

Grand Jurors indict Schooley in murder of his father



Looking for clues — Investigators spent three days searching for evidence after the fatal shooting of Clifford Schooley, Sr on Feb. 12, 2003. The victim's son, Cliff Schooley, Jr., was arrested at the scene and charged with 1st degree murder. On Monday, June 9, 2003, Schleicher County grand jurors handed up an indictment in the case, alleging that the younger Schooley killed his father.

County Commissioners meet Monday, handle lengthy agenda

Cliff Schooley, Jr. was indicted for murder on Monday, June 9, 2003, by a Schleicher County grand jury, in the shooting death of his father, Clifford Schooley, Sr., 79, of Eldorado. The jurors weighed evidence presented by 51st District Attorney Stephen Lupton, Schleicher County Sheriff's Dept. officers and Texas Ranger Sgt. Brooks Long, before handing up their decision.

The indictment presents two allegations. First, it alleges that on Feb. 12, 2003, Cliff Schooley, Jr. intentionally and knowingly caused the death of Clifford Schooley, Sr. by shooting him with a firearm. The second allegation in the indictment is that Cliff Schooley, Jr., with intent to cause serious bodily injury committed an act clearly dangerous to human life that caused the death of his father by shooting him with a firearm.

The indictment means the case will proceed to trial in the court of 51st District Judge Barbara Walther.

Cliff Schooley, Jr. telephoned the Schleicher County Sheriff's Dept. at 11.33 a.m. on Tuesday, February 12, 2003, to report that he had shot his father. Chief Deputy George Arispe and Deputy Sheriff Jason Chatham arrived at the Schooley family ranch on County Rd. ?? some 25 minutes later, where they found the elder Schooley lying dead in front of his pickup truck.

tigators believe was used in the shooting, was taken as evidence.

A .22 caliber revolver found lying under the elder Schooley's hand seemed at first to support the self-defense claim. However, other evidence soon led investigators to a different conclusion and a murder investigation was launched. An autopsy the following day reportedly revealed that the elder Schooley had been shot twice in the head, once from behind and once from the front.

Investigators spent the better part of three days at the scene of the shooting, methodically searching for and cataloging evidence. Texas Ranger Brooks Long was the lead investigation. He was assisted by Sheriff David Doran, several Sheriff's deputies, Texas Ranger Jerry Byrne and investigators from Texas Department of Public Safety.

Once news of the indictment was

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released, District Attorney Stephen Lupton said his office was ready to move forward to trial but he declined to predict just when a trial could be expected. "Judge Walther will schedule a pretrial hearing," Lupton stated. "I expect she may set a trial date at that time.'

Murder is a first degree felony in Texas. If convicted of the charges on which the grand jury indicted him, Cliff Schooley, Jr. could receive a 99 year prison sentence and a fine of up to \$100,000.

Other indictments

Schleicher County grand jurors heard evidence in three cases Monday, June 9, 2003. Among those was the Schooley murder case (above).

Also indicted was Erik Dawson Boatright, 33, of Merkel, TX, on a felo-



Schleicher County Commissioners met Monday in the Women's Club Room at the Memorial Building due to the fact that grand jurors were using the Commissioners regular meeting room in the courthouse and District court was being held in the second-floor courtroom. Commissioners Johnny Mayo, Bill Clark, Kirk Griffin and Matt Brown were present for the meeting, as was County Judge Johnny Griffin.

Among other business, the men met with Jessica Harper, auto theft prevention coordinator for the Concho Valley Council of Governments (CVCOG). She explained that a CVCOG offers free clinics where vehicle identification numbers (VIN) are etched into a car's window glass. Harper said she needed an opportunity to offer the clinic here in Eldorado. The men recommended the Running of the Bull festival to be held on July 26 & 27. Harper said she would coordinate the clinic with the local Sher-

iff's Dept.

The men the approved a \$50,000 bond through Western Surety for Scott Sutton the new Chief Appraiser of the Schleicher County Appraisal District. They also voted to award fuel bids to two separate companies. Regal Oil was the low bidder for a transport load of diesel at \$1.06 per gallon and Griffin Fuel was the low bidder for a transport load of unleaded fuel at \$1.294 per gallon.

A request that the county remove some large rocks and other material from a county road right-of-way was presented to the court by Commissioner Matt Brown. on behalf of a Mr. R. Schaffer, a landowner on County Road 412. After a brief discussion, the commissioners voiced their concerns that removing the rocks might damage the road and existing fences. Ultimately, the men took no action and asked Matt Brown to ex-**CONTINUED ON PAGE 6**



It works like this — Jessica Harper, auto theft prevention coordinator for the Concho Valley Council of Governments explained Monday to County Commissioner Johnny Mayo how chemicals are used to etch a car's vehicle identification number into the windshield and side windows.

At that time Cliff Schooley, Jr. told the officers he had shot his father in self defense. He was soon arrested, however, and a 9 mm Ruger pistol, that inves-

Lindsey pleads guilty to theft from FUMC

Linda Lindsey, 44, of Eldorado, plead guilty to felony theft Monday in connection with more than \$19,000 in funds missing from the First United Methodist Church of Eldorado. Lindsey, who worked as the church's secretary when the funds came up missing, admitted to taking the money and agreed to make restitution as part of a plea arrangement. In return for the guilty plea and her agreement to make restitution, Lindsey received a 2-year prison sentence, probated for 5 years. The plea was entered before 51st District Judge Barbara Walther.

Court documents reveal that Lindsey will be making monthly payments of \$390 for the next five years.

The public first became aware of the case when Lindsey turned herself in to Sheriff David Doran on Nov.. 26, 2002, and was booked into the Schleicher County Jail. She was released that same day on a \$5,000 bond. The arrest stemmed from a lengthy investigation that began after church officials reported that they suspected church funds were being diverted.

Chief Deputy George Arispe, assisted by Texas Ranger Sgt. Brooks Long, investigated the allegations. Schleicher County grand jurors indicted Lindsey on Jan. 8, 2003. She was rearrested released on \$10,000 bond.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Near tragedy — This 1996 Freightliner truck, driven by Walter Raymond McGinty, Jr. of San Angelo, collided with the 1990 Buick Le Sabre pictured in the background, at approx. 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 10, near the Eldorado city limit on US 277 North. The Buick was driven by Danelle McCormack of Eldorado. Deputy David Olivan, pictured above, who investigated the accident, noted that all involved were very fortunate to have escaped serious injury. At press time the accident was still under investigation and no citations had been issued.

Dr. Brame to fill in at Family Clinic

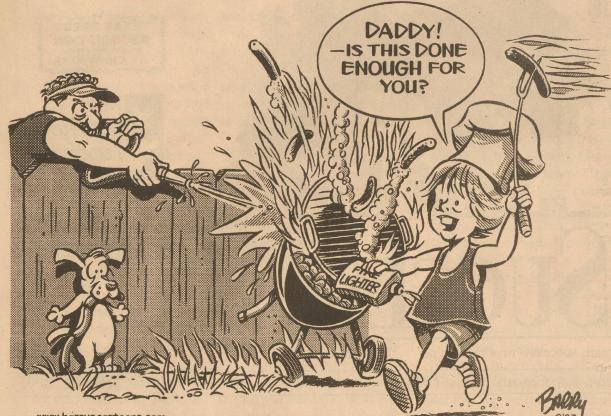
Dr. Jim Bob Brame began staffing the Schleicher County Family Clinic on Wednesday, according to Hospital Administrator Sharon Dietz. Dr. Brame, who operated the clinic for many years prior to his retirement, agreed to fill in after Physician Assistant Ike Whitten announced he was leaving to take a job in Ozona.

Dietz noted that the hospital contin-

ues to have 24-hour physician coverage of the emergency room, while Dr. Brame will see patients in the Clinic. Meanwhile, a physician search is underway to find a qualified doctor to replace Dr. Patrick Taylor who left last week.

"The hospital's board of directors and administration are working very hard to fill the vacancy we have," Dietz said.

GOOD KIDS REMEMBER DAD'S DAY ...



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Legislative session adjourns but big bills unsigned

AUSTIN — It is now at least State Capital possible to find a parking place within walking distance of the Highlights Capitol.

With the regular session of the 78th Legislature now a matter of makers from across the state did. history, being able to pull into an empty meter space is one of only budget despite a near \$10 billion important areas — public safety, er pieces of legislation in the busy a few certainties at this point.

unsigned. And even when the bills do become law with the stroke of ferent things. Under the State Con- cuts and the budget still does not ing to figure out what the 181 law-



They did pass a \$117.4 billion shortfall in available revenue, but Most of the big bills remain approving a bill (House Bill 1) and having it go into effect are two difcomptroller.

Strayhorn has said that it's going governor.

ROLLING ALONG

to be a more difficult process than normal, given the complexities of very long. Some of them have a the legislation she was handed.

Should she not certify the budget, she has the authority to get out her figurative scissors and do some budget-cutting of her own in three sidered dead, get included in oththe prison system and higher edu- hours before adjournment. cation.

ing of the pie would be up to the Comptroller Carole Keeton Legislative Budget Board and the No date on special session ...

Some of the numbers...

5,592 pieces of legislation. Of those bills, they only passed 1,381. Gov. Rick Perry already has signed ber. Others speculate he will wa some of them into law, but as of until January. shortly after the session closed he had not vetoed any measures.

lawmakers actually did.

not instantaneous.

A father's thoughts on Fathers Day

It's time, I think, that the Dads of the world faced the music, we're just not as lovable as our mates. Moms rule, and Dads come in a distant second.

Consider if you will that the busiest day of the year for long distance phone service providers is Mothers' Day, followed by Christmas, then Thanksgiving, the 4th of with dear old Dad driving to ev- tion. Day doesn't even make the top 10.

Think about the Dad who picked in the second round by a says, "Hi, Mom!" big league ball club. Following

Why? Some of the bills are

lot of amendments. And many of

them were tacked on at the last

minute. Often times entire bills,

including some that had been con-



July and Groundhog Day. Fathers' ery out of town game, Junior gets called up to the majors.

works two jobs to provide for the as he tunes in the game on his big family, and rushes home at every screen TV. He is overjoyed when opportunity to teach Junior to play the sportscaster calls his son's ever listened to the Beetles...that baseball. After teaching him to name. The lad strides to the plate, collection of old 8-tracks in the pitch and catch and to field fly belts a home run, rounds the bases attic was just an ill-advised inballs, then anguishing over his Lit- then...then...as the camera zooms tle League, Pony League and high in tight for the joyous celebration, school careers, the young man is Junior looks right into the lens and

> sensitive people in the world. We consider the TV remote to be our watch two baseball games, a replay of the 1971 Ali-Frazier fight, a stock car race and a rerun of Cops, all at the same time. And, ple can't keep up.

of humor. For example we actually enjoy frightening the young men who dare to call on our daughters. Pizza." Nothing too serious, you understand, just a few fun things like cleaning guns in the living room when the boy arrives. Or, sprinkling the daughter with talcum powder and telling the young man, big guy a hug. But, no matter how "I'll be checking for fingerprints hard he tries, don't let him talk you when you get back."

We Dads also get low marks when it comes to romance, but that's only because our wives don't understand the appeal of the Duke. To the average Dad, there's nothing more romantic than an evening alone at home with the little woman, especially if there's a John Wayne marathon on the Supersta-

Then there's music. Moms love all the old torch songs. Dads, Dad's heart swells with pride however, prefer Three Dog Night or CCR. No matter what anyone else might tell you, Dads never, vestment.

Regardless of considerable evidence to the contrary, please, don't ever think that Dads are Maybe we deserve what we dumb. There is a method to our four years in the minor leagues, get. After all, Dads aren't the most madness, and our ineptitude serves us well. Consider that Moms do the laundry, the dishes, clean the birthright. Yes, television is our do- house and prepare the meals, and main and the remote control is our all of it without complaint. That's scepter. The average Dad can mainly because they know how badly we would botch things up. It takes a true genius to develop such a reputation.

> Consider for a moment what we get offended when other peo- the average Dad would cook if he had to prepare dinner for himself We also have a warped sense and the kids. Things like "Back of the Fridge Goulash with lots of Pepper," or" Cocoa Puffs and

> > So, having said all that, I'd ask that you take note that Sunday is Fathers' Day. Look around your house and see if you have a deserving Dad. If you do, then give the into pulling his finger.

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Look throughout the summer If the comptroller makes those for little surprises and boo-boos to evidence themselves as agencies a pen, many people will be spend- stitution, the budget still must be balance against the revenue she study legislation that will be going a lot of time this summer try- certified as "doable" by the state anticipates to come in, further slic- ing into effect on or after Sept. 1.

Perry has said he's going to call a special session to consider school finance issues, but not un In all, both houses introduced til lawmakers come up with a vi ble plan. The buzz is that the ca will come some time in Septer

Texas has gone more than decade without a special sessio But numbers are not a fully the last one concluding on Dec. 1992 when Ann Richards was li ing in the Governor's Mansio With computers and the Inter- That one was the fourth called se

The California Gold Rush Country

about the Gold Rush days in Cali- brush, some toothpaste and a small fornia, so I went to Placerville, bottle of Scope. My Buddy Bill thinking that was where it all start- found a map of the area and asked ed. Well, I was wrong. Placerville if it was free (even though it had a is a nice place with a super motel, price of \$3.95 on it). The man said but it is not where gold was dis- it was free. covered in 1848. That happened at Sutter's Mill which is in Coloma. checked out there was a sign of-James Marshall.

photographer friend Bill Murchison, who lives in Reno, Nevada, a great place. and was showing me around the mining areas, assured me that he north and east of Sacramento. It had indeed heard of the man. stretches along Highway 49 from (Back home I asked numerous Nevada City south to Jamestown, Texans if they had heard of James Marshall and they all said no.)

of prominence historically should Camp and Sonora. be better remembered, even as far away as Texas. There's a tall mon- headed over Donner Pass in the ument to him in the state park Sierra Nevadas where we encounwhere Sutter's Mill is located. A tered snow. This was in early May. statue of Marshall shows him Signs urging motorists to use tire pointing to the place where he dis- chains or four wheel drive vehicovered gold.

all over the world to try to find ature was in the 30's and 40's all gold. Mashall was the man of the the time we were touring the area. hour. People followed him around, We had hot chocolate a lot. thinking he had magical powers. Now that puts a certain strain on of Virginia City, Gold Hill and an individual and Marshall was so Silver City which haven't stressed out by all the crowds fol- changed much since the gold rush lowing him all the time he became days. The area reminded me of a recluse and died broke.

I mentioned that great motel in Placerville. It's a Best Western. ate Texan named Bill Fain. He has Beautiful landscaping. I forgot my a Ph.D. in Physics and worked for shaving kit when I packed and I a think tank for awhile, then went asked the man at the desk when I into industry. He now owns a hotel checked in if he had a razor and and writes melodramas which are comb. He gave me a razor, some staged in the hotel lobby.

I waned to find out something shaving cream, a comb, a tooth-

WITH TUMBLEWEED SMITH

The next morning when we And the man who discovered the fering ten percent off on breakfast gold was not John Sutter, but at the restaurant across the parking lot. I asked for a couple of cou-I couldn't remember ever hear- pons. When we got to the restauing of James Marshall, but my rant, the coupons were good for a full free breakfast. I told you it was

The California Gold Country is passing through the historic cities of Auburn, Coloma, Placerville, It seems to me that such a man Sutter Creek, Jackson, Angels

After the gold country, we cles were everywhere. The winter People came to California from scenery was beautiful. The temper-

> We went to the Nevada towns Terlingua.

At Gold Hill we met an expatri-

net, it's better than it used to be, sion of the 72nd Legislature. but it still takes a while for the full The record number of special

effect of the new laws passed by sessions for one Legislature is six, the Legislature to become appar- the honor going to the 71st Legisent. Think of it as a slowly devel- lature in 1989-90. The issue then, oping "instant" picture. It's still interestingly enough, was school finance.



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Jewel Roach Bailey



an Irish immigrant.

Roach School, walking three miles also had a passion for contract Mertzon for a year, she graduated more than 50 years. from Eldorado High School in University) in 1929, and in that dred Roach. same year married her high school sweetheart, T.J. "Jator" Bailey.

until 1944, when they moved to rado; one brother, Jim Roach of El-Ozona. In 1945, Jewel was asked dorado; three grandchildren, Kevin to teach junior high English tem- Bailey of Houston, John L. Hendporarily. Twenty-seven years lat- erson III and wife, Jeannine of er, she retired from the "tempo- Ozona and Virginia Howell and rary" position, having taught husband, John of El Paso; and six fourth graders for 25 of those great-grandchildren, Drew, Ross, years. Efforts on behalf of the chil- Stuart and Will Howell, and Jenna dren were not limited to the class- and Julia Henderson. She also is room. The trees in front of the pri- survived by numerous nephews mary school are there today be- and nieces. Jewel also leaves a specause of her and her lifelong teach- cial lifelong friend, Lucille Littleer friend, Lucille Littleton. The ton of Ozona. two sold popcorn and tamales to project these two initiated was a choice. carnival to raise money for sidewalks on the school grounds.

state board of trustees for more than 25 years. Locally, she was a member of the Eldorado Woman's Club and the Ozona Woman's Forum, serving as president twice.

Jewel was a wonderful public speaker and master storyteller who entertained audiences at the Covered Wagon Dinner Theater in Sonora and at the Schleicher County Centennial. She gave inspirational and motivational talks at clubs and numerous church dedications throughout Texas.

She and T.J. had a passion for OZONA — Jewel Roach travel. They toured the United Bailey peacefully left this mortal States from one coast to the other, life on June 7, 2003, at home on visited relatives in Ireland many the Roach Ranch. Jewel was born times, and toured Europe, the Far Aug. 8, 1908, in Schleicher Coun- East, Mexico, and Canada. She also ty on the family ranch to Mattie took cruises with her children, Cloud Roach and Ambrose Roach, which Jewel enjoyed until she could no longer travel. Her last cruise was She attended a country school, in December, 2002. Jewel and T.J. to class each day for seven years. bridge. She was a member of bridge After attending high school in clubs in Ozona and Eldorado for

Jewel was preceded in death by 1926. She received a bachelor of her parents; her beloved husband arts degree from Simmons College and best friend for 56 years, "Jain Abilene (now Hardin Simmons tor"; and two brothers, A.J. and El-

She is survived by a son, Joe Bailey of San Angelo; a daughter, T.J. and Jewel lived in Abilene Martha Bailey Henderson of Eldo-

Memorials may be made to raise the money for the purchase Hospice of San Angelo, the Salvaand planting of the trees. Another tion Army, or a charity of your

> Funeral service was held Monday, June 9, at the Ozona Baptist



Pioneer Families — Raymond Mittel accepted the Pioneer Family Award on behalf of the Mittel Family and Bertha Sauer Lux accepted the Award on behalf of the Sauer Family during the Schleicher County Day festival last Saturday. The awards are presented each year by the Schleicher County Historical Society.

U.S. Coast Guard commends Chief Rebecca P. Vinlove

cian Rebecca P. Vinlove was cited California, North Bend, Oregon, by the for outstanding achieve- and Ketchikan and Sitka, Alaska. ment while serving in the Opera- She provided independent duty tional Medicine Branch, Health corpsman training for CGC Morand Safety Division, Maintenance genthau, CGC Munro, CGC & Logistics Command Pacific, Acushnet, Group San Francisco, Alameda, California from May and Station Ketchikan. 2000 to April 2003.

Vinlove demonstrated exceptional determination and professionalism as she single-handedly pro- ant in her Branch was also decessed 16,335 medical invoices for payment and saved the Coast temporary additional duty support Guard over \$26,000 in duplicate to operational units, deploying on healthcare charges. It was noted CGC Cowslip and CGC Morthat she reimbursed Department of Defense facilities for 205,495 visits, valued at over \$49 million.

Chief Vinlove assisted 49 active duty members with medical debt collection issues, taking outstandher with their personal credit issues, relieving them of a confusing burden and resolving those issues with widely recognized dedication and professionalism.

Chief Vinlove ordered and is-

Chief Health Services Techni- in Alameda and Humboldt Bay,

It was further noted that Chief The Coast Guard noted that Vinlove took over the entire independent duty corpsman survey process when an attached Lieutenployed to Iraq. She provided key genthau during her tour.

The commendation went on to state that Chief Vinlove's dedication, judgment, and devotion to duty are most heartily commended and are in keeping with the ing care of personnel who trusted highest traditions of the United States Coast Guard.



other than her family, were her Cedar Hill Cemetery, Ozona. church, Federated Women's Clubs both a Sunday school and Bible ell, and Will Howell. school teacher.

70 years, serving as past president Pleas Childress, Dr. William Edof the Heart of Texas District, as miston, and Bill Freitag. the State "In Memorium" Chairman, and was a member of the Preddy Funeral Home

Jewel's true interests in life, Church followed by interment in

Pallbearers were Lee Roy and travel. A lifetime member of Swipe, Gerald Galbraith, John equipment for the field. She travthe Baptist Church (in Eldorado, Howell, Robert Johnson, Drew Abilene and Ozona), she served as Howell, Ross Howell, Stuart How-

Honorary Pallbearers were Jer-She was a member of the Tex- ry Perry, Rev. Max Brown, Jo Ed as Federated Women's Clubs for Hill, Roy A Harrell, Huey Ingram,

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Regina Elisa Sauer Williams

ROTAN - Regina Elisa Sauer dren, Frances Kissinger of Little-Williams, 94, died Saturday, June ton, Colo., Dorothy Harris of Ro-7, 2003, in Fisher County Hospi- tan, Texas, and Leon and Steve tal. Graveside services were held Williams, of Eldorado; eight Monday, June 9, in Roby Cemetery grandchildren; 13 great-grandchilwith Bro. Ward Hayes officiating. dren; two brothers, Clemens and A memorial service was held at 1 William Sauer of Eldorado; and p.m. Tuesday, June 10, at Primitive four sisters, Rosa Faught of Eldo-Baptist Church in Eldorado, Tex- rado, Bertha Lux of Eldorado, Geras, with Lamar Bear officiating.

Born Dec. 20, 1908, in Doss, Reynolds of Eldorado. Texas, Regina was a daughter of the late Otto and Louise (Baethge) Sauer. She married Bernard Theron Williams on April 9, 1932. They farmed in the Reynolds Community in Eldorado, Texas, before moving to Colorado in 1949, where they ranched near Westcliffe and Gunnison. They returned to Roby, Texas, in 1959, where they operated the Key Hotel and Cafe and Roby Hardware.

Regina was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church in Eldorado.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bernard Williams; three sisters, Emma Dannheim, Cora DeLongue and Leola Cartwright; and two brothers, Victor and Edgar Sauer.

She is survived by four chil-

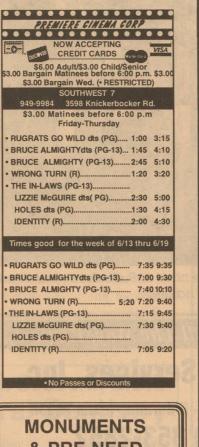
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Monday, June 16 Country Fried Steak, Baked Potato, Spanish, Green Beans, Wheat Roll, Lime Rice Swirl, Juice, Milk Tuesday, June 17 Oven Fried Chicken Breast, Potato Salad, Zucchini Squash, Wheat Bread, 1/2 Orange, Lemon .Square, Milk Wednesday, June 18 Pork Chop with Gravy, Diced Potatoes, Carrots, Tossed Salad with Tomato, Wheat Roll, Peach Cobbler, Milk Thursday, June 19 Fried Catfish, Corn Tomato Casserole, Spinach, Cornbread, Fruited Gelatin, Friday, June 20 Beef and Cheese Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Tortillas, Creamy Coleslaw,

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Something's very fishy in East Texas

by Mark Campbell

more fishing-oriented than East costs \$5 to put any flotation de-Texas.

That's what we discovered on the water. when we made a couple of stops the state.

We also discovered that we lost something we really could've used Camping/hiking out East.

The state park

We motored to Purtis Creek, places to set up. which proclaims on its sign outof Athens.

cheaper TPW parks, but we bought a Texas Conservation Passport for ing to other parks throughout the summer; it's good for a year.

state parks (it's no Acton State Historical Site which at .01 acre is the tiniest of all the parks and ond wife of Davy Crockett).

one purpose in mind – fishing. And we got there during a special time, mile hiking trail that is well kept special programs for youth - and everywhere. there were lots of kids at Purtis.

Fishing

355 acres – is remarkably clear. It's water, but, like every other spot notice them. easy to spot fish just meandering (primitive or not); you'll have to lily pads (which are actually Amer- on and near the water. ican Lotus with huge yellow flowers).

zine named Purtis as one of the 12 turtles. best state parks for anglers.

Huge panfish are steadily The Fisheries Center hauled out of the lake. Check out scores of crappie are caught.

No more than 50 boats can be put Perhaps no other part Texas is on the water at one time. In fact, it vice - a tube, a float, your aunt -

You don't need a boat or heavy near Athens, at Purtis Creek State relative to get to the fish. A trio of Park - a fishing haven - and the lighted fishing piers offers excel-Texas Freshwater Fisheries Cen- lent access and you can see that ter - an educational facility run by scores of fish like hanging out right there just fine.

This place fills up during busy weekends and holidays. Counting five overflow sites, there are 64

Of the 59 spots, just a few have side to be not just a state park but decent access to the water and to whack through the cattails. It's At \$2 to enter, it's one of the hard to fish right off the bank; that's where the piers come in.

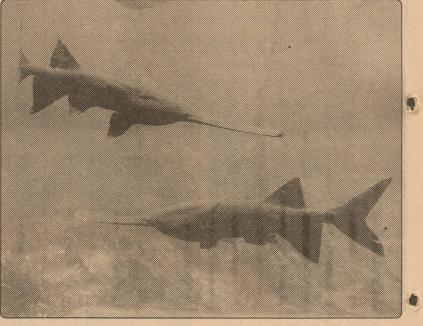
\$50 anyway since we'll be head- it's also close to two of the piers. through the facility. Some might prefer the over-

This is also one of the smaller ter at the busier part of the park rates the 14 wardens who have near the boat launching ramp, been killed in the line of duty. playground and swimming area.

often to one of the 13 remote spots. Purtis Creek is made mainly with Many paths weren't well worn. Sites lettered A-M run off the 1.5-

> The best primitive spots are D dreds of panfish. and M; you can get to M faster by

Being a smart consumer, I filled the monster on the wall in the park out and printed an online survey than the endangered paddlefish. had my turn and the critter office. Catfish are abundant and (www.tpwd.state.tx.us) and got a Once plentiful in East Texas, a re- whipped around toward me. The buy one, get one free entry to the covery program is helping the flat- demented worker still had a firm But Purtis was designed as a Center which hugs the shores of nosed critters rebound. Unlike a grasp on it, though. He (and evnice ones cruising the lily pads spiffiest camera lens somewhere while just mere feet away on the between here and Purtis Creek. bank. All bass are catch and release That did not make my wife happy. lage for a skeleton) and can grow Even before entering, you can up to 200 pounds.



a state recreation area, just north even that would require a machete Flat nosed fish — Two paddlefish cruise a tank at the Texas State Fisheries Center.

> pound channel catfish placidly day and Sunday. The best campsite is No. 23; swimming in the stream that winds

> > There's a Game Warden Me-

It didn't look like too many visitors to still remain on the lookcontains just the grave of the sec- primitive campers ventured very out for Columbia space shuttle debris.

Fish city!

The numbers of fish here are "Free Sportfishing Day." Several but steamy amid the thick trees. remarkable! Several aquariums are places around the state had created And beware of fire ants which are thick with many varieties. Early stink bait and a pole, you can catch on, there's a tank filled with hun- them. One boy hooked a nice chan-

The water in the small lake - It had pretty good access to the come so prevalent that you hardly

Two fish are especially memoaround the shore and among the work to get through the vegetation rable. I didn't even know we had bowfin in Texas. Called a grindle There's a wildlife blind where in East Texas, it's a stubby-snout- visitors over to the breeding ponds. patient hikers can get a glimpse of ed, sleek yet muscular fish that It's brief and not that informative. of Texas Parks & Wildlife Maga- were there, were turtles. Lots of its back. They fight well but usu- fumes. ally aren't eaten.

a paddlefish.

Other things to see

An all-weather Wetlands Trail flow areas that are across the wa- morial outside, too; it commemo- makes for a nice break if you want to get outside. The trailed is paved all the way and passes through A flyer at the entryway tells simulated geographical areas of Texas. We saw snakes, fish, carnivorous pitcher plants, a bee exhibit, and, of course, more turtles.

A large casting pond is just a few feet deep and is filled with panfish and catfish; you can easily see them. For a fee that provides nel cat, but no one in the family Soon, largemouth bass - big seemed to know how to get the 6going left at the split on the trail. ones, like 10-15 pounds big - be- pounder off. They tried just hoisting it out of the water but the hook snapped. They didn't seem too concerned; at least they didn't have to touch it.

There's a tram ride that takes The lake is loaded with fish. So the comings and goings of the crit- looks powerful and possesses an If pressed for time, skip it. If you much so that the June 2003 issue ters in the area. Which, when we long, undulating fin down most of ride, sit in the back car to avoid

> The alligator feeding is impres-I had never seen a bowfin - nor sive. Later, a worker brought out a baby gator for us to pet. He pre-No fish won more attention tended to lose his grip on it when I



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black bass lake and its waters con- Lake Athens. Saved \$5.50. tain a ton of them. We saw several right now.

The lake is heavily regulated. stand on a small bridge and see 6-



Watching the woods — A wildlife blind at Purtis Creek State Park offers hikers a chance to spy on nature.



gar's pointy, toothy snout, the pad- eryone else) got a big laugh as I But, being a dummy, I lost our dlefish's nose looks like a spatula. quickly backpedaled. The scale-less freshwater fish looks like a shark (it too has carti- Shoot!

> Since paddlefish are filter feeders, it's rare to have one bite a bummer. hook; most are snagged. It's un-Center is breeding the paddlefish and releasing the fry into East Texas rivers.

The dive show

the interactive dive show.

After a brief movie, a curtain is pulled back to reveal a diver in a tank with some big fish. Inside are a giant (and almost blind) 80pound flathead catfish, a few 10pound-plus black bass, a really nice black crappie, some evil-looking gar, and, coolest of all, a white channel cat. Only its black eyes **golf tourney** keep it from being a true albino; it looks like it's about 20 pounds.

Texas' biggest largemouth, a 20-plus pounder, recently died at the Center.

in front of the crowd. It's startling Club. Tee time will be 1:30 p.m. to see the speed at which black bass snatch up poor "free at last!" goldfish raised at the Center. Gar team. Entry fees will be \$60 per aren't shy, either. PETA visitors team. Mulligans will also be for must freak out! It's a Circle of Life sale at \$5/each, no limit. kind of thing - except that the goldfish's circle is really small.

tank. The diver can hear and talk back and continually answers important questions from the children, like, "Why are you in there?" and "Why is that fish swimming?"

place at 11 a.m. Tuesday-Saturday with 2 p.m. feedings added Satur-

A quick trip back to Purtis Creek revealed that our camera lens was not there. That was a

Back at the Fisheries Center, lawful to catch or harm one. The prizes were given away for Free Sportfishing Day. Everyone who arrived that day was in the drawing. Surely we would get some kind of kismet reimbursement for losing that lens. We didn't. A vis-The highlight of the Center is iting Asian clan won twice, including the grand prize of parent/child fishing rigs with tackle boxes.

So, when no one was looking, I stole a paddlefish. Not really.

4-H to host

The Schleicher County 4-H Club will be hosting the 4th Annual Schleicher County 4-H Benefit Golf Tournament on Sunday, The diver feeds the fish right June 22, 2003 at the Eldorado Golf This will be a 3 person select shot with a minimum of 1 female per

There will be three flights and 1st thru 3rd place team in each Kids sit right in front of the flight will receive special prizes along with prizes galore for everyone. There will be a closest to the pin and longest drive contest. Entries will be limited to the first 28 teams so don't wait to get entered. The interactive show takes For more information or to enter a team, please call the Extension office at 853-2132.

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So, just what is the Running of the Bull?

world is the Running of the Bull?" cowboy poetry,

Well, the first clue is that it is punning, true an event that follows closely on the personal stories, heels of the Running of the Bulls shaggy dog stoin Pamplona, Spain. The second ries, painful poclue is that "bull" is singular.

Eldorado was chosen as the lo- stunts, rhyming cation for this spoof of the Festi- prose, Tagoo val of Fermin because of it's over- bird stories, abundance of citizens who can tongue twisters, successfully "shoot the bull." They musical ditties will be joined by competitors from and a special fre-Alpine, Kerrville, Sonora, Fort estyle category McKavett, Arlington, San Anto- for those who Inio, McKinney, San Angelo and al- don't fit into any most every corner of the state by mold. There is the time all entries are in.

Invitations have been extend- winners will reed to all Texas colleges speech and ceive distinctive, drama departments, high school one-of-a-kind speech and drama departments in trophies. a 100 mile radius, storytelling als encountered along the way.

There will be over twenty dif- around the area.

You've no doubt seen the signs, ferent categories in which these and probably heard a few people persons may compete, such as the board include a petting zoo, face Bulls" contest. Details will be ask the question, "What in the biggest lie contest, fastest talker, painters, clowns, balloon animal forthcoming on this pre-festival

etry, skits &

no entry fee and

In addition,

COURTESY PHOTO Cowboy Poet - Dennis Gaines of Kerrville is one of the contestants already entered in more vendors the first annual Running of the Bull festival slated for July 26 & 27 right here in Eldorado. is free!

guilds, cowboy poets, toastmaster there will be arts, crafts and food Vendor spaces are available 150 mile radius. To date, Southclubs, Lions Club tail twisters and vendors galore. Both days of the now, with entries received after ern Living and Texas Monthly barbershop quartets in the area, as festival, July 26 & 27, will include July 1 paying an additional late have included the event in their well as other interesting individu- an all comers car show, showcas- fee. Interested vendors should con- July calendars and other stateing antique and classic cars from tact Jim Runge at 325-853-2434. wide and national listings are ex-One opportunity for participa- pected.

Other amusements already on tion by all will be the "Count the makers, carnival activity in which contestants will games, an invis- try to see how many bulls they can ible face painter, count on the promotional signs giant inflatable being displayed in the area. Alslide, bounce though the signs are located

> ft. inflatable ob- in Schleicher, Sutton, Crockett, Menard and Tom Green Counties Many sur- can be counted toward the con-

> USA Today has indicated an the festival date interest to do a piece on the event, nears. With un- if adequate entries are received. limited space, For this reason, persons interestextensive pub- ed in competing are encouraged to licity and just contact Jim Runge at over six weeks shootthebull@hotmail.comASAP go, many for details and entry forms.

> All national and statewide peare expected. riodicals have been notified, as AND...admission well as all major Texas newspapers and weekly papers within a

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School trustees hear from Middle School parents

officially took over on June 1.

All seven board members were workshop.

members of the community addressed the board, including Stacy Jurecek, who told the trustees would hire another 5th grade Conn and Tammy Dombroski. teacher. Ms. Jurecek stated that she

The SCISD board of trustees and asked the trustees to consider met Monday evening, June 9, 2003, posting notice of the date and time district's financial reports and ap- an estimated \$3,990 to Education for a board workshop and monthly of school board meetings in the meeting. It was the first meeting newspaper, as well. She said that and May 19 meetings. with Supt. Mark Gesch, since he the notice would allow her to be a more involved parent.

present for the 8:00 p.m. meeting, board and echoed the sentiments year, with 15 others being considhowever, trustee Eddie Albin was about a new Middle School prinnot present for the 6:00 p.m. board cipal. Ms. Williams said that she hoped to see the enrollment numfavored having a strong principal bers improve in the coming year. During the meeting, several who is not afraid to deal with discipline, "and not just smile and do \$838 for a 15-month membership \$13,200 will also be paid to the lip service."

hat she would have a child enter- board. She spoke about hearing ruing the 5th grade in the fall and mors about not hiring a Middle that she was glad to see the board School Principal. Ms. Jarrett said was moving to hire a new Middle that see, too, was pleased to see the for travel expenses then came up. School principal. She explained job posted in the newspaper. Other The trustees voted to accept Supt. that she also hoped the board citizens present included Kelly Gesch's recommendation that the

was pleased to see the principal Board President Jo Helen Kotsch sonal vehicles to travel on school

The trustees then reviewed the proved the minutes of the May 12

Vickie Williams addressed the students at the end of the school ered ineligible. Gesch said he

The board then voted to spend in the Equity Center, an Austin-Donice Jarrett also addressed the based group that concerns itself primarily with the impact of legislative action on school budgets.

The subject of reimbursement school reimburse employees 35 Before moving on to other issues, cents per mile for the use of per-

was just over \$800, making the

Under the topic of old business,

books, due to the increased price

business

Next, the trustees voted to pay Service Center Region XV, for services under Title I (improving ac-Supt. Gesch then reported that ademic achievement of disadvanenrollment stood at 607 eligible taged students) and \$6,103 for services under Title II (teacher and principal training and recruit-

ment). It was explained that the fees are paid with federal funds that the school receives for these specific programs. An additional Service Center for a series of other programs, including those related to drug-free schools, ensuring high academic standards and assisting students with limited English proficiency.

The meeting ended with he announcement that EHS Band Director Gina Muela has resigned to take a position in Littlefield, Tx. It was also announced that the



City Council holds monthly meeting

cil room at City Hall. Mayor John highway reaches town. Nikolauk called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with council will be receiving grant funds from \$25,000. members Dora Bosman, Richard the U.S. Dept. of Homeland Secu-Mendez, Tommy Minor and Jua- rity for the purpose of upgrading the council reviewed and approved quin Rojas in attendance. Council the city's radio communications. the minutes of the May 12, 2003 Sudduth were absent

were City Administrator Randy governmental entities. A final to- amendment totaling \$37,475.00, Mankin, City Secretary Carolyn tal on the grant funds won't be before approving payment of the Mayo and Utility Superintendent known until later in the month, monthly bills. The largest portion, Floyd Fay. Three citizens listed on Mankin said, but he speculated the some \$25,000 of the budget the agenda did not appear, so the city would receive \$15,000 to amendment, was an adjustment to mayor called on Floyd Fay for the \$20,000 with Schleicher County the revenue side of the city's Superintendent's report.

Fay updated the council on until repair on water and sewer mains on Lee Street is completed.

Fay said that the work on Lee St. is being done ahead of a paving project there, prompting Mayor Nikolauk to jokingly ask, "Aren't you supposed to pave first, then dig the street up later?"

Fay then told the council that work will begin this week to install a drip irrigation loop around the city landfill so that a trees may be set out around the facility.

Next, City Administrator Randy Mankin reported to the council that the city has received a \$42,000.00 planning grant through the Office of Rural Community Affairs. The money is to be used to fund a study of possible routes

The Eldorado city council met for the Ports-to-Plains corridor to larger valves had to be installed. Monday, June 9, 2003, in the coun- follow, if and when the 4-lane The additional cost for the change

Mankin advised that the city total cost of the project exactly members Robert Bybee and Tony He noted that the project is intend- council meeting. They also aped to assist the city in communi- proved the monthly financial re-Also on hand for the meeting cating with the county and other ports and authorized a budget

set to receive even more.

Mankin then explained that the of natural gas. That same amount work in the various city depart- two-week long project to install was spent on gas purchases. ments. He noted that five, of six isolation valves in the city's water handwheel gates have been in- distribution system was complete. heard recommendations from Ranstalled at the city sewer plant. Work Two of the water mains were larg- dy Mankin and authorized pay to install the sixth gate won't begin er than expected, Mankin said, and raises for two employees.

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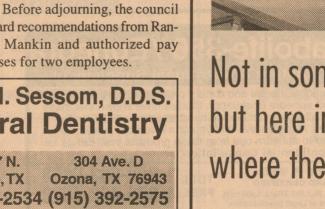
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Commissioners opt for new insurance plan

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the court's decision to Mr. Schaf- glass. fer.

Trail is currently funded by the of Eldorado. Texas Historical Commission, marking some funds for the project county funds for its employees. It in the county's next budget.

man, Joe Christian, Doug Garvin opted instead to purchase a plan and Jimmy Doyle, to the Schleich- through the Texas Association of lots and/or people who own ployee each month. That's an overplanes, will offer guidance to the all increase of \$12,066.60 over last court in matters concerning the year. In all, the county provides airport.

The commissioners discussed, Garvin about the cost of replacing The men also okayed the payment

A letter from Hibbs & Todd Next, Tim Yandell, represent- Engineering regarding the instal- ed improvements at the county ing the Texas Forts Trail met with lation of the lift station and sewer swimming pool. Among the items the men and discussed the trail's line at the Civic Center was read on the wish list were new bench benefit to the economies of Schle- and discussed. The letter respond- tops, a lavatory and commode in icher County and other counties ed to requirements outlined in a the women's rest room. Also, a through which the trail runs. Yan- previous letter from Steve Dennis, storage room where chlorine bardell noted that the Texas Forts the engineer representing the City rels could be kept in order to con-

however, he said that the group came up next as the commission- formal action on the matter, howwill soon be requesting funding ers met with insurance agent Bob- ever, by consensus they directed from counties along the trail. He by Zesch to discuss the group Judge Griffin to hire a contractor asked the men to consider ear- health insurance plan that the to carry out the repair work. was noted that the county's current missioners opted not to sell a sur-The court then voted to appoint policy through Guardian is slated George Spinks, Leonard Wide- to increase by 17 percent. The men ment to the law enforcement cener County Airport Board. J.D. Counties called "Choice 700." The Doyle was appointed as an alter- plan has a \$500 deductible and will airport, provided the county's innate. The board, consisting of pi- cost the county \$422.26 per em- surance carrier has no objection. insurance to 35 employees.

Next, the commissioners votbut took no action on the matter ed to approve a yearly mainteof a concrete water tank at the nance and service agreement with cemetery that has developed a Expanet Company for the courtlarge crack. Judge Griffin was in- house phone system. The plan will structed to consult with Doug cost the county \$76.49 per month.

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the tank with one made of fiber- of \$234 for electric service for an indigent citizen.

The men then discussed needtrol the evaporation of the chlo-The topic of health insurance rine. The commissioners took no

> Before adjourning, the complus car from the sheriff's departter in San Angelo. Instead, the men are considering using the vehicle as a courtesy car at the local

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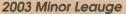
2003 Minor League Astros — Front L-R: Sean McCord, Colten Crowder, Jose Manuel Aranda, Kevin Solis, Hagen Porras, Nicholas Gonzales, Juan Carlos Aranda; Middle L-R: Miguel Huichapa, Robert Buchholz, Joshua Jurecek, Dylan Ramos, Blaine Mitchell; Back L-R: Coaches Mario Arevalo, Ricky Huichapa. Not pictured Cody Kohutek.

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Indictment

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firearm by a felon. The indictment alleges that on April 19, 2003, Boatright knowingly possessed a firearm before the fifth anniversa-



Blue Jays - Front L-R: Justin Estrada, Brian Parsley, Tyler Martinez, Robert Martinez, Aaron Conn, Rico Martinez, Edward Hernandez and Ruben Vazquez; Middle L-R: Allen Espinosa, Rudy Sanchez, Nathan Jimenez, John Paul Galan, Christian Sanchez; Back L-R: Coach Lee Jimenez and Coach Tony Martinez.

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June 6 • 6:45 p.m. Complainant was to pickup daughter at 6:00 p.m. this date and child nor mother were there at that time. • 7:30 p.m. Complainant report-

ed a burglary on Bud Ave. Complainant reported an air-conditioner unit was stolen. Officer responded.

June 7 • 9:44 a.m. Gas drive off

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ry of his release from probation on a felony aggravated assault conviction.

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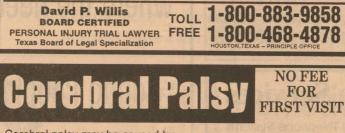
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ARRESTS

June 5 • Dozier, James Scott, male age 32, arrested by SC Officer, offense Possession of Marijuana (less than 2 ounces). Released on \$1,000 Surety Bond.

June 7 • Lozano, Charles Joe, male age 38, arrested by SC Officer, offense Public Intoxication Enhanced.

Clark, Ingrid Cristen, female age 32, arrested by SC Officer, offense Assault Class A. Released of Pave Paws. on \$2,000 PR Bond.

June 8 • Sonnenberg, Clifton Edward, male age 26, offense Driving While Intoxicated (1st Offense). Released on \$1,000 Surety Bond.

INCIDENT REPORTS June 3 • 6:13 p.m. Complainant called to report that their two nephews were possibly missing. Later that day they both returned home safely. Officer responded.

June 4 • 9:40 a.m. Complainhad used fingernail polish on a OK fence and doorway. Officer responded.



at convenience store. Amount was \$58.86. Officer was unable to locate and Sutton County was unable to lo-

• 10:18 a.m. Hospice reported an unattended death. Officers responded.

• 5:30 p.m. Complainant reportreported separately. Subjects reported to ed an intoxicated pedestrian on E. have been arrested are presumed innocent Brooks.

> June 8 • 3:04 a.m. Complainant on Denny Street reported possible intoxicated person driving a pickup that over a curb and shrubs by their house. Officer was unable to locate

> • 5:57 p.m. Complainant reported that his daughter car had been stolen and returned wrecked. Requested an officer. Officer responded.

• 6:45 p.m. Complainant reported having a controlled burn north

• 8:58 p.m. Complainant on Old Sonora Road reported someone cursing in the street in front of their home and was drunk. Officer responded.

• 3:05 p.m. Complainant requested to speak with an officer about their grandchildren. Officer responded.

June 10 • 3:36 a.m Complainant reported a disturbance at apartments on Eastfield Drive. Officer ant on Del Rio reported someone responded and found everything

> 11:54 a.m. Hospital requested an ambulance for an elderly female who had fallen. Officer and EMS 2 responded.

• 1:59 p.m. Complainant requested to speak with an officer about a roommate who had not returned in several days. Officer responded.

• 5:29 p.m. Complainant reported a two vehicle accident North on Hwy. 277 with no apparent injuries. Officers responded.

• 9:15 p.m. Sheriff Officer requested an wrecker for an abandoned vehicle causing a traffic hazard on Hwy. 277 North. Wrecker service responded.

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Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at

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Information about federal and state-funded special programs offered by the Schleicher County Independent School District will be presented on June 16, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Library, located at 205 Fields Ave. in Eldorado, Texas.

Program directors and supervisors will present information regarding Title I, Title II, Title IV, Title V, Migrant Education, Bilingual Education, English as a Second Language (ESL) program and Special Education Programs.

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Eldorado Spotlight



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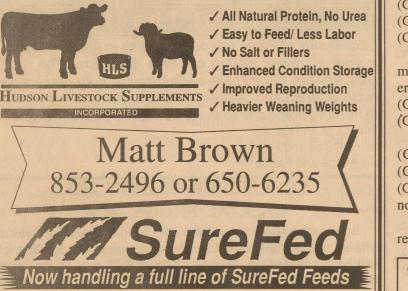
2003 Summer Basketball Camp

mer Basketball Camp was held trada, Richmond Adame, Eloy Young; Group I Girls: Lynley Monday, June 2nd through Friday, Bustos, Liana Danford, Lynley Glass, Desiree Valeriano, Meg June 6th. For the first time both Glass, Krista Troy, Holly Ford, Griffin, Tracy Brenner; Group I boys and girls were together in the Michael Redish, Garrett Warnock, same camp. Hours were from 9:00 Lalo Sanchez, Russell Cathey, Sanchez and Michael Redish. am to 12:00 noon. 35 participants Meg Griffin, Chelsea Martinez, were on hand to have fun and im- Tracy Brenner, Josh Taylor, Ben (Group II Girls); Austin Barajas prove in many areas of basketball, Wipff, Raul Rios, Manny Gonza- (Group II Boys), Meg Griffin competition and athletic excel- lez, Abby Fuentes, Austin Barra- (Group I Girls); J.P. Joiner (Group lence. Camp directors were Eldo- jas, Jordan Gesch, Shane Young, I Boys); Hustle: Abby Fuentes rado Head Boys Basketball Coach J.R. Martinez, Chelsea Hill and (Group II Girls), Eloy Bustos Alan Gillespie and Eldorado Head Darci Graves. Girls Basketball Coach Rene Valeriano. Also helping was Eldorado 4 groups based upon grade level. trada (Group I Boys); Coach Dave Lewis.

camp participants were Morgan a t-shirt. Gillespie, Austin Grubbs, Mason Baker, Joseph Turnbull, Tyler included: Farmer, Shelby Seymore, J.P. Join-

There was a Group II Girls (grades It was a great group of young 4th -6th), Group II Boys (grades (Group II Girls), Mason Baker people as campers ranging from 4th - 6th), Group I Girls (grades (Group II Boys), Lynley Glass 4th grade through freshmen dem- 7th- 9th), and a Group I Boys (Group I Girls) and Garrett Waronstrated excellent sportsmanship (grades 7th-9th). In addition to nock (Group I Boys); and effort. At least one hour of developing skills and lots of learneach day was filled with team and ing the young people made new Gillespie (Group II Girls), J.R. individual competition. There was friends and learned to work with a a special presentation for parents variety of new faces. All the campon Friday at 11:00. This year's ers received a camp certificate and (Group I Boys);

3 on 3- Group II Boys and Girls: er, Jessica Valero, Desiree Valeri- Mason Baker, Ben Wipff, Morgan



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> Leadership: Morgan Gillespie (Group II Boys), Tracy Brenner The campers were divided into (Group I Girls) and Sammy Es-

> > Ball-handling: Shelby Seymore

Most Improved: Morgan Martinez (Group II Boys), Desiree Valeriano (I Girls), Jordan Gesch

Free Throws: Morgan Gillespie Awards distributed on Friday (Group II Boys), Ben Wipff (Group II Boys), Lynley Glass (Group I Girls), Garrett Warnock (Group I Boys);

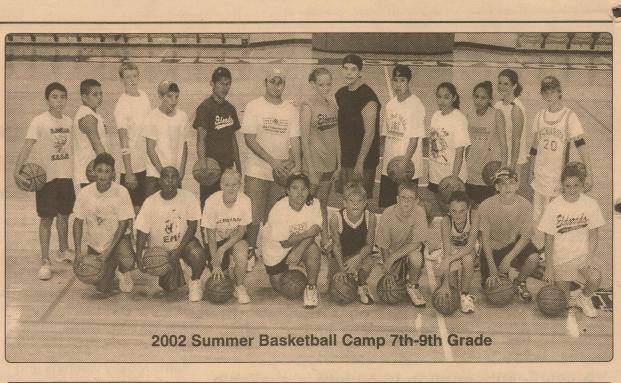
Hot Shots: Shelby Seymore (Group II Girls), Austin Barajas (Group II Boys), Lynley Glass (Group I Girls), Russell Cathey;

Sportsmanship: Shelby Seymore (Group II Girls), Tyler Farmer (Group II Boys), Jessica Valero (Group I Girls), Drew Bosmans (Group I Boys);

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2003 Basketball Summer Camp 4th-6th Grade

Middle School awards assembly correction

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Scholarship Awards were Contreras, Lynley Glass, Clayton

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