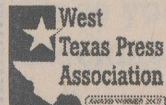


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YFZ Ranch sold to Texan Heritage trust Property tax exemption sought for temple and nearby print shop

The YFZ Ranch officially changed ownership on December 31st of last year, according to documents filed April 23rd in the Schleicher County Clerk's office. The 1,691 acre ranch is now owned by Texan Heritage, a trust established December 31, 2008.

Jim Jessop, listed on the trust documents as James Jerry Jessop, signed as the organization's president. Other officers include Isaac S. Jeffs and Keith W. Dutson, Sr.

The men are all believed to be loyal followers of Warren Jeffs, the jailed prophet of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Trust documents state, "Texas Heritage is to assist the living of the Holy United Order. It exists to preserve and advance the religious doctrines and goals of the United Order of Texas, a common law trust (hereinafter referred to as the "Church"), having its principal office in Eldorado, Texas. The Church hereby ratifies this Declaration of Trust. The doctrines and laws of the Holy United Order are found in the Book of Mormon, the Doctrine and Covenants, the Pearl of Great Price, and the Holy Bible; and are the guiding tenets by which the Trustees of Texan Heritage shall act."

Membership in the Texan Heritage trust is strictly by invitation, according to the Declaration of Trust. The document goes on to say that membership is granted and may be revoked at any time by the trust's board of trustees. "They must consecrate their lives, times, talents and resources to the building and establishment of the Kingdom of God on Earth under the direction of the Church and its appointed officers. They must act in the spirit of charity."

Trustee Isaac S. Jeffs was designated as vice-president of Western Heritage and Keith W. Dutson, Jr. will serve as its secretary while trustee and president James Jerry Jessop will also serve as the trust's treasurer.

All 1,691 acres of land at the YFZ Ranch, along with improvements were assigned to the trust.

County Attorney Clint Griffin explains that trusts are legal entities, similar to a corporation in that they are overseen by a board

of directors. He notes that trusts are governed by the declaration of trust that creates the entity which then functions much like an individual. Trusts must file tax returns and may sue and be sued in a court of law. Any disputes within the trust are to be settled by the original declaration of trust. But, unlike corporations, trusts need not be filed with the Texas Secretary of State's office.

Property Tax Exemption Sought

In a related move, ranch personnel filed papers last week with chief appraiser Jani Mitchell seeking a property tax exemption on the FLDS church's large temple, an attached annex building and a nearby print shop, which the application refers to as a meeting house. The three buildings, clad in white limestone, dominate the landscape at the center of the YFZ Ranch.

The three-page application seeks a religious designation for the buildings and asks that they be exempted from the collection of property taxes. In the past, the temple alone has been valued in excess of \$8.7 million. The print shop building which stands directly in front of the temple was valued at more than \$3.2 million.

Church members have publicly stated since the raid that the temple was desecrated when non-members entered the building during the 6-day-long raid.

It is interesting that the application for tax exemption includes the print shop and lists it as a meeting hall. The application notes that both the temple and print shop are places where worship services are regularly held.

One of Warren Jeffs jailhouse dictations from June 1, 2007 referred to the building in front of the temple as a print shop. He then described how it was to be built. "The Lord directs that a white cement wall be built around this entire lot of the 'Printing Establishment' by September 15th as part of the completion of the project. It should be 10 feet high of cement, with a 2 foot high metal railing

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SUCCESS PHOTO

YFZ Ranch officials have applied for a property tax exemption on the FLDS temple and annex (foreground) and the church's print shop (upper right). The religious exemption is being sought on the grounds that the buildings are used for regular worship services. The buildings are currently valued at nearly \$12 million. Chief appraiser Jani Mitchell says she will decide on the application in the near future.

Relay for Life slated May 15th

Relay For Life is just around the corner! May 15-16, 2009 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM. It's not too late to join in the fun. Anyone that would like to participate please contact Helen Brame for more details (325)853-3036. If you are a cancer survivor, and would like to participate, please contact Jim Wyatt (325) 853-2770 ext. 421.

RELAY FOR LIFE



Court hearing on evidence from YFZ raid slated for Wednesday

District Judge Barbara Walther is scheduled to hear arguments Wednesday as several YFZ Ranch defendants challenge the legality of search warrants served at the ranch last April and the admissibility of evidence seized during the subsequent 6-day-long raid.

The hearing is slated to be held in Schleicher County. If that is the case, it will likely be held in the Memorial Building.

There is some speculation, however, that attorneys for both sides are wanting the hearing moved to San Angelo. If that happens, the hearing will be held in the Tom Green County courthouse.

Lawyers representing 10 YFZ defendants filed identical motions to suppress ahead of an April 15 deadline. Each of the motions consists of more than 300 pages, including the formal motion and

supporting exhibits.

Among the exhibits are sworn depositions given by Texas Ranger Brooks Long and Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran. The depositions were originally taken as evidence in an Arizona case, but were offered as supporting evidence in the 10 motions to suppress evidence in the YFZ Ranch cases.

Sheriff Doran's deposition includes a passage where he describes the initial attempt by Texas child welfare authorities and law enforcement offices to enter the YFZ Ranch on the evening of April 3, 2008.

The sheriff notes that at that particular point in the raid officials were primarily interested in locating an underage girl named Sarah Jessop Barlow and her alleged husband, a man named Dale

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PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Farley Dakan uses a hammer and chisel to break up concrete and reveal a time capsule buried by the 6th and 7th grade Gifted and Talented Class way back in 1989. Six members of the class were on hand Saturday, May 2, 2009 for the removal of the time capsule that they had buried twenty years earlier. The six are classmates are (L-R) Reagan Bownds, Pepper Nix, Farley Dakan, Lindsay Johnson Cranek, Caty McGregor Pickett and Shanna Edmiston Nail.

Six EHS grads gather to unearth time capsule

A chance for a look back in time brought six former EHS graduates together Saturday in the courtyard at Eldorado Middle School where 20 years earlier they had buried a time capsule beneath a gray granite marker.

The dark and overcast sky failed to dampen the enthusiasm of on-lookers as a crowd of teachers, former teachers, parents, friends and current middle school students gathered to watch as Pepper Nix, Farley Dakan and Reagan Bownds removed an engraved granite marker only to discover that at least 8 inches of concrete now covered the capsule. Each of

the men took turns as they hamered and chiseled their way through the concrete. Their former classmates, Shanna Edmiston Nail, Lindsay Johnson Cranek and Caty McGregor Pickett, dodged flying rock chips as they watched the progress. Eventually, a sealed PVC tube was pried from the earth for the first time in two decades.

The plastic pipe was the time capsule buried by the six students back in 1989 when they were the only six members of Martha Spinks' 6th and 7th grade Gifted and Talented class. At that time, the young students placed personal letters

and items they deemed to be important within the capsule...items that wouldn't see the light of day for twenty years.

Retired high school shop teacher George Sprinks told with pride how the young students had sand blasted the letters into the granite stone that marked the time capsule's temporary resting place. His wife, Martha, the GT class sponsor, beamed as the six former students began pulling items out of the newly opened capsule.

Two newspapers, a copy of The Eldorado Success from April 9, 1989 and

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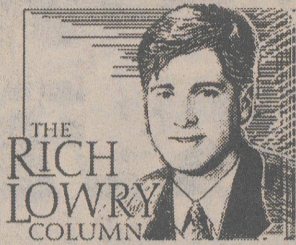
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The Case for the 'Torture Memos'

The debate over the just-released Justice Department memorandums on interrogation techniques ended as soon as they were dubbed the "torture memos." Furthermore, they will be remembered as the legal lowlights of a "dark and painful chapter in our history," as President Barack Obama put it.

Rightly considered, the memos should be a source of pride. They represent a nation of laws struggling to defend itself against a savage, lawless enemy while adhering to its legal commitments and norms. Most societies throughout human history wouldn't have bothered.



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The memos cite conduct that is indisputably torture from a court case involving Serbs abusing Muslims in Bosnia: "severe beatings to the genitals, head, and other parts of the body with metal pipes and various other items; removal of teeth with pliers; kicking in the face and ribs; breaking of bones and ribs and dislocation of fingers; cutting a figure into the victim's forehead; hanging the victim and beating him; extreme limitations of food and water; and subjection to games of 'Russian roulette.'"

In contrast, we carefully parsed each of our techniques to ensure it wouldn't cause "severe physical or mental pain or suffering." This touchingly legalistic exercise at times took on a comic aspect. We could put a caterpillar in a box with a detainee afraid of stinging insects, Abu Zubaydah, so long as we didn't falsely tell him the caterpillar was a threat to sting. We could put detainees in diapers so long as "the diaper is checked regularly and changed as needed to prevent skin irritation."

Several of the harshest methods -- sleep deprivation, stress positions and waterboarding -- could easily constitute torture, depending on their application. The tone of the press coverage makes the very act of subjecting these methods to close legal analysis seem dirty, as if the Justice Department should have come down with a case of the vapors when asked for guidance.

But there is a line somewhere between the highly restricted methods approved in the Army Field Manual for interrogation of enemy soldiers and illegal torture. The only way to find and honor that line is by lots of lawyerly analysis of practices that -- in the words of Director of National Intelligence Dennis Blair -- "read on a bright, sunny, safe day in April 2009, appear graphic and disturbing."

Reasonable people can disagree about whether the Bush administration succeeded in its balancing act. Waterboarding has always been the most controversial method, and it was used 183 times -- in short bursts not exceeding 40 seconds -- against top al-Qaida captive Khalid Sheikh Muhammad in March 2003. Were intelligence benefits gained commensurate with the frequent resort to this method?

If we had a more mature political culture, this and other questions could be thoroughly examined by a special congressional committee. (As it happens, the CIA produced a memo on the benefits of the interrogation program that has never been released.) But such an inquiry would inevitably descend into a hyperpoliticized takedown of the CIA and the Bush Justice Department for "war crimes." The frenzied reception of the "torture memos" is just a preview.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.
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Benedict Arlen Specter and his improbable Magic Bullet Theory

Arlen Specter, the once and future Democrat, is returning to his roots.

The Pennsylvania senator announced last week that he was crossing the aisle to join the Democratic majority, effectively ending a four decade-long love/hate relationship with the Republican Party.

The 79-year-old Specter said he found himself increasingly at odds with conservative Republican philosophy.

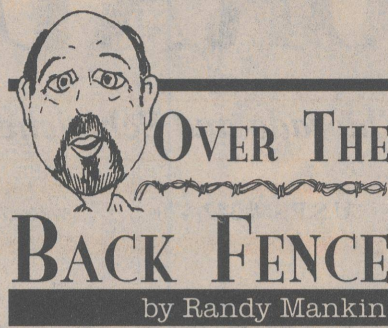
There are many Republicans who no doubt felt the same way about Specter.

In fact, Specter has long been identified in Washington circles as a RINO, or Republican in Name Only, as he found himself voting more with his Democratic colleagues than with the members of his own party.

Specter noted this last week when he announced his switch. He also acknowledged that there is an abundance of polling data that indicates he was likely to lose next year's Republican primary to a conservative challenger.

And, there was no shortage of would-be challengers waiting in the wings. One potential opponent was former Pennsylvania Governor and Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge. Another was former U.S. Representative Pat Toomey, who narrowly lost to Specter in the 2004 primary.

Switching parties is nothing new



by Randy Mankin

to Arlen Specter. He did it before, way back in 1966 when he left the Democratic Party to run for and win the post of District Attorney.

At that time, Specter said he was leaving the Democratic Party because it had swung too far to the left. He also pointed to rampant corruption in Harrisburg, the Pennsylvania state capital, and decried what he called a bloated and entrenched bureaucracy concerned only with its own self-interests.

Perhaps Specter honestly believes that today's Democratic Party is less liberal than it was in 1966, but I doubt it.

More likely, I think, is the possibility that Specter has grown accustomed to the perks associated with his senate office and is presently guided by his own self-interest.

Specter first gained national attention as a staff attorney for the Warren Commission which investigated the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

In fact, it was Specter who came

up with the single-bullet theory, a theory so far-fetched and unlikely that it became known as the Magic Bullet Theory.

According to Specter's theory, a single bullet fired by Lee Harvey Oswald, passed through President Kennedy's upper back and neck, went out through the knot on his necktie, then changed direction . . . twice, and entered Texas Governor John Connally's back. The bullet then pulverized 7 inches of rib bone and exited his chest, slammed through the governor's wrist where it shattered the radius bone, before embedding itself in Connally's right thigh.

The nearly pristine bullet was then found lying on a stretcher recently occupied by Governor Connally. The stretcher was sitting along a wall in a busy corridor outside the emergency room at Parkland Hospital.

Coincidentally, a forensic examination found that the magic bullet matched perfectly the rifle allegedly used by Oswald.

At the time, Specter said the single, or magic bullet theory, was the best possible explanation for how Oswald could have inflicted all the wounds attributed to him.

Hey . . . it could happen! Anything is possible, I suppose, even the possibility that Senator Specter is now motivated only by his concerns for the citizens of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.



Elementary School Kids Learn to Garden

I visited a classroom at Stonewall Jackson Elementary School in Dallas the other day and heard Mark Painter talk to his gardening class. He asked some difficult questions, but the students were ready with the answers. Mark and the students maintain a half-acre garden on school property (stonewallgardens.com).

"We have three crops a year basically," says Mark. "At the beginning of school in August we plant cold crops. We harvest those around Christmas, then start putting in potatoes, carrots and onions. We harvest those in May. Then we plant soybeans, black-eyed peas and okra, crops that go through the summer. When the kids come back in the fall, they get to harvest those."

The garden has a row for every class. Every student has a plant. The garden has a large wildflower area. Mark says the kids get to take the crops home or they sell some of it. "We have plant sales, sell wildflower seeds and wildflowers. We've taken produce down to Whole Foods where they let us set up stands outside the store. We're trying to get kids to understand all



by Tumbleweed Smith

the commerce that goes along with gardening."

The garden has a greenhouse, tool shed, a pond and a rock garden. Mark makes sure good tools are on hand for the kids to use. He acquired a kiln from another school to show how ceramics relate to the soil.

Growing up, Mark always wanted to be a teacher. After college, he took a teaching job, but found out he didn't really like the classroom that much. So he went into the construction business, which his family had been involved with for years.

"It took me about thirty years to find this little gig," says Mark. "I started out here as a volunteer, putting in a garden. My wife teaches here and I put in a little garden for her class. And that little garden just kept growing and the volunteer position ended up as a unique job that you wouldn't find anywhere else in

Texas."

Last fall, when the Dallas school district did some severe cutting back due to financial problems, Mark lost his job. But the school's PTA didn't want the gardening program to end and brought Mark back on a part time basis. He also works for an organization in Fort Worth, Real School Gardens, which puts gardens in schools.

Students in kindergarten through fifth grade go to the garden once a week. The kids even grow a small cotton crop every year. While the fall plants are maturing, cabbage and broccoli are growing in little pots in the greenhouse. They will go into the ground in October. Mark says it's a year-round business, but he is passionate about gardening.

"We are really losing that knowledge about how we get our food. I think it's extremely important that kids understand that it's grown right out there on the ground. Most people, I think, know it comes from the ground, but don't know how it's done or the length of time it takes to grow it. They don't understand the energy input or environmental factors involved."

Legislators move toward reshaping focus of education

By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — The Texas House and Senate on April 30 passed legislation to revise the accountability system for public schools.

The legislation, SB 3 by Senate Education Committee chair Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, and

HB 3 by House Public Education Committee chair Rob Eissler, R-The Woodlands, have long lists of amendments that must be agreed upon or discarded as the process moves forward.

Under both bills, the education system would be changed to focus on students' readiness for post-secondary education that could be college or other forms of training.

Shapiro said Texas' current accountability system has created an illusion of progress. "The passing standards on the assessments lack any link to success after graduation. The world today requires sound preparation. All students must be prepared for post-secondary education."

SB 3 and HB 3 update curriculum requirements for high school students. They'll take four years of math, science, social studies and English, two years in the same foreign language, and eight electives that could include fine arts, or career-in-technology education that gives students who don't plan on going to college workforce training.

In addition, school districts would have new accountability standards. Accreditation and performance ratings would be based not only on passing standards, but also on how students score on college readiness standards. Schools could receive recognition in more areas, for success in 21st century workforce development, fine arts, secondary languages, PE, and academic excellence.

Speaker names budget conferees

The primary task of the Texas Legislature is to produce a budget for fiscal years 2010-2011.

The House and Senate versions of the \$180 billion (give or take) budget don't match, so the two bodies are going to have to compromise.

House Speaker Joe Straus on April 27 announced the following appointees to the Conference Committee on SB 1, the state's biennial budget for 2010-2011:

House Appropriations Committee chair Jim Pitts, R-Waxahachie, and vice chair Richard Raymond, D-Laredo; Ruth Jones McClendon, D-San Antonio; John Otto, R-Dayton, and John Zerwas, R-Katy.

The five House members will work with five Senate members named earlier by Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst. They are:

Senate Finance Committee chair Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, and vice chair Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa, D-McAllen, Shapiro, Senate Intergovernmental Relations chair Royce West, D-Dallas, and Senate Administration Committee chair Tommy Williams, R-The Woodlands.

June 1 is the last day of the 81st regular session of the Texas Legislature, so the pressure is on to wrap up the budget and get it to the governor.

Bill may change agency's name

SB 341 by Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-San Antonio, proposes to rename the Texas Railroad Commission as the Texas Energy Commission.

The bill was passed by the Senate and

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DEATH NOTICES

Cruz A. Cortez

SAN ANGELO — Cruz A. Cortez died Sunday, May 3, 2009, in Carlsbad. Services Tuesday, May 5 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Eldorado with burial in Eldorado Cemetery. Survivors include stepson Tony Adame Tamayo of Houston; daughters Maria Ramirez of Houston and Geneva Arispe of Eldorado; and sisters Sofia Montez of Houston and Julia Santellano and Guadalupe Ochoa, both of Eldorado.

Jose Guadalupe Espinosa, Sr.

ELDORADO — Jose Guadalupe Espinosa Sr., 80, died Saturday, May 2, 2009. Lupe is survived by his wife of 42 years, Conchita Espinosa; a brother, Arturo Espinosa of Seminole, Texas; a sister, Mrs. Anita Gruel of Phoenix, Ariz.; 10 children including Mrs. Marie Barrera of Eldorado, Mrs. Bette E. Lopez, and Gabriel Espinosa of Sonora, and Jose G. Espinosa Jr., Mrs. Vivian Rodriguez, Robert L. Espinosa, Ms. Delia A. Espinosa, Ynes L. Espinosa, Mrs. Patricia G. Gray, and Ms. Nora A. Espinosa, all of San Angelo. Lupe was blessed with 30 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral was held Tuesday, May 5, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Eldorado, Texas.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

This photo showing 5 of the 6 members of Mrs. Spinks 6th and 7th grade gifted and talented class from 1989 was recovered Saturday from a time capsule that the students buried exactly 20 years earlier. All six of the former students were on hand to mark the occasion. The two-decade old photo shows (Front L-R) Farley Dakan, Katy McGregor, (Back L-R) Reagan Bownds, Pepper Nix and Shanna Edmiston. Not pictured was Lindsay Johnson.

Time capsule unearthed . . .

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a copy of the San Angelo Standard-Times, were among the first things to come out of the capsule. Then came a single hot pink sock, buttons, a small pair of scissors, coins, a tooth, baseball cards, basketball cards, a Polaroid photo of the six students, spirit ribbons, a cheerleader photo and photos of students' families, and of course...letters to themselves.

Several other letters were enclosed in the capsule, including letters from Mrs. Ginny Lamb, Mrs. Weldon Moore, Mrs. Lois Dean and of course Mrs. Spinks.

Shanna Edmiston's letter predicted robots would grocery shop and have your order ready in 10 minutes. She also predicted the energy problem would be solved with ocean waves and that people would read solar magazines and watch TV's with headphones. Lastly, she wrote that the government would be totally out of whack and people would hate the president but that war won't be a possibility.

Pepper Nix laughed at how many times he mentioned being small. He

told the crowd that he was excited about the possibility of selling the baseball cards and getting rich.

The day ended with the group enjoying a hamburger lunch at the Spinks' home.

Mrs. Spinks said it could not of gone better and she was very pleased that all the students found time to attend.

Reagan Bownds of Mason and Pepper Nix of Dallas where both 6th graders back in 1989.

Shanna Edmiston Nail of Round Rock, Lindsay Johnson Cranek of San Angelo, Katy McGregor Pickett of Fort Worth and Farley Dakan of Austin were in the 7th grade.

All were in the gifted and talented program of Eldorado Middle School in 1989.

EMS principal Kara Garlitz, current EMS student council and gifted & talented students were in attendance for the event. One youngster looked on curiously as the adults struggled to break through the concrete. He stated that if he and his classmates decided to prepare a time capsule, they would bury it "above the ground."

National Day of Prayer observed Thursday, May 7

Templo Getsemani will hold an all day Prayer Vigil for anyone wanting to come and pray on May 7, 2009.

We will open the doors at 5:30 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. Come and go as you please. We will serve a light lunch from 12:00 Noon - 1 P.M.

Please come and pray with us for our Nation.

Pastor Maria Thornton will begin marriage enrichment classes on Monday, May 11 for anyone that would like to attend. Call 853-3484.



COURTESY PHOTO

4-H Consumer Judging Team (L-R) Jody Pfeuffer, Jesse Pfeuffer, Davis Hutto, Will Mynatt, Franklin Buchholz and Courtney Barbee, County Extension Agent

Local youths compete in 4-H Consumer Decision Making contest

Eldorado 4-H Consumer Judging team traveled to Coleman on April 23, 2009.

The results are: Intermediate Individual - 12th Place, Jody Pfeuffer; Junior Individual - 2nd Place, Franklin Buchholz; Junior Team - 3rd Place, Jesse Pfeuffer, Davis Hutto, Will Mynatt, Franklin Buchholz

4Hers compete in photo contest

The following 4-H Photography participants placed in our local county 4-H photography contest therefore, they moved onto the District 4-H Photography Contest in San Angelo.

Rylea Self - 1st Place - Natural Landscape; 2nd Place - Animal-color; 3rd Place - Plant/Flora

Jody Pfeuffer - 2nd Place - Animal-color; 3rd Place - Natural Landscape;

Jesse Pfeuffer - 3rd Place - Animal-color

Meals for Friends Menu



MONDAY May 11th
Steak Fingers with Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Sliced Tomatoes, Biscuit, Heavenly Hash Cake, Orange Juice, Milk.

TUESDAY May 12th
Bar-B-Que Brisket, Baked Potato, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Corn bread, Fresh Fruit Cup, Milk.

WEDNESDAY May 13th
Chicken Fried Steak w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Hot Roll, Vegetable Salad, White Cake w/Caramel Icing, Milk.

THURSDAY May 14th
Glazed Ham, Cooked Cabbage, Sweet Potato w/ Apples, Wheat Roll, Banana Pudding, Milk.

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A teacher's work is never done, and for that, we're very grateful. This Teacher Appreciation Week, please join us in acknowledging all of the area teachers and thanking them for their hard work and dedication.

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Weekly Sudoku Puzzle
by Linda Theiss

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UIL reschedules athletic and academic events

A week after the Swine Flu scare caused the cancellation of UIL athletic and academic events, officials at the University Interscholastic League have changed their minds and ordered the rescheduling of UIL playoffs, as well as regional track meets and a host of academic competitions.

Additionally, the state track meet is scheduled to be held June 5-6 at Myers Stadium at the University of Texas at Austin.

"The decision to suspend competition was not a decision we took lightly," said UIL Executive Director Dr. Charles Breithaupt.

On April 29, 2009 the UIL announced that the state track meet would be held May 14-16 and that qualifiers would come from the top four participants in each event from each region.

"At that time, we were simply

trying to save the state track meet," said Breithaupt. "When our staff had the time, opportunity and information they were able to make this happen. We had numerous calls in support of the original decision as well as calls to return to the regional format. We also know that additional conflicts may occur because of these changes. However, we believe this schedule represents the best opportunity for the most students."

Now, all athletic and academic competitions are back on the schedule, even if the schedule is somewhat later than normal.

What that means for the Eldorado High School students is that the Regional Track Meet will be held in Levelland on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, May 12 & 13th.

Then on May 14th, the Eagles baseball team will face Medina at 4:30 p.m. in Junction for a Play-In game to determine the 2nd and 3rd place teams in the district and prepare for the state playoffs.

The following day, Friday, May 15th, the Lady Eagles will travel to Big Lake where they will play the McCamey Lady Badgers at 6:30 p.m. for the Bi-District title.

The UIL State Academic Meet

was also rescheduled for May 25-26. Hunter Alvizo will represent Eldorado High School at the meet where he will compete in Physics and Science.



2009 Seniors Eagle Baseball - (L-R) Juan Carlos Escobar, Paul Martinez, Rance Cathey, Dustin Gauna, Milo Vallejo and Jonathan Belman. The Eagles play Medina in Junction at 4:30 on Thursday, May 14th.

SCISD School Lunch Menu

BREAKFAST LINE
Monday May 11, 2009
 Buttered Toast/ Jelly, Choice of Cereals, Choice of Juice, Milk
Tuesday May 12
 Biscuits/Sausage, Jelly, Choice of Juice, Milk
Wednesday May 13
 Blueberry Muffins, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk
Thursday May 14
 French Toast/Syrup, Choice of Juice, Milk
Friday May 15
 Breakfast Bagel/ Sausage & Cheese, Choice of Juice, Chocolate Milk Friday, (Your choice of Milk)
 NO CHARGING

CAFETERIA LINE
Monday May 11, 2009
 Chalupa / Cheese Cup, Spanish Rice, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Fruit
Tuesday May 12
 Lasagna, Peas & Carrots, Hot Rolls, Fruit
Wednesday May 13
 Taco Rolls, Carrot Stix / Dip, Potato Salad, Fruit
Thursday May 14
 Chicken Fajita / Flour Tortilla, Refried Beans, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Sugar Cookies
Friday May 15
 Pizza, Carrot Stix / Dip, Ice Cream
 NO CHARGING

BASKET LINE
Monday May 11, 2009
 Mc Rib Sandwich, Baked Chips, Carrot Stix / Dip, Fruit
Tuesday May 12
 Ham & Cheese Hot Pockets, Pork-n-Beans, Fresh Broccoli/Dip, Fruit
Wednesday May 13
 Chef Salad / Dressing, Diced Ham/Cheese Cup, Crackers (8), Fruit
Thursday May 14
 Hamburgers/Chips, Burger Salad, Pickles, Sugar Cookies
Friday May 15
 Pizza, Carrot Stix/Dip, Ice Cream
 NO CHARGING

EHS scholars medal at District UIL meet

The Eldorado UIL Academic District 1-1A medalists traveled to Levelland on April 24, 2009 to compete in the 1-1A Regional Academic Meet. Hunter Alvizo was the only individual to advance from Regionals to State in Physics and Science.

Seniors: Isidro Granados: Accounting- First TEAM and Third Place Medalist at District; Claudia Pasillas: Accounting- First TEAM and First Place Medalist at District;

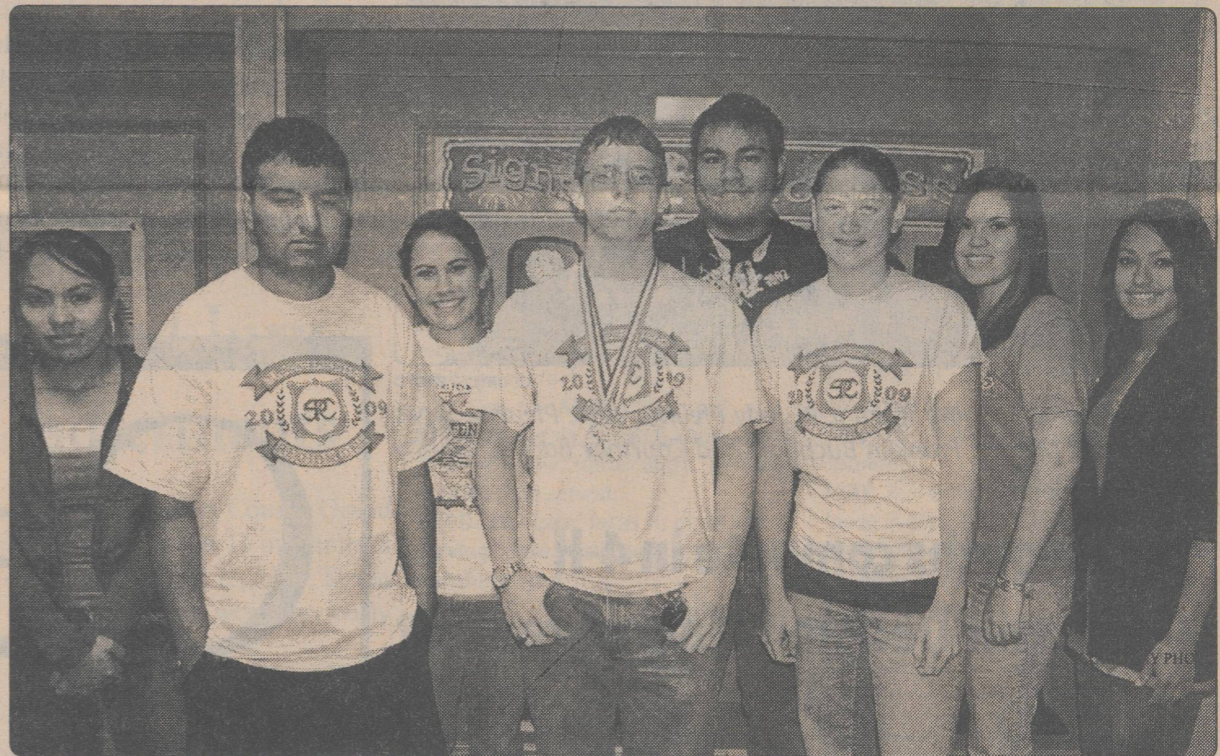
Computer Applications- First Place Medalist at District.

Juniors: Hunter Alvizo: Science- First Place Medalist, Top Physics, and Top Chemistry at District; Timothy Cuevas: Computer Applications- Third Place Medalist at District; Emily Espinosa: News Writing- Third Place Medalist at District; Adriana Hernandez: Accounting- First Team at District; Patricia Hernandez: Accounting-

First TEAM and Sixth Place Ribbon at District

Sophomores: Amy Alvizo: Editorial Writing-Second Place Medalist at District

Sponsors: Angela Case: Science Sponsor, Linda Chancellor: Accounting Sponsor, Lindsey Parker: Science Sponsor, Paige Ragsdale: Computer Applications Sponsor and Teresa Vasquez: Journalism- Editorial and News Writing Sponsor



UIL Academic District Medalists: (L-R) Claudia Pasillas, Isidro Granados, Emily Espinosa, Hunter Alvizo, Timmy Cuevas, Amy Alvizo, Patricia Hernandez, Adriana Hernandez

One-Person Scramble Golf Tournament

The One-Person Scramble Golf Tournament was held April 25-26 at the Eldorado Golf Club. Forty-one people played in the tournament during the windy weekend.

The winners on Saturday were: Championship Flight: 1st place- Tyler Doan of Eldorado, 2nd place-

Shay Carwile of Menard, David Robledo of Eldorado, and Clint Adams of San Angelo.

President's Flight: 1st place went to Ross Whitten of Eldorado, 2nd place tie-Mario Robles, Keith McCormack, Tom Gray of Eldorado and Mike Nikolauk of San Angelo.

First Flight-1st place Richard Garcia of Menard and 2nd place tie-Adam Guana of Menard and Erika Snelson of Eldorado.

Second Flight - 1st place Tommy Doan of Merkel, 2nd place-Chance Meyer of Alpine, 3rd place Oscar Martinez of Eldorado.

Sunday Winners were: Championship Flight: 1st place Clint Adams of San Angelo, 2nd place- Shay Carwile of Menard and 3rd place Juan Gutierrez of Junction.

President's Flight: 1st Place- Ross Whitten of Eldorado, 2nd place Mario Robles of Eldorado, 3rd place Johnny Lee Arispe of Eldorado

First Flight-1st place- Cody York of San Angelo, 2nd place Erika Snelson of Eldorado, 3rd place Chris McCravey of Eldorado

Second Flight- Tie for 1st place Branda Gray and Pete Garcia of Eldorado 3rd place- Donnie Doan of Merkel and Moises Hill of Eldorado.

Our next tournament will be the Mabel and Bill Freitag Memorial Three Person 27 Holes Select Shot on May 23rd.

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40 cases of Swine Flu confirmed in Texas

by Rebecca Sullivan, MSN, RN-C, FNP and Vicki Farmer, RN, BSN, Director of Nursing

As of May 4, 2009, 40 confirmed human cases of Swine Flu (H1N1) and one death have been determined in the State of Texas. This rapidly evolving situation has providers aggressively testing symptomatic patients.


Testing is performed on all patients with flu like illness (fever > 101° and cough and/or sore throat). Testing will be performed on all patients with acute respiratory illness with a recent onset of at least two of the following

symptoms: rhinorrhea (runny nose) or nasal congestion, sore throat, cough, and meet one of the following criterion: a history of recent travel to Mexico (within 7 days of illness) or contact with anyone who has been diagnosed with Influenza A.

If you are exhibiting signs of illness the testing is simple and treatment is available. You can obtain more information by calling Schleicher County Family at 853-3137. Precautions remain the same for any illness and include: stay home when you are sick to avoid spreading illness to others, cough

or sneeze into the crook of your elbow or a tissue and properly dispose of used tissues, wash hands frequently and thoroughly with warm soap and water or use an alcohol based hand sanitizer.

Further information can be obtained from the Department of State Health Services at the following web site: <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/news> or by calling 1-866-850-5893 which is the Hotline for Public Inquiries, or by calling the H1N1 Information Call Center Numbers, General Public: 1-888-777-5320 or the Medical Provider: 1-877-623-6274.



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Seal coating to begin this week on FM 1828

Approximately seven miles of Farm to Market Road 1828, located in north and west Schleicher County, is slated to be resurfaced.

TxDOT awarded the contract for the job to Lipham Construction. Seal coating is slated to begin this week with work being carried out only during daylight hours.

A pilot car is supposed to guide traffic through the construction zone.

WTPA to award two \$2,000 scholarships

ELDORADO — The Eldorado Success and publisher Randy Mankin are pleased to announce applications are currently being accepted from area students for two \$2,000 Bob Craig Memorial Scholarships awarded through the West Texas Press Association and the Texas Press Association.

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

Each scholarship is divided into two payments of \$1,000 each semester. The winners must be enrolled in at least three hours of college or university journalism courses each semester the scholarship is awarded. College students must have at least 60 hours of college course work. Each applicant must also fill out an application form and write an essay based on the theme, "My Future and Career Plans in Community Journalism."

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

majors do not qualify.

Application forms have been sent to member newspapers, high schools in the areas served by WTPA members and to college journalism departments. Applications may also be downloaded from www.wtpa.org. Applicants must be from the area served by WTPA membership.

Applications and essays should be sent to Bob Dillard, WTPA Scholarship Chairman, P.O. Box 1097, Fort Davis, TX 79734-1097, and be post-marked no later than June 19, 2009. Winners will be chosen by the West Texas Press Association board of directors, and announced during the association's 79th Annual Summer Convention in San Angelo, July 16-18.

The Bob Craig Memorial Scholarships are named in honor of late West Texas publisher Bob Craig of Hamlin. Craig, who died in 1981, was the long-time publisher of the Hamlin Herald and a member of the West Texas Press Association. He served 18 years on the board in various capacities, including president in 1967, and secretary-treasurer for many years.

The West Texas Press Association is the world's largest regional press organization, by virtue of the vast geographic area it encompasses throughout West Texas and Eastern New Mexico.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Los Viejitos Dancers (L-R) Jose Contreras, Jose Maria Moya and Eduardo Contreras performed last week during a fund raiser for their dance troop. The group is trying to raise funds for new costumes. Not pictured was Sebastian and Antonio Contreras.

Capital Highlights . . .

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now moves to the House for consideration. If the bill becomes law, the name change will be phased in before Jan. 1, 2010.

The Texas Railroad Commission regulates the oil and natural gas industry, pipeline transporters, natural gas and hazardous liquid pipeline industry, natural gas utilities, the LP-gas industry, and coal and uranium surface mining operations. The Texas Department of Transportation regulates railroads.

Health chief addresses swine flu

David Lakey, Texas Health commissioner, on April 29 delivered a public statement on swine flu or H1N1.

Lakey said the Department of State Health Services is taking

measures to prevent the spread of this disease.

"In communities where we have identified swine flu, we're asking the communities to do specific steps. We're asking them, at certain times when they have the disease in their schools, to close their schools. We're asking them to implement their Pandemic Influenza Plan so we are ready, and the community is ready, for whatever comes their way. We're working with health care providers throughout the state so they know what they need to do in order to protect your health."

YFZ seeks tax exemption

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on tip, with lights, like the temple lot wall, 12 inches thick, with the pillars every 24 feet with strong gates, not see through, like the temple lot wall... The Lord directs that all walls on the interior have 7 coats of white paint, 2 primer coats, and 5 finish coats, well cured between coats...Also the stairway should be in the middle of the building where Edmund had it drawn, with the rest-rooms next to the stairway, as he had it; but the "materials elevator" should be in the southwest corner of the printing area such that it does not interfere with the windows."

Among Jeffs' other directions for the building was a incinerator for burning of refuse and a ventilation system "so chemical fumes will not be in the building."

Law enforcement officers and other officials who entered the building during last April's raid said that they found it very much as Jeffs had directed and that it was clearly in use as a print shop.

For her part, Jani Mitchell acknowledges receiving the application for property tax exemption. She said it is being reviewed by the appraisal district's attorney and that she will rule on the application in the near future.

Court to hear motions to suppress YFZ evidence

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Barlow. The sheriff goes on to explain that while officials were waiting at the gate for ranch residents to grant entry to the property, one man handed him a cell phone and told him that Dale Barlow was on the line.

During the ensuing conversation the man on the other end of the phone identified himself as Dale Barlow and said that he was not at the YFZ Ranch, but in Colorado City, Arizona.

Doran said that he had no way of confirming where the phone call came from or with whom he was speaking.

The depositions go on to say that YFZ residents at the gate were told that if Barlow truly wasn't at the ranch, he should turn himself in to authorities in the next 30 minutes and half the puzzle would be solved.

There is no evidence that Barlow ever presented himself to authorities

in Arizona, or anywhere else.

The motions challenge almost every aspect of the raid and subsequent search of the ranch, beginning with phone calls to a family shelter from a female caller who identified herself as an underage bride named Sarah Jessop Barlow. Those calls are now widely believed to have been a hoax, perpetrated by a Colorado woman named Rozita Swinton who has a history of making hoax phone calls.

Not only does the motion challenge the legitimacy of the calls, it also asks why Swinton has not been prosecuted.

The motions also accuse Texas Ranger Brooks Long of deceiving Judge Barbara Walther about circumstances leading up to the raid.

The Success will post results of the hearing on its website at www.myeldorado.net, as well as any rulings Judge Walther might make.


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DPS notes May is Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month

In 2008, the DPS Motorcycle Operator Training Program trained a record-number 41,000 motorcycle operators, up from 33,697 in 2007. But all that training isn't enough to ensure the safety of motorcycle operators. Drivers of other vehicles, who share Texas roadways with 908,665 licensed motorcyclists, must make a conscious effort to look for motorcyclists.

Almost 400 motorcyclists were killed in crashes in 2007; preliminary fatality reports for 2008 also indicate an increase in fatalities. A high percentage of those crashes involved other vehicles. Most motorcycle crashes occur near

intersections, largely because inattentive vehicle drivers fail to see the motorcyclist and give them the right-of-way.

"Because of its small size, a motorcycle can be easily hidden in a car's blind spots such as the door or roof pillars, or masked by objects or backgrounds outside a car such as bushes, fences and bridges," said John G. Young, coordinator of the DPS Motorcycle Safety Unit. "Take an extra moment to look for motorcycles, whether you're changing lanes or turning at intersections."

To address the increase of car and motorcycle

crashes on a local level, some Texas cities such as Arlington have begun local public awareness events. The City of Austin has a motorcycle safety fair scheduled for May 9 to increase public awareness and remind drivers to look for motorcycles.

"We encourage all cities to get involved with public awareness for motorcyclist safety," Young said.

For more information on the Motorcycle Safety Unit, visit www.txdps.state.tx.us/msb and www.looklearnlive.org or call 1-800-292-5787

TDA claims wildfires cost Texas agriculture \$35 million

Commissioner Staples petitions Washington for relief funds, disaster designation

AUSTIN — With wildfires costing Texas agricultural producers about \$35 million during March and April, Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples is requesting assistance from USDA. Sweeping North Texas wildfires over Easter weekend and recent weeks contributed to losses estimated at more than 220,000 acres of pasture, roughly 1,500 miles of fence and almost 500 cattle and calves.

"Wildfires, hurricanes, drought and an economic downturn are hitting Texas producers hard," Commissioner Staples said. "Texas farmers and ranchers are a resilient bunch, but when disaster strikes it

is essential to provide the assistance necessary for recovery, which is why I am requesting Secretary Vilsack take certain actions."

In a letter to USDA Secretary Tom Vilsack, Commissioner Staples requests that the secretarial disaster designation process for 18 North Texas counties be initiated immediately and seeks relief funding from the USDA Emergency Conservation Program. Commissioner Staples also asks for acreage in these counties and in neighboring counties enrolled in the USDA Conservation Reserve Program to be opened for haying and grazing.

"These resources are needed to enable livestock to return, and also will allow farm and ranch land ravaged by these fires to be rehabilitated and placed back in production," Commissioner Staples said.

More About N. Texas Wildfires

Dry conditions from drought make pastureland susceptible to wildfires, and wind can carry a blaze for days before it runs out of fuel. In March and April of this year, wildfires swept across North Texas. Dr. David Anderson of Texas A&M University estimates pasture losses at \$2,221,230, fence replacement at

\$31,891,200 and cattle and calves losses at \$329,700.

"Wildfires have three major effects on livestock producers: lost cattle, lost pasture grazing, and destroyed fences and buildings," Dr. Anderson said. "Destroyed fences are the largest portion of the financial losses due to fire."

Replacing fences is an extremely expensive, long-term and capital-intensive cost, Dr. Anderson said: "Those expenses carry on for a long time through increased debt to pay for them."

Pasture can recover with some timely rains, Dr. Anderson said, but near-term grazing is lost requiring

producers to buy more feed, find and lease other pastures or sell cattle and calves.

Producers are encouraged to take advantage of the Texas Department of Agriculture's Hay Hotline at 1-877-429-1998. The hotline is a great resource for those who have extra hay to sell or a pasture to lease, and for those who need hay.


A Disaster Resource Information Packet is also available and provides pertinent contact information for state, federal and private agricultural disaster assistance programs. Information on both resources can be found at www.TexasAgriculture.gov.

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Weekly Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Packing a rod
6. Sticking points?
11. Tissue layer
14. "Foodless!"
15. "One to a customer," e.g.
16. "Norma ___" (Field movie)
17. POW camp scandal?
19. ___-Locka, Fla.
20. Ate like a king
21. Young cow
23. Fights for air
26. Hangs in the hammock
27. Formal declaration
31. Seaport of Italy
33. Deck out
34. Martinique rupter
35. "Red state" org.
38. Refuse to admit
39. Model add-on
40. Glowing review
41. Mattress problem
2. Ticks off
43. Paired socks
44. Stirred up
46. One of Edison's 1,000+
47. Stackable cookies

49. Trait carriers

51. Dracula player of 1931

53. Skilled craftsman

58. Mrs. McKinley

59. Private eye scandal?

62. Dog doc

63. Bond or Scully

64. Things to fill out

65. Bard's before

66. Poverty-stricken

67. Senator/physician Bill

DOWN

1. "___ I care!"
2. French filmmaker Clair
3. Intro to physics?
4. Takes a peek at
5. Tranquillizer shooter
6. Klutzty sorts
7. Fix, as a fight8. Docs' org.
9. In the company of
10. Metal marble
11. Over spending scandal?
12. Place for a carnation
13. Decade divisions
18. Copier paper buy
22. Saturn model
36. Appliance with a timer
37. Roach or termite
39. Talk trash about
40. Lab maze runner
42. Like Putin
43. Huge canine
45. Hugs, on cards
46. Smart-alecky
47. Drab shade
48. More boorish
50. Far from genial
52. "Picnic" playwright
54. Stereotypical lab assistant
55. Calcutta wrap
56. PIN-activated devices
57. Hatchling's home
60. Flying geese formation
61. Exterior lineman

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Grand Jury Indictments

The Schleicher County Grand Jury handed down 11 indictments on Monday, April 13, 2009. Seven of the indictments were previously announced

Michael Kevin Crofoot, male age 36, was indicted for Indecency with a Child by Contact.

There are still 3 indictments that have yet to be made public.

BIRTHDAY LIST

MAY

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

9th Kathy Meador, Martha Adame, Susan Parker, Lydia Elkins, Alex Massingill, Ryan Farmer, Marie Barrera, Duane Lettlinger, Scotty Johnson, Becky Sterling

10th Sierra Arispe, Kimberlin Conn, Mia C. Ruiz, Jimmy Belk

11th Austin "Fifi" Herrera, Judy Christian, Lynna Mikeska, Nancy Lester, Payton Box

12th Teresa Poynor, Rosetta Lozano, Lindsey Koenig, Cory Edmiston, Glenn Parker

13th Bob Lester, Dusty Riggs

ANNIVERSARIES

MAY

14th Creel and Hannah Goodman

15th David and Melisa Elias

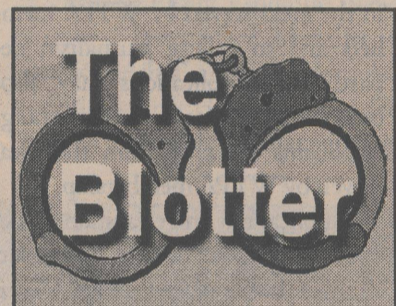
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The Blotter is a summary of the previous week's activity by the Schleicher County Sheriff's Dept. For practical reasons of time and space, The Blotter does not include every call made to the Sheriff's office, nor does it include routine security checks, 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

APRIL 28 • Seale, James E., male age 48. Offense Public Intoxication. Released 4/29/09 time served.

APRIL 29 • Lara, Jesus P., male age 22. Serving days. Released time served, transferred out.

APRIL 29 • Romo, Marcelo Iglesias, male age 22. F.T.A. warrant. Released 05/02/09 on \$10,000 PR Bond.

APRIL 29 • Jimenez, Macario, male age 43. Offense P.I. Released 04/30/09 time served.

APRIL 29 • Covey, Carol, female age 50. Offense DWI 2nd offense. Released 04/30/09 on \$2,000. P.R. bond.

APRIL 30 • McCandless, Christopher, male age 26. Offense M.T.R. Released 05/05/09 time served, case dismissed.

MAY 1 • Mejia, Daniel Barajas, male age 44. Offense DWI 2nd offense. Released 05/02/09 on \$2,000. PR bond.

MAY 5 • Rodriguez, Enrique E., male age 20. Serving 8 days. Still in custody.

INCIDENTS

APRIL 28 - 4:23 PM • Caller reported that he would be burning a brush pile out on McIntosh.

6:13 PM • Caller reported an elderly person had fallen and needed assistance. EMS responded. Officers responded

9:24 PM • Caller reported a burglary.

APRIL 29 - 3:34 AM • Caller reported seeing 3 men around a fire on ranch. Caller intended to call rancher and report, stated he would call back if needed S.O. assistance.

11:38 AM • Caller requested an ambulance.

Officers and EMS responded.

APRIL 30 - 8:18 AM • Caller reported a controlled burn. Units notified.

9:59 AM • Caller requested an officer at residence on Fields St. regarding vandalism.

11:49 AM • Caller requested to speak to an officer about kids trespassing on his property and messing with his pit bull dog.

8:21 PM • Caller reported a large red semi cattle truck driving erratically on 277 north. Officer responded.

MAY 1 - 7:50 PM • Complainant reported loud music. Officer notified.

7:27 PM • Caller advised he would be driving through town the next day on 190 with an oversized load and would have his own escorts.

7:29 PM • Caller reported a man that was pale and clammy with a blood pressure unstable. EMS and officer responded.

MAY 2 - 8:25 AM • Caller reported loose livestock in Ft. McKavett area.

8:46 PM • Complainant requested to speak to an officer about a civil dispute. Officer responded.

9:01 PM • Complainant reported a suspicious vehicle passing by their residence flashing their lights. Officer notified.

MAY 3 - 2:02 AM • Caller reported cell tower lights out on Orient Road. Officer investigated and supplied multiple phone numbers. Communication was established with the tower owners who said they would send a crew to repair.

4:14 PM • Complainant reported a fight breaking out in front of their residence.

5:14 PM • Complainant reported being locked out of their running car. Officer notified.

5:50 PM • Complainant reported a reckless driver. Officer responded and was unable to locate driver.

8:40 PM • Alarm went off at school. Officer responded.

MAY 4 - 7:43 AM • Caller reported gas drive off. Officer notified.

4:13 PM • Funeral escort requested for May 5, from funeral home to Catholic church.

6:32 PM • Funeral escort requested for May 5, from church to cemetery.

MAY 5 - 4:14 AM • Caller requested an officer. Officer responded.

ALSO DURING THE WEEK THERE WERE A TOTAL OF 25 CALLS REPORTING CONTROLLED BURNS.

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Answer to Sudoku on Page 3

1	3	6	5	7	2	8	9	4
9	7	2	4	8	1	5	6	3
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Words can never express how the love and compassion from Mom and Dad's friends in the community of Eldorado have touched our hearts. Every action taken, food, flowers, calls, visits, and memorials have been appreciated by the family.

We want to especially thank Rev. Steve Rowe for being there when we needed him most, the First United Methodist Church women and men who prepared such wonderful lunches, the staff at Kerbow Funeral Home who helped us through these times.

A special thank you goes to Runnel's County Rehab & Nursing Center staff in Ballinger for taking such good care of our Mother these past 4 1/2 months and to Schleicher County Nursing Home and Hospice of San Angelo for taking such good care of our Father in his last days.

There is a lot to be said about a small town, they are there when you need them.

Mom and Dad touched a lot of hearts and will be missed by many.

May God bless each and every one.

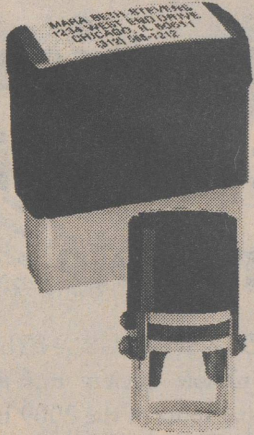
The family of Rudy and Shine Spigarelli

I lost my home in the tragic fire last Monday. I would like to thank all the Firemen and Police Officers who were there and everyone who has helped me in my time of need. I know times are tough right now with so many people out of work, but still so many of you found it in your hearts to help me. I can never tell you how much I appreciate what ya'll have done for me and my family. Thank you so much. There are too many of you to name so, I would just like to say thanks to everyone in Eldorado and Sonora that helped, and for all of your prayers. I will always be grateful for your kindness.

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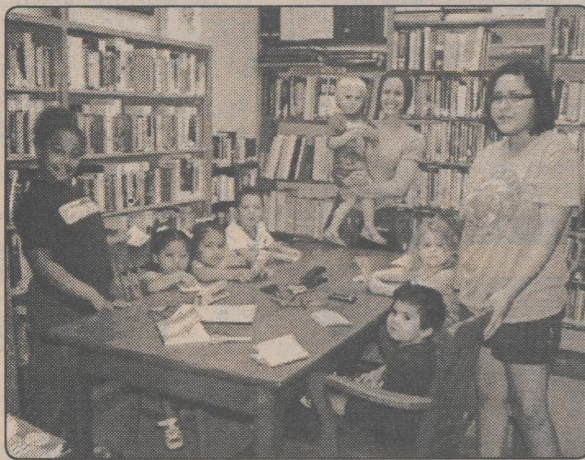


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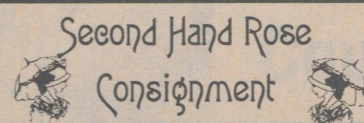
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EHS Artists Shine

Adriana Hernandez (above) and Dustin Rameriz (below) featured their art at the Old Eldorado Bank Building on Main Street Tuesday evening May 5th at an art show fundraiser for the art department. EHS art teacher Nicole Martinez organized the event to help the art department raise funds for a potter's wheel.



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NANCY'S TIPS

by Eldorado's Own
Nancy Lester

Easy Entertaining – Family Celebrations

Tough economic times make family and family celebrations all the more important. Luckily, there is no need for them to be expensive or elaborate – just filled with love, tradition and good food galore. Families celebrate so many different things. Bob says that I look outside in the morning and say: "Look, the sun is coming up! Let's have a party!" Actually that is pretty close to right! Now that we are retired, sometimes the sun is up before we are! I hope that is not due to late night partying! Growing up, we celebrated birthdays, religious holidays, visiting relatives, religious milestones such as First Communion and Confirmation, anniversaries and patriotic events.

Our family was not huge, but when everyone gathered at my grandmother's house, we had about 20 people. Grandma had a big dining room table and it had a long bench on one side. It could seat from 4 – 7 grandchildren depending upon size and disposition. I now have the dining room table at my house. It is an awesome treasure with so many wonderful memories, including the good food out of the garden and smokehouse at my grandmother's. Growing up, most of my dresses were cut out on that table and made by my Grandma Baumann. She taught me how to sew and so many other things!

Families today often do not have the luxury of living in close proximity to each other and often enjoy extended family as much as their own. This offers all sorts of new reasons for celebrating and I am highly in favor of it! Making up a guest list is usually the first job involved in planning any type of function. Computers make this so much easier! I have a mailing list with current addresses for everyone I can think of! We are lucky to live in a small town with a wonderful post office who delivers your mail, even if it does not have the complete address. That means you can invite us to your parties without even looking up our box number! Budget considerations are always important.

Most people don't mind bringing a dish to a party but sometimes it is nice to just be a guest. Serving the food will be simpler if you choose foods that do not have to be served piping hot and that don't require a lot of last minute preparation. It is helpful to have some traditional menus that work well with your family. Vary these according to the number of people that you are going to have and the individual tastes of family members and guests. Plan your table settings. If your dining room is not large enough to accommodate your guests and the serving of food, buffet service is your best bet! Think about plates and flatware. Most families are happy to use paper goods but for the really important traditional occasions, use your china and silver. Be sure to indicate on the invitation if the party is going to be formal or informal or if there is a particular way the guests should dress. I am planning a party for the near future and my dress instructions are going to be: "Gussy Up!"

You are also going to want to think about entertainment. Family events are usually going to involve children and they will love having games or activities planned especially for them. These do not have to be elaborate! We have a small vacant lot next to our house. One Thanksgiving, I got two roles of pennies, a role of nickels and a few quarters out of Bob's pocket change and before the children arrived, I tossed the coins all over the vacant lot. I asked them to go outside and check for something, directing them to the lot. They were entertained for several hours finding the treasure of lost coins. It was fairly inexpensive and quite satisfying for them!

Remember that the function of a family celebration is to have a good time. Take lots of pictures and create memories for the future!

Bat season at the Devil's Sinkhole

ROCKSPRINGS — The Devil's Sinkhole Society ran its first three bat tours of the 2009 Bat Season May 1-3. Each night saw an increase in bat numbers, and though volunteers had been worried about bat numbers, by Sunday night the bats were appearing in normal bat tornado strength.

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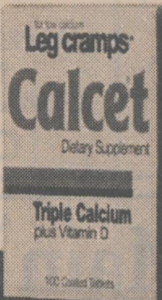
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 New Teachers Report: August 14
 Staff Development/Teacher Workdays: August 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 May 28
 Teacher Comp. Day: January 1
 First Instructional Day/ Sem 1: August 24
 Labor Day: September 7
 Parent/Teacher Conference: October 5 & 12
 Early Dismissal Days: November 25, December 18, March 12, April 1 Others TBA
 Thanksgiving Holidays: November 26 & 27
 Christmas Holidays: December 21 - January 1
 Begin Semester 2: January 4
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 Good Friday: April 2
 Final Instructional Day: May 27
 Bad Weather Days: April 2 & May 28
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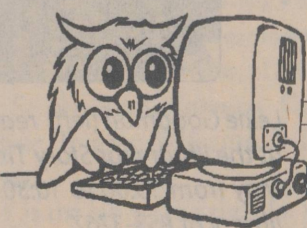
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