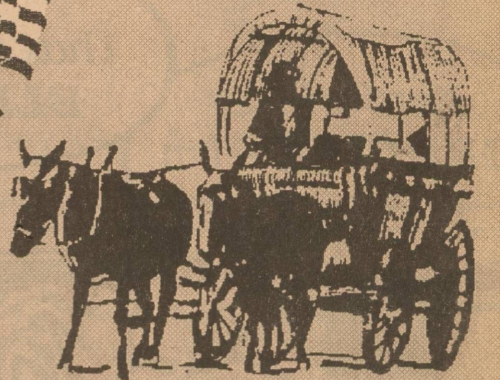


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Headlines From
Around the World

Clinton: 'Mistakes Were Made'

Hours after President Clinton admitted during a news conference that "mistakes were made" in raising funds for last year's campaign, he was back to the business of raising money for the Democratic Party. He attended a dinner in Washington Tuesday night that was expected to raise more than \$1 million. Clinton said no campaign finance reform plan that is being considered would completely eliminate the need for such fund-raisers. He denied that Democrats had broken any laws in raising campaign funds. Clinton also insisted that he had never made any policy decision based on how it would help campaign contributors.

Japan-Peru Summit Reported

Japanese Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto says he will meet Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori in Toronto Saturday to discuss the hostage standoff at the Japanese ambassador's residence in Lima. Japan has recently expressed concerns that Peru might be pushing the rebels too hard. Efforts to start talks with the Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement guerrillas have stalled over the main rebel demand of freedom for about 400 jailed comrades, which Fujimori has refused to discuss. Members of a peace commission appointed to resolve the 6-week-old crisis have met formally for the first time in a step toward talks with the rebels.

Chechnya Counts Ballots

The guerrilla leader who wants Russia and the world to recognize Chechen independence seems poised for a convincing win in his region's presidential election. Aslan Maskhadov's campaign says preliminary results from 53 of the region's 63 electoral districts gave him nearly 65 percent of the vote. Predominantly Muslim Chechnya may find it hard to win real support, even in the Islamic world. Moscow says it would break diplomatic relations with any country that acknowledges Chechen sovereignty.

Castro: Cuba Not for Sale

Fidel Castro says Cuba is not for sale. With that, the Cuban president angrily dismissed a U.S. plan to provide the island nation with billions of dollars in aid if it jettisons its communist system. Castro was responding to a White House document that dangled before Cuba the prospect of billions in loans and investment. The document says the money could be Havana's if it embraces democracy and dumps Castro.

Man & Woman of the Year named

Chamber of Commerce honors Williams and Page



photo by Kathy Mankin

Man and Woman of the Year — Steve Williams and Lucy Page were honored as Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce's 'Man and Woman of the Year' Monday evening at the group's annual banquet. Here the pair display the plaques they received in recognition of the honor.

Mohair Council director Menzies resigns

After serving nearly three years as executive director of the Mohair Council of America, Duery Menzies announced that he would step down on January 23 to pursue other interests. His resignation is effective April 30.

Menzies, formerly of Fredericksburg, when hired told council officials that he would work three years. That time is up on May 1.

Lanny Leinweber of Mountain Home, the council's newly elected president, said a search for Menzies successor would begin next month. Menzies has agreed to stay through May or June if the search for his replacement is not complete. He did not

reveal his future plans, but will continue to maintain ranching interests in Menard County.

Despite slow demand for mohair fiber in the marketplace and low prices, Menzies said the 31 year old organization has certain strengths to carry it through hard times.

"You (members) and your ideas are the strength of this industry," he said. "The second strength is the employees you have working for you."

Leinweber said the executive director manages the day to day operations of the council which conducts mohair market and promotion programs on an international basis. It also conducts

educational programs and provides scholarships and assistance to students of the country's leading textile and fashion design institutes.

Persons interested in applying for the executive director's position should send resumes to the Mohair Council, P.O. Box 5337, San Angelo, Texas, 76902. Menzies successor should have a working knowledge of mohair production and the Angora goat industry, have an understanding of the fashion industry and have knowledge about international trade and be able to make routine trips to Europe, the Far East and the United Kingdom.

Local man charged with D.W.I., evading arrest and reckless driving

An Eldorado man was jailed after the car he was driving overturned during the early morning hours of Saturday, January 25th on County Road #300 (Rudd Road). Isidoro Ernesto Ruiz, 20, was taken into custody by Sheriff's Deputy George Arispe and charged with evading arrest in a motor vehicle, reckless driving, driving while license suspended and driving while intoxicated - 2nd offense.

According to Arispe's report, he and fellow deputy Eddie Rodriguez were patrolling on US 277 North at 3:00 a.m. Saturday morning when they observed a gray 1982 Oldsmobile driving erratically. The officers reportedly pursued the car into Eldorado, attempting to stop it. When the driver failed to pull over for the officers they followed him to Rudd Road and through the Christian Addition. The pursuit

covered Paseo De Vaca, Concho, El Paso and Robertson Streets before leading the officers back to Rudd Road.

According to the incident report, Ruiz then drove East from Eldorado on Rudd Road approximately 1 mile where he reportedly failed to control his vehicle. The Oldsmobile rolled three times before coming to rest in a pasture.

Arispe and Rodriguez then pursued Ruiz on foot when he allegedly fled the vehicle. He was quickly apprehended and placed under arrest. After determining that there were no other occupants in the car, the deputies transported Ruiz to Schleicher County Medical Center's Emergency Room for treatment. He was then booked into the Schleicher County Jail.

Ruiz is now free on combined bail of \$6,000.00.

Lucy Page was named 'Woman of the Year' and Steve Williams was honored as 'Man of the Year' at the annual Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce banquet Monday night. The Chamber traditionally honors a Man and Woman of the year in recognition of outstanding contributions to the community.

Jo Ann Sproul and Pat Sykes presented the 'Woman of the Year' award to Lucy Page. They introduced her with a poem and lauded her tireless effort in promoting Eldorado and Schleicher County. As Page was introduced, several out-of-town family members, including three daughters, slipped in the back door to watch the surprise presentation.

Harris Napier presented the 'Man of the Year' plaque to Steve Williams. Napier noted Williams' long involvement in the civic and business affairs of the county and pointed out that Williams was one of the original founders of the Chamber of Commerce.

Page and Williams each received engraved plaques denoting their achievement.

Others honored during the banquet were: Holly Brame, for her contributions and efforts in developing Centennial Park; Pat Gentry, for her contributions of land for Gentry Park on Main Street; Agnes Lozano, for her donation of time and labor to maintain the flower beds at the post office; Ronnie Sauer, for his many and continuing contributions to the community - including work at the County Park, the gazebo on Main Street and preparing the barbecue for the evening's meal; Sherry Lux and Patsy Kellogg for their leadership in heading up the yearly Schleicher County Day; and Hawley Wolfe for his constant efforts in spearheading the drive to 'Save the Woolen Mill'.

Also on hand was Billy Hausenfluck who made two presentations on behalf of the Eldorado-Divide Soil & Water Conservation District. First, Hausenfluck presented a plaque to Tom Enochs in recognition of 11 years service as a director of the district. Then, he presented Cindy Cawley with a plaque to honor her 8 years of service to the SWCD.

More than a hundred people were in attendance at the banquet which was held in the Schleicher County Memorial Building. The room was decorated in stunning blue and silver and the walls were accented with several Dallas Cowboys posters in honor of the evening's featured speaker, Ray Stone. For 23 years Stone has produced the Cowboys Football Report radio program.

Chamber of Commerce President Hawley Wolfe introduced Stone who shared several stories with the crowd giving them a "peek inside the Cowboys organization."

Stone noted that a couple of the Cowboys players had "tarnished the Cowboys' star" somewhat, a reference to Michael Irvin and Leon Lett's drug suspensions. "But," he added, "the Cowboys are still a very, very good football team."

Stone went on to point out that this year the Cowboys defeated both Superbowl teams — the New England Patriots and the World Champion Green Bay Packers. "We've won three out of the last five Superbowls," Stone said. "I think this team has another Superbowl or two left in it."

Stone related some humorous stories about several Cowboy greats — past and present — including Troy Aikman, Roger Staubach, Bill Bates, Danny White, and former coaches Tom Landry and Jimmy Johnson.

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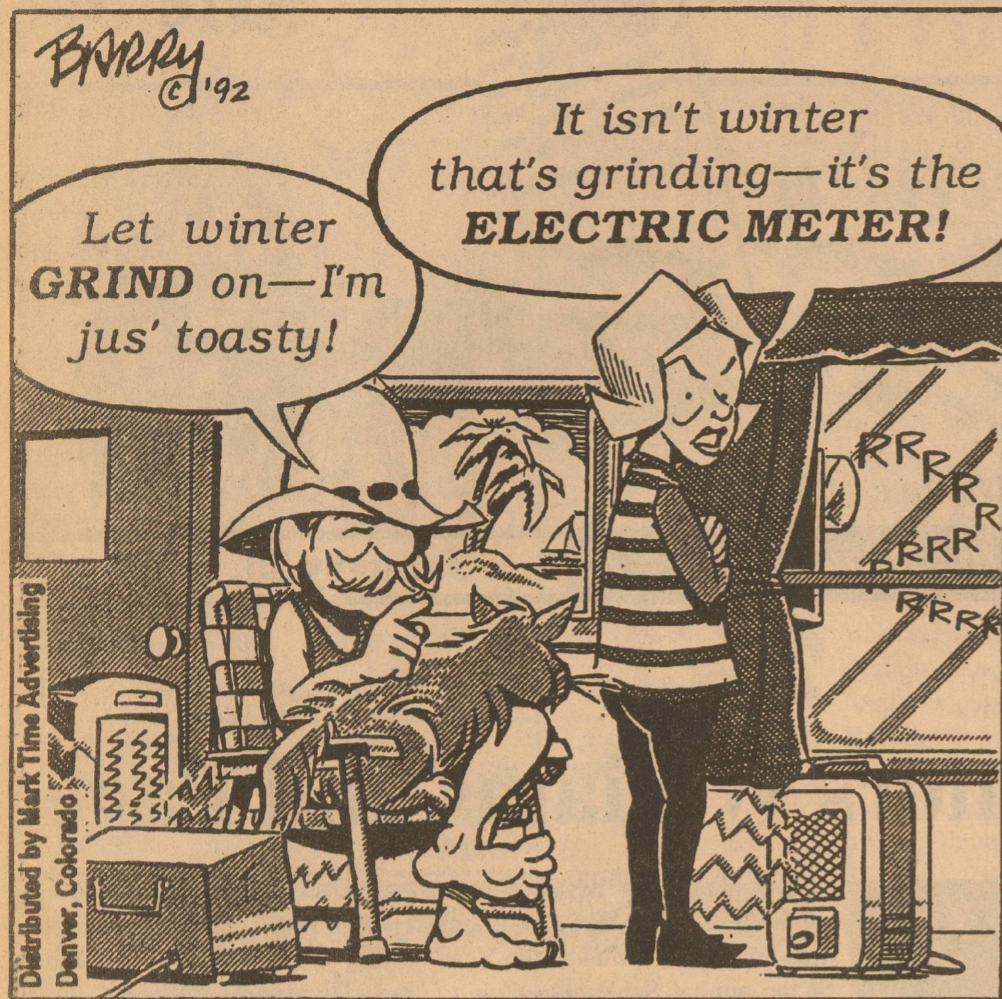


photo by Randy Mankin

The Cowboys are still a very, very good football team — Ray Stone, producer of the Cowboy's Football Report addresses the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce's annual banquet Monday night. He regaled the audience with tales of 'America's Team.' He cautioned some of the Cowboys' detractors not to underestimate the team's chances next year.

BUCKSHOT

by Barry McWilliams



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Over the Back Fence

by Randy Mankin

The Chamber of Commerce banquet was held Monday night and everyone seemed to enjoy the evening. Some very special people were honored at the dinner including Steve Williams and Lucy Page, our Man and Woman of the Year, respectively. Congratulations to Steve, Lucy and all the honorees. We are a better community for having them in our midst.

As the awards and certificates of appreciation were being presented, it became obvious that there was just no way to recognize everyone. We all know folks who give of themselves to make Eldorado a better place to live. And, we would like to see all of them recognized but it's just not possible. So I began working on a list of individuals to whom I would like to say, "Thank You!"

One of these is Annie Arispe. Annie is the activity director at the nursing home

and is one of the busiest people in this town. Few realize what an impact she has on the lives of the nursing home residents. "Thank You, Annie Arispe!"

I also thought of Leon Stricklan. Leon is one of the most caring people I know. For years I have watched this man graciously give his time, talents and labor to serve his Lord and his fellow man. Leon will probably be embarrassed by this, but here goes anyway. "Thank You, Leon Stricklan. You are one of my heroes."

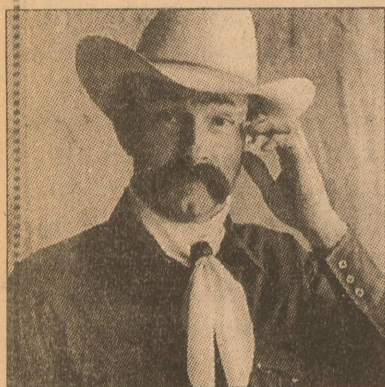
Elton McGinnes is another who comes to mind. Anyone who plans on out-working Elton tomorrow had better set their alarm clock tonight. He's active in almost every group in the county. And, being active is more than being on a membership roll, it means being interested and engaged. Elton is all that and more. "Thank You, Elton McGinnes for all you do!"

And then there's Connie Andrews. Let's see, she's the Chamber of Commerce's secretary & treasurer, she is an ambulance service volunteer and she is active in the Game Dinner Association. And, I'm afraid I've probably overlooked one or two of her other jobs.

There is one thing Connie does, however, that I could never overlook... she smiles. Yep, she smiles. No matter how bad her day has been, or how many contrary clients she has dealt with...no matter how cold the weather is or how dry the drought gets, when I walk into the Mittel Insurance office Connie looks up from her work and smiles. "Thank You, Connie...for all your hard work and for that smile!"

By now you've probably thought of someone who could use a pat on the back. Call them up, and tell them how much you appreciate them.

Wolf Recipes



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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

Famous Friends of the Wolf Cookbook is a new cookbook authored by two ladies in Idaho. Oh, great! I thought, talk about bad press. A couple of rancher's wives are offering recipes on how to cook wolf meat, i.e. wolf burgers, pickled wolf's feet, wolf on the half shell, but I was wrong.

Proceeds from the book are to be directed to funding wolf protection. "Famous" celebrities are contributing recipes like "Grilled Utah Trout on Ranch Greens (ranch greens?) with yogurt lemon dressing" by Robert Redford, Utah condo magnate.

But this book could just have easily been titled *Famous Celebrity Wolves Cookbook*. Which might include recipes like:

Woodchopper's son grilled on pages of Dr. Zhivago with oboe dressing, by *Famous Wolf of Peter and the Wolf*.

Raw spareribs served with garnish of straw, sticks and river

gravel, by *Famous Wolf of The Three Little Pigs*.

Fricassee Grandma presented on a red cape platter and basted with Geritol, by *Famous Wolf of Little Red Riding Hood*.

Typical blue collar wolf meal of whining, skinny juvenile served on a bun with sauerkraut, by *Famous Wolf of the Boy Who Cried Wolf*.

A tasty domesticated fowl platter accompanied by bones arranged to spell "The sky is falling," by *Famous Wolf of Chicken Little notoriety*.

Baby lamb carcasses served with an apple in his mouth and a surprised look, by *Famous Wolf in Sheep's Clothing*.

Carnivore Flambe. Available prey marinated in kerosene and Miracle Whip, served with a match and asbestos gloves, by *Wolfman Jack*.

Parasite Surprise! Boiled wolf nematodes served with tomato sauce, garlic bread and sausage made from Italians, by *WereWolf*.

Gristle patties in the shape of bankers and tax collectors. Best smothered, by *Famous Wolf at the Door*.

Blue Plate Special. Bake one cavalry mule in a car fire for twelve hours, break the hide off in little pieces and serve with guacamole dip. by *Famous Wolf of Dances with Wolves*.

and finally...

Kodak Happy Meal. Succulent take-out featuring lame, aged or very young elk, buffalo or deer nuggets, roll of 35 mm film and a plastic ranger toy that says "The restrooms are behind the lodge," by *Reintroduced Yellowstone Wolf*.

We seem to be getting more and more newsletters tucked inside cards during the holidays. One this year was from our friend Margie who lives near Houston. She told us that even though her lads gave her roller blades for Christmas and think she's cool, she feels out of place. Her letter explains:

"Early this morning I went into my bank of 33 years to order some new checks. Actually, this is the 4th organization to own my bank. The switchboard operator, now also serving as greeter, information person and grandmother, told me between calls that the latest owners had eliminated the customer service department.

"She finally directed me to some house phones where I witnessed a man with reddening face patiently explaining into a phone that his ATM card wouldn't work and he was forty miles from home and needed some cash. He got nowhere and

Holiday Notes

Rolling Across Texas



Tumbleweed Smith

left in disgust. "Another customer was speaking desperately into another phone, trying to work out a way to get some checks in less than 6 to 8 weeks since the holding company printer can't send them in 6 working days like the previous owners did. Sorry, the bank can't issue you any temporary checks. No sir, they don't have any. In fact, temporary checks no longer

exist. "Some customers were stewing as they waited for a person to come on the line to serve them. However, when a humanoid sound finally did emit from the phone, it originated some 2500 miles away. I left the bank and went to the grocery store.

"I bought a packaged salad from a counter that had signs all over it reading 2/\$3. The checker charged me \$2.79. I pointed out his mistake.

"The checker made no reply. He silently picked up his house phone, muttered briefly and unintelligibly to someone, who apparently told him to wait. He waited a long, long time. Then he tried again, twice more with lots of leisurely waiting and examining of nails and shoes and bantering with his fellow workers.

"He never spoke to or looked toward me. I'm on my lunch hour. I need my \$1.29. I need to get back to the office. At last, a manager posing as a human be-

ing approaches. The checker attempts to explain the problem to her, but can't. Finally I intervene in order to translate, but it's real hard to be courteous.

"The manager told me I'd have to go to the customer service for a refund form in order to get the \$1.50 price. I asked if they could just void the entry and put in the corrects price manually. They said no, that it was already in Chicago. I was told to fill out the form, get it approved by the manager and then bring the package to the check-out counter. I asked if I would have to stand in line again. Of course.

"Why is it that merchants spend millions in advertising to tell me about their fantastic sale and when I go to the store there is nobody to take my money and I wander toward the exit in disgust. Is it me or them that's nuts?"

Happy New Year.

'Robin Hood' school finance changes loom for legislators

AUSTIN — Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock has asked lawmakers to review the state's school funding law and look for a fairer way to pay for public education.

Bullock said the so-called Robin Hood law that purported to take from rich school districts and give to the poorer districts actually takes from some relatively poor districts.

Under the law, 91 of the 1,044 school districts in Texas must share an estimated \$350 million in taxes with needy school districts. But, according to statistics used by Bullock, 54 of those 91 school districts have per-capita personal income below the state average of \$19,716.

"This pokes a hole in the idea that many so-called rich districts are filled with rich people. Property wealth that can come from a major industry, a plant or oil wells does not always mean the people are rich.

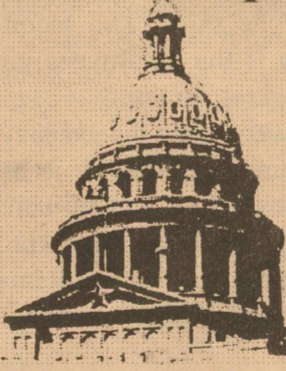
"That is as good a reason as any to re-examine the state's Robin Hood school funding law. It's good evidence that the system is not the fairest way to fund education," Bullock said.

Lottery Profits for Education

Bullock's spokesman, Mike Hailey, said the lieutenant governor supports the idea of dedicating lottery profits to the funding of public education.

In a nutshell, Hailey said, about 60 percent of the net lottery proceeds go to education now, with about two-thirds of that going to public education and the rest to

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HIGHLIGHTS
By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
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higher education.

If the projected \$2.7 billion in 1996-97 lottery profits goes to education in the 1998-99 biennium, the other programs currently receiving 40 percent would need another \$1.1 billion to be funded at the proposed budget bill level.

"The Legislature could just make the shift or it could come up with an additional \$1 billion to keep Peter happy.

"One way or another, education would get the state's take on the lottery as lots of Texans have presumed it would all along," Hailey said.

7 of 10 Texans Played Lottery

The Texas Lottery Commission reports that seven out of 10 adult Texans bought at least one lottery ticket last year.

The twice-weekly Lotto Texas game was the most popular.

The Victoria area topped all other areas in lottery participation with 79 percent of adults buying

tickets.

Water Law Rewrite Is Filed

Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson, has filed a rewrite of Texas water law that has no provision overhauling the rule of capture.

The rule lets landowners pump as much water as they wish, regardless of its effect on neighboring wells.

Brown predicted, however, that lawmakers would debate the rule of capture as part of a broader reappraisal of state water law, the *Austin American-Statesman* reported.

Related issues expected to be raised include:

- Transfers of water from one river basin to another;
- Drought planning and conservation;
- Financial assistance to small water systems;
- State bonding authority;
- Surface water management; and
- Water resource studies.

Slamming the Slammer's Door

Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston, filed a bill last week that would make it harder for state prison inmates to be released early.

"We're going to slam the revolving door in Texas prisons," said Whitmire, chairman of the Senate Criminal Justice Committee.

If passed into law, the legislation would discontinue the 1977 "mandatory supervision law" that

automatically frees some inmates before they serve their full sentences. The system rewards inmates with credits for good behavior.

"Automatic release based on a mathematical formula is nuts...and must be stopped," Whitmire said.

Other Capital Highlights

Gov. Bush has named three nominees to the University of Texas System Board of Regents. The nominees are: Tony Sanchez, a Laredo oilman, civic leader and philanthropist; Patrick Oxford, a lawyer from Houston; and A.W. "Dub" Riter, a retired bank chairman from Tyler. The appointments, all for six-year terms, are effective Feb. 1, subject to Senate confirmation.

Legislation aimed at halting the Republic of Texas' use of phony court judgments and property liens could get quick attention from the Legislature. Gov. Bush has declared the issue an emergency, which means constitutional time limits are waived and lawmakers can take up the measure immediately.

Texans licensed to carry concealed handguns would no longer face charges of trespassing for carrying their guns on public property under a bill filed by Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena. Patterson, author of the 1995 handgun bill, said concealed-gun bans established by local governments and state agencies are illegal because the Texas Constitution says only the Legislature can regulate the "wearing of arms."

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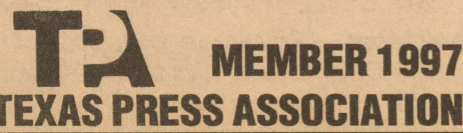
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Our Sympathy

Dwight Nelson

FORT STOCKTON - Dwight D. Nelson, 70, died Wednesday, Jan. 22, 1997, at his residence after a long illness.

Rosary was Friday in Fort Stockton Funeral Home Chapel. Services were held Saturday at St. Agnes Catholic Church with burial in Gaines County Cemetery in Seminole.

He was born June 4, 1926, in Clifton, Kan., and had been a resident of Fort Stockton since 1978. An Army veteran of World War II, he was a district supervisor for Northern Natural Gas.

Survivors include his wife, Geneva Nelson of Fort Stockton; two sons, Steve Nelson and wife Kim-et of Eldorado and Michael

Nelson and wife Jana of Crane; seven brothers, Marlin Nelson of Arizona, Merrill Nelson and Terry Nelson, both of Colorado, Darrell Nelson, Wendell Nelson and Larry Nelson, all of Kansas, and Robin Nelson of California; seven sisters, Dolores Norton of Colorado, Mona Lee Patrick of Missouri, Sue Smith of Tennessee, Vivian Samford, Sharon Kenny, Shirley Ham and Twila Reed, all of Kansas; four grandchildren, Mondee Whitten and husband Stephen and Kristal Nelson of Eldorado; and Tyler and Tahni Nelson of Crane; and a great-grandchild, Tres Whitten of Eldorado.

Memorials may be made to Hospice or American Cancer Society.



photo by Kathy Mankin

Are you ready for some football? — Mary Leggett receives the autographed Dallas Cowboy football from Ray Stone at the Chamber of Commerce banquet Monday night. Leggett claimed the football in a 'Chinese Auction' held at the end of the evening. Stone, producer of the Cowboys Football Report donated the pigskin to the Chamber.

Woman's Club News

by Shine Spigarelli

The Woman's Club met on Tuesday, January 21, 1997 for the regular meeting with fifteen members and two guest present. The meeting was held one week later than scheduled, due to icy conditions.

The club was pleased to welcome two guest and prospective members, Mrs. Betty Runkles and Mrs. Betty Arnold, both new residences of Schleicher County. The program was presented by Mryt Williams on how to make bows and other tips on decorating. Each person got to make her own personal bow.

Gladys Mittel announced that

the Tour of Homes began in 1980 in Schleicher County. This has been a very popular event each holiday season, and the only money making project for our club.

Hostesses for our meeting were Mary McGinnes, Gladys Mittel and Pat Pitts. We are looking forward to our February meeting, when Mary Robinson will present a book review.

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Seat belts are the law!

Schleicher County Deputy Joe Dombroski said he was surprised last week when, in an 11-minute period he counted 113 seat belt violations at the school. "Over half of those were students," Dombroski said.

That's when sheriff's deputies began issuing warnings around the school and to other drivers in town. "We've been giving those we stop a copy of the law and a verbal warning," Dombroski told the Success.

However, warnings won't continue for long. Dombroski wouldn't say exactly when officers will disperse with the warnings and begin issuing real citations, but indications are it could happen soon.

Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran told the Success that his officers have been issuing the warnings as a courtesy to citizens. "We wanted to let folks know that

the seat belt law is going to be enforced. This way they get a little advance notice."

Doran continued by saying that he understands some people don't like wearing seat belts. "The fact is, seat belts save lives," Doran commented.

"I've heard people say that they always wear their seat belts when they travel out of town...but they don't want to be bothered with it when they make a quick trip to the post office or grocery store. But, statistics show that most accidents happen close to home," Doran said.

"I don't like responding to traffic accidents, especially ones with fatalities. And I really don't like those involving kids," Doran continued. "So folks should buckle up and see to it that their youngsters do, too."

"Besides," Doran concluded, "it's the law."

Beta Sigma Phi News

by Barbara Jackson

Members and guest of Xi Xi Chi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met January 21, 1997 at the Eagle Dairy Mart for their weather delayed Christmas Dinner and gift exchange.

Guests present were: Dock Hubble, Hugh Lindsey, Delmer Jackson and Lee Ridgeway.

After dinner members went to the home of President Flora Hubble to exchange gifts and reveal secret sisters. Gifts were distributed from a lighted Christmas tree.

During a short business meeting the members discussed a new contract with the highway department for a trash pick-up and discussed the sponsorship for dances

for school children during the next months. Because of low membership it was noted that these projects were a large undertaking. A vote was tabled in the absence of two members hoping to decide on these two issues. Ideas of recruiting help from other organizations was discussed. The chapter welcomes input from anyone wishing to help the sorority with these projects.

Treasurer Dorothy Dacy reported that she had gotten a check to Stoney Harris for his scholarship and that he was attending Howard College.

Rosemary Ridgeway won the sunshine gift. The next business meeting will be Tuesday, January 28, 1997.

West Texas Rehab Report

by Mabel Freitag

I have received four more donations to West Texas Rehab this past week. This brings our Schleicher County total to \$7,765.00.

Memorials in memory of Duncan Wilson and Charles H. Trigg, Jr. from Howard and Faye Dell Derrick.

Memorials in memory of Duncan Wilson from Jo Ed and

Mary Jo Hill.

Donations from Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sudduth and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spinks.

We appreciate all of your memorials and donations.

Fellowship Bible Study time change

Fellowship Bible Study to 10:00 a.m. The meetings are held in Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church each Thursday. The study is Paul's Epistles.

All are welcome.

Birthdays

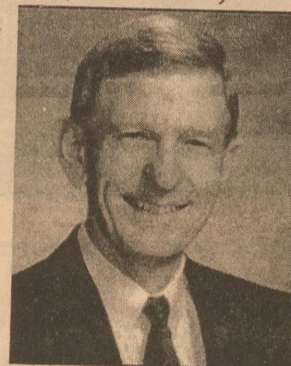
- January
30th Trisha Martinez, Lacy Finley, Louise Radle
31st Shonda Ferguson, Louanne Romero Clark
February
1st Lesa Kennedy, John Paul Joiner, Mark Lloyd, Ginger Sterling, Jimmy Gilstrap, Melissa Andrews, Lucie Templeton
2nd Austin Garner, Maria Guzman
3rd Caleb J. Estrada, Lupe Guerrero, RosaLinda Rios, Suzanne Johnson, Katie Hardy
4th Yvonne Terry, Homer Minor, Joe Montalvo, Walt Griggs
5th Veronica K. Shockley, Jose Rocha, Mayra Robles, Carmen Joy
6th Gene Rojas, Kiarra Trevino, Branda Barton, Carmen Joy, Gina Sauer, Jessica Valero
7th Doris Jay Christian, Lindsey Griffin, Lola Squyres, Kayla McCravey
8th Candi Homer, Enrique Rocha, Haley Higgins

Anniversaries

- February
1st Bob & Nancy Lester
2nd Steve & Jeanne Snelson

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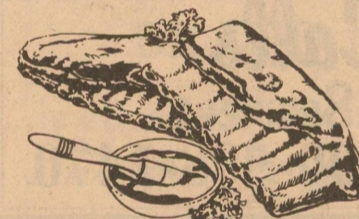
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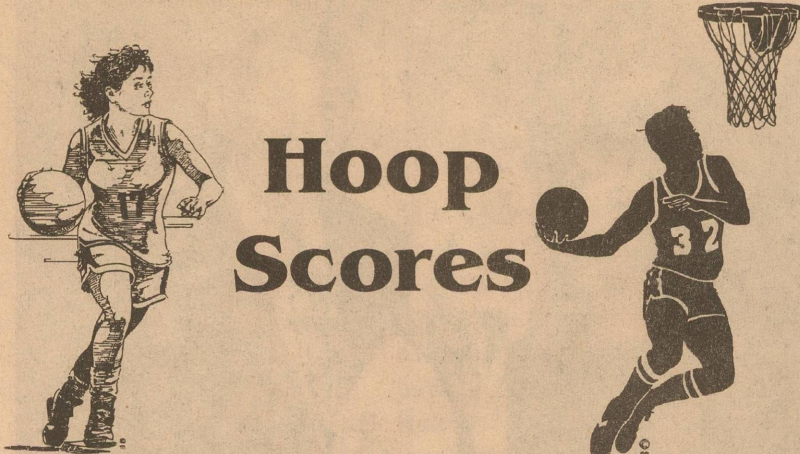
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Eldorado 64 - Winters 47
Friday, January 17, 1997 in Winters. Scoring: Victoria Mitchel 10; Sundi Nix 6; McKenzie McCravery 13(1-3 point goal); Toni Whitten 10; Ashlie Whitten 9; Top Scorer - Angela Ballew 16. Also playing were Ashley Finley, Kaci Kohls, Amanda Ballew and Sarah Mankin.

Eldorado 42 - Ozona 49
Tuesday, January 21, 1997 in Eldorado. Scoring: Victoria Mitchel 9 (1-3 point goal); Sundi Nix 5 (1-3 point goal); Makenzie McCravery 5 (1-3 point goal); Toni Whitten 2; Ashlie Whitten 7; Amanda Ballew 2; Top Scorer - Angela Ballew 12. Also playing were Ashley Finley and Kaci Kohls.

Eldorado 67 - Coahoma 62
Friday, January 24, 1997 in Eldorado. Scoring: Victoria Mitchel 27 (2-3 point goals), Angela Ballew 17, Ashlie Whitten 12, Makenzie McCravery 5 (1-3 point goals), Sundi Nix 3, Toni Whitten 3. Also playing were Amanda Ballew, Ashley Finley, Kaci Kohls and Sarah Mankin.

EAGLES BOYS VARSITY

Eldorado 57 - Winters 65
Friday, January 17, 1997 in Winters. Scoring: Zach Steele 5 (1-3 point goal); Jason Richters 4; Top Scorer - Zane Bruce 29; Justin Leggett 9(2-3 point goal); Kyle Hunter 8; Mark Fryar 2. Also playing were Casey Snelson, Andy Baker, Travis Meador, Jeremy Clark.

Eldorado 54 - Ozona 51 in Double Overtime
Tuesday, January 21, 1997 in Eldorado. Scoring: Zach Steele 9; Top Scorers - Jason Richters 16 (1-3 point goal) and Zane Bruce 16; Casey Snelson 8 (2-3 point goals); Justin Leggett 2; Kyle Hunter 5. Also playing were Andy Baker, Travis Meador, Mark Fryar and Jeremy Clark.

Eldorado 56 - Coahoma 55
Friday, January 24, 1997 in Eldorado. Scoring: Zach Steele 2, Jason Richters 10 (1-3 point goal); Top Scorer - Casey Snelson 21 (2-3 point goals); Zane Bruce 15; Justin Leggett 2; Kyle Hunter 7. Also playing were Andy Baker, Travis Meador, Mark Fryar and Jeremy Clark.

Eldorado 53 - Wall 55
Tuesday, January 28, 1997 in Wall. Scoring: Zach Steele 5; Jason Richters 6; Casey Snelson 6 (1-3 point goal); Top Scorer - Zane Bruce 18; Justin Leggett 14 (2-3 point goals); Kyle Hunter 4; Also playing were Andy Baker, Travis Meador, Mark Fryar and Jeremy Clark.



#42 Dusty Nolan brings the ball down court for the Eagles J.V. as they took on Coahoma last Friday night

EAGLES BOYS JV

Eldorado 51 - Water Valley 44
Friday, December 20, 1996 in Water Valley. Scoring: Lance Mitchel 11; Anthony Pina 6; Top Scorer - Casey Poyner 12 (3-3 point goals); Victor Pina 5; Juan Montalvo 4; Cory Lloyd 5; Dusty Nolan 6; Mitch Wilkerson 2. Also playing were Daniel Sanchez, Desi Badillo, Louis Santellano, Steven Valero and Luis Martinez.

Eldorado 26 - Coahoma 57
Thursday, January 2, 1997 in Coahoma. Scoring: Anthony Pina 9; Top Scorer - Cory Lloyd, Dusty Nolan 5; Mitch Wilkerson 2. Also playing were Casey Poyner, Victor Pina, Juan Montalvo, Daniel Sanchez, Luis Martinez and Steven Valero.

Eldorado 39 - Roscoe 21
Saturday, January 4, 1997 in Roscoe. Scoring: Top Scorer - Anthony Pina 13; Casey Poyner 4; Victor Pina 7 (1-3 point goal); Juan Montalvo 2; Cory Lloyd 5; Dusty Nolan 7; Luis Martinez 1. Also playing were Daniel Sanchez, Steven Valero and Desi Badillo.

Eldorado 59 - Forsan 31
Friday, January 10, 1997 in Forsan. Scoring: Anthony Pina 7; Casey Poyner 1; Victor Pina 7; Top Scorer - Juan Montalvo 20; Dusty Nolan 9; Daniel Sanchez 3 (1-3 point goal) Luis Martinez 2; Desi Badillo 1; Mitch Wilkerson 9. Also playing were Gerard Barrera.

Eldorado 61 - Wall 62 Overtime
Saturday, January 11, 1997 in Eldorado. Scoring: Top Scorer - Anthony Pina 21(1-3 point goal); Casey Poyer 4; Victor Pina 8; Juan Montalvo 8; Cory Lloyd 8; Dusty Nolan 12. Also playing were Daniel Sanchez, Luis Martinez, Steven Valero, Desi Badillo, Mitch Wilkerson and Gerard Barrera.

EAGLES BOYS JV

J.V. Boys Winners Miles Tournament
Thursday, January 16 and 18, 1997 the Eldorado J.V. Boys basketball team won the Miles J.V. Tournament.

They defeated Veribest 48-21 and Sterling City 59-46 on Thursday January 16. They beat Water Valley in the finals by a score of 44 to 31 on Saturday, Jan. 18, 1997.

Eldorado 48 - Veribest 21
Thursday, January 16, 1997 in Miles. Scoring: Top Scorers - Lance Mitchel 9 and Casey Poyner 9; Anthony Pina 8; Juan Montalvo 6; Dusty Nolan 4; Daniel Sanchez 2; Luis Martinez 2; Steven Valero 2; Desi Badillo 2; Mitch Wilkerson 2; Gerard Barrera 2. Also playing were Victor Pina and Michael Mayo.

Eldorado 59 - Sterling City 46
Thursday, January 16, 1997 in Miles. Scoring: Lance Mitchel 9; Top Scorer - Anthony Pina 18 (1-3 point goal); Casey Poyner 1; Juan Montalvo 4; Michael Mayo 13; Dusty Nolan 10; Mitch Wilkerson 4. Also playing were Victor Pina, Daniel Sanchez, Luis Martinez, Steven Valero, Desi Badillo and Gerard Barrera.

Eldorado 44 - Water Valley 31
Saturday, January 18, 1997 in Miles. Scoring: Lance Mitchel 8; Top Scorer - Anthony Pina 10 (1-3 point goal); Victor Pina 4; Michael Mayo 8; Nolan 9; Cory Lloyd 5. Also playing were: Casey Poyner, Mitch Wilkerson, Juan Montalvo, Luis Martinez, Steven Valero, Desi Badillo, Daniel Sanchez, and Gerard Barrera.

Eldorado 43 - Winters 45
Friday, January 17, 1997 in Winters. Scoring: Top Scorer - Lance Mitchel 15 (1-3 point goal); Anthony Pina 9; Casey Poyner 2; Mitch Wilkerson 4; Michael Mayo 6; Dusty Nolan 3; Juan Montalvo 2. Also playing were Victor Pina, Luis Martinez, Steven Valero, Desi Badillo, Daniel Sanchez, and Gerard Barrera.

Eldorado 33 - Ozona 35
Tuesday, January 21, 1997 in Eldorado. Scoring: Anthony Pina 7; Casey Poyner 2; Victor Pina 2; Mitch Wilkerson 2; Michael Mayo 4; Dusty Nolan 6; Top Scorer - Juan Montalvo 8; Cory Lloyd 2. Also playing were Luis Martinez, Steve Valero, Desi Badillo, Daniel Sanchez, and Gerard Barrera.

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Dorothy's Movie Time

by Dorothy Dacy

I have a good family film to talk about this week, one to rent when you're not attending a basketball game. It's "Phenomenon", rated PG and starring John Travolta.

"Phenomenon" earned \$104 million in theaters on the strength of a deceptively simple premise: What if an average guy became a genius overnight? Would he be regarded as a godsend or an outcast?

In the small town setting of this story (a lot like Eldorado), it doesn't take long to answer that question. For George Malley (played by John Travolta), an auto mechanic in tiny Harmon, California learns firsthand that lifelong friends can become skeptical strangers when fate or aliens or some other entity endows him with sudden mental gifts.

It all begins with George's 37 birthday party. As the night winds down he steps outside, only to be thrown to the ground by a light in the sky. When he wakes, he can suddenly do astonishing things: read and commit entire books to memory in minutes; develop fertilizer that works wonders on barren fields; move objects with his mind; predict earthquakes. The government thinks he's a spy. The neighbors, well, they don't know what to think. It's not that George has changed in any concrete way, it's just that he's 10 times as smart

as them.

Still, there are a few people on George's side: Doc (played by Robert Duvall), a kindly man of science given to rationalizing every event; Nate (played by Forrest Whitaker), the best friend who spends his nights serenading Diana Ross on ham radio; and Lace (played by Kyra Sedgwick), the aloof divorcee whose heart George captures.

For much of its 123 minutes, "Phenomenon" follows two tracks - George's puppyish interest in Lace and the town folk's increasing fear of George. He spends his time inventing things and never sleeps. Yet when asked to explain his behavior, he can't, and that more than anything, makes him threatening.

Travolta is quietly charming as a man who finds that sudden insight is a burden in its own right. This is a sweet, funny, and sometimes sad film about a man who changed people's lives and made an impact on his small surroundings, with the help of an unexplained "phenomenon".

This entertaining family movie is locally available at Eagle Video.

Until next week: We can easily forgive a child who is afraid of the dark. The real tragedy of life is when men are afraid of the Light.



The Eldorado Game Association held drawing for a 4-wheeler last Saturday and the lucky winner was Randy Gray from Cherokee, Texas. Above, Thomas Ballew is shown drawing the winning ticket.

Eldorado Cub Scout News

by Linda Conner-Cubmaster

Last month's pack meeting went by fast. We gave out buttons to the Scout of the Month went to Tyler Dombroski - Tigers; Colten Behrens - Wolf; Jaaron Crawford - Bear; Jeffery Bybee - Webelos. Leader of the Month to Ricky Jones.

Just a reminder the Pinewood Derby Race is Saturday, February 1, 1997 at 9:00 a.m., out at the Ag building. Also, the Blue and Gold Banquet is set for February 16th at 2:00 p.m. at the Ag building. Please, please, wear your uniform to both events!!!

The following dens need to bring the following dishes to the Blue and Gold Banquet. Webelos

bring a meat or casserole, Bears bring a dessert, Wolfs bring a vegetable or side dish, Tigers bring 2 loaves of bread each.

Agape Youth Valentine Dinner

The Agape Youth Group will be having a "Be My Valentine" Dinner at the Eagle Dairy Mart on February 15, at 6:00 p.m. The menu will be Chicken Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Salad, Dessert, and Tea or Coffee. The youth will be selling tickets or call 853-3642 for reservations.

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SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, and Valentine Post Office.



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The San Angelo Genealogical and Historical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 4, 1997 in the Fellowship Hall of the Church of Christ, 901 North Main.

Bob Parks will give a program on Fort Stanton, NM, the furthest outpost Fort in the West held by the Texas Mounted Rifles during the Civil War. The Texas soldiers were led by General Tom Green and General H.H. Sibley.

Meetings of the society are conducted the first Tuesday of each month and are open to the public. All are invited to a free Beginner's Genealogy Class, taught by Bob Parks, preceding each meeting at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, call Peg Gordon at 949-8870.



photo by Kathy Mankin

Winners in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Shoot-Out held Saturday, January 25th were (L-R) Selina Rojas, Christina Redish, Trey Chavez, Johnny Lee Arispe, Homer Hernandez, Susie Rojas, Vanessa Gonzalez and Manuel Hernandez. Not pictured were Frankie Arispe and Martha Lively. These youngsters will now advance to the District contest which will also be held in Eldorado on Feb. 8th.

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1-20-97 3:00 p.m. caller requested officer to pick up a man who was suspected drunk walking into town. Officers responded to call and arrested one male subject. 3:36 p.m. assist motorist to unlock vehicle. 4:30 p.m. subject found two key rings at Post Office and turn them into the Sheriff's Office. 4:35 p.m. caller was concerned about older parent driving themselves in town. Officer responded and talked to parent. 5:10 p.m. caller reported car is stalled and will not start. Officer assisted. 7:02 p.m. caller reported goats in church yard. Sheriff's Office contacted owners and goats were put away. 7:55 p.m. caller requested officer to unlock vehicle. 10:30 p.m. caller reported a man outside of local apts. making alot of noise. Officer responded.

1-21-97 6:51 a.m. caller reported daughter was missing at 6:45 a.m. The subject was a juvenile. Parent suspected daughter was with a male friend. Both subjects were located in Sutton County and was transported back to parents custody. 8:15 a.m. school employee reported that some buses had been broken into some time during the night of 1-20-97. Officer responded. 5 juveniles suspects were located and turned over to the juvenile authorities. 11:00 a.m. caller reported that she had broken up with her boyfriend the previous night and that he had gone to her grandmothers house to stay. The grandmother stated that the boyfriend had tried to kill himself while at her residence and she wanted him to leave. Officer responded and talked to male subject. Criminal trespass notification was served on female subject caller. 2:48 p.m. caller reported a loud noise that awoke her. She described the noise as the sound of a wreck or a vehicle taking off at a high rate of speed. Officer was dispatched to residence. 3:20 p.m. ambulance transfer to San Angelo to Columbia. EMS 1 responded.

1-22-97 12:02 a.m. caller reported that they lost a show box out of the back of the pick up. Caller called right back and reported that all items were recovered. 3:35 a.m. officer witnessed the owners of the contents of the trailers owned by complainant removing contents at 3:35 a.m. Trailer sits empty at Courthouse Square by sign. 11:00 a.m. caller reported that sometime the previous night a vehicle had gone through a fence on his place. At 10:30 p.m. the complainant reported that he had found the subject that ran into his fence and they were going to have it fixed. 2:00 p.m. caller reported

burglary of their residence on Gillis. Two guns with case taken. 4:35 p.m. caller reported that her dog had been taken from her house. Complainant stated that she knew who had the dog. She requested that an officer go with her so that there would be no problems. 7:30 p.m. female caller reported that she had fallen and could not get up. EMS was later requested and was dispatched and transported subject to Schleicher Co. Medical Center.

1-23-97 12:45 p.m. local convenience store reported theft of gas from a white pickup that turned south on Hwy 277. Officers were unable to locate vehicle in Schleicher or Sutton Co. 4:45 p.m. complainant reported that on 1-21-97 two female subjects followed caller to San Angelo, tailgating her and ultimately running into the back of her vehicle. 2:38 p.m. complainant requested an officer to help his wife.

1-24-97 9:30 a.m. caller reported a calf out of the fence on 190 West. 3:22 p.m. caller requested an officer to unlock vehicle. 7:15 p.m. caller reported kids playing with a BB gun at apts. Officer unable to locate kids. 2:45 p.m. caller contacted Sheriff's Office to report that she did not want a certain male subject on her property. Sheriff contacted Tom Green Co. Sheriff's Office who stated that they would honor our Criminal Trespass Notification. Officer will attempt to serve notification on 1/24/97.

1-25-97 9:45 a.m. caller reported relative was driving a friends vehicle and could possibly be drunk. Officer responded and unable to locate vehicle. 7:41 p.m. caller requested an officer to go to his residence and help his girlfriend. Caller stated that she had locked herself in her room and was trying to kill herself. Officer responded and reported back that everything was ok and made contact with party. 9:20 p.m. complainant requested an Criminal Trespass papers on a male subject. Officer reported that the caller is not the owner of the trailer and therefore the papers can not be served. 11:05 p.m. caller reported kids making loud noises at local apts. Requested an officer to go and ask them to keep it down. 11:47 p.m. caller reported a stranded motorist on Hwy 190 East. Officer responded and could not locate subject.

1-26-97 12:47 a.m. caller phoned in and reported that there were three vehicles acting strangely. Officer was notified and was en route. 12:57 p.m. caller reported that she has been getting harassing phone calls. She believes she knows the party making the calls. She also stated she thinks someone in Eldorado is getting another person in San Angelo to make the calls. 10:26 p.m. Officer reported a suspicious vehicle on 190 West behind tank battery. 5 minors were taken in with possession of an alcoholic beverage. 1 of the 5 in possession of marijuana under 2 ounces. 1 of the 5 had local warrants.

SCHLEICHER COUNTY ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1996
BY KAREN HENDERSON - SCHLEICHER COUNTY TREASURER

FUND	Balance Jan 1, 1996	Received from Transfers	Received From Auto License	Received from Tax Collections	Received from Other Sources	Total Received (Includes Transfers)	Total Disbursed (Includes Transfers)	Transfer To Other Funds	Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1996
GENERAL FUND M.M.I.A.	67,612.39*								48,208.12
GENERAL FUND C. D.	978,803.10*								1,166,838.78
GENERAL FUND	16,844.06	0.00	0.00	1,211,950.96	246,694.01	1,458,644.97	1,287,570.44	240,000.00	19,287.18
COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER	5,480.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	35,551.32	35,551.32	32,650.99	0.00	8,381.19
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	18,479.06	230,000.00	147,338.19	0.00	74,680.07	452,018.26	453,240.24	0.00	17,257.08
FARM*MARKET M.M.I.A.	57,938.93*								58,281.96
FARM*MARKET ROAD FUND	11,507.18	0.00	0.00	77,512.09	5,144.53	82,656.62	89,384.32	0.00	4,436.45
COMMISSARY FUND	138.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	138.62
RECORDS MANAGEMENT FUND	2,071.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,975.00	6,975.00	6,955.78	0.00	2,090.49
COURTHOUSE SECURITY FUND	3,154.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,535.00	1,535.00	0.00	0.00	4,689.37
LAW ENFORCEMENT COKE	811.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,134.91	1,134.91	1,118.60	0.00	827.67
ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL	4,108.48	0.00	0.00	454.44	0.00	454.44	0.00	0.00	4,562.92
LATERAL ROAD FUND	14,867.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,810.67	14,810.67	14,410.99	0.00	15,267.06
LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER	86,488.06	0.00	0.00	28,738.64	799.66	29,538.30	79,555.00	0.00	36,471.36
AIRPORT FUND	7,371.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,432.62	2,432.62	7,127.18	0.00	2,677.02
SELF-INSURANCE C. D.	140,000.00*								159,794.48
SELF-INSURANCE FUND	6,833.24	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	6,523.67	16,523.67	0.00	0.00	3,562.43
HOT CHECK FUND	1,472.73	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,521.36	1,521.36	996.36	0.00	1,997.73
PERFORMANCE REWARD FUND	93.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	93.59
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Chamber of Commerce banquet

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Cafeteria Line

Monday, Feb. 3rd
Beef & Cheese Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad, Cornbread, Chocolate Pudding

Tuesday, Feb. 4th
Turkey Pot Pie/Vegetables, Whole Kernel Corn, Pear Halves, Peanut Butter Cookies

Wednesday, Feb. 5th
Steak Finger/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli/Cheese Sauce, Peach Cobbler

Thursday, Feb. 6th
Turkey & Dressing, Giblet Gravy, Green Beans, Cranberry Sauce, Sweet Potato Pie/Topping

Friday, Feb. 7th
Chicken Burgers, Curly Fries, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Raisins, Lemon Bar

Breakfast

Monday, Feb. 3rd
Peaches, Pancakes/Syrup, Peanut Butter

Tuesday, Feb. 4th
Pineapple Juice, Hot Biscuits/Ham/Gravy

Wednesday, Feb. 5th
Apple Juice, Banana Nut Muffins, Choice of Cereal

Thursday, Feb. 6th
Orange Juice, Breakfast Pizza

Friday, Feb. 7th
Hash Browns, Eggs/Tortillas

Fast Food Line

Monday, Feb. 3rd
Chili Dog, Pork & Beans, Tossed Salad, Carrot Sticks/Dip, Chocolate Pudding

Tuesday, Feb. 4th
Chef Salad, Crackers (8), Pear Halves, Peanut Butter Cookies

Wednesday, Feb. 5th
Pepperoni Pizza, French Fries, Pineapple Chunks, Peach Cobbler

Thursday, Feb. 6th
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Eldorado Spotlight

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This week the Eldorado Spotlight shines on Patsy Kellogg, Melissa Andrews and Connie Andrews. The trio are shown here (L-R) as they sign in guests at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet held Monday night.

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Producers seeking new uses for mohair

"We must find new uses for mohair. We have too long depended on fashion as a prime user," said Lanny Leinweber of Mountain Home, president of the Mohair Council of America.

New products and product development was the focal point of the Mohair Council's annual meeting that was held in San Angelo on January 23, 1997.

In an effort to beef up its work in product development, the council employed consultant Richard "Dick" Pactor, 59, of New York to work with manufacturers on clothing designs using mohair. A graduate textile engineer, Pactor was with Burlington Industries for 27 years as executive vice president of the men's wear division in charge of product development and styling.

He later worked in a similar capacity with Forstmann.

"We believe Dick Pactor can help us," said Leinweber, who met and interviewed Pactor several weeks ago in New York. Pactor will work out of the council's New York marketing office. He was given a one-year contract beginning February 1. Madeline Daddiego, the council's promotion director, will continue to be in charge of the New York operation.

In recent months, the Mohair Council has pushed the marketing of mohair socks being made by two Texas firms located in Uvalde and Sonora. In addition, the council has initiated a contract with an Abilene firm to place mohair products in mail-order catalogs, such as L.L. Bean, Eddie Bauer and others, and work continues with Modern Technologies Inc. of Georgia to develop a market for mohair carpet.

Gerald Morrison, president of the company, believes he can have

a quality mohair carpet developed for use in high dollar homes and entertainment centers in a year.

Council officials are concerned with the number of mohair producers who are selling their Angora goats because of slow demand and low prices being offered for their product.

Ed Huston of San Angelo, the interim director of the Texas A & M University Research Center, told producers not to be too hasty about selling themselves out of the industry.

"As each young female is slaughtered, it will become harder and harder to rebuild the industry when mohair is back," Huston said.

In other business, council members elected Leinweber to his first term as president, elected Jack Groff of Kerrville to be vice president and Jesse Lockhart of Barksdale as secretary-treasurer. Lockhart previously served on the council's executive committee.

Appointed to the executive committee were Fred Speck of Rocksprings, Jule Richmond of Blanket and Pierce Miller of San Angelo.

Leinweber said he anticipates a search will begin next month for a council executive director to succeed Duery Menzies, who will step down effective April 30.

Also, the council will relocate its San Angelo office from the Norwest Bank Building to the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association building where it will share space with the service organization. The move will take place before February 28, when the council's present lease expires.

The annual Texas Tour for mohair designers and manufacturers will be held April 24-27 in San Antonio and Kerrville. The council's summer directors meeting is scheduled for Aug. 14 at the Inn of the Hills in Kerrville.

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The Barbershop: an endangered place

Barbershops are vanishing. According to the Bureau of the Census in only five years the number of barbershops declined by 25%. The endangered state of this traditionally all-male gathering place alarmed Mic Hunter so much that he spent 14 years traveling to 35 States to photograph neighborhood barbershops and collect stories from barbers and their customers. His travels resulted in the book *The American Barbershop: A Closer Look At A Disappearing Place*.

Ask Hunter what is it that makes barbershops such special places and he rattles off a variety of reasons. "Barbershops are filled with laughter. Nothing, death, sex, religion, the government, is so sacred it can not be the focus of a joke. The playfulness extends, not only to the topics being discussed, but to the customers as well. No man who expects to be a regular can take himself too seriously, because nobody in the shop is going to exclude him from some good natured ridicule."

Barbershops are informal social centers for men. Appointments are not made, so the customers can come and go as the urge occurs. A guy can dash in for a quick trim or hang around and chat for the entire afternoon.

"In my travels, I noticed many a barbershop that had two entrances: the front door for men who were primarily coming to get their hair cut, and the back door for men who were mostly coming for companionship. Near each door there would be a group of chairs. Everyone seemed to understand the system. When the barber chair emptied,

someone from the front of the room filled it and the guys in back stayed put. No words were needed."

Anyone who has spent any time at all in a barbershop knows a barber is many things to his customer. He is political commentator, as well as sports and news reporter. He hears confessions. He gives advice. For some he is the father they never had, or a reminder of the father that has passed on. The barber is the link between the blue-collar laborer and the white-collar worker. Regardless of what you do with your hands when you are in a barber shop you can be just another man. You can be a regular guy.

When former-President Richard Nixon died, who did the press seek out to find out who was the "real Dick Nixon?" Was it a statesman? Another man who had held the same office? A scholar? A biographer? No, it was his barber. The man who cut the President's hair every week, year after year. Much to his credit, the barber had the courtesy to merely disclose: "Mr. Nixon was a good tipper."

Some barbers have customers for decades. Hunter tells the story

of a barber who planned the dates of his vacation so that a long-term customer could continue to come in for his twice-a-month haircut on the usual days. The barber told Hunter that this customer had been so regular that if he did not show up on the day he was expected the police would get a call from the barber requesting that they go to the customer's home to see if he had fallen or was ill.

The appeal of the traditional barbershop can be summed up in the words of sign described in Hunter's book. It reads:

"In this shop there are only six rules, but they are strictly enforced-

- 1) no spitting on the floor;
- 2) no breaking the furniture;
- 3) no last names;
- 4) you wait your turn no matter how much money you make or how much education you have;
- 5) you wait your turn no matter who you are or how important you think you are;
- 6) anything else goes.

Who can argue with a philosophy like that? Maybe its time for all of us to get a trim at the local barbershop, while it still exists.

ICA mid-winter meeting slated

The Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas will hold its mid-winter meeting Wednesday, February 19 at the Sutton County Steakhouse at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will follow a Dutch treat dinner.

Charles Carter, Legislative Director, will be here to inform and update all members and

guests attending of what can be expected from this legislative session.

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