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A color guard from Goodfellow Air Force Base presented the colors Monday morning during the annual Memorial Day ceremony at the Eldorado Cemetery.

PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Eldoradoans honor war dead

A crowd of about 40 people were in attendance Monday morning for the annual Memorial Day service at the Eldorado Cemetery. The program is sponsored each year by the American Legion Bev McCormick Post #257.

Post Commander Weldon Jenkins served as the master of ceremonies for the program, with Post Chaplain Buff Whitten offering prayers of invocation and benediction.

A color guard from Goodfellow Air Force Base was on hand to post the colors as the audience stood at attention, some saluting, others with hands held across their hearts. Silently the color guard marched in lock step to present the colors. Weldon Jenkins then read a moving tribute to the nation's war dead. Then, one by one, the names of Schleicher County's twenty-three fallen heroes were read

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County enacts rule against RVs using electrical outlets on courthouse square

Schleicher County Commissioners enacted a new policy Tuesday governing the use of electrical outlets adjacent to the parking lot on the north side of the courthouse. The policy eliminates the free electricity many recreational vehicle owners were getting when they would park on the square.

The new policy still allows for RVs to park on the square and hookup to county electricity, but only if the Memorial Building is rented for a sanctioned event such as Mias Amigas. The hookups may then be used, but only during the rental period of the Memorial Building.

In all other instances, RV owners will be referred to local RV parks. On those occasions when there are no RV spaces available in the local parks, the courthouse hookups will be made available for \$20 per night, with a two-night limit.

The new policy was unanimously approved and will take effect immediately.

Among other business, the commissioners met with Tom Brown with Naimsmith Engineering concerning the Park and Open Space Master Plan. A resolution supporting the plan was approved by the commissioners. It is the first step in obtaining a larger Texas Parks and Wildlife grant.

Sylas Politte met with the commissioners and updated them on the opening of the county swimming pool. The commissioners instructed Politte to check on prices for a new diving board.

The court also approved a resolution approving participation in the COPSync program through the Concho Valley Council of Governments. The program allows for the installation of laptop computers in all Sheriff's Department patrol vehicles. The computers will connect to dispatch by way of wireless interface.

In other business, road superintendent Mark Graves informed the court that he ordered a new single cab, long bed pickup for the road department from the Houston Buy Board. The cost of the vehicle came to \$21,626.00. He also advised that his crews would be making trips hauling sand for the school, for use on the baseball fields.

Attorney James Kosub also met with commissioners to discuss new IRS rules governing fringe benefits to county employees. Kosub, who represents the county on civil matters through the West Texas Rural Counties Association, explained new rules concerning payment of "per diems" or travel expenses. He noted that the IRS considers payment of a "per diem" to be taxable income if the county employee doesn't spend the night away from the county.

The need for a cell phone policy was also discussed in order to prohibit all

personal use. Otherwise, cell phone usage by employees would be considered a taxable benefit.

The men also discussed purchasing an 8,000 - 10,000 gallon fuel tank and pump, as well as a location where the tank could be placed so that county vehicles could have 24-hour access to unleaded gasoline. No action was taken on the matter, but Mark Graves was instructed to check the rules governing fuel tanks.

The commissioners then directed Graves to buy several truck loads of paving mix from Vulcan in Uvalde in order to patch County Road 300. It was noted that high traffic has already broken up the paving that was done only last year by 90 West Contractors from Del Rio. During the discussion, commissioner Kirk Griffin noted that County Road 300 was never designed for heavy road traffic.

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Thuesen indicted in Joiner deaths

Prosecutors sought and received an indictment on May 14 against John Thuesen, 25, a Blinn College student accused of murdering Travis and Rachel Joiner in their College Station home. But, the government's attorneys won't say if they have decided whether to seek the death penalty against Thuesen.

Thuesen was indicted on a charge of capital murder of multiple persons by a grand jury convened by 361st District Judge Steve Smith. Police believe he killed 21-year-old Rachel Joiner and her brother, Travis Joiner, 23, in their home March 6.

The Eldorado siblings were attending

Texas A&M University at the time of their deaths.

Authorities said Thuesen called 911 after he shot the pair. Police arrived on the scene and found him in the house's garage, officials said. Rachel Joiner, who had been shot several times, was also in the garage. Travis Joiner was found in the house.

Thuesen was immediately arrested and remains in jail without bail. Records show that he had previously encountered police in Hempstead after an ex-girlfriend reported that he was stalking her.

An indictment is not a finding of guilt; rather, it is a determination that enough evidence exists to proceed with a trial.

Honor graduates named for EHS Class of 2009

Commencement exercise slated here Friday night

Eldorado High School named eight members of the Class of 2009 as honor graduates. Corie Blayne Williams, Summa Cum Laude, and Megan Leigh Griffin, Magna Cum Laude, are the school's top graduates and will address their classmates, family and friends during commencement exercises on Friday, May 29, 2009.

Others graduating Magna Cum Laude include Rance Cathey, Claudia Pasillas and Kirsten Brook Stubbs. Cum Laude Graduates are Haley Michelle Higgins, Bridgett Leanne Mitchell and April Marie Porras.

The criteria for honor graduate status is as follows: Summa Cum Laude - 99.0 grade point average and above; Magna Cum Laude - 97 to 98.99 grade point average; and Cum Laude - 95.0 to 96.99 grade point average.

The eight honor graduates will be among forty-one EHS seniors who receive their diplomas during commencement exercises here Friday night. The graduation ceremony is slated to begin promptly at 8:00 p.m. in Eagle Stadium. That's when the Eagle Band will

perform "Pomp and Circumstance" and the grads will file into the stadium.

SCISD board president Kurtis Homer, superintendent Billy Collins and EHS principal Scotty Carman will present the diplomas to the graduates as their individual names are called.

Honor graduates Claudia Pasillas and Kirstin Stubbs are slated to deliver the invocation and benediction.

Ushers will be members of the class of 2010, including Timmy Cuevas, Emily Espinosa, Wes Brown and Kadie Niblett.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, the graduates will be presented with their diplomas and the tassel on their graduation cap will be ceremonially transferred from the right to the left side to signify their accomplishment.

Please note that provisions have been made to move the proceedings indoors, to the EHS auditorium, in the event of inclement weather.

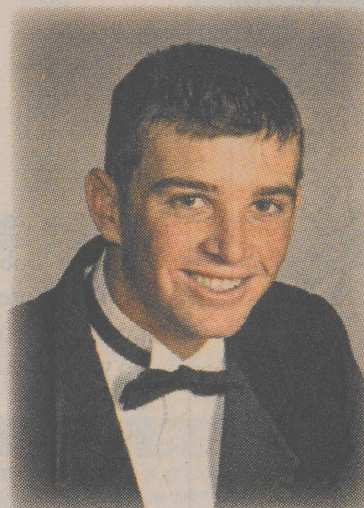
The public is invited to help the class of 2009 celebrate this milestone.



Corie Blayne Williams
Summa Cum Laude



Megan Leigh Griffin
Magna Cum Laude



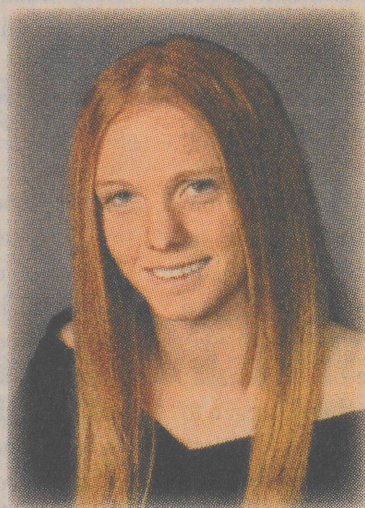
Rance Cathey
Magna Cum Laude



Claudia Pasillas
Magna Cum Laude



Kirsten Brook Stubbs
Magna Cum Laude



Haley Michelle Higgins
Cum Laude



Bridgett LeAnn Mitchell
Cum Laude



April Marie Porras
Cum Laude

Pelosi as Martyr

Next, Nancy Pelosi should find a way to work in the Bilderberg Group, the annual gathering of global elites that is a perennial obsession of conspiracy theorists. It's the only thing missing from her wild tale of CIA misconduct that's so implausible, she had trouble keeping it straight at her instantly notorious "I was misled" press conference.

For Pelosi's account to be accurate, the CIA must have engaged in one of the most baroque and ineffectual conspiracies in the history of Washington. Remember: Pelosi claims that the CIA lied to her in a September 2002 classified briefing and told her that it hadn't waterboarded high-level al-Qaida detainee Abu Zubaydah. To support her version, Pelosi needs to stack implausibility on top of implausibility in a precarious Jenga tower of self-justification.

The CIA must have convinced Porter Goss, the Republican congressman (and subsequent CIA director) who was present at the 2002 briefing, to lie and pronounce himself "slack-jawed" at Pelosi's account. It must have forged the "contemporaneous records" CIA Director Leon Panetta has cited that show Pelosi was told of the waterboarding. It must have either pulled the wool over Panetta's eyes or enlisted the active engagement of the Obama nominee in a monstrous machinery of deception.

Even Oliver Stone wouldn't touch this screenplay. And why would the CIA have lied to Pelosi in 2002? Even in her telling, the briefers informed her that the enhanced interrogation techniques had been found to be legal. So there was no wrongdoing to cover up. And even by Pelosi's account, the CIA told one of her aides in a February 2003 briefing that it had used waterboarding, and the aide passed it along to her. It's pointless to lie to the principal when a few months later you are going to funnel the information to her through a subordinate. In short, Pelosi has uncorked Washington's least believable and most internally inconsistent denial since Bill Clinton wagged his finger over "that woman."

Pelosi's motivation for putting her reputation -- and perhaps her speakership -- on the line is more subtle than Clinton's. She is sacrificing her credibility on the altar of moral vanity and rhetorical excess. She is trapped under the terrible freight of the word "torture," the left's obligatory swearword for the Bush interrogation program.

Torture is a war crime, and anyone complicit in it is a war criminal. It admits of no wiggle room. For Pelosi to acknowledge she knew of torture as far back as 2002 and did nothing to stop it is to condemn herself as an unindicted co-conspirator in George W. Bush's crimes. Better to obfuscate and dodge, and remain adamant about a "truth commission," even when she can't tell the truth herself.

Pelosi's inaction years ago speaks more eloquently than her denunciations of the Bush administration since. Even if she was uncomfortable with the use of waterboarding, she clearly didn't consider it torture. If she had been told that the CIA was burning detainees with cigarettes, would she also have implicitly approved? Let's hope not. But given the choice between forswearing the simplistic and morally self-gratifying attack on Bush as a torturer, and hurling herself on a pyre in front of the national press corps, Pelosi chose self-immolation.

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Family reunions...God's reminder that our cousins are growing older

A large part of my family gathered last weekend in Buffalo Gap for a reunion. It was my first time there in several years and I was immediately struck by how old everyone had gotten, especially some of my cousins.

A few of us stood visiting in the shade of a large mesquite tree when a particularly elderly looking fellow walked up, stared intently in my face and asked, "Randy...is that you?"

When I admitted to the old fellow that yes, I was Randy, he burst out laughing. "Good Lord," he said. "You've gotten old!"

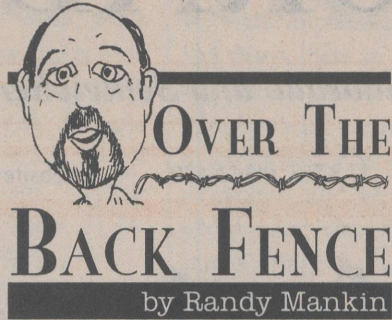
He turned out to be one of my younger cousins and before he could finish laughing at the joke, his sister grabbed him by the ear and drug him a few yards to a nearby pick-up where she forced him to look at his own reflection in the passenger window.

Needless to say, we all shared the laugh before that was over.

The next few hours were spent telling and retelling tales and sharing memories that had almost been lost for the ages.

At one point a woman from an adjacent campsite walked past our little group. She stopped for a moment and looked us over. I was wondering which side of the family she belonged to when she finally spoke up. "Is this a family reunion?"

"Sure is!" came the quick reply.



"You don't think this many good looking people accidentally got together, do you?"

For some reason, the woman wasn't nearly as amused by the question as we were. Imagine that.

I was proud to have my two kids there. Everyone was amazed that at J.L.'s height. He must have gotten tired of hearing, "I remember you when you were only this tall!"

And, my daughter Sarah was there for the first time in a long time. She's been away at medical school and naturally I enjoyed the role of the proud daddy who introduced everyone to his soon-to-be doctor daughter.

My mother was one of seven children. We lost my uncle Jimmie a few years back, so it was important that the remaining six siblings gather for a picture. Life being what it is you just never know if and when such an opportunity will again present itself.

I'm not sure, maybe it was a conversation I had with my uncle

Randall, but something set me to thinking about the family members who didn't make it to the reunion.

I was the oldest of a few dozen cousins on my Mom's side of the family. The next in line was my cousin Cathy. It's probably been twenty years or more since I've seen her. I wonder how she is and what she's doing.

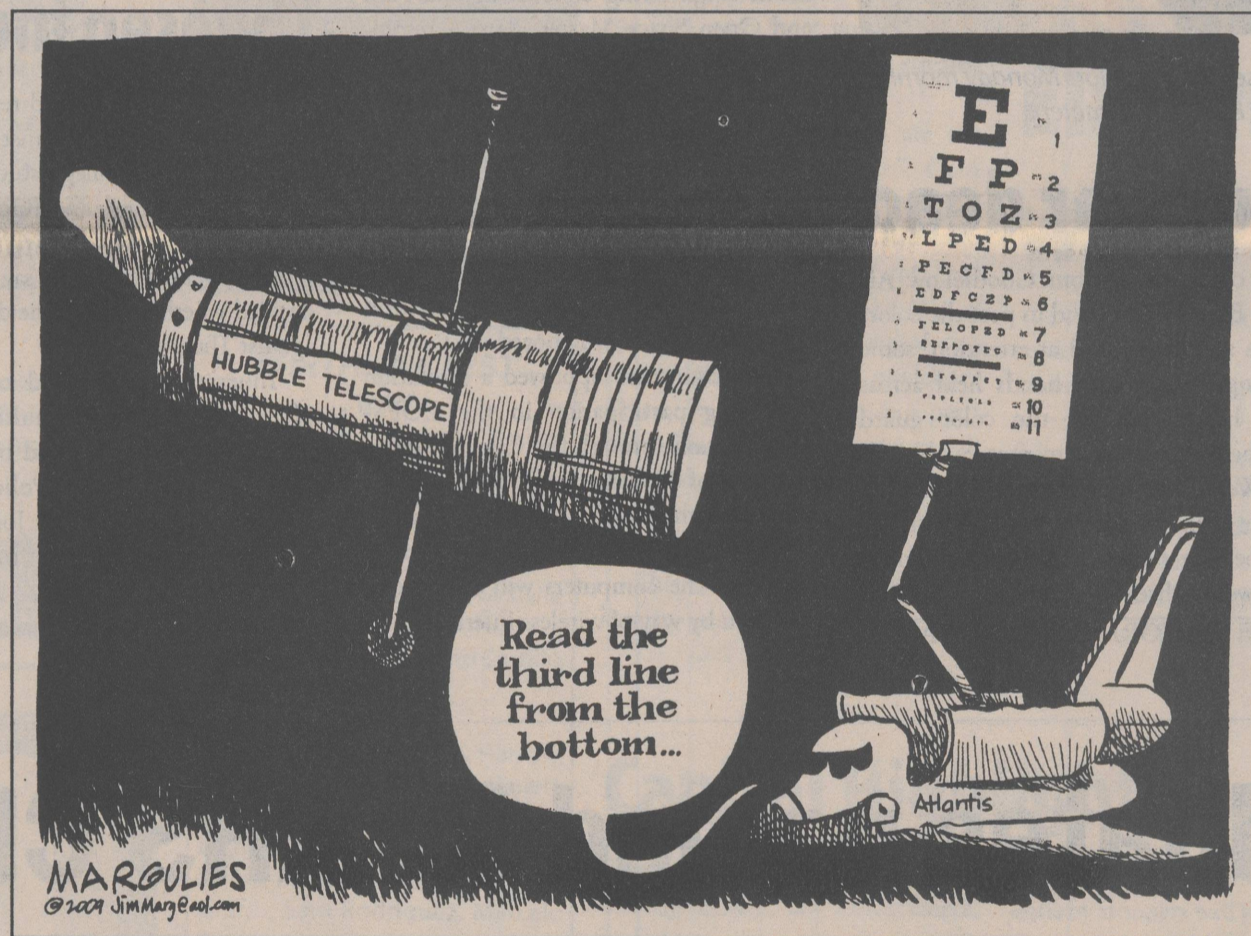
Then there's my cousin Ronnie. He's the next in line and we spent a lot of time together growing up. But life sent us down different paths and I haven't seen him in many years. I also wondered about him and how he is doing.

Then there are the cousins that came along after I had left for college...and literally dozens upon dozens of second cousins. I couldn't possibly tell you who they belonged to or how they were related to me.

Then there was the food, and enough of it, I think, to keep a third-world country fed for several weeks.

I heard a story once about a guy who made the rounds of several parks each weekend, crashing family reunions. He would slip in, fill his plate, eat his fill, and usually leave undetected. On the rare occasion when he was approached, he would simply introduce himself as Aunt Maggie's son Bill.

I'm not sure how he got caught, but it likely had something to do with him not looking old enough to be Aunt Maggie's kid.



The Story of Texas

When you pay your admission into the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum in Austin, you are given a little orange sticker to wear on your shirt. It has the words THE STORY OF TEXAS on it. That's exactly what's inside the museum

The current exhibit is about immigrants coming to the United States through Galveston. It is an elaborate display featuring photos and short interviews with family members whose ancestors got to Texas in the 1800's and early 1900's. There are stories of stormy seas, illnesses, and the difficulties immigrants from Southern and Eastern Europe faced. Many of the immigrants settled in northern states, but the majority stayed in Texas. From 1860 until 1920 Texas grew more than any other state, mostly due to immigration. Galveston became an important point of entry into the US until the hurricane of 1900 heavily damaged the town. Then it began to decline as a port of entry.

We spent a good deal of time with the immigration exhibit because we had visited with Suzanne Sheriff, creator of the display last year



by Tumbleweed Smith

about this time when she was working on it. She should be extremely pleased.

We moved on to the permanent exhibits, which cover three floors. I really think a person could get up to speed on Texas by making a few trips to the museum. I wouldn't recommend trying to do everything in one visit. It's overkill because there's so much to see. So much to learn or re-learn about the state and its people.

The museum, which opened in 2001 and named for a former Lt. Governor, has a replica of the way the Alamo entrance looked after the March 6, 1836 battle. A movie inside tells about the war that gave Texas its independence from Mexico.

The Goddess of Liberty was beginning to look weathered, so it was removed from the top of the capital building and given a permanent

home in the museum. A second Goddess of Liberty now graces the capital dome.

Using the very latest electronic technology, the histories of Texas oil, cotton, cattle and citrus are presented in fun, understandable ways. In the oil theater, visitors watch the story of petroleum while seated on cushioned oil barrels. The museum covers everything Texan, from Spanish explorers to space travel. Significant events in Texas since 1945 are projected onto a curved stone wall. One of the exhibits shows the Texas centennial celebration in 1936, when the state celebrated its 100th birthday. An IMAX theater attracts large crowds. The Texas Spirit Theater is a multi media experience focusing on the determination, perseverance and triumph that created the Texas spirit. The museum has a café and gift shop.

Texas has three outstanding shrines that every Texan should visit: The Alamo, Goliad and the San Jacinto Monument. After visiting those, go to the newest Texas shrine: the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum.

Senate bill would put brakes on TxDOT's toll road promoting

by Ed Sterling
AUSTIN — The Texas House tentatively approved HB 2142, legislation to prevent the Texas Department of Transportation from promoting toll roads.

Now the bill, by Rep. Ruth Jones McClendon, D-San Antonio, moves to the Senate for consideration. An identical bill, SB 384 by Sen. John Carona, R-Dallas, gained Senate approval and has moved to the House for consideration.



Either bill, if passed, would put a clamp on TxDOT's practice of using various means to influence public opinion in favor of toll road construction.

Under the legislation, TxDOT no longer would be authorized to engage in marketing, advertising, or other activities for the purpose of influencing public opinion about the use of toll roads or the use of tolls as a financial mechanism.

"TxDOT needs to be committed to the goals of the public, not just promoting its own goals," McClendon said.

TxDOT would continue to have the authority to conduct marketing and advertising activities to inform the public in regard to the status of pending and ongoing toll projects.

Senate passes campus guns bill

The Texas Senate on May 19 approved a bill that would allow students who possess a concealed handgun permit to carry a firearm on college and university classrooms, dormitories and other public buildings on campus.

Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-San Antonio, author of SB 1164, said shootings at colleges in other states inspired his bill.

"They were picked off like sitting ducks in the classroom in Virginia," he said. "I just think we ought to be able to defend ourselves from that kind of situation. It happens very rarely, but when it does happen, it's catastrophic."

Show helps in appraisal protest

The Texas Comptroller's Office Internet site, www.cpa.state.tx.us, features a new slide show to help homeowners who are protesting their property tax appraisals.

"How to Present Your Case at an Appraisal Review Board Hearing: A Guide for Homeowners" makes the property tax process more transparent by providing easy-to-understand information about what to expect at a property appraisal protest hearing.

"Homeowners are empowered by understanding the protest process, knowing what information to present to the local Appraisal Review Board and how to present it," Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said. "It helps homeowners make convincing appeals and helps the review boards make better decisions."

Appraisal review boards generally hear property appraisal protests between May 15 and July 25, except in major urban areas with extended protest periods.

AG joins in 'false charity' sweep

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott on May 20 joined 33 state attorneys general and the U.S. Federal Trade Commission in an effort to stamp out fraudulent charitable solicitations nationwide.

Abbott launched an online portal that gives Texans greater access to information about law enforcement organizations that rely upon telemarketing to raise funds from the general public: http://www.oag.state.tx.us/consumer/charitysearch_info.shtml.

"Operation False Charity" targets solicitors that mislead Texas donors into believing their contributions will

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OBITUARIES

James Anthony "Jamie" Daniels

ELDORADO - James Anthony "Jamie" Daniels passed away after a long battle with cancer Saturday, May 23, 2009. He was born in Clovis, N.M., Aug. 19, 1956. He spent most of his life primarily in Eldorado, Texas.

On Aug. 30, 1980, he married Cynthia Kay Cain in Eldorado, Texas. James had many loves in life, mostly family, friends, and Mustangs.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents and his parents, James Darrell and Linda Pearl Daniels. He is survived by his wife, Cindy; one brother, Darrell Wayne Daniels

and wife Varonda of Eldorado; two sisters, Shirley Jean Levensailor and husband Bobby of Llano, Texas, and Susan Lanine Van Horn and husband Randy of Las Vegas; as well as many aunts, uncles and cousins. His 12 nieces and nephews were "Their Kids" and they were also blessed with eight great-nieces and nephews.

Funeral service was held Tuesday, May 26, at Community Baptist Church in Eldorado with burial following in Eldorado Cemetery.

Donations in lieu of flowers may be sent to Hospice of San Angelo.

DEATH NOTICES

E.O. "Dusty" Nevills

WACO — E.O. "Dusty" Nevills, 95, of Waco, formerly of San Angelo, passed away Sunday, May 17, 2009. Graveside service were at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 21, at Brandon Bynum Cemetery, Hillsboro, Texas. Dusty taught Vocational Agriculture at Mertzon and Eldorado High Schools until World War II. He is survived by his daughter, Cara Jay Patterson and husband, John; his son, Monte Reed Nevills of Lorena; grandchildren, five great grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews.

County Commissioners . . .

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Moving rocks and dirt from county road build up onto private property was discussed, and the court will seek legal advice before making any changes to their County Road policy.

The commissioners also discussed renting a machine to break up rocks scraped up along fence lines into a manageable size for road base.

Richard Mendez also met with the commissioners on behalf of the Wellness Foundation board. He asked if the county would place road base for a parking lot on a 50 x 100 ft. lot donated to the foundation by the Mertzon Highway Church of Christ, directly across West Street from the Wellness Center that is

presently under construction.

It was noted that the county committed \$50,000 toward the building of the center, some of which has already been spent on the structure's foundation.

Judge Charlie Bradley said he was contacted by Ilse Williams, also with the Wellness Foundation board, about the possibility of the county paying for the engineering and final inspection fee in the amount of \$5,000.

The commissioners noted again that they had already set aside \$50,000 for the project and that only about \$10,000 of the county funds has been spent. No further action was taken.

Commissioner Kirk Griffin then asked for an item to be placed on all future agendas concerning paving with leased road equipment. He noted that leasing paving equipment is more economical than buying it. Griffin further advised that he will get some prices together and come back with a firm price at a future meeting in hopes of getting a road paved this summer.

The meeting ended with the commissioners approving the monthly payment for Internet service at the Senior Center.

Judge Charlie Bradley chaired Tuesday's meeting with commissioners Matt Brown, Johnny Mayo, Kirk Griffin and Lynn Meador in attendance. Also present were County Treasurer Karen Henderson and County Clerk Peggy Williams.

The next meeting of the Schleicher County Commissioners Court is slated for 9 a.m. on Monday, June 8, 2009 in the meeting room on the first floor of the county courthouse.

Preliminary TAKS scores show EHS improving significantly

Less than a year after the Texas Education Agency slapped Eldorado High School with an "Unacceptable" rating, preliminary results of the state's TAKS (Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills) test indicate the school will receive at least an 'Acceptable' rating. Superintendent Billy Collins notes there is a possibility that the campus will receive a 'Recognized' rating.

Last year's poor rating came as a direct result of poor TAKS test scores for students in the low socioeconomic subgroup.

Math was the greatest area of concern last year. Now, math scores are up along with other academic areas, including science, especially in sub-populations.

EHS Principal Scotty Carman is quick to give credit to the High School staff. "All of our teachers worked very hard and were focused on student achievement," Carman

said. "I greatly appreciated their hard work."

Mr. Carman also congratulated EHS students and thanked them. "Our students worked hard and took pride in their work this year," he states. "I also appreciated the parents and their help in getting students to work at it."

TEA will release final data in August that will determine campus ratings. High Schools are evaluated using student performance data from at least 21 different areas, with TAKS scores being a large part of the final rating. Final percentages are arrived at after TEA analysis of population groups and identification of the "accountability subset."

Students in need of TAKS improvement will be offered summer remediation and other assistance throughout the summer, according to Mr. Carman.

Thunderbird rural van ready for use this summer

Submitted by Patsy Kellogg

The Resource Center will be available this summer to take kids to different events (summer school, swimming lessons, Vacation Bible Schools, birthday parties, swimming pool, library and anywhere a kid needs a ride to.) You can call for a ride in town. You need to call the office as soon as you know about the need for transportation to any event. This service is for anyone regardless of your age.

This is the time to make appointments for you kids dental and physical check ups, so they will have

them when school starts and they will not have to miss school to get them. This is really important especially for Medicaid kids. We can take anyone for those appointments if they are in Eldorado, Sonora or San Angelo. We need at least a two day notice for out of town trips.

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aloud. The honored dead include: World War I — Thomas Ballew, Roach H. Holland, Neal Kelly, Bev McCormick, Sam I. Nicks, Jr., Roy Stevenson; World War II — Hobson Ashmore, Joyce C. Blackmon, William H. Currie, David E. DeLong, Jr., Earnest Dickey, Jr., Robert E. Doty, Thomas R. Henderson, Jr., Alton Page, Orville K. Puryear, Clark M. Reynolds, Raymond R. Reynolds; Korean War — Walter Jones, Robert H. Nolen; Vietnam War — Elton Harris, David Overstreet, Selwain Taylor and Danny Rutherford.

Post #257 of the American Legion was named after Eldorado's Bev McCormick who was killed on Nov. 2, 1918 in the Argonne Forest in France during World War I.

Following the traditional ceremony at the cemetery, many gathered at Eagle Stadium in Eldorado where the school district sponsored its own Memorial Day program.

Bob Young, a Vietnam veteran from Alpine was the featured speaker for the event.

Students participating in the program included: Corie Williams, Ryan Espinosa, Austin Stapp, Dustin Ramirez, Edward Hernandez, Brian Shriver, Diego Sanchez and Addye Chatham. "America the Beautiful" was sung by the Eldorado Elementary Freedom Singers while "Thank You Our Heroes" was performed by the Fourth Grade Freedom Singers.

"Echoing Taps" was played by Michael Rubio and Rudy Sanchez.

Meals for Friends Menu



MONDAY June 1st
Roasted Chicken, Pinto Beans, Spinach, Corn Bread, Cherry Cobbler, Milk.

TUESDAY June 2nd
Chicken & Rice Casserole, Broccoli, Dinner Roll, Peach Halves Chocolate Cake, Milk.

WEDNESDAY June 3rd
Roast Beef with Gravy, Mashed Potato, Brussel Sprouts, Wheat Roll, Brownie With Nuts, Juice, Milk.

THURSDAY June 4th
Pork Chop with Gravy, Baked Potato, Yellow Squash, Corn Bread, Pineapple, Waldorf Salad, Milk.

FRIDAY June 5th
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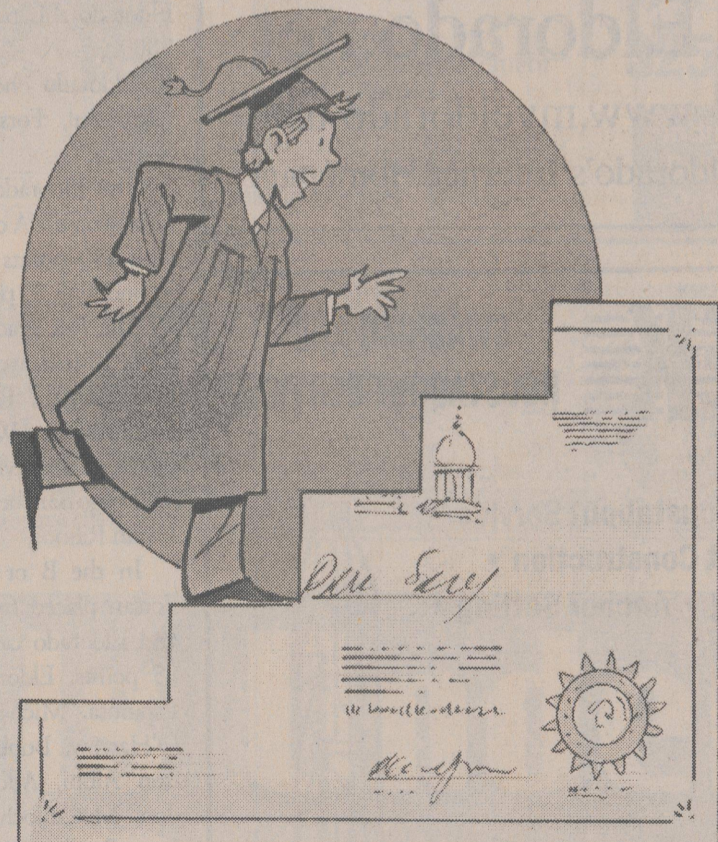


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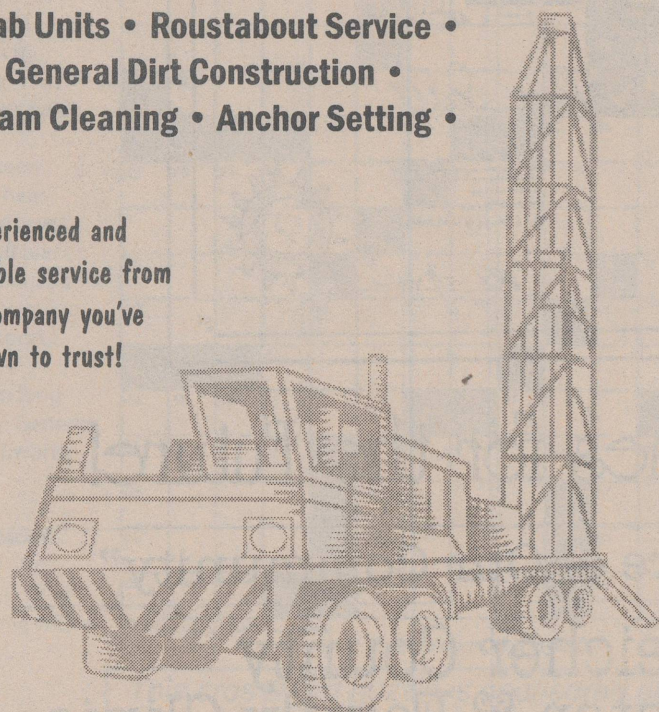
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2009 1-A Area Champions: Front (L-R) #17 Juan Carlos Escobar, #12 Nathan Jimenez, #8 Milo Vallejo, #18 Garrett Lux, #1 Jonny Belman: Back (L-R) #2 Paul Martinez, #24 Rance Cathey, #30 J.R. Martinez, #14 Dustin Gauna, #23 Ben Wipff, #28 Miles Mikeska and #9 Wes Brown. Not Pictured Coaches Danny Williams and Coach Cannon Emmons.

Eagles stun Ben Bolt 9-0 for Area title

Warbirds fall from playoffs after a pair of losses to D'Hanis

The Eldorado Eagles nine claimed the Area title in San Antonio Wednesday, May 20, 2009 in San Antonio as they rolled past Ben Bolt 9-0.

Garrett Lux went the distance on the mound striking out eight Ben Bolt batters, including the last three batters he faced.

The Eagles were led in the batting box by Miles Mikeska who went three of four with five RBI's and scored two runs himself. He was only a home run away from hitting the cycle and legged out two stolen bases.

Milo Vallejo had a good showing in the game going two of four with a single and a double. He rounded the bases himself twice for two runs and pushed across another with one RBI.

Dustin Gauna also went two of four against Ben Bolt with a couple of singles and an RBI.

Rance Cathey was a portrait of patience in the box and notched up three base-on-balls and a run scored.

Paul Martinez scored two runs himself after being hit by a pitch and a single.

Others contributing to the game were Ben Wipff and Johnathan Belman with each scoring a run a piece.

The win gave the Eagles their second Area

crown in as many years.

The Eagles then made a quick turnaround facing D'Hanis in Fredericksburg in a best of three series with the first game coming a day after the Eagles victory over Ben Bolt.

The Warbirds held the lead only once in the first game of the series, and D'Hanis went on to capture a close 7-6 victory.

The Eagles managed to get two runners in scoring position in the first inning of the contest but failed to bring anyone across. D'Hanis would push two runners across home plate to capture the early lead.

J.R. Martinez notched up an RBI in the second as he singled in Nathan Jimenez who had tripled a batter earlier. D'Hanis failed to produce any runs in the second as Rance Cathey found his stride on the mound and struck out the his fourth batter in a row.

Eldorado found life again during the third inning as Jimenez drove in Cathey and Gauna on a two RBI double. This gave the Eagles their only lead of the game heading into the bottom of the third.

D'Hanis' bats came alive in the bottom of the third scoring four runs on two Eagles errors, two

singles and a hit batsman.

The Eagles fought on through the fifth inning scoring another run off a Gauna home run to bring the Eagles within two of a tie. D'Hanis kept its head above water though by matching Gauna's run with one of their own in the bottom of the fifth to carry their 7-4 lead into the sixth inning.

Eldorado rallied once again in the top of the sixth as Belman and J.R. Martinez scored runs for the Eagles. D'Hanis failed to score giving the Eagles a chance to take the lead during the top of the seventh.

The Eagles failed to capitalize on the close score as the first two batters of the inning grounded out to second, and the third was struck out on three straight pitches. This gave D'Hanis a 7-6 victory in the first game of the series.

The second game was played on Saturday in Fredericksburg with D'Hanis capturing the series with a 10-1 win.

Eldorado's only score in the game came in the first inning as the Eagle's leadoff man Vallejo was pushed across home plate by Gauna.

D'Hanis failed to score in the first inning but put up one run in the next five stanzas. They capped off their victory with a five run seventh.

Middle School excels at District Tennis Meet

The Junior High District South Zone Tennis Meet was held in Eldorado this past Saturday May 9, 2009.

Eldorado hosted teams from Christoval, Forsan, Irion Co. and Stanton.

The Eldorado's 8th grade tennis team won the A or 8th grade Division with 110 points and Forsan placed second with 55 points.

The 8th graders who participated at district were Miranda Arispe, Lori Escobar, Robin Hibbs, Mary Lou Martinez, Will Barker, Ryan Espinosa, Blaine Mitchell, Jessica Pasillas, Diego Sanchez, Brian Shriver, and Dylan Ramos.

In the B or 7th grade division Forsan placed first with 100 points and Eldorado came in second with 85 points. Eldorado players: Bailey Espinosa, Michael Bilbrey, Jackson O'Harrow, Bobby Martinez, Madison Albin, Addye Chatham, Jordan McCulloch, Macy Mikeska, Lupe Pasillas, Mikayla Ramon, Megan Reel, Adriana Rios, and Kim Sanchez.

Coach Baker-Shirley is very proud of her teams progress in a relatively short period.

7th Grade Winners:

7th Mixed Doubles Mikayla

Ramon/Bobby Martinez placed 2nd.
7th Boys Doubles Jackson O'Harrow/Michael Bilbrey placed 2nd.

7th Girls Singles Jordan McCulloch placed 2nd.

7th Girls Singles Madison Albin placed 3rd.

7th Girls Doubles: Kim Sanchez/Megan Reel placed 2nd; Lupe Pasillas/Adriana Rios 3rd.

Macy Mikeska/Addye Chatham placed 5th.

The 7th grade placed 2nd overall behind Forsan.

8th Grade Winners:

Mixed doubles-Mary Lou Martinez/Blaine Mitchell placed 1st; Marcus Perez/Robin Hibbs placed 5th.

Boys Singles: Will Barker placed 3rd; Brian Shriver placed 4th; Dylan Ramos placed 5th.

Boys Doubles: Diego Sanchez/Ryan Espinosa placed 1st.

Girls Singles Miranda Arispe Place 1st.

Girls Doubles: Lori Escobar/Jessica Pasillas placed 1st.

Coach Shirley expressed her appreciation to all the parents who worked so hard to provide an excellent concession stand for the players and fans alike. Shirley also would like to acknowledge her appreciation to Lynna Mikeska who organized the concession stand, Eddie Albin for cooking the hamburgers and to David Creek for donating hamburgers.

Also, Shirley expresses her gratitude to Miss Kara Sue Garlitz for the wonderful hospitality room and all her help keeping the tournament running smoothly.



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2009 Middle School Girls Tennis Team: (Front L-R) Mikayla Ramon, Adriana Rios, Megan Reel, Robin Hibbs; (Middle L-R) Kasey Gonzalez, Nikki Herrera, Amber Shipman, Madison; Albin, Addye Chatham, Lupe Pasillas, Jessica Pasillas, Lori Escobar. Estrada, Kimberly Sanchez, Jordan McCulloch, Mary Lou Martinez, Miranda Arispe; (Back L-R) Macy Mikeska, Elizabeth Estrada, Kimberly Sanchez, Jordan McCulloch, Mary Lou Martinez and Miranda Arispe.



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2009 Middle School Boys Tennis Team: Front Row (L-R): Michael Bilbrey, Jackson O'Harrow, Edward Hernandez, Bailey Espinosa, Bryan Shriver, Bobby Martinez, Tyler Martinez; Back (L-R) Ryan Espinosa, Diego Sanchez, Austin Stapp, Dylan Ramos, Will Barker and Blaine Mitchell.

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Eldorado High School honors its top scholars

Eldorado High School's year end awards program was held Monday, May 18, 2009 in the high school auditorium. Awards were presented to students in recognition of scholastic achievement throughout the year.

One Act Play and UIL Academics were also recognized by Librarian Luann Shipman and UIL Academic Sponsor Mr. Holik.

The Perfect Attendance/No Tardies Award was presented to Karlos McCollum by High School Principal Scotty Carman. Garrett Lux and Michael Rubio were also recognized for their perfect attendance.

Juan Carlos Escobar received the DAR Good Citizenship Award.

Corie Williams was presented the Daughter's of the American Revolution Excellence In History Award.

School Nurse Susie Richters recognized two students who received their Certified Nurse Aide certification. They were Johnny Mejia and Maria Sanchez.

Kaleb Murr received the Capital Farm Credit sponsored A.E. Prugel Scholarship.

Rance Cathey received the Hext Scholarship.

Schleicher County Rodeo representative Mike Calcote presented Kirsten Stubbs and Corie Williams with the Marty Acton Memorial Scholarship.

Timmy Maskill and Brent

Martinez received the Beta Sigma Phi Scholarship from Beta Sigma Phi representative Maggie Lloyd

Weldon Jenkins presented the American Legion Award to Timothy Maskill and Corie Williams.

Science awards were presented by Science teacher Lindsey Parker. Receiving an award in Math Models was Tonya Hibbs; Top Chemistry: Hunter Alvizo; Top AP Chemistry: Corie Williams; Top Lab Hand: Marty Powell.

Outstanding Achievement in Geometry Award went to Abby Fuentes and Algebra I, Clarissa Castro presented by teacher Fraron Holik.

The West Central Wireless award went to senior Brent Martinez with a \$500 Scholarship.

ACT Recognition went to Amy Alvizo, Kaitlyn Bluford, Miles Mikeska and Ben Wipff.

UIL Scholar Award: Corie Williams, Megan Griffin, Kirsten Stubbs and Claudia Pasillas.

Principal Scotty Carman presented Corie Williams with the TASSP Award.

Masonic Lodge presented the M.B. Lamar Medal Award to seniors Kirsten Stubbs and Timothy Maskill. Seniors Britanni Romero, Bridgett Mitchell and Corie Williams were awarded each a \$500.00 scholarship from the lodge.

Niblett Oilfield Service presented

two scholarships. Recipients of the scholarships awarded by Niblett Oilfield Service were Salvador Duran and Claudia Pasillas.

Angelo State University awarded Carr Scholarships to Megan Griffin and Marcus Garcia.

Austin College Academic Scholarship was awarded to Bridgett Mitchell.

Principal Scotty Carman presented the highest cumulative average for the 2008-2009 school year for each grade. Seniors receiving the award were: Seniors Rance Cathey and Corie Williams. Juniors receiving the award were Timothy Cuevas and Emily Espinosa. Sophomores receiving the award were Ben Wipff and Kaitlyn Bluford while the Freshman winners were Christian Sanchez and Karios McCollum.

Lions Club representative Mason Vaughn presented \$500 Lions Club Scholarships to Corie Williams, Kirsten Stubbs, Timothy Maskill and Kaleb Murr.

The Lions Club Award (highest cumulative average for any grade level) for the 2008-2009 school year went to Timothy Cuevas and Corie B. Williams.

Also, the Eldorado Lions Club each year recognizes students who achieve a 90 grade point average during the fall semester. Mason Vaughn, representing the Lions Club, helped

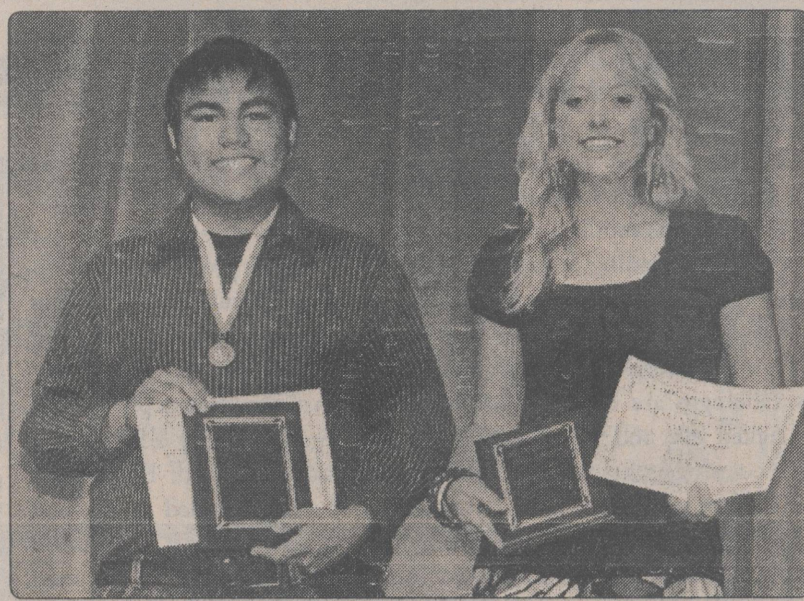
hand out the Lions Club Academic Excellence medals to each recipient.

Senior recipients were: Cassandra Buitron, Rance Cathey, Deyanira Cruz, Vicky Fuentes, Mark Garcia, Isidro Granados, Megan Griffin, Haley Higgins, Brent Martinez, Timmy Maskill, Bridgett Mitchell, Claudia Pasillas, April Porras, Lindsay Pridemore, Maria Sanchez, Kirsten Stubbs and Corie Williams.

Junior recipients were: Hunter Alvizo, Wes Brown, Ryan Castillo, Timmy Cuevas, Dylan Dombroski, Emily Espinosa, KIRSTA Galindo, Adriana Hernandez, Patricia Hernandez, Tanja Hibbs, Garrett Lux, Maureen Martinez, Kadie Niblett, Audrey Rubio, and Ivany Sanchez.

Sophomore recipients were: Amy Alvizo, Mason Baker, Morgan Barker, Kaitlyn Bluford, Zack Brame, Trevor Harrington, Allyson Jarrett, Josh Jurceck, J.R. Martinez, Miles Mikeska, Bailey Minor, Jaymie O'Harrow, Lourdes Pasillas, Ashley Paulson, Lauren Rubio and Ben Wipff.

Freshman recipients were: Clarissa Castro, Brianah Creek, Ryan Fortenberry, Abby Fuentes, Amanda Garcia, Clarissa Gomez, Marissa Gonzales, Melissa Gonzales, Polli Guerrero, Evan Joiner, Kairos McCollum, Ashby Ragsdale, Ana Sanchez, Christian Sanchez, Charli Swinford, and Brianda Torres.



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Timothy Cuevas and Corie B. Williams received the Lions Club Award (highest cumulative average for any grade level) for the 2008-2009 school year.

EHS athletes honored at annual Sports Banquet

The 2009 Sports Banquet was held Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at the Schleicher County Civic Center. The event was hosted by the Eldorado Booster Club.

Awards and recognitions were given by each coach for Junior Varsity and Varsity sports. Special awards were also announced with Most Valuable Player and Most Dedicated Players with the recipients being chosen by their peers in each sport.

Head Coach Johnny Burleson presented the coveted Fighting Heart Award to seniors Haley Higgins, Bridgett Mitchell and Rance Cathey. The award has been given since 1986 to a male and female athletes who displayed exceptional devotion and teamwork.

Cross Country Most Valuable Player went to Mason Baker and Claudia Pasillas. Most Dedicated Runners went to Abby Fuentes and Morgan Barker.

Coach Burleson presented several football awards. Most Dedicated Player went to Kaleb Murr and Rolando Gonzalez and Most Valuable Player went Wes Brown.

Rance Cathey was named 2008 Defensive Back of the Year, and Paul Martinez was named 2008 Receiver

of the Year.

Tim Maskill received 2008 Offensive Lineman of the Year and Wes Brown was named the 2008 Offensive Back of the Year. Dustin Gauna was named 2008 Defensive Lineman of the Year. Garrett Lux was named the 2008 Head Hunter of the Year. The Linebacker award went to Miles Mikeska and Ryan Castillo.

Cheerleader sponsor Christi Collins recognized the current JV and Varsity cheerleaders.

Girls basketball coach Christi Collins then announced Brianah Creek the 2008-09 Most Dedicated Basketball Player. Most Valuable Basketball Player went to Haley Higgins.

Boys basketball Coach Emmons presented awards to his players. the 2009 Most Valuable Basketball Player of the Year went to Rance Cathey while the 2009 Most Dedicated Basketball Player of the Year award went to Dustin Ramos.

Golf Coach Don Richters announced the 2009 Most Valuable Golfers were Ashby Ragsdale and Jaymie O'Harrow.

Tennis Coach Manuel San Miguel announced the 2009 Most Valuable and Dedicated Tennis Players. Most

Valuable Tennis Player went to District and Regional Qualifiers Brianah Creek and Rance Cathey. Most Dedicated honors went to Robert Buchholz for the second year.

Baseball Coach Danny Williams announced Rance Cathey as the 2009 Baseball Most Valuable Player of the Year. Most Valuable Offensive Player went to Dustin Guana and

Most Dedicated went to Juan Carlos Escobar.

Softball Coach Jesse Rubio announced Haley Higgins as the 2009 Most Valuable Softball Player and Amy Alvizo and Bridgett Mitchell were named 2009 Most Dedicated Players.

Girl's track coach Christi Collins
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The prestigious Fighting Heart Award recipients for 2008-09 were Bridgett Mitchell, Haley Higgins and Rance Cathey.

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Two the larva begin to penetrate the nut. These worms then deposit waste material around the entrance holes. After this process, control becomes very difficult. Sprays will not penetrate the nut to eliminate the worms.

The first generation larva hatch in four to five days and migrate below to feed on buds. After a day or

Pecan nut casebearer pheromone traps began catching adult moths as early as May 2nd. Egg counts are still recommended as the best means of timing spray applications and to keep informed of the need



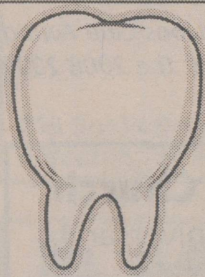
County Agent's Update

by Cody Bundick

for a second spray. From observations made throughout the Concho Valley, control sprays for pecan nut casebearers should be applied May 22nd through May 29th. All indications are that moderate to heavy populations of casebearers are present this year.

Nitrogen fertilizer is the key to good leaf production and filled nuts. Vegetative shoots on bearing trees should grow 6-12 inches annually. Ones making more than 12 inches are receiving too much nitrogen. Apply nitrogen fertilizer beginning in early spring before pecan buds begin to break. Two or three applications may be necessary to obtain the needed growth especially if you are limited on water.

For additional information such as application rates and requirements contact Schleicher County Extension Office at 853-2132.



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The training will be held June 1st at the Schleicher County Extension Office at 8:30 am. The training will take all morning and possibly a couple of hours after lunch. The manuals for this training will cost \$30. We will also have a review session prior to the test on the 12th starting at 9:00 am. Please call the Schleicher County Extension Office at 853-2132 to register.

Summer Playdays Scheduled

The Schleicher County 4-H horse club will be hosting playdays this summer at the Schleicher County rodeo grounds.

The first playday will be held June 2nd. Registration will begin at 6:00 pm with hot dogs and drinks available. Events will include barrel

racing, pole bending, goat ribbon pulling and goat tying. Future playdays will start at 6:30 p.m. Dates for playdays are June 16th, June 30th, July 14th, and July 28th. Any questions regarding these playdays please call Cody Bundick 853-2132 or Ashley Moore 277-3936.

President Bush to appear at WWII Museum in F'burg

FREDERICKSBURG — The National Museum of the Pacific War, a Texas Historical Commission (THC) property operated by the Admiral Nimitz Foundation, recently announced that George H. W. Bush, the 41st president of the United States, will attend the grand opening of the expanded museum Dec. 7, 2009. President Bush will be an honored guest and will make remarks at the ceremony.

The former president previously visited the museum in 1999 to dedicate the gallery which features

personal items from those who served in the Pacific. The facility also includes aircraft and battle-ship remnants, art and other rare treasures.

The new George H.W. Bush Gallery will be the most comprehensive and engaging collection of Pacific War history. Planned by the Admiral Nimitz Foundation, the facility will also house the Center for Pacific War Studies, a curatorial and research site for the museum's collections. As a board member of the Admiral Nimitz Foundation, THC Commissioner Tom Alexander has been committed to the expansion project, to ensure memories of the Pacific War Theater of World War II endure.

The National Museum of the Pacific War is located on a six-and-a-half acre site in Fredericksburg and includes the George Bush Gallery, Admiral Nimitz Museum, Plaza of Presidents, Veterans' Walk of Honor and Memorial Wall, Japanese Garden of Peace, Pacific Combat Zone, and the Center for Pacific War Studies.

For additional information on the THC's historic sites contact the Historic Sites Division at 512.463.7948 or visit www.thc.state.tx.us. To learn more about the National Museum of the Pacific War visit www.nimitz-museum.org.



Krista Gallindo was presented this 2008-2009 Eagle Booster Artistic Contributions plaque in recognition of her artistic abilities during the Eagle Booster Club Banquet held Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at the Civic Center.

Sports Banquet ...

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presented the 2009 Most Valuable In Track Athlete Award to Brianda Torres and Haley Higgins. Most Dedicated went to Brianah Creek, Bridgett Mitchell, Brianda Torres, Ashby Ragsdale, Allyson Jarrett, Laura Garcia and Haley Higgins.

Boys track coach Larry Mitchell announced Wes Brown as the 2009 Most Valuable Runner. The Most Dedicated runner was Ryan Castillo.

Booster Club President Stacy Jurecek announced the recipients of the scholarship in honor of the late David Hernandez. The recipients of the David Hernandez Memorial Scholarship were seniors Rance Cathey and Timothy Maskill.

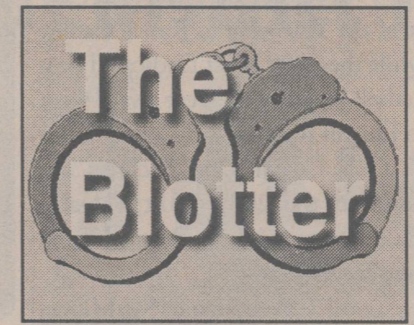
The Doug Yates Fans of the Year award went to Dick Siegel with KLD 104.9 radio and Randy and Kathy Mankin with the Eldorado Success.

Coach Larry Mitchell was named 2008-2009 Coach of the Year by the student body.

Mr. and Mrs. Gauna, Isabelle

Villanueva, and Dana Shriver were recognized for their contributions to the Booster Club this past year.

The 2008-09 Eldorado Eagle Academic All District students with a 90 or above average all year. They are: Seniors - Rance Cathey, Haley Higgins, Timmy Maskill, Bridgett Mitchell, Claudia Pasillas, April Porras, Kirsten Stubbs and Corie Williams; Juniors - Hunter Alvizo, Wes Brown, Ryan Castillo, Dylan Dombroski, Emily Espinosa, Krista Galindo, Adriana Hernandez, Garrett Lux, Maureen Martinez, Kadie Niblett, Audrey Rubio and Ivany Sanchez; Sophmores - Amy Alvizo, Mason Baker, Morgan Barker, Kaitlyn Bluford, Zack Brame, Allyson Jarrett, Josh Jurecek, J.R. Martinez, Miles Mikeska, Bailey Minor, Jaymie O'Harrow, Ashley Paulson, Lauren Rubio and Ben Wipff; Freshman - Brianah Creek, Abby Fuentes, Amanda Garcia, Marissa Gonzales, Melissa Gonzales, Polli Guerrero, Evan Joiner, Kairos McCollum, Ashby Ragsdale, Christian Sanchez, Charli Swinford and Brianda Torres.



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
MAY 21, 2009 - Fuentes, Aleardo, male age 18. Offense DWI. Released 05/21/09.
Chavez, John Patrick, male age 21. Offense Felony graffiti. Still in custody.

INCIDENTS
MAY 19 - 8:02 PM - Complainant requested to speak to an officer about a domestic problem. Officer responded.

7:20 PM - Complainant requested to speak with an officer about someone harassing them. Officer notified and officer advised contacting the DPS office to speak with a Texas Ranger and present phone records.

7:24 PM - Complainant reported 2 swarms of bees at their residence. Fire chief Jones notified.

8:50 PM - Complainant reported a calf loose on HWY 190 E. by county line. Officer notified.

9:12 PM - Complainant reported a skunk on their back porch. Officer responded.

MAY 20 - 1:20 AM - Caller reported loose goats on side of road.

3:41 PM - Complainant stated that her debit card had been stolen. The bank notified complainant of the missing card. Officer notified.

4:40 PM - Caller reported he would be burning brush all week.

6:01 PM - Caller reported she would be having a controlled burn.

8:06 PM - Complainant reported a reckless driver on San Antonio St. Officer notified.

8:10 PM - Complainant reported suspicious activity on Rudd Rd. Reported there were 4 Humm V's that were unmarked and armed with guns. Subjects stated that they were

from Ft. Hood, but were not dressed in military attire.

10:38 PM - San Angelo security advised that the alarm on business had been activated. Fallen item responsible for alarm.

11:54 PM - Complainant reported loud music near their residence. Officer responded.

MAY 21 - 1:58 PM - Complainant reported items missing from her residence on Hall St. Wedding rings and camera. Totaling \$800. Officer notified.

2:42 PM - Caller reported a wreckless driver on San Saba. Officer responded.

8:39 PM - Caller reported a violent argument between sibling and mother. Officer responded.

9:18 PM - Caller reported being assaulted by an individual. Officer responded.

MAY 22 - 7:00 AM - Dispatch from alarm company to school. Key holder responded.

4:48 PM - Caller reported graffiti on his property. Officer responded.

4:53 PM - Complainant requested to speak to an officer about harassment issue. Officer responded.

6:38 PM - Complainant requested to speak to an officer about harassment issue. Officer responded.

6:58 PM - Security alarm activated accidentally.

7:54 PM - Complainant reported a cow on Highway. Officer notified.

8:30 PM - Caller requested to speak to an officer about harassing phone call. Officer responded.

11:29 PM - Caller needed assistance. Requested EMS. EMS responded as well as officers.

MAY 24 - 2:32 PM - Complainant reported a possible drunk driver north of town. White Silverado with black headache rack. Officer notified.

MAY 25 - 1:31 PM - Caller advised S.O. that an ER patient had been bitten by a neighbors dog. Officer responded to ER.

3:59 PM - Caller reported he would be doing a controlled burn.

5:21 PM - Complainant reported a speeding gray Honda Odyssey on Hwy 277 headed south. Officer responded.

11:48 PM - Complainant reported a domestic disturbance. Officer responded.

MAY 26 - 7:14 AM - Caller requested a funeral escort at 2:30 pm from Community Baptist Church to cemetery.

11:11 AM - Caller reported her granddaughter had locked herself inside vehicle. Caller called back and said vehicle was unlocked.

4:38 PM - Caller requested to speak to an officer. Officer responded.

Weekly Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1. Pounds with rocks
- 6. Hydrotherapy sites
- 10. WWII-era female enlistee
- 13. Israel's Sharon
- 14. Proper's partner
- 15. "Cold one"
- 16. Lily variety
- 17. Tilt-A-Whirl, e.g.
- 18. Nobelist Wiesel
- 19. Variety of baked good sometimes bought in dozens
- 21. Soothing stuff
- 22. Day care attendee
- 23. Attempts to score on a fly
- 25. Cried one's heart out
- 29. Peachy-keen
- 31. For all to hear
- 32. Rants and raves
- 36. Pug's workplace
- 37. Charles's princedom
- 38. Sponge opening
- 39. Shelf support, perhaps
- 41. Cooks too long
- 42. Comic De Generes
- 43. Disney's dwarfs, e.g.
- 44. Serene
- 47. "The Ice Storm" director Lee
- 48. ___ avis
- 49. Word game with a

25-cube grid

- 55. Santana's "___Ways" Abbr.
- 56. Housemate of Garfield
- 57. Tourist mecca off Venezuela's coast
- 59. Use wax on, perhaps
- 60. Bit of pond scum
- 61. Extreme hardship

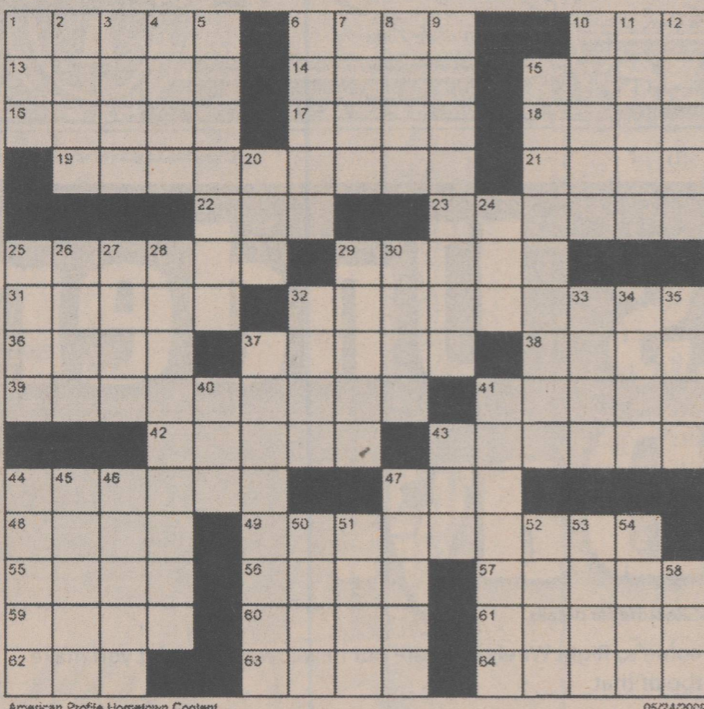
62. Many promgoers: Abbr.

- 63. ___ out (scolds everely)
- 64. Medical block age reliever

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- 1. Source of DC funding

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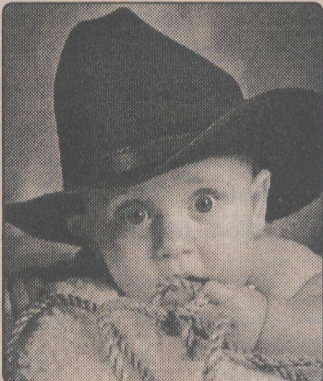
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Bob Young was the special guest speaker at the Elementary Memorial Service held at Eagle Stadium Monday morning May 25th. Young enlisted in 1968 in the United States Marine Corps and spent seven months in combat in Vietnam's Asshaw Valley near the Laos border. Young received a Purple Heart during his service. The fourth grade Freedom Singers performed patriotic music and the Boy Scouts held the flags of all the service branches.

Woman's Club meets to honor EHS senior girls

by Noweita Briggs

The Eldorado Woman's Club met at 12 noon, May 12, 2009 in the Methodist Fellowship Hall. Theme for the meeting was, "Honor Senior Scholarship Girls." Fourteen members and nine guests were present - Methodist preacher Steven Rowe and senior girls: Claudia Pasillas, Bridgett Mitchell, April Porras, Brittani Romero, Lindsay Pridmore, Corie Williams, Haley Higgins, and Kirsten Stubbs.

President Myrt Williams called the meeting to order and next gave a warm welcome to all present. Trish Rowe gave our opening prayer, and Linda Stutes led us in pledges to our flags. President Williams next read two thank-you notes from the families of Shine Spigarelli and Charlene Edmiston. She also had a clipping of a centennial program that club member Jewel Bailey had presented. President Williams next called on Secretary Pat Holt to read the minutes of our last meeting. The minutes were unanimously approved as read. There was no financial business to report.

Roll call was answered with suggestions for future programs. Some were: Centennial II, Feb. 23, 1995; Sandy Miller, a missionary from Africa; Joella Parker on our Veterans; physical therapy program at the hospital. This year's school awards occurred on May 18th at the high school auditorium. The Woman's Club \$500 Scholarship was awarded to Bridgett Mitchell and Lindsay Pridmore.

Program leader Pat Holt's program was the introduction of the senior scholarship recipients with each of them telling us something about themselves and their future plans. We were impressed with each girl and thank them so much for being our special guests. Our Eldorado school always seems to have very special scholarship offerings to the senior girls, and we thank everyone who is responsible. A special thanks goes to Paige Ragsdale as counselor to the girls. Paige's predecessor Maureen Hodges retired.

President Williams stated she would be collecting next year's dues for anyone who wished to pay them at that time.

Hostesses for refreshment time were Penny Bland, Noweita Briggs, Rene Calcote, Ruth Davis, Jerre Holley, Pat Holt, Susan Lively, Nelva Martin, Cathy Niblett, and Jill Preston. The center table in the hall was covered with a red cloth and the centerpiece decoration was lovely and candle holders and other decorations. Individual seating tables also had special candle holders and other

decorations sitting on a mirror. Brittani Romero headed the kitchen duties, and we thank her for her services.

We thank the Yearbook Committee - Cathy Niblett, Jerre Holley and Myrt Williams for our very special yearbook.

We had a very informative club year from September 9, 2008 through May 12, 2009. This reporter wishes everyone a great summer and I will be looking forward to our first meeting of our new club year on Tuesday, September 8, 2009.

Ag Commissioner wants another hearing on pesticide court ruling

AUSTIN - Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples is joining the American Farm Bureau and dozens of other agriculture organizations across the nation in requesting a rehearing on a ruling regarding pesticide applications used in agriculture.

Recently, a three-judge panel from the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that farmers and ranchers must obtain an additional permit prior to applying regulated and approved pesticides near water sources. Prior to this new ruling, agricultural producers already adhered to extensive regulations concerning licensing, registration and application of pesticides. Additionally, every pesticide product used in agriculture has been approved and regulated by the EPA with strict guidelines created to protect lakes, rivers, streams and other water sources.

"Farmers and ranchers are the original environmentalists," Commissioner Staples said. "These dedicated men and women understand if you don't take care of the land and water, they won't take care of you. This is why agricultural producers follow the strict guidelines already in place when using pesticides. This action by the court will create another tier of bureaucracy and have devastating consequences for all Texans."

This rule change will require a lengthy permit application process

and has serious public health and economic costs. For example, municipalities and counties wanting to spray for pests, such as mosquitoes that carry the West-Nile virus, will lose critical time in combating a public health threat because of a new permitting process. Additionally, farmers could lose crops that are vulnerable to pests while waiting for a permit to be processed, creating short supplies and increasing food prices for consumers.

"Agricultural pesticide application is already regulated," Commissioner Staples said. "This action by the court does not create any new safeguards for the environment, only a new hurdle of government red tape. I am proud that U.S.

consumers enjoy the safest, most affordable food in the world. Unnecessary regulation threatens that security."

Texas agriculture has a \$100 billion economic impact on the state, and this ruling threatens the industry. Texas farmers and ranchers have a long-standing reputation of being good stewards of natural resources and follow pesticide regulations set forth by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

If the court agrees to the rehearing, the full court will review the three-judge panel's decision. The EPA has also asked for a two-year moratorium on the implementation of the new rule to come up with a permitting plan if the ruling is upheld.

Eliminating bottled water can cut waste

(SPM Wire) All across the country local households and local governments are eliminating bottled water in order to reduce wasteful spending and conserve natural resources.

By switching back to tap water and water fountains, people have begun to eliminate plastic container waste, conserve petroleum used

to make plastic bottles and even cut gas consumption used to ship bottled water.

"Taxpayers have spent billions of dollars to ensure that we have clean drinking water supplies. If we are going to make such significant investments, we should reap the benefits and use that water," said Governor David A. Paterson of New York State, who recently ordered all of his state's agencies to cut bottled water.

Indeed, such states as Illinois and Virginia also have cut bottled water, along with more than 60 cities nationwide.

"In addition to being no purer than tap water and a waste of money, the production and distribution of bottled water causes a host of equity and environmental problems. These include taking water from communities that depend on it; polluting the environment during the production of plastic; contributing to global warming by transporting bottled water over great distances; and irresponsibly disposing of billions of empty bottles," wrote the experts from Food and Water Watch, in a statement issued by the nonprofit consumer organization.

Families now are being urged to follow the lead of many local governments, along with restaurants and universities, and cut back on or eliminate bottled water entirely - including those large-sized containers used in bottled water dispensers.

If you don't feel confident about the quality of your home's water, consider in-home filtration systems or purifiers that can cleanse your drinking water and even make it taste better. This way, you can leave those bottles on store shelves and cut out another wasteful habit that's harsh on the environment.

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DPS is on buckle-up campaign

The Texas Department of Public Safety is conducting its eighth statewide "Click It or Ticker" enforcement campaign, May 18-31.

Nine percent of Texans are not buckling up, Texas Highway Patrol chief David Baker said.

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seat belt and child safety seat violations by troopers will receive tickets for those violations.

Senate approves stem cell bill

Scientists working on adult stem cell research would be able to collaborate more easily under a bill approved by the Senate May 20.

SB 73 by Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, creates a framework to promote cooperation among organizations involved in finding medical cures through adult stem cell treatments.

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