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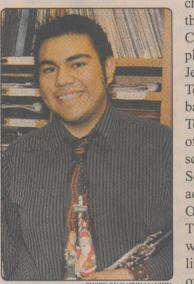


## **Cuevas to perform with All-State Band in February**

The association of Texas Small School Bands announced the selection of the 2009 ATSSB All-State Band in which Timothy Cuevas a senior at Eldorado High School was selected.

More than 9,000 high school band students from across Texas auditioned in twenty different regions for a place in their respective all-region bands. The top chairs in each region advanced to one of the five area auditions held across the state and only 240 of these 1360 students were selected for all-state honors.

Timothy Martin Cuevas, a member of the Eldorado High School Band, was selected as a member of this band at an audition on January 10 in Waco. He was



ATSSB All-State Band

chosen for this honor in competitive auditions held this year across the state at region and area levels. Cuevas is a private student of Ralph Zamarippa and plays Alto clarinet at school under the direction of Jerry Barker, who is a member of the Association of Texas Small School Bands, a 1,000 member group of band directors in class 1A, 2A and 3A high schools in Texas. This is his first time to perform as a member of the ATSSB All-State Band. His other interests at school include: TAFE, UIL Computer Apps. UIL Science, UIL Journalism. He is also active in church activities at Dance club, National Honor Society. Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church is where Timothy attends church and enjoys spending time with friends, music, video, games, spending time on line. Timothy is the son of Mark and Rachel Cuevas of Eldorado.

The ATSSB All-State Bands will meet in rehearsals in San Antonio, Texas, from February 11-14 and will present a concert beginning at 3:30 p.m. on

Saturday, February 14, 2009, in Ballroom A of the Henry G. Gonzales Convention Center in downtown San Antonio.

Mike Vax, International Artist for the Yamaha Corporation of America, will be the clinician-conductor of the all-State Jazz ensemble. John Whitwell, Director of Bands Emeritus at Michigan State University, will be the clinician-conductor of the All-State Symphonic Band. William K. Wakefield, Director of Bands at the University of Oklahoma, will be the clinician-conductor of the All-State Concert Band. ATSSB has commissioned Philip Sparke to write a piece specifically for the Concert Band. ATSSB has been commissioning works or small-school concert band each year since 1995.

# • Jurors will decide YFZ child bride custody case

Barbara Jessop, the mother of 14-yearold Merrianne Jessop, was granted the jury trial she requested to determine if the State of Texas may permanently remove the girl from her parents. The YFZ Ranch mother appeared in 51st District Court on January 8th, where she was allowed to briefly meet with her daughter. At that time, Judge Barbara Walther scheduled a trial for September 28, 2009 in her San Angelo courtroom, using a Schleicher County jury. Attorneys for both sides waived holding the trial in Eldorado since the courtroom on the second floor of the Schleicher County Courthouse is not air conditioned.

Attorneys representing the Texas



Barbara Jessop, (R) leaves the Tom Green County Courthouse after a hearing on January 8th at which Judge Barbara Walther ordered a jury trial to decide the custody of Jessop's 14-year-old daughter. The girl was allegedly married to FLDS prophet Warren Jeffs when she was only 12 in a ceremony presided over by her father, Frederick Merril Jessop.

Department of Family Protective Services filed court documents last month claiming that Barbara Jessop had failed to protect her daughter from potential abuse and the girl was ordered into state custody for a second time. She had previously been among 439 children removed from the YFZ Ranch in April of last year during the now famous raid on the property. Merrianne was initially returned to her mother when the 3rd Court of Appeals ruled the state overreached when it removed all the underage children from the ranch.

But child welfare authorities argued for and won the right to remove the girl again after determining that her mother was not complying with a Family Service Plan. Judge Walther ordered the temporary removal after a hearing held on August 18, 2008 in which Barbara Jessop exercised her Fifth Amendment rights against self incrimination some 55 times.

Court documents indicate that Merrianne was married to FLDS prophet Warren Steed Jeffs during a July 27, 2006 ceremony when she was 12-years-old. The wedding took place at the YFZ Ranch and was presided over by her father, Frederick Merril Jessop. Photos of Warren Jeffs embracing and kissing the girl were released during the state's earlier custody case.

Interestingly, Frederick Merril Jessop, the man who oversaw the daily operations at the YFZ Ranch at the time of last year's raid, has yet to come forward and participate in Merrianne's custody case. He was served with papers by DFPS attorneys on Monday, January 12, notifying him of the state's intent to permanently remove his daughter from the home.

Mr. Jessop was served when he **SEE CUSTODY ON PAGE 3** 



Shelia Prater crawled inside this 1996 Mercury sedan to help rescue Walter Jones, 18, of Kerrville after the car crashed approximately 5 miles north of Eldorado on U.S. 277. Jones was reportedly traveling southbound when he lost control and over-corrected, causing the car to leave the roadway. The driver was the lone occupant in the car. He was taken by EMS ambulance to Schleicher County Medical Center for treatment. Deputy Kevin Herbert reports that Jones was swerving to miss a deer at the time of the accident.

## Schleicher Co. Wellness Center update '08

submitted by Eddie Albin

What an amazing community we live in! In a time of economic gloom and uncertainty, this community has come together to support the wellness center project to an unprecedented degree. 2008 has been a remarkable year for the Wellness Foundation, and we want to thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

As you may have seen, site work next to the clinic is under way, and you can now see the outline of the building on the prepared pad. We are all extremely excited to see our dream take shape.

During this past year, we have received 244 different donations, in amounts from \$5 to \$25,000, not counting grants. Local cash contributions in 2008 totaled \$67,400, while cash deposits from outside the community totaled \$155,000. Also, there were numerous in-kind contributions. Further donations are being

made for 2009. Fundraising will be a never-ending task, but we have confidence that this community will help as much as it can.

We continue our goal of securing all needed funds for equipment and operational expenses. In addition, we are forming a community task force to help develop specific program ideas for the center. Please feel free to contact any board member with questions, comments, or suggestions concerning the center. And of course, we continue to accept donations!!!

[Board members are: Eddie Albin, Christy Meador, Ilse Williams, Beverly Minor, Christy Brown, Randy Mitchel, JD Doyle, Angie Redish, and Richard Mendez.]

Again, a great, big thank you to everyone who gave us

The SC Wellness Foundation

## Deal on YFZ evidence may be falling apart

Judge Barbara Walther is scheduled to hear arguments May 13th concerning the legality of the YFZ Ranch raid and whether evidence seized during the six-day operation may be used against a dozen YFZ Ranch defendants in their upcoming trials.

But, just a week after attorneys representing the YFZ defendants and the Texas Attorney General's Office agreed on the evidentiary hearing, developments in Arizona may be casting a shadow over the

On Monday, January 12th the two sides agreed that a challenge to the search would be delayed in the Arizona trial of FLDS prophet Warren Jeffs until after the May 13 hearing. As part of the deal, YFZ attorneys were to be given access to audio and video recordings made during the early hours of the raid.

However, word reached Texas this week that attorney Michael Picaretta, who represents Jeffs in his Arizona case, filed for an evidentiary hearing to be held in an Arizona court. He argues that any evidence seized during the YFZ raid should be excluded from the case since the raid was prompted by a phone call to a family shelter, now widely believed to be a hoax. Picaretta says that Texas lawmen knew, or should have known, that the call was

Interestingly, the Arizona charges against Jeff stem from an underage marriage he allegedly arranged and presided over in 2002, at least a year and a half before Jeffs' followers purchased the YFZ

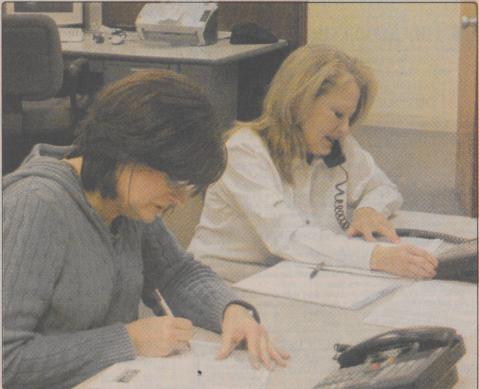
Ranch near Eldorado.

Still, Picaretta worries that evidence seized at the ranch will be used against his client and wants it stricken, despite the fact that the Arizona Attorney General's Office has pledged not to introduce any evidence from the YFZ Ranch.

Texas investigators close to the case say that Jeffs' attorney is trying to use an Arizona court, which has no jurisdiction in

Texas, to rule on the validity of the YFZ

Texas Attorney General spokesman Jerry Strickland said it would be inappropriate for him to comment on the case. He did note, however, that Assistant Attorney General Eric Nichols, who is serving as chief prosecutor in the YFZ cases, is aware of Picaretta's motion before the



Michelle McCants and Dawn Whitten volunteered their time last Saturday night at the local phone bank for the REHAB telethon. The annual telethon raises funds for the West Texas Rehabilitation Centers in San Angelo, Abilene and Ozona. The Eldorado phone bank is hosted each year by Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative.

lion babies that

have been legal-

## Life is a **Celebration!**

By Gina Parker Ford

While this week is filled with the celebration, the euphoria, and sadly the media hype of inaugurating a new President, it is vital for Americans not to overlook an important date that takes place just two days after Barack Obama's inauguration. January 22nd marks the 36th anniversary of Roe v. Wade, and the mourning of the loss of life of 50 mil-

In My Opinion



ly aborted since decision made abortion on demand the law of the land. What does it mean to be pro-

life? Life is not just a political by Gina Parker Ford position. Every child is a gift. Every child is a unique person. Life is the soft small bundle of joy that is born. Life is the crying

that keeps mother and daddy up all night. Life is hearing your child say "Mama" and "Daddy" for the first time. Life is watching your child take his or her first steps. Life is toys all over the house, dirty diapers, laughter,

crying, and potty training. It is Barbie dolls and trucks, kindergarten, birthday parties, sports, piano lessons, and ballet classes. It is bruises, swing sets, and dogs and cats. It's report cards, prom, high school graduation, and college. Life is work, marriage, and babies. This is what every unborn child should have the right to experience.

The Psalmist David wrote that each person is fearfully and wonderfully made by the Giver of Life. Our Creator has even numbered the hairs of our head. Truly, life is meant to be a celebration.

President Ronald Reagan said, "Abortion is advocated only by persons who have themselves been born." They have tasted life, but are callous to those who have not.

Proponents of killing unborn babies argue that abortion is necessary to avoid the possibility of child abuse or neglect due to an unwanted pregnancy or to avoid "punishing" a young teenage mother with the responsibility of raising a child. Consider the craziness of how liberals think! They take the untenable position that to avoid possible abuse and neglect that one should just kill the unborn child! Is it any wonder that Princeton's Peter Singer, a professor of bioethics no less, has taken this thinking to its logical conclusion and now advocates infanticide? Liberals seek to orchestrate society so that "unseen" violence and death are the answers to life's

This culture of death propagates the message to our young people that irresponsible behavior does not have consequences. It says to place self first before others by advocating that having a career and material things are more important than family and motherhood.

Rather than encouraging young people to have courage and hope when faced with difficulties, liberals promote ending life as the answer to life's challenges. Mother Teresa wisely warned, "Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what they want."

Sadly, abortion does not embrace the grace and forgiveness of God, the power of love, the promise of beauty for ashes, and the love and support from friends, family, and community. Instead, abortion kills the innocent unborn child, leaves the mother with emotional and physical scars that haunt her for a life-time, and rapes the conscience of a nation.

Let this passing anniversary serve as a reminder that we must continue to pray and to be a voice for the unborn child.

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# Well Days

The second grade teacher called me from school the other day. She told me that I needed to come and pick up my child.

"I think he's sick," she said. "He says he's hot and he's not feeling well."

It wasn't surprising to me because my daughter was sick a few days before. I told the teacher that I'd be there in a few minutes.

When I arrived at the office, he was sitting in a chair with a big grin on his face, looking decidedly...not sick.

I looked him over with a mothering eye. Bright eyes, pink cheeks, sitting straight up and, of course, there was... that grin.

"Your teacher told me you were sick," I said.

"Yep. I am. Sooo, let's go!" he chirped. "Can we go to the playground before we go home?"

I rolled my eyes. "Well, sick children usually want to go home and lay down," I said.

He thought about that a minute and then asked, "What if I feel better when we get home?"

"Are you expecting a miraculous recovery?" He had clearly not thought this little scheme through to its inevitable conclusion.

I knew how he felt. There were days when I just wanted to chuck Laura on Life

by Laura Snyder



it all and do something crazy. Nothing too off-the-wall, just something different.

Every day is the same. The only minor changes are mere inconveniences. I almost welcomed the chance to drop everything and run to the school to pick up a sick child. It was different. It was inconvenient and not fun, but it was different.

So I understood my child's reasoning, but his method left something to be desired. I couldn't in all good conscience let him get away with that because if it worked, he'd tell his teacher he was sick three times a week.

There are a lot of really good reasons for adults to take a "sick day." Maybe the fish are biting, or there is a sale at JC Penney. Perhaps your garden needs weeding or the bed is just the right temperature. Maybe it was simply a beautiful day. Isn't that what sick days are for? We should call them

"well days" not sick days. When I'm sick, I go to work. Why waste a perfectly good sick day being sick? After all, when I'm miserable, it doesn't really matter where I'm miserable. But when the sun is shining, the temperature is perfect and I haven't ridden a bicycle since I took off my last child's training wheels, it's time for a "well day!"

Really, the only difference between a well day and vacation day is that vacations are planned. Well days are gloriously spontaneous! How you use them is the difference between the living and the walking dead.

I know people who have worked at the same company for decades and have never used any sick time or vacation time. This is a source of pride for them. It certainly is a commendable feat and God bless those people! They must really love what they do.

Me? Every now and then I just want to be reminded of what it was like to be a kid who pretends to be sick just so he can go to the playground.

You can reach Laura at lsnyder@ lauraonlife.com Or visit her website www.lauraonlife.com for more columns and info about her books.



## End of the Year Notes

I had a friend who died at an early age. He had an extraordinary sense of humor and was always in a good mood. He was quick witted and jokes just rolled off his tongue " one after another.

His obituary in the newspaper was completely false. It stated that he had been a professional football player, even though he had never attended a single NFL game. It was full of accomplishments he had never accomplished. I say right on, Danny. Good for you. You left us with a good feeling. You made us laugh instead of cry at your passing.

We send and receive end of the year notes along with Christmas cards. One friend never fails to tell us about all his triumphs. It really amounts to a page and a half of brags. Maybe next year I'll send one out full of facetious, made-up, completely false statements. Here is the start of my next year's end of the year letter (I'll probably add to it during the year):

"2009 was the year when I did



by **Tumbleweed** Smith

some exciting things. I presented a case before the Supreme Court and won. I addressed the United Nations, the American Bar Association, OPEC and the World Bank. I vacationed in Dubai and Mala Mala.

"For diversions, I swam the entire length of the Amazon River and ran the 100 mile Himalayan Marathon. I followed Lindberg's flight across the Atlantic in the plane I made in my garage. I skied at Telluride and survived an avalanche. I bungeejumped from the Auckland Tower in New Zealand.

"I traded my 1935 Auburn Model 851 Boattail Speedster for a 1930 Duesenberg Town Car.

"I won an Oscar, an Emmy, a Grammy, a Tony and earned the title of Most Valuable Player in the National Football League. I produced three movies and made THE POLAR EXPRESS into a Broadway musical.

"I made 40 billion dollars with annuities. Some of the money went to founding a zoo in Antarctica, creating a chair in philanthropy at the University of Texas and a perpetual cup of coffee for the best storyteller at small cafes all across Texas. I funded a new national park in North Dakota and an orphanage in Darfur. I started work on building vacation homes in Hawaii and Maine. I bought Walmart, Neiman-Marcus and Macy's. I am working on a potent medicine that is a sure cure for AIDS and cancer.

"My winery won sixteen gold medals in world wide competition. My horse won the Kentucky Derby. I had the winning float in the Rose Parade. I qualified for the Olympics in the decathlon. For adventure, I thwarted a pirate attack while taking a trans-Pacific cruise.

"So what did you do this year?"

## **House elects** San Antonio Republican as speaker

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — The 81st regular session of the Texas Legislature convened

On a voice vote, House members unanimously elected state Rep. Joe Straus, R-San Antonio, as speaker. Straus succeeds Rep. Tom Craddick, R-Midland, in that powerful role.

Craddick, a House member for the last 40 years, will continue to represent his district. He was first elected speaker in 2003 and was reelected to the post in 2005 and 2007. TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

His three sessions as speaker were contentious. For example, Craddick's refusal to recognize members who sought to question his authority sparked bipartisan dissent.



When Craddick succeeded Hale Center Democrat Pete Laney as speaker in 2003, Republicans had a 26-seat majority, 88 seats to the Democrats' 62. After the general election last November the GOP majority had eroded to only two seats, making the split 76 Republicans and 74 Democrats.

Now, with a near balance of major party membership in the House, Straus suggested in his acceptance speech that members should work closely on the state agenda regardless of party affiliation:

"Our challenges this session are great, yet our opportunities are endless," Straus said. "Together, we will build a House where members have an opportunity to express their views and a chance to do something great for their districts and

"We will create an atmosphere where everyone's voice can and should be heard: a place where we respect each other's points of view, Democrat and Republican, urban and rural, liberal and conservative.

"I know we will disagree at times. On a daily basis, we will debate. These disagreements and debates are necessary because the end result will be stronger and better laws."

The full House also met Jan. 14 and 15 and adjourned until Jan. 22, giving members who wanted to, ample time to attend the Jan. 20 presidential inauguration of Barack Obama in Washington,

### Senate starts with disagreement

While a congenial spirit permeated the House Chamber in the days after the election of Speaker Straus, the atmosphere in the Texas Senate was comparatively raspy.

Senate rules normally require that 21 members (two-thirds) of the 31-member body consent to allow a bill to be

But 18 of the Senate's 19 Republican members voted to change the rules so that only 16 votes — a simple majority — would be required to introduce legislation.

The one Republican who joined Democrats in voting to retain the traditional rule of requiring a two-thirds' vote was Sen. John Carona of Dallas.

Now, even if Democrats vote as a bloc, they will not be able to prevent certain bills from being introduced.

In the debate on the rule change, Democrats expressed concern over "voter ID" legislation that was pushed by Republicans last session and will come up again this session. Voter identification legislation proposes to require voters to present their driver's license or other state-issued picture ID card in addition to their voter registration card at the polls.

Last session, Democrats fought voter ID legislation, arguing that it unfairly burdens the poor, minorities and older

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# ()BITUARIES

### Pauline "Poddy" Jones Lucas



MIDLAND — Pauline "Poddy" Jones Lucas, of Midland, died Saturday, January 17, 2009.

She was born November 21, Madrid and Krista Lake. 1925 to Thomas Kirk Jones and Texas Christian University where Ohlenburg and Foy Harrison. she earned her B.A. in education. Eldorado, Texas.

Poddy was preceded in death by Ave., Fl. 17, Chicago, Il 60601. her sisters, Bernice Koy and Victoria Ohlenburg; brothers, John I. Jones, direction of Ellis Funeral Home, Richard Jones and Jack Jones.

band of 60 years, James L. Lucas; place on-line condolences please sons, James L. Lucas, Jr. and wife visit www.mem.com.

Brenda, Thomas Jack Lucas and wife Jan, Paul L. Lucas and wife Susan, Timothy E. Lucas and wife Julie; American Field Service Exchange Student, Jose Maria Cuñat-Vilar; sister, Rosalyn Reynolds; grandchildren, Erin Lucas, Jessica Barden, Joe Lindemood, Madelyn Lucas, Kristin Lucas, Lauren Lucas, James Matthew Lucas, Victoria Lucas, Garrett Lucas, Shannen Lucas; and great-granddaughter, Hailey Barden.

Memorial services were Wednesday, January 21, 2009 at First Pres-Steve Schorr officiating.

Special thanks go out to Mary Lou Alcocar, Becky Walker, Sharon Miller, Ann Parker, Ada Heller, Elva

Honorary pallbearers are John Marie Kerr Jones in Eldorado, Texas Mills, Glen Ellis, Ken Sewell, where she was raised and educat- Charles Priddy, Bob Hudson, Jim ed. Poddy was a 1947 graduate of Pattee, Billy Green, Jim Hill, Eddy

She was also a cheerleader and class may be directed to First Presbytefavorite. In 1946, she was voted rian Church Deacons Fund, 800 W. Homecoming Queen of TCU. On Texas, Midland, Texas 79701, Hos-August 27, 1949, she married the pice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, with Dinner and a Movie Night, love of her life, James L. Lucas in Midland, Texas 79702 or Alzheim- hosted by the Eldorado Ministerial ers Association, 225 N. Michigan Alliance.

Arrangements were under the 801 Andrews Highway, Midland, She is survived by her loving hus- Texas 79701 (432) 683-5555. To



Pam White (R) was in San Angelo last week where she got a book autographed by Carolyn Jessop (L) for the Schleicher County Public Library. Jessop is a bestbyterian Church with Reverend selling author whose book "Escape" details her life inside and escape from the polygamous FLDS church. She was reportedly married to Frederick Merril Jessop when she was 18 and he was 53. She took her eight children and left the group in 2003. Since that time, her oldest daughter has returned to the group and is living at the YFZ Ranch near Eldorado where her father is believed to serve as the overseer of the property.

## Dinner and a Movie Night In Lieu of flowers, memorials slated for February 13th

Show your loved one just how that love, and marriage in particular, much you care this Valentine's Day is indeed worth fighting for.

A special evening is planned for Friday, February 13th at First Bapence will then move to the church's for yourself and your Valentine. sanctuary for a special screening of the new movie "Fireproof" starring Kirk Cameron. The film demonstrates

appeared for his criminal court case

Also of interest is the fact that

For more information or to sign up please call Reverend Joe McGee at tist Church's Fellowship Hall where First Presbyterian Church 325-853-Sutton County Steakhouse will be 2411. You will need to sign up by catering a romantic meal. The audi- February 6, in order to reserve a spot

This special event will be from 6-9

pm at a cost of only \$12 per person.

Childcare will be provided.

## Meals for Friends Menu

MONDAY January 26th, 2009 Beef Tips, Rice, Cooked Carrots, Cornbread, Fruit Cup w/Strawberries & Banana, Lemon Meringue Pie, Milk **TUESDAY January 27th** 

Oven Baked Chicken, Lima Beans, Broccoli, Bread, Chunky Mixed Fruit, **WEDNESDAY January 28th** 

Ground. Beef Steak, Macaroni & Cheese, Corn with Peppers, Hot Dinner rolls, Carrot Salad, Applesauce,

**THURSDAY January 29th** Vegetable Beef Stew, Green Beans, Cornbread, Pear Half w/Cottage Cheese, Vanilla Pudding, Milk **FRIDAY January 30th** Baked Ham, Candied Yams, Green

Beans, Hot Rolls Carrot Raisin Salad,

Gelatin w/Fruit, Milk.



## Thank You



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To all those who made special donations in honor of Landon this past weekend at the telethon, we offer our heartfelt thanks. They included: Cindy McGinnes, Branda Gray, Sylvia & Victor Belman, Randy Mitchel, Damien & Geralyn Beach, Darlene Edmiston, Dennis & Claudia Droll, Gordon & Lana Jones, Raul & Aracelie Gonzales, & Cooper Meador.

Selina Rojas

### Sue Gardiner



ary 17, 2009 in Midland Texas.

sophomore year when her family Eldorado, Texas. moved to Oklahoma City where she Oklahoma City University.

In 1959 she married Montell and she will be greatly missed by all. L. Gardiner and in 1961 moved to for many years and earned the rank 79705. of Gold Life Master and working to attain the rank of Diamond Life rection of Ellis Funeral Home, 801

She was preceded in death by her mem.com

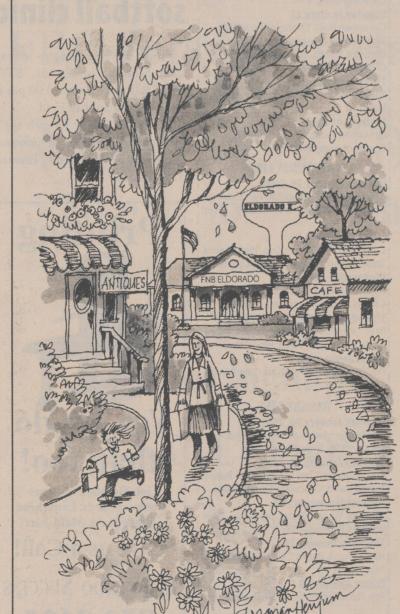
husband of 47 years, Montell Gardiner; her grandson, Bryan Builta III; her great-grandson, Braden Jace Penwell; and her parents, Shelby CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 and Roberta Cline.

She is survived by her three chil- in Eldorado. He has been indicted dren, Sharon Kay Penwell and hus- on charges of conducting a wedband Steve of Litchfield Park, AZ, ding ceremony prohibited by law in Debora Sue Wilson and husband connection with young Merrianne's John of Parker, CO. and Stanley marriage to Warren Jeffs. Gardiner Penwell and wife Cindy of Scottsdale, AZ.; her five grand- DFPS attorneys told the court on children, Shana Shimmin, Rachelle Thursday, January 8th that Bar-Ann Builta-Willis, Kristina Kay Un- bara Jessop was complying with the Milk derwood, Lisa Penwell, Joseph Pen- state's Family Service Plan at that well; five great-grandchildren, Mad- time. But, only three weeks before Sue Gardiner passed away Janu- dy and Jackson Penwell, Weston that they told the judge that she was Hoyt Underwood, Brooklyn Paige not complying and the state would Sue was born in Sapulpa, Okla- Foreman, J.D. Shimmin; her two move forward with efforts to perhoma on March 22, 1931 and at- sisters, Eleanor Elizabeth Combs manently remove Merrianne Jessop tended Sapulpa schools until her and Shirley Anne Blackburn of from the home.

She was one of the few people in attended Classen High School and life who gave "unconditional love", her passing leaves a void in our lives

Funeral services will be held Midland, Texas. She worked for 11:00 A.M. Tuesday, January 20, ARCO Oil & Gas Co. and retired 2009 at Ellis Funeral Chapel. Mein 1989. "Bridge" was her favorite morials may be directed to Ameripastime. She was a member of the can Diabetes Association, 10 Desta American Contract Bridge League Drive, Suite 220-E, Midland, Texas

Arrangements are under the di-Master. She loved the game and she Andrews Highway, Midland, Texas loved the friends she made while 79701 (432) 683-5555. Online condolences may be made to www.

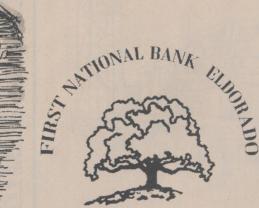


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### Rita Trevino

January 19, 2009 in San Angelo. Blanca Martinez of Fort Worth, Service is at 2 p.m. Thursday, Janu- Rosa Robles and Dora Trevino, both ary 22, at the Agape Assembly of of Eldorado, and Becky Barajas and God in Eldorado with burial in Luby Barajas, both of Ingleside; Eldorado Cemetery.

Trevino, Jr. of Sonora, daughters ico and Stefans Garcia of Eagle Pass.

Rita Trevino, 78, died Monday, Lourdos Capuchina of Sonora, brother Roberto Garcia of Mexico; Survivors include son Fernando and sisters Francisca Garcia of Mex-



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## Warbirds open district with wins over Christoval & Mason

by J.L. Mankin

wins this week to start off their 2009 district title chase. The Eagles out posted one free throw. gunned the Cougars in Christoval home game Tuesday.

and Rance Cathey each notched up Mason back into the game. seven points in the first half against the Warbirds carry a 30-9 lead into board. the intermission.

sive first half performance with an points respectfully. 11-point third quarter. That gave Ramos a team leading 18 points in out the scoring against Mason with the contest.

Cathey posted another seven points in the second half bringing give the Eagles a leg-up in district his total to 14 on the night.

Martinez's seven first half points day night. rounded out his night while Mason Baker finished with six on the while varsity will play at 8 p.m.

Ryan Castillo hit three free The Eldorado Eagles varsity boys throws for his total while Josh Jubasketball team notched up two recek and Juan Medrano ended the game with two a piece. Eloy Bustos

The win over Christoval set the 55-30 Friday night and trumped stage for the Eagles matchup against Mason 63-55 in their first district Mason Tuesday night when the Warbirds grabbed a 10-point lead Dustin Ramos, Paul Martinez going into the half and never let

Cathey had a stand-out perfor-Christoval. This production helped mance as he placed 25 points on the

Ramos and Baker each made Ramos followed up his impres- it to double digits with 10 and 14

> Jurecek and Mikeska rounded 8 and 6 points on the evening. The two wins starting off district

play heading into Irion County Fri-

The JV is slated to play at 5 p.m.



Josh Jurecek put this shot up for two of his eight points scored against Mason in the Eagles 63-55 win over the visiting Punchers. The win gives the Warbirds a 2-0 record in loop play

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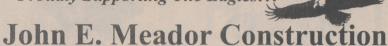
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## Lady Eagles drop pair, fall to 2-2 in district play

by J.L. Mankin

dropped a pair of district games this week, one to Christoval and Mason to 2-2 on the season.

The Lady Eagles traveled to January 20th. Christoval Friday evening, January their district standing to 3-0, but were outlasted by Christoval in a 47-42 loss.

Haley Higgins posted eight led Christoval 24-23 heading into ished with three.

Higgins matched that perfor a lone free throw. mance with ten points in the second on the night.

Aubrey Martinez and Corie Williams each ended the night with six points a piece while Brianah Creek the final period then poured on a

Kadie Niblet notched up four by a 57-43 margin. points while Bridgett Mitchell had

The Lady Eagles allowed 19

SCISD School **Lunch Menu** 

**BREAKFAST MENU** Monday January 26, 2009 Banana Nut Muffins, Choice of Cereal, **Tuesday January 27** 

Cinnamon Rolls, Choice of Juice, Milk **Wednesday January 28** Buttered Toast, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk

**Thursday January 29** Bagel Breakfast Pizza, Choice of Juice, **Friday January 30** 

Cinnamon Toast, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk

CAFETERIA LINE

Monday January 26, 2009 Chicken Fried Steak/Gravy, Creamed Potatoes/Hot Rolls, Green Beans, Sliced **Tuesday January 27** 

Corn Chip Pie/Cheese Cup, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad, Chocolate Chip Cookies **Wednesday January 28** Spaghetti/Meat Sauce, Bread Stix, Peas / Carrots, Sliced Pineapples **Thursday January 29** Beef Taco's/Cheese Cup, Refried Beans,

Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Pear Halves Friday January 30 Pep Pizza, Tossed Salad, Ice Cream Cups

**BASKET LINE** 

Monday January 26, 2009 Chicken Sandwich, Sandwich Salad, Carrot Stix / Dip, Sliced Peaches Tuesday January 27, 2009 Corn Chip Pie/Cheese Cup, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad, Chocolate Chip Cookies Wednesday January 28 Sausage Wraps, Carrot Stix/ Dip, Tater Wedges, Pineapple Slices **Thursday January 29** Hamburgers, Baked Chips, Burger Salad,

Friday January 30 Pep Pizza, Tossed Salad, Ice Cream Cups

**ALL MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE** 

points in the third quarter as Chris-The Eldorado Lady Eagles toval surged to a lead that Eldorado could not match.

The Lady Eagles looked to betbringing the Eagles district record ter their record once again this time at home against Mason on Tuesday,

Creek made her presence known 16, 2009, with hopes of improving in the game with 12 points to lead the team in scoring.

Higgins was close behind with nine points on the night.

Allison Jarrett and Williams each points in the first half as the Eagles had seven points while Niblett fin-

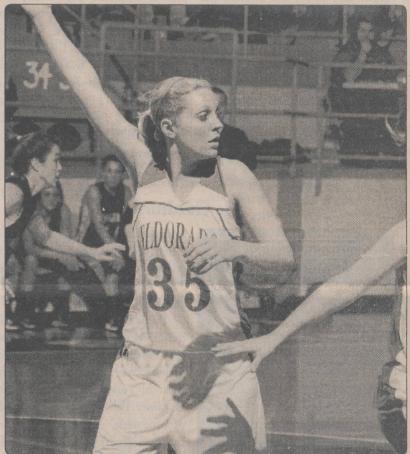
Mitchell finished the night with

The Lady Eagles stayed with the half to bring her total to 18 points Cowgirls for three quarters before letting the game slip from their grasp in the fourth.

Mason carried a 37-33 lead into 20-point run to clinch the victory

The loss balances the girls district record at 2-2.

Irion County at 6:30 p.m.



The Lady Eagles keep their eye Corie Williams calls for the ball as the Lady Eagles take on the Mason Cowgirls on the district crown Friday night in Eagle gym on Tuesday night, January 20. Williams tallied seven points in the as they travel to Mertzon to take on contest as the Eldorado girls fell 57-43 to the visiting Mason girls. The Lady Eagles district record now stands at 2-2.

## Free girls softball clinic

There will be a free girls softball clinic Saturday, January 31, 2009. It will take place from 1-3:00 pm at the Volunteer Softball Field.

The clinic will be for girls age 7 to 10 years old. For more information please contact Donny Fuentes. 325-226-5562



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Eldorado 12-08-06-02-04=32 09-04-06-09-01=29 Scoring for the Eagles: Will Barker 10, Rico Martinez 4, Dylan Ramos 3, Blaine Mitchell 4, Diego Sanchez 7, John Paul Galan 4. 3 point goal: Ramos (1). Eight Grade Record is 5-1.

JV BOYS

January 9, 2009

Scoring for the Eagles: Joseph Ru-

bio 11, Michael Rubio 6, Allen Es-

pinosa 5, Tyler Farmer 7, Briley

Ledbetter 9. 3 point goal: J. Ru-

bio (3), Espinosa (1), Farmer (1).

January 16, 2009

Scoring for the Eagles: Joseph Ru-

bio 17, Allen Espinosa 4, Nathan

Jimenez 7, Tyler Farmer 2, Briley

Ledbetter 6. 3 point goals: J. Rubio (3)

8th Grade Boys

January 12, 2009

Scoring for the Eagles: Blaine Mitchell

2, Brian Shriver 4, Will Barker 10,

Rico Martinez 8, Dylan Ramos 2,

Diego Sanchez 7, John Paul Galan 3.

January 19, 2009

09-08-13-08=38

05-08-07-16=36

09-16-10-06=41

08-09-11-08=36

03-09-10-13=35

Eldorado

Robert Lee

Eldorado

Christoval

Eldorado

Menard

## JV GIRLS

January 16, 2009 Eldorado 03-12-09-02=26 Christoval 02-07-07-05=21 Scoring for the Eagles: Abby Fuentes 5, Melissa Gonzales 1, Ashley Paulson 13, Amy Alvizo 10, Brit-

taney Gauna 5, Lauren Rubio 2.

January 19, 2009 02-04-07-08=21 Eldorado 16-02-08-07=33 13-10-18-12=53 Scoring for the Eagles: Abby Fuentes 4, Brianah Torres 2, Ashley Paulson 3, Marissa Gonzales 2, Laura Garcia 2, Amy Alvizo 10, Brittaney Gauna 2 Lauren Rubio 8.

### 7th Grade Boys

January 17, 2009 **ROCKSPRINGS TOURNAMENT** Eldorado 06-05-04-02=17 02-04-04-10=20 Junction Scoring for the Eagles: Michael Bilbrey 1, Ben Green 4, Tyler Martinez 12. 3 point goals: Martinez (3); Green (1)

January 17, 2009 **ROCKSPRINGS TOURNAMENT** 3RD PLACE ELDORADO 03-03-08-07=21

Eldorado Rocksprings 04-06-04-04=18 Scoring for the Eagles: Justin Estrada 4, Bailey Espinosa 7, Tyler Martinez 10. 3 Point Goals: Martinez (1).

January 19, 2009 Eldorado 08-06-03-05=22 06-08-04-05=23 Miles Scoring for the Eagles: Bailey Espinosa 2, Justin Estrada 2, Jackson O'Harrow 1, Michael Bilbrey 14, Tyler Martinez 3. RECORD 3-6

## **Mohair Council schedules** annual membership meeting

The Mohair Council of America Council activities in 2008. will hold its Annual Membership this year. The Winter Meeting of industry organizations. the Mohair Producers Board will Council members will hear of all rusa.com.

The membership meeting will Meeting on Wednesday, February also include discussion of many is-11th, at the Fairfield Inn in San sues of concern to mohair produc-Angelo. This will be a one day event ers. Reports will be given by related

If needed, overnight accommobegin at 9:30 a.m. with the Mohair dations may be secured by calling Council Executive Committee fol- the Fairfield Inn at 325-482-8400. lowing at 10:00 a.m. There will be All planning to attend are asked to a noon break for lunch and the An- RSVP to the Mohair Council ofnual Membership Meeting will be fice at 1-800-583-3161 or you may called to order at 1:30 p.m. Mohair email Judy Hyde at judy@mohai-

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Banning Wade fed these sheep bred by Hensil Matthews. The sheep were shown at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show

## Early Day Stock Show Winners

tension work and the 4-H club pro- Banning Wade- bred by Hensil Matgram began in Schleicher County. thews; Glenn Green - bred by J. W. Sumner, who served until 1932. John Rae; Cecil Moore -- bred by Jess a carload of uniform and evenly by Jess Koy; Bell Sample - bred by finished lambs from Schleicher Co. Tom Henderson; Jim Tom Roach won the grand champion prize for bred by J. W. Lawhon Jr.; John Lueall lambs at the Southwestern Expo- decke bred by Luke Thompson; Dee sition and Fat Stock Show at Fort DeLong - bred by D.E. DeLong;

1st place & Blue Ribbon, pen of & B.F. Nolan. three fine wool wether fat lambs, fed Koy and Banning Wade.

1st place, carload of Boy's Club tered by: Gene Koy-bred by Jess Koy; as, "The County to try to beat."

In 1928 Texas Agricultural Ex- Garth Clark -breeder Forrest Runge; The first county agent was L.E. Lawhon Jr.; Frank Bradley - bred by During the time Sumner was agent Koy; Thomas Richard Jones - bred Louie Nolan - bred by Will Parker

The same carload of 50 lambs by Glenn Green & bred by Thom- won 1st prize in open competition. son & Lawhon. 2nd place, pen of 3 Among the competitors in this class fine wool wether fat lambs, fed by were Texas Tech, Oklahoma and Gene Koy & bred by Jess Koy. 1st A&M. Colleges. Also boys clubs fed by Glenn Green & bred by Gene Mason, McCulloch, Tom Green, Presidio and Scurry Counties.

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placed 4th.

Eldorado High School had Alvizo, 3rd Place Medalist; eight medalists and 12 ribbons from 4th to 6th place. Seventeen brano, 5th Place Ribbon students returned with a medal or ribbon.

Accounting: 2nd Place Team Pasillas, Isidro Granados, Adriana Hernandez, and Krista Galindo. las, 4th Place Ribbon and Isidro Granados, 6th Place Ribbon

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vizo, 6th Place Ribbon

6th Place Ribbon

Mikeska, 5th Place Ribbon

Prose: Ben Wipff, 3rd Place Medalist

Corie Williams advanced in Poetry, and Brittany Luce advanced in Prose, but both could not advance due to basketball.

EHS takes 4th in Ozona UIL Meet •

Spelling: Vicky Fuentes, 2nd place Medalist

medal winners were Claudia ticipated in at least one U.I.L. Issues & Events and Informative academic event.

Seniors: Rance Cathy - Edi-3rd Place Medalist; Polli Guerro: Poetry; Bridget Mitchel - Literary Ben Wipff - Prose; Criticism; Claudia Pasillas - Com-

- Computer Applications, Editorial Garcia - Feature Writing; Marissa ing, Feature Writing, News Writ-ture Writing.

Number Sense: Isidro Grana- ing; Krista Galindo - Accounting; Adriana Hernandez - Accounting, Science: 2nd Place Team win- News Writing; Patricia Hernanevents had from 20 to 60 entries. ners were Hunter Alvizo, Dylan dez - Accounting; Tanya Hibbs Ozona placed 1st and Eldorado Dombroski, Meg Griffin, and - Literary Criticism; Maureen Corie Williams. Individual: Hunter Martinez - Headline Writing; Kadie Niblett - Editorial Writing; Social Studies: Yadira Zam- Hervey Solis - Persuasive and Current Issues & Events

Sophomores: Amy Alvizo-Calculator Applications and Editorial The following students par- Writing; Deisy Aranda - Current Speaking; Mason Baker - Prose;

Kaitlyn Bluford - Calculator Individual ribbons: Claudia Pasil- torial Writing, Science; Vicky Applications, Mathematics, Fea-Fuentes- Spelling; Mark Garcia- ture Writing. Robert Buchholz Literary Criticism; Isidro Grana- - Informative Speaking, Current dos - Number Sense; Mathematics, Issues & Events; Brittany Gauna Accounting, and Science; Meg - Persuasive, Current Issues & Feature Writing - 2nd Place Griffin-Number Sense, Calculator Events; Miles Mikeska - Ready Team - Karios McCullum, 4th Applications, Mathematics - Meg Writing, Editorial Writing; Marci Place Ribbon; Kaitlyn Bluford, 5th Griffin - Number Sense, Calcula- Minor - LD Debate; Lourdes tor Applications, Mathematics and Pasillas - Social Studies; Ashley Editorial Writing: Amy Al- Science; Brittany Luce - Prose; Paulson - Feature Writing; News Brent Martinez - Accounting and Writing - Lauren Rubio; Science -News Writing: Emily Espinosa, LD Debate; Timothy Maskill - Yadira Zambrano- Social Studies;

Freshman: Clarissa Castro-Ready Writing: Emily Es- puter Applications, Accounting, Ready Writing; Calculator, Bripinosa, 4th Place Ribbon; Miles Science; Corie Williams - Poetry, anna Creek, Feature Writing, Ryan Fortenberry, Number Sense, Juniors: Hunter Alvizo, Math- Mathematics, LD Debate; Abby ematics, Science; Timothy Cuevas Fuentes - Mathematics; Amanda Writing, Science; Dylan Dombro- Gonzalez - Spelling, Headline ski - Poetry, Science, News Writ- Writing; Polli Guerrero - News ing; Emily Espinosa - Ready Writ- Writing; Karios McCullum - Fea-

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7. Beginning on

8. Summer shades

9. Heckler's missile

11. Tattooist's supply

12. Cedar Rapids col-

13. UFO occupants

21. Ready for battle

22. Cardiff-born

10. Burning rage

25. Spin doctor's

26. "The Stranger"

27. Tuckered out

29. Jude Law or Mi-

30. Tough problem

32. Out of the way

37. Frequently, to a

38. NBA or NFL pos.

40. Of days gone by

41. Articles in black

46. Strongly opposed

50. Hayes or Newton

48. "Hogwash!"

53. Calyx part

percussion

creator Funt

54. Piece of Latin

58. Trevi fountain

59. Algerian port

62. Diarist Anais

60. Source of syrup

55. "Candid Camera"

57. Metro map feature

chael Caine title role

33. Cheech of Cheech

concern

author

bard

borders

69. Dixie bread

1. Ankle bones

3. Play for time

DOWN

70. Secluded valley

2. One way to think

4. Kunta \_\_ ("Roots"

5. Defat, whalerstyle

6. "Little Caesar" role

63. Steak, on some

64. Stone of many

65. Rap sheet word

67. Basilica part

68. British coppers

66. Like slander, visà-

menus

vis libel

- ACROSS 1. To-do list item 5. "Animal House
- house 9. "Once bitten, \_
- 14. Height: Prefix 15. A Simpson kid
- 16. "Ready \_\_\_ 17. Horse coloring
- 18. MBA subj.
- 19. Puts together
- 20. Ruthian nickname
- 23. Thumb twiddlers 24. Law school class
- 28. \_\_ culpa
- 30. Mideast org. 31. Tour book feature
- 32. Knock for a loop 36. "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes"
- 38. Made the scene 39. Shortened firearm

writer

- 42. \_\_-Contra affair 43. Lo-cal
- 44. French seaport 45. NE or SW
- 46. Sidewalk stand buy
- 47. Troy, NY sch. 49. Salad green
- 51. Lake source of the
- Mississippi 56. Bloodhound's
- asset 60. Salvage ship's

& Chong 34. Obie or Emmy 35. Meditative sect 52. In the thick of throw-in 61. Soccer stadium

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## Capital Highlights...

**CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2** 

The Senate adjourned and will be back in session Jan. 26.

Comptroller estimates revenue

For its 2010-11 budget period, state government can expect to have \$77.1 billion in funds available for general- and lottery proceeds. purpose spending, Comptroller Susan Combs said earlier this month.

09, she said.

General revenue-related tax and spending. fee collections in 2010-11 likely will

the total.

About 65 percent of state tax revenue will come from the sales tax. Other significant sources of general revenue include motor vehicle sales taxes, the franchise tax, the natural gas tax, insurance premium taxes,

In addition to the general revenue-related funds, Combs said, the This represents a 10.5 percent state stands to collect \$91 billion in decrease from the corresponding federal receipts and other revenues amount of funds available for 2008- dedicated for specific purposes and cannot be used for general-purpose

State revenue collections from all reach \$76.7 billion, with tax rev- sources and for all purposes should enues accounting for 89 percent of total \$167.7 billion.



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. Accidents of major impact may be reported separately. Subjects reported to have been arrested are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ARRESTS

chelle, female age 30. Offense DWI. wanted to speak to officer. Released 1/19/09 on \$1,000. Surety

male age 54. Offense DWI, released 1/19/09 on \$1,000 surety bond.

JANUARY 20 • Biggs, Phyliss Jenee, female age 37. Offense DWI bonded out on \$2,000 surety bond.

**INCIDENTS** 

JANUARY 14 - 1:28 AM • Caller ad- house. Officer investigated. Caller was afraid fire would start back up again. Notified fire Chief.

notified S.O. of small fire on 2129. Fire crew responded

JANUARY 15 - 6:05 PM • Caller reported a personal fire arm had been stolen, deputy responded.

JANUARY 16 - 7:22 PM • Complain- vehicle cruising back and forth past ant stated there was a possible drunk caller's house. driver. Units responded.

ported an overdue aircraft. Officer Possible intoxicated driver headed responded. Aircraft located / pilot not this way. Car is white. Officer respondlocated.

8:56 PM • Caller stated that a propane tank located at company, fuel was leaking. Owner notified

9:09 PM • Caller reported a pewter colored Chevy 1/2 ton pick up traveling at least 70 mph down East St. Of-

10:45 PM • Complainant requested info on how to file a restraining order on their spouse.

JANUARY 18 - 3:38 PM • Complainant stated that a vehicle had hit her car and had just driven off. Vehicle description is a white 2 door pick up. Officer responded.

7:28 PM • Caller reported a driver had hit a deer, vehicle totaled, no injuries except to deer. Officer responded and gave occupants a ride to S.O. where they can wait until they can get transportation home.

JANUARY 18 · Acevedo, Chasti Mi- JANUARY 19 - 12:07 AM · Caller 12:47 AM • Caller requested an offi-

cer at his home, wife was drunk and JANUARY 18 • Daniels, Kenneth Paul, wouldn't leave him alone. Officer responded.

9:38 AM • Complainant stated that his vehicle may have been stolen. Spoke with officer

3:50 PM • Caller informed S.O. that someone had broken into caller's

vised S.O. small flames on CR 312 4:30 PM • Kerbow funeral home rewhere a previous fire had been earlier. quested an escort for Thursday January 22 at Agape cemetery.

8:02 PM • Caller reported a one ve-• 3:38 am Dispatcher from company hicle roll over with injuries. Law and emergency personnel responded.

8:08 PM • Caller reported a vehicular accident on 277 N. 5 miles out. Appropriate personnel responded.

8:10 PM • Caller reported a suspicious

JANUARY 20 - 6:22 • am Dispatcher JANUARY 17 - 1:32 PM • Caller re- from Tom Green county advised S.O.

4:14 PM • Person stated their home 6:36 AM • Caller reported white car had been ransacked. Officer respond- weaving all over road. Driver possibly intoxicated. Officer responded.

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titled: "Diabetic-Going to the Gromen would go to the center early because of their work schedules. We Willis, Mexican Wedding Cake; 2nd thank Nancy for her very informa- Elizabeth Griffin; Cookies - 1st - Franklin tive talk.

cloths and the center pieces on each table were of red glass candle hold- pion Chocolate Cake. ers in a tiered metal arrangement. The serving tables' centerpiece was

p.m., Tuesday, February 9, 2009 at Colton Arendt, Lane Griffin, Hunter Methodist Fellowship Hall.

The Eldorado Woman's Club Sale. Next that we needed to vote dation, Inc. As of October, 2008 met Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at Shine Spigarelli as a lifetime mem- which listed the cash pledges; con-2:30 p.m. in the Methodist Fel- ber. A motion was made, seconded struction; equipment and furnishlowship Hall. Theme for the meet- and voted on that Shine is now a ing costs and the building compleing was "Wellness Center Update." lifetime member. Also, that Elena tion goal. Also the Wish List for Twelve members and two guests- Pena requested a leave of absence. the Schleicher County Wellness Program leader Penny Bland Foundation Health Center. She also present. President Myrt Williams next introduced Nancy Lester as our passed out an article about "Dining opened the meeting with welcom- Guest speaker, and Holly Brame as for the Diabetic--Going to the Groing everyone to the meeting. She a representative of the Wellness cery Store." She told us where the Project and Food reported that Nelva Martin was in Center. Nancy has been very special center was to be located. Also there the hospital and also that Pat Holt to everyone in Schleicher County would be a Physical Therapists at Show Results was not in good health. She next ever since she came here as a Home the center. There would be a cardio called our Business meeting to or- Demonstration agent several years vascular area; a multi purpose area ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY der. Pledge to our flags was led by ago. She has always been a speaker where exercise classes would be; that Rene Calcote. Susan Lively, stand- extra ordinary. She not only radiates the center would employ one fulling in for ailing Pat Holt, read the with a personality that sparkles but time and one person for half-time

Cassandra Buiton - 2nd Place minutes of our last meeting. They she always has wonderful knowl- duty. She said David Creek's Conwere approved as read. Roll call was edge of many things. Her chosen struction Co. got the bid to build Christine Lindsey - 2nd; answered with each member giving topic for our meeting was an up- the center. Also, that it would cost their 'New Years Resolution.' Some date on Schleicher County's pro- thirty dollars per month to join per were to utilize time better; read the posed Wellness Center. She passed individual. The would also be corpo-Bible more, be more like Mary than out a copy of how the center would ration memberships; Senior citizens dez - 3rd Martha; be more patient; to get look. The drawing was made by or low income membership and that more accomplished this year; worry Gary Donaldson, Architect. Gary the summer of 2009 was projected as lor - 3rd less; loose weight and be more cre- is from Eldorado. Nancy also gave the completion date. A Doll House FOOD SHOW us a copy of how the inside of the raffle brought in \$600,200. dollars. Under old business, President Center would be utilized. Included There would be aerobic classes and with his Lemon Filled Coconut Cake. Williams said to remember our fund was a list of major donations to the you would pay when you went. There would be an "On Line food Letter." Nancy passed out an article cery Store." She and Holly Brame, Paulson placed 1st with her Saltered Peare representing the Wellness Cen- can Chews; Breads - 1st, Robert Buchter project. She said there will be holz-Apple Cinnamon Surprise; Cakes choices as to when people would go to the center. One choice was that

> we ended our Business Meeting by reciting our Club Collect. Refreshment time was hosted by Gloria Swift, Mary Roden and Linda Forlano, Old Fashion Peach Pie; Candy

having everything so festive.

Our next meeting will be a 2:30

Kaitlyn Lindsey won 1st place in the Photography Division at the 74th Junior Livestock and Food Show held January 10, 2009 at the Schleicher County Civic Center.

PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

# 74th annual

Handcrafts - Clayton Arendt - 1st

Pen & Ink - Josh Taylor - 1st Place

Photography - Kaitlyn Lindsey - 1st; Rylea Self - 3rd

Acrylic Art - Dustin Ramirez - 1st; Vickey Fuentes - 2nd; Adriena Hernan-

Pencil Art - Dustin Ramirez - 1st; Cassandra Buitron - 2nd and Josh Tay-

Garrett Lux won Senior Best of Show Lane Griffin won Junior Best of Show with his Potato Cinnamon Rolls and Sierra Forlano won in the Sub Junior Best of Show with her Old Fashion Peach Pie.

Senior Division: Cookies - Ashley - 1st -Garrett Lux, Lemon Filled Coconut Cake, 2nd - Meg Griffin, Red Velvet

Junior Division: Cakes - 1st - Chasity Buchholz, 2nd - Elizabeth Griffin, Clip-Following our Special Program per Chocolate Chip; Yeast Breads - 1st - Lane Griffin, Potato Cinnamon Rolls; 2nd - Dalton Buchholz, Apricot Cream Cheese Bread.

Sub Junior Division: Pies - 1st, Sierra 1st - Jody Pfeuffer; 2nd, Lane Griffin; Our table were covered with red Cake - 1st -Sierra Florlano, Chocolate Crazy Cake; 2nd - Patrick Self, Cham-

Participants in all age levels and divisions: Bread - Robert Buchholz, Ivie Kate Mynatt, Rylea Self, Dalton Buchholz: of red flowers and red candles. Our Cake- Andrea Meador, Ashby Ragsdale, hostesses had delicious treats and we Meg Griffin, Sierre Forlano, Corie Wilthank them for our special refresh- liams Byron Aycock, Clayton Arendt, ment time. We even had red theme Jayton West, Chasity Willis, Jesse Tayplates and cups. Thanks ladies for lor, Aaron Santellano, Jody Pflueffer, Flizabeth Griffin: Candy - Logan Moor Micaela Forlano, Codee Meador, Reece Faull, Christine Lindsey, Marshall Faull, West, Jody Plueffer, Aaron Santellano, Ashley Paulson; Cookies - Jillian Pfueffer, Elizabeth Griffin, Franklin Buchholz, Levi Sullivan, Davis Hutto, Kaithlyn Lindsey, Emmie Mynatt, Mason Hutto



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Answer to Sudoku on Page 3

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Marshal Faull is showing his Champion Gilt at the 74th Jr. Livestock and Food Show on January 10, 2008 at the Schleicher County Civic Center.



Robert Buchholz (R) placed 1st in the Angora Goats Division and Franklin Buchholz (L) placed 2nd at the 74th annual Jr. Livestock and Food Show held January 10, 2009 in the Schleicher County Civic Center.



Aaron DeHoyos Gilt won Reserved Champion at the 74th Jr. Livestock and Food Show on January 10, 2008 at the Schleicher County Civic Center. He is shown here with another entry that won fourth place.

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