in Menard.

So many of them mentioned practical jokes that have been pulled in the city. Someone at the banquet told me a book has been written about some of the better ones. I did a story one time on Menard's Big Broadcast. Some enterprising folks thought they would rig up some wires and tell everybody that a live show from Menard was going to be broadcast on the radio statewide. On the day of the supposed broadcast, a large crowd gathered in the park. A flatbed trailer truck served as the stage and there was entertainment. The broadcast never went past the park.

During that event someone in the crowd was told that he had won the Irish Sweepstakes. He was severely disappointed to learn

Tumbleweed Smith

it was a joke.

One Menard resident put a live bobcat in a suitcase and put it beside Highway 83. Another one told me about a man who had too much to drink one night and some of his friends put him in a casket in the funeral home.

Menard is a place on the San Saba River. The bridge that crosses the river is surrounded by dozens of huge pecan trees that are so inviting you want to stop and have a picnic or just sit in the cool shade.

Menard County is a land of prairie and hills, of creeks and old canals. The dark soils are alkaline and grow live oak, juniper and mesquite, which provide the perfect playground for deer, turkey, javelina, squirrel, fox, raccoon, coyotes and bobcats.

The Apaches loved the area around Menard. So did the Comanches. A few pioneer cattlemen arrived in the 1840's and found the place worth fighting for. Soon there was a store, a blacksmith shop and a saloon. New settlers arrived by oxcart and stagecoach. Early schools were held under shade trees or in one-room buildings, which also served as churches. After the civil war, Menard became a trading post and an overnight stop for cattle drives.

The San Saba River flooded in 1899 and did lots of damage, but the resourceful people rebuilt the city within a year, even better than it was before. When the railroad arrived in 1911, the city experienced a boom.

Visitors have discovered Menard. They hunt and fish and tour historic missions and forts nearby. In addition to tourism, income is generated by cattle, sheep and goats, pecans, wheat and alfalfa. A legend of buried silver has brought many treasure hunters to Menard. It is a unique place, with an interesting history and confident people who love where they live and have an advanced sense of humor. The city was named for the founder of Galveston Michael Menard.





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Fort McKavett as it appeared in its early days. The ruins of the old fort lie just outside the Eastern edge of present day Schleicher County on the San Saba River.

Fort McKavett, which lies few miles east of the eastern Schleicher County line, was built in 1852 to protect the early pioneer families settling in this remote West Texas wilderness. This was before Schleicher County was esof losing lives to hostile Indians The town site fit the name. was sometimes great.

most of the settlers found this area after the Civil War. In 1880 the with Fort McKavett is the Black the roles of buffalo soldiers, cavalry too remote and unsettled.

was "Camp San Saba". A small several shops.

ouch of History

Fort McKavett, Texas

tablished, and the surrounding area town site near the fort was supwas also under the protection of the posed to be named "Lehnesburg" as hostile Indians were gone. The military fort. The land was cheap after a German immigrant, but got need for Military protection was restored buildings. in this part of Texas, but the price stuck with the name, "Scabtown". gone also. This time, however,

The military reactivated the continued to grow. The fort closed in 1859 because post as, "Fort McKavett" in 1868, The first name given to the fort name, had a school, a church and military at the fort in the 1870's ters, hunters and settlers who once

and 1880's.

The ruins of the old fort were in pretty good shape in 1950, mainly because they had been built using local limestone rock. The State of Texas decided to restore as many of these buildings as possible, and make the site into a State Histori-In 1883 the fort closed again cal Park. In 1968 the park opened. There are now over twenty-five

On the third weekend of March, the families stayed in the area and the past comes alive at Fort McKavett with a living history enactment per-One of the events associated formed by volunteer groups playing town site, with a less obnoxious Buffalo Soldiers that served in the officers, laundresses, wagon maspopulated the fort.







Standing with our Neighbors...

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get their children back, ever.

prohibiting polygamy. To openly your underage wives and children. disregard our laws shows a seri-

Now I'm not trying to go Nancy

Meals for

Grace on y'all: I am a reasonable woman who makes every effort to I do not understand why Texas be tolerant of the belief systems of seemed like a good place for these others. But when your whackedfolks to relocate their Temple Town. out beliefs involve the marriage of We have numerous laws protect- grown men to child brides, then you ing children, and specifying at and I must part ways, and I must what age they become adults for wholeheartedly support your proslegal purposes. We have a statute ecution and the legal removal of

If we as a society are judged by ous lack of respect for the Texas how we treat the weakest among legal system, and ignores the po- us, then I am proud to be judged by Life has earned 48% of its \$20,000 tential for a future, more painful the brave actions of the committed goal. relocation—into the Texas prison professionals in Schleicher and Tom Green counties who are attempting to protect over four hundred children, and trying to help them find their way in a new world.

Teresa Todd was Presidio County Attorney from 1994-2004. She retired from that post to move to McDonald Observatory in Jeff Davis County, where she lives with her husband and two sons. She is currently a stay-at-home mom, part-time lawyer, and full-time Spinach, Corn Bread, Cherry Cobbler, commentator on life, love, sports,

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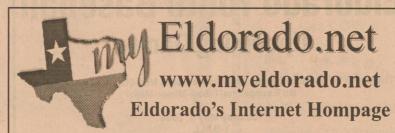
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Roast Beef With Gravy, Mashed Potato, Brussel Sprouts, Wheat Roll, Brownie with Nuts, Juice Milk

Thursday, May 8 Pork Chop with Gravy, Baked Potato, Yellow Squash, Corn Bread, Pineapple, Waldorf Salad, Milk Friday, May 9

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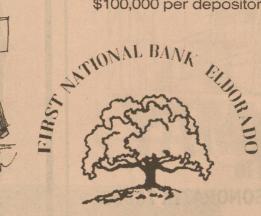


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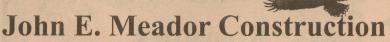
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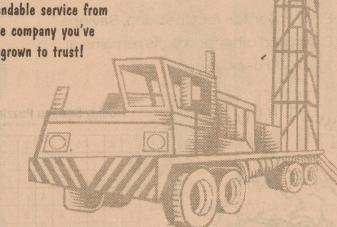


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Middle School Track Results

11A District Track Meet April 10, 2008 Christoval, TX 7th Grade Girls

Placed First With Team Total of 211 Discus: 3. Mary Lou Martinez 52'8 29.75; 2. Ashby Ragsdale 30.66 1/2" 4. Stacey Valeriano 49' 1"; 6. Kasey Gonzales 45' 3 /2"

High Jump: 1. Nolen 12'10 1/2";2. Arispe 12' 5 1/4"; Nikki Herrera 12' 1/4"; Shot Put: 3. Stacy Valeriano 21' 10" Triple Jump: 1. Miranda Arispe 26' 3 1/4"; 2. Brooke Guerrero 24' 10"; 4. Nikki Herrera 22' 1 1/2'

2400 Meter Run: 2. Robin Hibbs

400 Meter Relay: 1. (Nikki Herrera, Mary Lou Martinez, Miranda Arispe, Avery Nolen) 59.53

100 Meter Hurdles: 1. Arispe 19.59; 2. Brooke Guerrero 20.05; 3. Mary Lou Martinez 20.93 100 Meter Dash: 2. Edwards 15.91;

3. Stacey Valeriano 16.25 800 Meter Relay: 1. (Brooke Guerrero, Kasey Gonzales, Stacey Valeriano, Nikki Herrera) 2:13.83

400 Meter Dash: 1. Avery Nolen

300 Meter Hurdles: 1. Stacey Vale-200 Meter Dash: 2. Kasey Gonzales

33.28; 3. Brooke Guerrero 34.15 1600 Meter Run: 3. Robin Hibbs

1600 Meter Relay: 1. (Nikki Herrera, Mary Lou Martinez, Miranda Arispe, Avery Nolen 5:05.40 8th Grade Girls

Eldorado placed first as

a team with 230 points. Discus: 1. Dacy Whiddon 64'6": 2. Marissa Gonzales 60'11"; 4. Melissa Gonzales 55:4 1/2"

High Jump: 1. Brianah Creek 4'6"; 6. Brianda Torres 3'8'

Long Jump: 1. Brianah Creek 14'1/4"; 2. Brianda Torres 13'11 1/2" Shot Put: 1. Marissa Gonzales 26'8": Dacy Whiddon 25'3'

Triple Jump: 1.Abby Fuentes 28' 1/2";6. Polli Guerrero 24'7 3/4" 2400 Meter Run: 4. Amanda Garcia

11:37.09; 5. Polli Guerrero 12:48.59; 6. Sierra Arispe 13:05.02 400 Meter Relay: 2. (Melissia Gonzales, Maddi Bilbrey, Marissa Gonzales,

Brianda Torres) 57.34 800 Meter Run: 5. Rodriguez

100 Meter Hurdles: 1. Marissa Gonzales 19.62;2. Melissa Gonzales 20.06 100 Meter Dash: 2. Brianah Creek 14.12; 4. Allyssa Galindo 14.96; 4. Dacy Whiddon 14 96

800 Meter Relay: 1. (Ashby Ragsdale, Brianda Torres, Abby Fuentes, Brianah Creek) 2:01.00

Eldorado Youth Baseball

Upcoming Games

There will be no more games or practices until May 6th due to TAKS Test.

No Exceptions-T-Ball-Minor-Major

Tuesday May 6, 2008

T-BALL

5:30 p.m. Phillies vs A's Volunteer Field; Twins vs White Sox High School Softball

6:30 p.m. Astros vs Dodgers at Volunteer Field

MINORS

5:30 p.m. Giants vs Pirates Legion Field

MAJORS

7:00 p.m. Mets vs Cardinals at Legion Field

Thursday May 8, 2008

T-BALL

5:30 p.m. Astros vs Twins Volunteer Field; Dodgers vs A's at High School Softball

Field

6:30 p.m. White Sox vs Phillies Volunteer Field

MINORS

5:30 p.m. Giants vs Marlins Legion Field

MAJORS

7:00 p.m. Rangers vs Yankee Legion Field

MEALS AVAILABLE AT CONCESSION STAND FOR ONLY \$5

400 Meter Dash: 1.Kiki Rodriguez 74.34; 2. Allyssa Galindo 77.87; 3. Maddi Bilbrey 79.78

300 Meter Hurdles: 3. Abby Fuentes 200 Meter Dash: 1. Brianda Torres

1600 Meter Run: 4. Amanda Garcia 7:06.75; 5. Polli Guerrero 7:13.31; 6. Sierra

Arispe 8:12..93 1600 Meter Relay: 1.(Ashby Ragsdale, Allyssa Galindo, Abby Fuentes, Brianah Creek) 4:52.37

> Girls Track & Field Meet March 11, 2008 Water Valley

7th & 8th Grade 100 Meter Dash: 4. Brianah Creek 14.30: 6. Miranda Arispe 14.78

100 Meter Hurdles: 2. Marissa Gonzales 19.90; 3. Melissa Gonzales 20.80; 5. Mary Lou Martinez 21.76; 300 Meter Low Hurdles: 2. Avery Nolen

57.18; 3 Abigail Fuentes 58.44; 4. K. Wilha 3200 Meter Run: 4. Amanda Garcia 11:24.27: 5. Pollie Guerrero 11:27.19

400 Meter Relay: 2. (Avery Nolen, Miranda Arispe, Marissa Gonzales, Melissa Gonzales)57.32

800 Meter Relay: 1. (Miranda Arispe, Ashby Ragsdale, Abby Fuentes, Brianah Creek) 2;02.38 Discus: 4. Dacy Whiddon 62'07.00"; 5.

Marissa Gonzales 53'04.00" Shot Put: 2. Dacy Whiddon 24'03.00"; 3. Marissa Gonzales 24'01.00"; 5. Melissa Gonzales 23'06.00"

High Jump: 1. Brianah Creek 4'09.00" Long Jump: 2. Brianda Torres 13'05.75"; 4. Polli Guerrero 24'10.25"

Triple Jump: 2. A. Fuentes 27'02.50"; 5; P. Guerrero 24'10.25' 400 Meter Dash: 5. A. Galindo 1:16.16; 6.

K. Rodriguez 1:17.64 800 Meter Run: 4. Kiki Rodriquez 3:11.24 200 Meter Dash: 1. Brianda Torres 30.18; 2. Ashby Ragsdale 31.21

1600 Meter Relay: 2. (Avery Nolen, Allyssa Galindo, Brianah Creek, Abby Fuentes)

> JR High Track Meet **Christoval Cougar Relays** March 27, 2008 7th Grade Girls

First Place in Team Points 125 100 Meter Hurdles: 1. Miarnda Arispe 20.10; 4. Mary Lou Martinez 21.06; 5. Brooke Guerrero 21.41 800 Meter Dash: 1. (Brooke Guerrero.

Kasey Gonzales, Stacey Valeriano, Nikki Herrera 2.14 400 Meter Dash: 1. Avery Nolen

300 Meter Hurdles: 2. Stacey Vale-



COURTESY PHOTO

Haley Higgins arches her back as she soars over the bar at the Regional Track Meet held last Friday in Abilene. She cleared 4 ft. 6 inches before bowing out of the competition in 14th place.

EHS tracksters compete at Regional

Rhapsody Swyter put in her position. personal best time during the 100 meter hurdles with a time of 17.12 in the preliminary heat. This placed her fourth in her heat and kept her out of the finals by a hundredth of a second.

Another Eagle that performed

Eagle tracksters competed at her personal best was Bridgett the Regional meet this weekend Mitchell with a 100 meter time of at Abilene Christian University 13.40. This placed her just outside of the finals as well in the ninth

Haley Higgins tied for 14th place with two other jumpers during the high jump competition. She left the contest after clearing 4'6".

The boy's 4X200 meter relay was disqualified from the com-

1600 Meter Run: 6. Robin Hibbs 1600 Meter Relay: 1. (Nikki Herrera,

Mary Lou Martinez, Miranda Arispe, Avery Nolen) 5:06 Long Jump: 2. Avery Nolen 13'1"; 4 Triple Jump: 2. Brooke Guerrero

23:11 3/4"; 3. Miranda Arispe 23 4 1/4" 2400 Meter Run: 5. Robin Hibbs **Team Points**

Eldorado place first in Team Points 100 Meter Hurdles: Marissa Gonzasa Gonzales 20.56

8th Grade Girls

100 Meter Dash: 1. Brianah Creek 13.91; 6. Allyssa Galindo 15.02 800 Meter Relay: 1. (Ashby Ragsdale,

Abby Fuentes, BriandaTorres, Brianah Creek) 2:02

400 Meter Dash: 3.Kiki Rodriguez 300 Meter Hurdles: 2. Abby Fuentes

200 Meter Dash: 1. Brianah Torres 29.46; 4. Ashby Ragsdale 31.18 1600 Meter Run: 5. Amanda Garcia

Discus: 1. Dacy Whidden 66'4"; 2. Marissa Gonzales 63'7"; 3. Melissa Gonzales 63'1'

High Jump: 1. Brianah Creek 4'6"; 4. Brianda Torres 4'2"

Long Jump: 3. Brianah Creek13'4 1/2"; 5. Brianda Torres 12'9 1/2"; 6. Abby Fuentes 12' 1/1/2' Shot Put: 1. Dacy Whiddon 26'9 1/2";

4. Melissa Gonzales 25'1/2"; 5. Marissa Gonzales 24'9" Triple Jump: 2. Abbby Fuentes 27'8

3/4"; 6. Polli Guerrero 24'6 1/2" 2400 Meter Run: 3. Garcia 11:34 400 Meter Relay: 2. (Melissa Gonzales, Allyssa Galindo, Marissa Gonzales,

800 Meter Run: 5.Kiki Rodriguez

Maddi Bilbrey) 58.72

School Lunch Menu



BREAKFAST MENU Monday, May 5

Cinnamon Toast, Choice of Cereal Choice of Juice, Milk Tuesday, May 6

Juice, Milk Wednesday, May 7

Blueberry Muffins, Choice of Cereal Choice of Juice, Milk

Thursday, May 8

Tidbits, Choice of Juice, Milk Friday, May 9 Buttered Toast, Jelly, Choice of Cereals, Choice of Juice, Milk

French Toast, Syrup, Pineapple

CAFETERIA LINE

Monday, May 5 Cheese Nachos, Peppers, Broccoli Tops, Dip, Cole Slaw, Pineapple

Tuesday, May 6 Lasagna, Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Hot Rolls, Sliced Peaches

Wednesday, May 7 Cowboy Beans, Corn bread, Carrot Stixs, Dip, Potato Salad, Pear Halves

Thursday, May 8 Burritos, Refried Beans, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Sugar Cookies

Friday, May 9 Pizza, Carrot Stix, Dip, Apple Halves **BASKET LINE**

Monday, May 5 McRib Sandwich, Baked Chips, Carrot Stix's/ Dip, Pineapple

Tuesday, May 6 Ham& Cheese Hot Pockets, Pork-n-Beans, Fresh Broccoli, Dip, Sliced

Peaches Wednesday, May 7 Chef Salad, Dressing, Diced Ham, Cheese Cup, Crackers (8), Pear

Halves

Thursday, May 8 Burger Salad, Pickles, Sugar

Friday, May 9 Pizza, Carrot Stix, Dip, Apple Halves

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The Eldorado Girls Softball Association Inc.

announces the beginning of the 2008 youth softball season.



This year the E.G.S.A. is seeing the largest turnout ever recorded in Eldorado girls softball with almost 100 local girls ages 7-16 participating in the league.

This level of participation could not have been achieved without the support of local businesses that sponsor teams and support the Association. The Eldorado Girls Softball Association Inc.

would like to thank all those who

help and volunteer in order to make this happen.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the Editor express the opinions of their author. They do not necessarily reflect the views or opinions of the staff, management or ownership of the Eldorado Success.

Proud of Softball District Champs

Dear Editor:

started out rough around the edges, you can bet she will score. but have come together to make a plays that have been key to every her a valuable team player.

victory and will continue to help

how far she can stretch to make work on pitching. the out and dominates first base. Williams talks to her teammates, behind the plate. keeping the team on top of the covering second base.

to first base which shuts the other game showing support. team down before they can even get started.

fielding and throwing the ball dient to a team." the runner never has a chance to stronger with each game.

Amika "Mighty Mite" Goncenter field. She can run and back THE WAY TO STATE!! up right or left field making it look like the outfield is only a few feet wide. She may not get to hit the

ball often, but her strike zone is so I want to congratulate our small that she gets on base often softball team for a great job. They and she is so fast running the bases

Amy Alviso has great heart run for the state title a reality. The and she never quits trying. She defense has done a tremendous job practices pitching after practice every game to shut their opponents and on the weekends. She has redown. They have had amazing ally started hitting the ball making

Bridgett Mitchell has shown us to a State Championship Title. stamina as pitcher. She puts in Chelsey Hill has shown just countless hours after practice to

Haley Higgins has had a great We will miss her next year. Corie batting season and has been strong

Meg Griffin, Kadie Niblett, play, and has done a fantastic job Krista Galindo, Deisy Aranda, Brittany Guana, and Marci Minor Aubrey Martinez is a dominat- may not see much playing time, but

Kareem Abdul Jabar said "One person cannot make up a team, but Cassandra Buitron is so quick one person can be a crucial ingre-

I am so proud of these girls. advance to any base safely. Al- Each and every girl is part of the lison Jarrett has really stepped team and has a job that is vital to up and shown her prowess in left their success. The stats show how field. She has had some awesome much they have improved and catches and her bat is getting how hard they have been working to be #1.

Keep it up girls. Can't is not zales will leave you speechless at a word in your vocabulary. ALL

Leanne Higgins

The sections being repaved are

to advise motorists that they may



ing force as shortstop. She is a they are at practice, learning plays, 82 year old John Callison of Eldorado can still make the B-Ball brick wall and can zing the ball working with the team and at every sing through the hoops. Callison brought home three more gold medals from the Kerrville Senior Olympics held April 25 and 26. John won a gold in Free Throw, Round The World and Horse Shoe. His wife Jo was there to cheer him on.

4H Camp in

Brownwood

The week of 4H camp this year

is July 9-11. It will again be held

at the 4H center on Lake Brown-

wood. If your child is interested

in attending, contact the extension

office soon, the deadline is quickly

approaching. 853-2132



CEU Events

We are in the middle of another Burger and a CEU Event at the Extension Office. The previous meetings have been very informative and very well attended. Vaden Aldridge will be at the extension office on Monday May 5th at noon to discuss summer control burns. We will follow up with Alan Mc-Ginty on May 19 with the latest herbicide updates. These meetings only last one hour, and I will feed you lunch.



Burger and a

4H Day at Elementary On Tuesday, May 6th, the second and third grade students will be attending a promotional event put on by the Schleicher County 4H club. This event will discuss all areas of 4H that the local club participates in. Literature will be provided to all. If you would like to come up and take part, we will be in the Elementary



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EMS Sonora Tennis Results

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es in 13 counties surrounding San tion along US 87, US 83, US 67,

Angelo on April 30. The affected US 277, US 377 and a variety of

counties are: Coke, Concho, Ed- FM and RM roads in the counties.

wards, Glasscock, Irion, Kimble, Work in each area will be complet-Menard, Reagan, Real, Runnels, ed in a relatively short period of

Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton, and time-aday or two. TxDOT wishes

Brannan Paving plans to work come across pilot cars or flaggers during daylight hours six days when in the work zone and to obey

TxDOT contractor Brannan mid-July.

Paving Company, LTD, will begin

Tom Green.

Junior High Sonora Tennis Invitational was held Sat. the 26th. 7th Grade Results: Girls Single Division: 1. Miranda Arispe and

4. Robin Hibbs; Girls Doubles 3. Lori Escobar/Sierra Arispe. 7th Grade Boys Division: 3. Dylan Ramos; 4. Will Barker and Consolation Champion Bryan Parsley.

Other 7th grade players: Nikki Herrera/Stacy Valeriano, Diego Sanchez and Austin Stapp.

8th Grade Results: Girls Singles 2. Brianda Torres; Girls Doubles: 1. Marissa Gonzales/Amanda Garcia 4. Ashby Ragsdale/Ana Sanchez and Clarissa Castro/Clarissa Gomez Consolation Champions.

Boys Singles: 3. Nathan Jiminez; Mixed Doubles: 1. Melissa Gonzales/Tyler Farmer; Other 8th grade players: Louis Sanchez, Alan Espinosa and Robert Chavez.

Eldorado will host JR. High District Tennis this Saturday, May 3. play will begin at 8:30. The following schools should be attending: Christoval, Forsan, Menard, Miles, Irion Co. and Rotan.

Middle School Invitational Tennis Tourney Held

tional was held April 12, 2008.

gles: 1. Miranda Arispe 8-2 against Singles: 2. Brianah Creek beat

rera; Boys Doubles: Consolation Gonzalez.

Eldorado Middle School Invita- Dylan Ramos and Hagen Porras; 8th Grade Results: Boys Sin-7th Grade Results: Girls Sin- gles: 4. Tyler Farmer; Girls Favila of Sonora; 3. Avery Nolen, Solis of Sonora 8-3 and lost to 8-3 against Portales of Reagan Jennings of Ozona in the finals; County and Consolation Mary Lou Girls Doubles: 3. Brinada Torres and Amanda Garcia beat Vargas Girls Doubles: Consolation went and Wright of Reagan County 8-0; to Stacy Valeriano and Nikki Her- Consolation Melissa and Marissa

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TSGRA members to meet Tuesday at X Bar Ranch

and goat producers in TSGRA district 5 will meet Tuesday, May 6, 2008 at the X Bar Ranch Live Oak Lodge outside of Eldorado. Brian Edmiston is district chairman and is in charge of local arrangements. Remember, if you are coming from Eldorado going west on 2129,

Members, directors and interested sheep DO NOT turn in at the first X Bar Ranch entrance! Go to the second entrance.

The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. and will conclude with the noon meal hosted by friends of TSGRA in Schleicher County. A great informative program has been arranged. TSGRA president Lynn Glass will be on hand to report on TSGRA activities. The other officers will report on the newly formed American Goat Federation, meat goat activities, membership and TSGRA PAC. A report will also be given on the two bills we are working on to obtain additional predator control funding at the state level and to control feral hogs.

Commissioners discuss rodeo concession stand

for the April 28, 2008 Commissioners Court Meeting. Judge Johnny Griffin was also present. Kirk Griffin were not present.

Schleicher County Judge Johnny Griffin advised Commissioner Matt Brown and Lynn Meador at their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday morning that Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative had chosen not to do the wiring at the rodeo concession stand. Griffin explained that another independent contractor was hired to do the job.

It was also noted that welding contractors were hired at \$30 per

song

ribs

Commissioner's Matt Brown hour to construct frames for the The total cost for the 7,200 gallons and Lynn Meador were present bathroom dividers in the conces- of diesel will be \$28,136.16. sion stand building rather than paying \$4,000 for redi-built dividers. A sink has been purchased and Commissioners Johnny Mayo and is awaiting installation, meaning items up for bids were sold, netting that the concession building is the county \$11,412.00. very near completion.

> sioners opened and accepted a fuel bid for diesel from Griffin Fuels in the amount of \$3.9078 per gallon. There were no other bids received.

The commissioner then proceeded to open bids for the sale of used county equipment. All of the

Emergency Management Coor-In other business, the commis- dinator and Fire Chief Jerry Jones spoke to the court concerning a correction on the bills incurred during the YFZ raid. The itemized statement will be sent to Homeland Security for payment. The largest of the items was the Sheriff Department expenses which included overtime salaries for deputies, meals, fuel, office supplies, locksmiths, food service, and tool rentals. Other law enforcement will submit their salary expenses individually to Homeland Security. The cost presently stands at about \$67,000.

> There are other expenses yet to be divided between state and local officials.

The commissioners then discussed purchasing a lawn mower for use on the courthouse lawn. They also discussed the need for a backhoe. Judge Griffin will look into buying a lawn mower. The commissioners agreed it will be more economical to rent a backhoe as needed.

The men next approved the expenditure of \$1,200.00 for two new radios in road department

The court then discussed enclosing the north stage of the Memorial Building for use by Election Administrator Brenda Mayfield during local elections. Commissioner Lynn Meador suggested a curtain of some type might be sufficient to give privacy needed without making the wall a permanent fixture. It was agreed that the cost of a curtain would be

Before adjourning, the men reviewed the monthly bills submitted by County Treasurer Karen Henderson. They also looked over the county's investment reports.

The meeting was attended by Commissioners Matt Brown and Lynn Meador. Commissioners Kirk Griffin and Johnny Mayo were absent. Also in attendance were Deputy Clerk Sarah McNeely and Road Superintendent Clay

The next meeting of the Schleicher County Commissioners Court is slated for 9 a.m. on Monday, May 12, 2008 in the Commissioners Courtroom on the first-floor of the county court-

Weekly Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1. Rhea's "Cheers"
- 6. Have a few too many
- 10. Spare tire make-
- 13. Elementary
- school quintet 14. Androcles' ex-
- traction had it!"
- 16. "Cats," for one 18. Beat it
- 19. Saturn model
- 20. Midlife 22. Toss a monkey
- wrench into 27. Stove top vessel
- 28. Dealt in stocks
- 29. Lead ore 31. Dog-__ (shabby)
- 32. It may be cracked
- 33. Way too smooth
- 36. Flow back 37. Shlepped
- 38. Sandra
- or Glaget 39. Like Easter eggs
- 41. 2000 Oscar role
- for Julia
- 42. Powerful sharks 44. "__ you
- are"(invitation words)
- 46. Hospital solution 47. Chewy candy

agoal 51. Porto 52. Beehive State

native

It Rhymes

49. Designated as

- 53. Marceau's mime character
- 54. Drilling tool 61. Prefix with duct 62. Madagascar tree-dweller
- 66. Composer Bruckner
- DOWN 1. Urban ride
 - 2. Lingus 3. Brazilian hot spot 4. Mauna ___

See solution on Page 7

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64. Track action

- 65. Blue-pencil 7. Word of awe 8. Caused a tingling sensation in
 - 9. Menu offering 10. Glove compart-
 - ment item 11. Be of use to

6. Quaker pronoun

12. All wound up

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- 14. Tart taste
 - 32. Mrs. Dithers 34. Africa's Sierra

5. Took for no credit 17. Blue dye

35. Acted the toady 37. Moved unsteadily 40. Rapper Snoop

21. "Pay __ mind"

22. Jouster's mount

23. Sheik's home of

24. Place to cook

25. Horatian work

30. Mideast's Gulf

26. Swell head

- 42. Printer's primary
- 43. Hoppy brew 45. Statue material
- 46. Mex. miss 47. Influential sort
- 48. Greek saladmorsel
- 50. Comic Russianactor Mischa 55. Bon
- brand) 56. Drop from theroster
- 57. Comfy room 58. Halloween flier 59. Prefix with metric 60. X

1st Richmond Adame, Paige Holt,

ssac Saldivar, Aubrey Martinez 2nd Cruz Sanchez, Layne Babb 3rd Martha Lively, Ramiro Buitron, Ryan Adame

4th Scot Espinosa, Michael Coker, Jill Sanchez, Elena Escobar, Steve Nelson, Victoria Jo Belman, Krystal Crofoot

5th Mary Grover, Larry Nicholson, Jr. Kanon Gibson

6th Charlotte Adame, Cole Pina 7th Bobby Quintana, Mario Robles, Mikinzie Holley, Brenda Robinson

8th Bay Aguilar, Ray Ballew, Wm. Chris McCravey, Kathy Mankin, Shannon Wilkerson, Denver Smith, Jess Martin

9th Martha Adame, Susan Parker, Lydia Elkins, Heather Homer, Alex Massingill, Ryan Farmer, Marie Barrera, Duane Lettlinger, Scotty Johnson, Becky Sterling 10th Sierra Arispe, Kymberlin Conn, Mia C. Ruiz, Jimmy Belk

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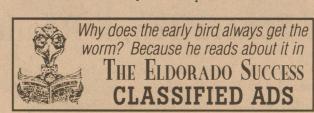
New Briscoe memoir hits

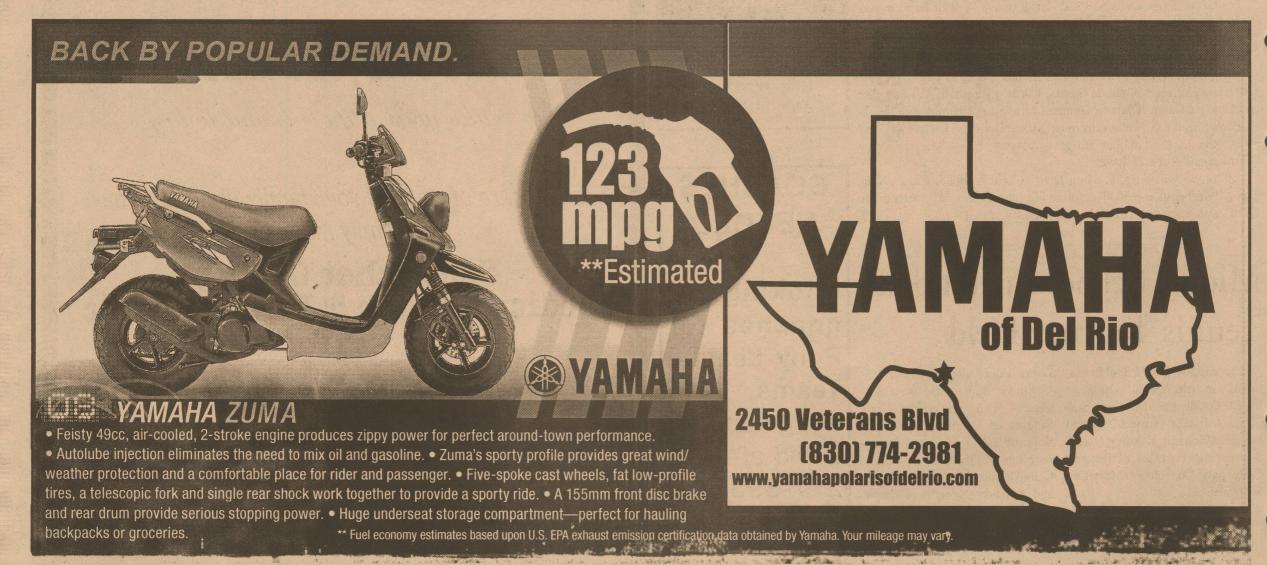
The Center for American Hisannounced April 23 the release

to build a narrative in Briscoe's voice. Throughout the process, Briscoe read and revised the text, Carleton said.

tory at the University of Texas Flags at half-staff for Guerrero

Gov. Rick Perry on April 24 of a personal memoir, "Dolph directed that flags be flown at Briscoe: My Life in Texas Ranch- half-staff in memory of Lena ing and Politics." Briscoe served Guerrero of Austin. The former as governor from 1973 to 1979. state representative and Texas Don Carleton, executive director Railroad Commission member of the history center, conducted died April 23 at the age of 50, after a series of interviews with Gov. a long battle with cancer. Burial Briscoe. After each interview, was in the Texas State Cemetery Carleton edited the transcripts on April 26.





DPS to all Texans: May is Motorcycle Safety Month

May is Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month in Texas, and DPS urges all motorcyclists and the traveling public to practice safe driving habits.

The 852,781 licensed motorcyclists in the state can improve their own safety by following this advice from DPS:

· Attend a professionally taught motorcycle safety course. (Call 1-800-292-5787 for information.)

• Wear protective equipment, including a helmet, whenever riding.

· Ride defensively.

· Avoid risk-taking behavior, such as speeding, weaving in between traffic and riding while intoxicated. Nationally, almost half of all motorcycle fatalities involve alcohol.

Drivers in vehicles other than motorcycles should realize that motorcycles are sometimes difficult to see, so keep an eye out for them. Don't cut them off, and give them extra

Record numbers of Texans are taking advantage of the basic and advanced motorcycle operator training offered by the DPS Motorcycle Safety Unit. Last year, 33,697 Texans took either the basic or advanced course, setting an all-time record number for the thirteenth

The basic course may be used to waive the licensing road test, and both of the courses may qualify for ticket dismissal and insurance discounts. Motorcycle riders can locate the course nearest to them by visiting the DPS Web site www.txdps.state.tx.us/msb/ and can take advantage of 81 permanent locations and nine mobile sites across the state.

"We continue to notice an increase in crashes involving returning riders, meaning those who have ridden before, took some time

off from riding and are getting back into it." said John G. Young, coordinator of the DPS Motorcycle Safety Unit. "We want to encourage them to enroll in one of our courses to brush up on their skills."

In 2006 (latest statistics available), 346 people in Texas died as a result of motorcycle crashes-63 percent of those were not wearing a helmet. Texas law states that in order to be exempt from wearing a helmet, a person must be at least 21 years of age. In addition, theymust successfully complete a motorcycle safety course or be covered by a health insurance plan providing at least \$10,000 in medical benefits for motorcycle-related injuries. DPS recommends all motorcycle riders wear helmets.

For additional information on motorcycle training, call 512-424-2021 or toll-free at 1-800-292-5787. More safety information is available at www.looklearnlive.org.

Solution to puzzle on Page 6

Answer to Sudoku on Page 3

1 6

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3 5 4

6

9 7 5

8 6 3

4 5 8

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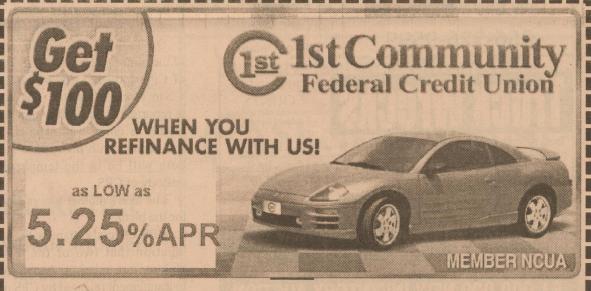
STREET KINGS



7th Grade-(L-R) Avery Nolen Nikki Herrera, Mary Lou Martinez and Miranda Arispe are 7th Grade Girls District 11A 1600 M. Relay winnere. They earned the title April 10, 2008 in Christoval with a time of 5:05.40.



8th Grade- (L-R) Allyssa Galindo, Abby Fuentes, Brianah Creek and Ashby Ragsdale are 8th Grade Girls District 11A 1600 M. Relay Winners. They earned the title April 10, 2008 in Christoval with a time of 4:52.37.



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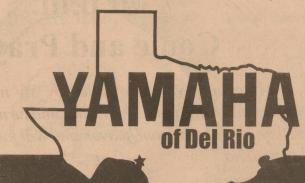
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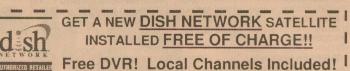


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Aftershocks of YFZ Raid reverberate across Texas

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ate the now famous raid on the YFZ Ranch on April 3rd. In those calls she alleged she had been forced to marry a man named Dale Barlow and that she was then living at the YFZ Ranch. At another cludes many girls who previously point she said she had be taken claimed to be adults. away from her husband and reassigned to a man named Merrill.

Texas Rangers made a trip to Colorado to investigate the case. Mrs. Swinton remains at large at this time. She likely faces charges in Texas and Colorado, if and when she is apprehended. The arrest warrant carries a \$10,000 bond.

For his part, Sheriff David Doran confirmed much of the it became public.

"She was giving us details like the rain storm and the toys...things that we were seeing and knew to be true," Doran said. "Investigators were convinced for a time that she was in the shelter but was fearful of contacting us."

that since the initial call for help wasn't legitimate the entire YFZ raid should be ruled illegal.

463 YFZ children moved to foster shelters across the state

State officials report this week that 463 children from the YFZ Ranch were placed in temporary foster care last week, with the exception of 6 children who are day of last week, but only 81 adults hospitalized for various illnesses. Three other children were previ- that number, only 30 were men. ously treated in area hospitals and released.

Protective Services says that every clude Merrill Jessop, Leroy Steed, child has been provided whatever medical care they require.

On Tuesday about noon, one of the minor girls now in the care of CPS delivered a baby boy at a San Marcos hospital. The boy is reported to be healthy and the mother is doing well. The child will remain with his mother and both will be in the temporary custody of CPS.

for the birth.

CPS officials dispute the al- days a week in Eldorado. legation that two of the YFZ children are missing. According to a statement released by CPS on Tuesday, every child is accounted for, every child has a photo ID and a caseworker has been assigned for in the future. each child. The caseworkers will only work on FLDS cases and will be responsible for no more than 15 children.

female and 213 are male.

In a stunning announcement that prompted Texas CPS to initi- that seems to have silenced many CPS critics, the agency reported Monday that 31 of the 53 girls between the ages of 14 and 17 have children, are mothers or children. pregnant, or both. This group in-

> The number of girls versus boys is very close until the children reach the age of 14. Between 14 and 17 there are 3 girls for every teenage boy (53 girls and 17 boys). Two of the teenage boys reportedly turned 18 while in state care and have signed agreements indicating they wish to stay with the children

The children have been moved to foster shelters across the state information in the warrant when including shelters at Amarillo, Midland, Abilene, Austin, Converse, Corpus Christi, Ft. Worth, Houston, Round Rock, San Antonio, Waco and Waxahachie.

> Individual hearings are slated to begin next month as the results of DNA testing becomes available.

CPS officials note that all of FLDS attorneys have argued the 463 children have been tested for DNA. Unfortunately very few of the adults from the YFZ Ranch came forward last week for their DNA testing.

Judge Barbara Walther ordered a mobile lab sent to Eldorado so that men and women from the YFZ Ranch could come forward for DNA testing. A testing site was established in the Schleicher County Memorial Building on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursappeared to submit to testing. Of None of the men believed to be in the leadership at the YFZ Ranch A spokesman for the Child showed up for testing. They in-Isaac Jeffs, David Allred and Wendell Nielsen.

Merrill Jessop hires Lubbock defense attorney

Interestingly, Merrill Jessop, the man who oversees daily operation of the YFZ Ranch, has hired The teen's mother was present Hurley to represent him. Hurley

There are presently no criminal charges pending against Merrill Jessop, however, Hurley has also said that it appears to him as if criminal charges could be filed

Hurley was quoted in the online to speak to Sheriff. edition of the Lubbock Avalanche-Senate Bill 6, passed in 2005 Of the 463 children, 250 are unfairly targets polygamists. The on County Road 316 and Rudd Road. bill, originally sponsored by State Officer responded. Representative Harvey Hilderbran, R-Kerrville, raised the age of mar-ficer notified. Animal control notified. riage with parental consent from 14 to 16. A person must be 18 to marry without parental consent.

looked at right now.

FLDS prepares for lawsuits against state & local officials

In the meantime, it appears that the FLDS church and its attorneys are preparing to sue the state of Texas and/or Schleicher County.

While the battle over custody of 463 children taken from the YFZ Ranch is destined for a long series of court hearings, letters demanding that Texas officials preserve evidence seized during the YFZ raid are being sent out. The letters are reportedly addressed to Carey Crockerell, the commissioner of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services; his assistant, Joyce James; and Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran.

The Deseret News, which obtained copies of the letters on Monday quoted from one of them, The purpose of this letter is to remind you of your duty under Texas and federal law to preserve evidence related to any potential civil claims against your agency, its agents, officers and investigators," the letters state. "In order an appeal. to fulfill your duty to preserve evidence, please preserve all items seized in the searches of the ranch, including, but not limited to, any documents, records, photographs, books, computers, computer hard drives, electronically stored information, cell phones, and PDAs."

The letters also seek the names of law enforcement offices involved

names of potential witnesses, and the names of children taken into workers and others involved in the Nevada in 2006.

case are also of interest. The letters further demand that electronic communications such as email and voice mail be preserved.

Jeffs loses appeal to overturn guilty verdict

Utah District Judge James L. Shumate ruled on Thursday, April 24, 2008 turned down a request for new trial for jailed FLDS Prophet Warren Jeffs.

Attorneys had argued that the seating of a substitute juror had unfairly led to Jeffs conviction last year on two counts of Rape as an Accomplice.

For his part, Judge Shumate pointed out to defense attorney Richard Wright that it was the defense that argued that jury deliberation should continue after the new juror was seated.

Prosecutor Brock Belnap initially opposed the idea and argued that the case should be retried before an entirely new jury.

The judges decision now clears the way for Jeffs' lawyers to file

Warren Jeffs is currently serving two consecutive 5-to-life sentences he received from Judge

Jeffs is also facing charges of arranging and performing underage marriages in Arizona where he awaits trial in a Mohave County

He is also facing a federal in the raid, as well as other inves- charge of Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution in connection FLDS attorneys also want the with the time he spent on the run. Jeffs eventually ended up on the FBI Top Ten Fugitive's custody by Texas Child Protective List before being caught during Services. Doctors, nurses, social a traffic stop near Las Vegas,



The Blotter is a summary of the previous Lubbock defense attorney Danny week's activity by the Schleicher County Sheriff's Dept. For practical reasons of time and space, The Blotter does not include says he is spending two or three every call made to the Sheriff's office, nor does it include routine security checks, minor traffic stops or routine patrols. Accidents 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 No Arrests **INCIDENTS**

April 22 • 8:57 p.m. Caller wanted

April 23 • 5:47 p.m. Caller reported Journal as saying that he believes loud music on Village Lane. Officer

responded. · 8:49 p.m. Caller reported a fire

April 25 • 7:33 a.m. Caller reported loose dog north of Warner Street. Of-

· 8:10 a.m. Complainant reported stolen items from front porch of residence. Officer notified. Items are: Blue Shakespeare rod with 1968 Zebco 33 Hurley added that there are reel; Brown bass rod with cork handle many constitutional issues being with new Zebco 33 reel; Shakespeare rod with brown reel; Tackle box (hunter green lid, white bottom) with two knifes

in it; and a Cabella dip net (2 foot oval, short handle)

• 12:53 p.m. Complainant reported someone had been using their social security number. Complainant had been billed by the IRS for money that they hadn't earned for the year of 2006. Complainant made report to Social Security Administration to resolve the issue. Complainant informed that they had been sent a letter that for the process to be complete they needed a police report. This complaint is being provided as the police report.

· 4:05 p.m. Caller stated his wife's vehicle had been hit by a white Chevy pickup. Officers responded. April 26 · 1:48 a.m. Caller re-

ported vehicle accident on Highway 277. Officer responded 7:25 a.m. Caller reported control

burn on the corner of CR 302/CR 312. Officer notified. • 9:03 a.m. Caller reported a con-

trolled burn 12 miles on 277. Units notified. • 10:50 a.m. Caller reported a con-

trolled burn on 190W 3 miles. Units · 3:41 p.m. Caller reported a reck-

less driver going south on 277. Officer

· 4:49 p.m. Automated burglary alarm phone call. Officer notified.

 9:01 p.m. Caller requested ambulance to residence: Elderly person passed out and is lethargic. Officers • 10:59 p.m. Hospital requested

ambulance for ACLS transfer to San Angelo hospital. Officer notified. April 27 · 1:41 a.m. Caller re-

ported loud music and requested an officer to tell the people to turn it down. Officers responded. · 2:05 a.m. Caller requested an

officer in regard to loud music. Officer responded. 3:48 a.m. Caller requested an

officer to calm a domestic quarrel. Officer responded. 10:30 a.m. Caller requested an

officer to their residence for possible burglary. Officer notified. • 11:20 a.m. Caller reported a tank

battery fire on ranch. Officer notified. • 9:19 p.m. Caller reported loud music. Officer notified.

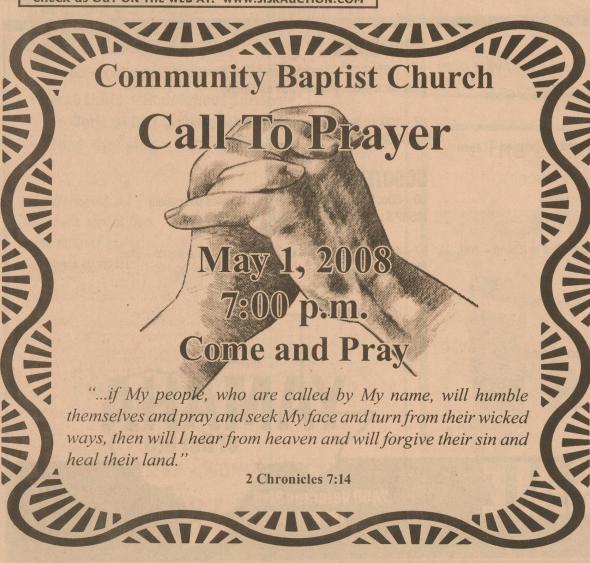
April 28 • 11:07 a.m. Caller reported identity theft. Officer responded. · 12:40 p.m. Complainant came to Sheriffs Office and requested to speak

with an officer. Officer responded. · 1:20 p.m. Caller reported receiving harassing phone calls. Officer responded.

 4:00 p.m. Hospital requested ambulance for ACLS transfer. Officer notified.

 4:23 p.m. Caller reported control burn. Units notified.

April 29 · 10:46 a.m. Complainant came by the Sheriff's office to report that their SSN had been used by another individual since last year. Officer responded.



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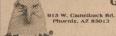
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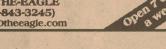
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Eldorado 4-H Wool and Mohair Judging Teams: Front (L-R) West Ramon, Will Mynatt, Roman Gonzalez, Franklin Buchholz, Marcus Ramon, Byron Aycock, Aaron Santellano; Back (L-R) Dalton Buchholz, Tres Whitten, Justin Whitten, Davis Hutto, Robert Buchholz, and Ivy Kate Mynatt.

Schleicher County 4H Club Happenings

County Agent's **Update**

group has been extremely busy won the third in the novice wool different contest in Kerrville, mohair division. Ozona, Brownwood, Eldorado, and San Angelo. We have had a group traveled to San Angelo to total of 18 kids making our tour compete in Wool, Mohair, and of Wool Judging, Mohair Judging, also Livestock judging. Again, Livestock Judging, and Shooting the wool and mohair teams shined.

couple of months. The group has traveled to invitational contests in Ozona (bringing home 5 plaques),

Kerrville, and also Eldorado.

The Eldorado contests was held here last weekend, and Schleicher County fared very held in June in College Station. well. Ivy Kate Mynatt was the entire Mohair contest. Ivie had nearly a perfect score, beating over sixty competitors from The Schleicher County 4H around the area. This group also

On Tuesday, April 22nd, our The results portion of the contest First of all, we are going to began with Schleicher 4H winning

in the Sr. Wool division. Robert top 30. qualified for state roundup to be

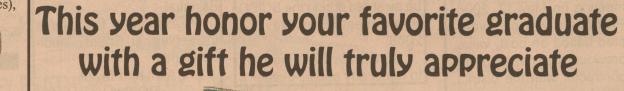
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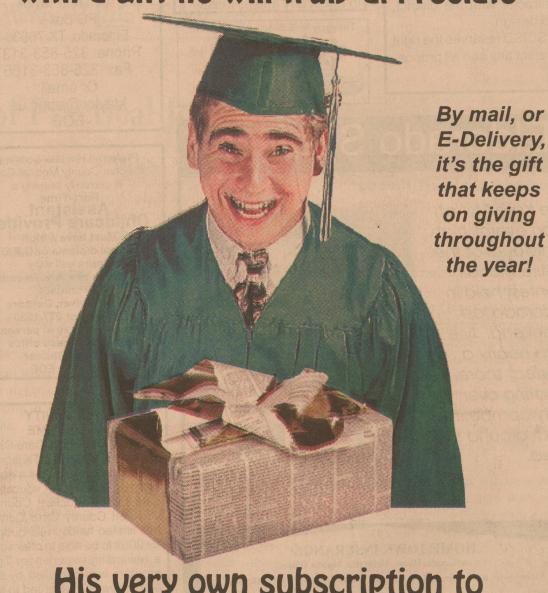
begin with our Wool and Mohair the Junior Mohair division. They weekly for several months, and sible without the above mentioned Judging groups. Mary Buchholz also won both 2nd and 3rd place in have come a long way. With over volunteers. has taken on the task of train- the Junior Wool division. Four of 130 kids participating in the liveing this team with a vengeance. our kids placed overall as individu- stock contest, the competition was participants, and a huge THANK Mary's group has been practicing als as well: Tres Whitten placed extremely tough. However, the YOU goes out to all of the volunat least once a week, and many 6th, Ivie Mynatt placed 5th, Justin Eldorado kids did place second teers that have made these events times twice a week for the past Whitten placed 4th, and Robert in the junior sheep division. We possible.

Buchholz was the high individual also had several kids place in the

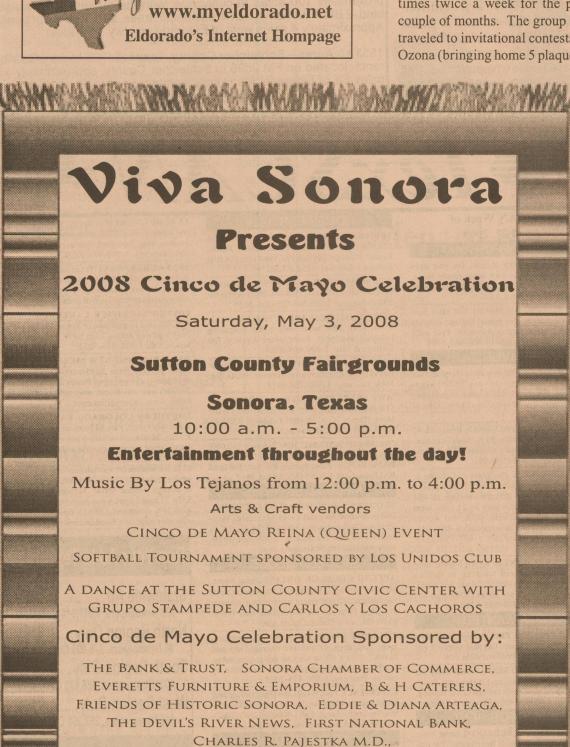
Davis Hutto, Byron Aycock, Jessica Gonzales, Jesse Pfeuffer, 4H members participating and Jody Pfeuffer all traveled to overall high individual of the in the wool and mohair contest Brownwood recently to compete across the area are: Byron Ay- in the District shooting sports cock, Dalton Buchholz, Franklin competition. Under the supervi-Buchholz, Robert Buchholz, sion of Sunny Ethridge, Glynn Davis Hutto, Ivie Mynatt, Will Hutto, and Ray Pfeuffer, these Mynatt, Marcus Ramon, West kids have been practicing at least this past few weeks traveling to division, and third in the junior Ramon, Aaron Santellano, Justin weekly since Feb. 1. This was Whitten, Tres Whitten, and Ro- the first competition for all of these kids, and all of them did The same individuals listed extremely well for their first time. above plus Jackson O'Harrow, As a group they placed sixth place Abby Nolen, Jesse Pfeuffer, and in the junior team division. That Jody Pfeuffer also participated is not too bad, being there were in the livestock judging contests. 12 teams. The shooting sports These kids have been practicing program would not have been pos-

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