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**Eldorado Open Rodeo
slated for weekend**



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For Your Information

Americans Still Traveling

According to the American Automobile Association, a record number of Americans traveled over the Memorial Day weekend despite higher fuel costs this year. AAA estimates more than 28 million travelers drove more than 100 miles, an increase of 3 percent from last year. Texans did not spend as much as the average American to fill up their tanks, however. Nationwide the average price of a gallon of gas jumped from \$1.15 to \$1.53 since last year. Meanwhile, Texas drivers saw the price of gas increase from \$1.07 to \$1.45.



Safe Summer Grilling

In the U.S. 6,000 barbecue grill fires occur each year, injuring hundreds and causing millions of dollars in damage. The U.S. Fire Administration offers the following safety tips:

- Keep grills away from anything that can burn such as your house or car or dry vegetation
- Do not attempt to grill indoors. Grills can easily cause carbon monoxide poisoning.
- If a storm approaches while you are grilling, secure the grill to prevent it from blowing over and seek shelter until the storm passes.
- Don't leave grills unattended while cooking and keep pets and children away.
- Protect yourself while grilling with a heavy apron. Have oven mitts handy.
- In case of a burn, run cool water over the area for 10 to 15 minutes. In the event of a serious burn seek medical attention immediately.



On This Date

On this date in 452 the Italian peninsula was invaded by Attila the Hun. In 570 the religion of Islam was founded in Mecca. In 1786 the first commercially-made ice cream was sold in New York. In 1861 the people of Tennessee voted to secede from the Union. In 1948 "The Milton Berle Show" premiered on NBC TV. In 1982 Ronald Reagan addressed a joint session of British Parliament. Birthdays of note include: 1625 astronomer Giovanni Domenico Cassini; 1813 Rear Admiral David D Porter; 1867 architect Frank Lloyd Wright; 1918 actor Robert Preston; 1933 comedienne Joan Rivers; 1940 singer Nancy Sinatra.

Schleicher County Day & Rodeo slated for weekend

Traditional celebration makes June debut

Eldorado's traditional end of summer celebration has moved to an earlier, and hopefully cooler, time of year. Schleicher County Day and the Eldorado Open Rodeo are planned for this weekend.

Festivities are slated to begin Friday evening with the opening performance of the Eldorado Open Rodeo. The show starts at 8:00 p.m. and tickets are only \$7. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

The 2000 Rodeo Queen and Rodeo Princess will be crowned during the performance.

Rodeo-goers will also be treated to performances by a newly formed mounted drill team called "Young Riders." The team, consisting of thirteen Schleicher County youths, will perform at both the Friday and Saturday night shows. They will also ride in the Saturday morning parade. Team members include Nancy Cawley, Caleb Daniels, Tracy Brenner, Chelci Rodriguez, Tabitha Lloyd, Holly

Ford, Scott Cawley, Travis Lively, Will Whitten, J.C. Rodriguez, Colton Daniels, Whitney Edmiston and Adam Dominguez.

The Schleicher County Days/Rodeo Parade will wind its way through town beginning at 9:00 a.m. Parade entries are asked to assemble near the EHS tennis courts at 8:30 a.m. Anyone interested in participating in the parade is encouraged to contact parade chairman Jerry Jones. Cash prizes of \$100, \$50 and \$25 will be awarded to the three top parade entries.

Across town, a co-ed softball tournament will get underway at 9:00 a.m. at the county park. At press time, seven teams have paid their entry fees.

Also beginning at 9:00 a.m. craft and food booths will open on the courthouse square. Anyone interested in having Schleicher County Day booth is encouraged to con-

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photo by Kathy Mankin

He's all shook up — Bob "Elvis" Lester sang for attendees of the annual Schleicher County Nursing Home barbecue last Saturday evening. He is pictured here singing to 100-year old Verda Crumley.

S.C.I.S.D. trustees accept Supt. Porter's resignation

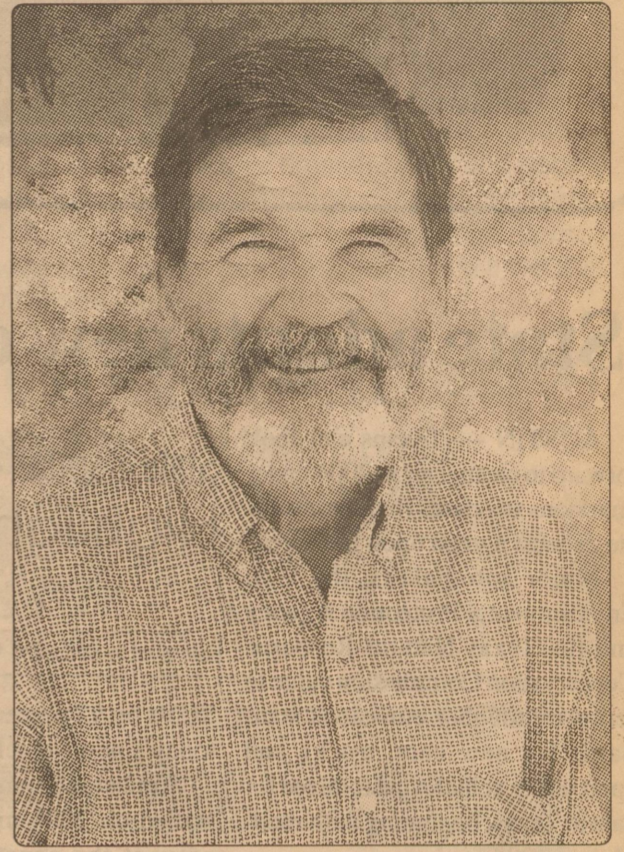
A letter of resignation from Superintendent Hal Porter and his wife Margaret, was the primary item of business at a called meeting of the Schleicher County Independent School District board of trustees. In the letter, the couple stated their joint resignations would become effective on June 30, 2000. The letter expressed the couple's gratitude to the staff, children and patrons of the school district. Mr. Porter gave praise to the instructional staff, maintenance department, transportation department, and food services department, administrators, program directors and office staff for their commitment to their particular areas of responsibility. He also commended the children of the community for their

unquenchable desire to learn. In conclusion Porter commended the support of the community regarding the school and children. Upon a motion by Berta Nicholson, seconded by Jo Helen Kotsch, the resignations were unanimously accepted by the board.

The meeting began at 7:03 p.m. and was called to order by board president Phil McCormick. Present for the meeting were trustees Ed-die Albin, Berta Nicholson, Jo Helen Kotsch, Steve Sessom, and Sam Whitten. Trustee Ilse Williams was absent.

Sarah Mankin, a recent EHS graduate, read a statement to the trustees expressing her appreciation for Mr. Porter's kindness, care

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courtesy photos

Honored Pioneers — Lois Etheredge (L) and Jim Martin (R) will be honored by the Schleicher County Historical Society on Saturday with the Pioneer Families. The presentation is made each year during Schleicher County Day

Etheredge, Martin receive Pioneer Family recognition from S.C. Historical Society

Lois Etheredge and Jim Martin were named this week as recipients of the Schleicher County Historical Society's Pioneer Family Award. Presentations will be made during the Schleicher County Day celebration on Saturday, June 10th. The pair will also serve as Grand Marshals of the Schleicher County Day Parade which will begin at 9:30 a.m. that morning and wind its way through Eldorado. At 11:00 a.m. they will each be honored by the Schleicher County Historical Society on the courthouse square.

Interesting facts from each of their lives in Schleicher County follow below:

Lois Etheredge
Compiled by Ann Barker

Imagine H.E. 'Boosie' and Allie Sharp's surprise when, after three children, they were blessed with twins! Lois and Edwin, the twins, were born on March 31,

1912. The other children were Velma, Quinn, Ella Mae, the twins, and Alfred. The Sharps moved to the Mayer community in Schleicher County from Sonora where 'Boosie's' brother was a deputy sheriff. 'Boosie' and Allie lived in the jail with his bachelor brother, and Allie cooked for the prisoners while 'Boosie' tended bar in a local saloon. After moving to the Mayer community, the Sharps had a store and post office that adjoined their living quarters.

One night a man named Buckelew broke into the store, and the noise woke the family. Mr. Sharp overtook Buckelew a short distance from the store and brought him back to the porch where he

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Jim Martin

My father's family moved from Ireland in 1768 and settled in the state of Georgia. My Grandfather

Samuel Clark Martin was born in Arkansas in 1853 and moved to Texas in 1858. Samuel Clark Martin and his wife moved to Kimble County in 1882, where my father (Louis Pat Martin) was born in 1889. They moved to Schleicher County around 1900, and settled in the east end of the county, where their descendents still own much of the original land they settled.

My father's education came by way of governess and the Adams Rural School. He also graduated from what was then San Angelo College (2 year college).

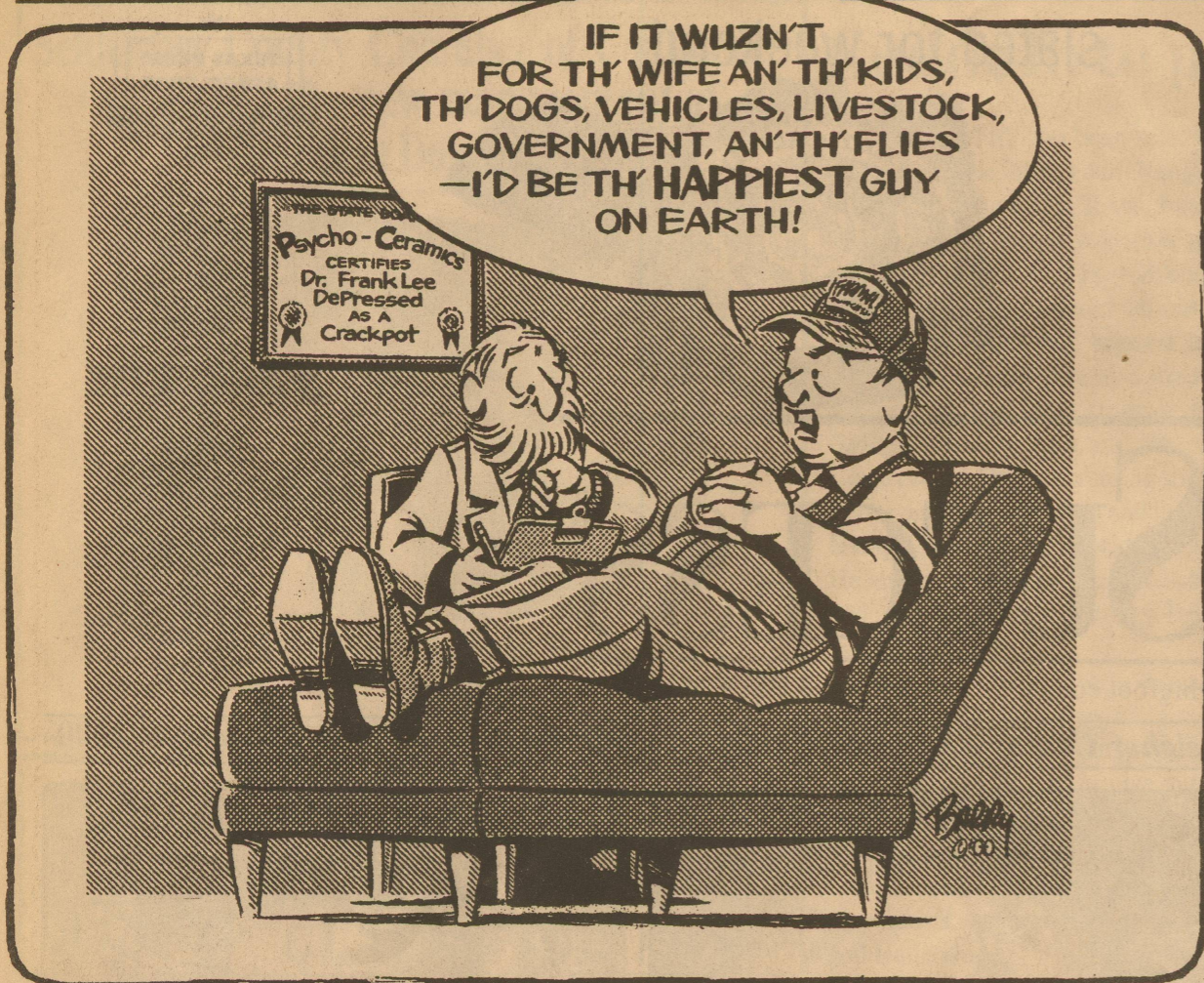
My Mother Catharine Clyde Holland was born in Arkansas to a Methodist Minister and his wife. In 1909 her father was appointed to serve in the First Methodist Church in Eldorado. There he served until 1911. The Adams school also served as a community church, and was always served by the Meth-

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photo by Lori Stricklan

And here's one for you — Dana Owens handed out cookies to eager students at the Vacation Bible School held by First Baptist Church this week.



You can trust me, that pepper isn't hot!

Texas' booming economy is luring thousands of newcomers to the state each week. Many of them find Texas to their liking and decide to make their home here. Of course, no sooner do the transplant Texans arrive than they set out to remake our great state in the image of the place they just left.

Actually, many of the outlanders find Texas a little intimidating at first. For their benefit the following e-mail was circulated. I found it entertaining and include it here for your consideration.

Advice for Anyone Moving to Texas

- 1) Save all manner of bacon grease. You will be instructed later on how to use it.
- 2) Just because YOU can drive



on snow and ice does not mean WE can. Stay home the two days of the year it snows. If you do run your car into a ditch, don't panic. Four men in a four-wheel drive pickup with a 12-pack of beer and a tow chain will be along shortly. DON'T try to help them. Just stay out of their way. This is what they live for.

3) Don't be surprised to find movie rentals and fish bait in the same store.

4) Remember: "Ya'll" is singular, "All Y'all" is plural, "All Y'all's" is plural possessive.

5) Get used to hearing "Used to" You used to live up north, but you'll get used to livin' here someday!

6) Get used to hearing, "You ain't from around here, are ya?"

7) If you are yelling at the person driving 15 mph in a 55 mph zone, directly in the middle of the road, remember: A lot of folks learned to drive on a vehicle known as John Deere, and this is the proper speed and lane position for that vehicle.

8) If you hear a redneck exclaim, "Hey, Y'all, Watch This?" Stay out of his way. These are likely the last words he will ever say.

9) Get used to the phrase, "It's not the heat, it's the humidity." And the collateral phrase "You call this Hot? Wait'll August"

10) There are no Deli's. We

- don't need them so don't ask!
- 11) In conversation, never put your hand on a man's shoulder when making a point, especially in a bar.
 - 12) We don't care how your Mama cooked it up north, chili does NOT have beans in it.
 - 13) Brisket is not "cooked" in an oven.
 - 14) If you think it's too hot, don't worry. It'll cool down - in December.
 - 15) A Mercedes-Benz is not a status symbol here. A 1-ton pickup is.
 - 16) If someone tells you "Don't worry, those peppers ain't hot" you can be certain they are.
 - 17) If you fail to heed the warning in #16 above, be sure to have a bowl of guacamole nearby. Water won't do it.
 - 18) Rocky Mountain Oysters are neither from the Mountains nor oysters. Don't ask.
 - 19) If someone says they're "fixin'" to do something, that doesn't mean anything's broken.
 - 20) If you don't understand our passion for college and high school football, just keep your mouth shut.
 - 21) The value of a parking space is determined by the availability of shade.
 - 22) If you see a slower moving vehicle on a two lane road pull onto the shoulder, that is what is called "courtesy."
 - 23) BBQ is a food group. It does NOT mean grilling burgers and hot dogs outdoors.
 - 24) No matter what you've seen on TV, Line Dancing is NOT a popular weekend pastime.
 - 25) "Tea" = Iced Tea. There is no other kind.
 - 26) Everything goes better with Ranch Dressing or Hot Sauce.

State adopts new emissions standards for 2004

AUSTIN — Texans can look forward to cleaner air in 2004 under emissions standards for motor vehicle exhaust agreed upon last week.

Major automakers, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission came to terms on tougher emissions standards for new cars, trucks and sport utility vehicles customized for sale in Texas, beginning with model year 2004.

When the new standards go into effect, emissions from new cars will be reduced by 77 percent and emissions from light trucks and

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SUVs by 95 percent, compared to today's new vehicles.

Emissions controls to be installed on 2004 models also will prevent the constant release of gasoline vapors from any parked vehicle, whether in a parking lot or garage.

The new standards for Texas are not as tough as emissions standards in force in California today.

Water Smart 2000 Begins

With reservoir levels at all-time lows, the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission last week launched a statewide water management plan dubbed "Water Smart 2000."

Passed into law as Senate Bill 1 in 1997, the plan features a comprehensive campaign to educate consumers about efficient water use and stave off water outages.

Co-author of SB 1, Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown of Lake Jackson, released a proclamation from Gov. George W. Bush urging all Texans to be "Water Smart" by repairing water leaks and limiting water usage in homes and yards.

A media campaign in English and Spanish will promote Water Smart 2000 in the coming months.

Bush Pardons Tyler Man

Gov. George W. Bush on June 1 accepted the recommendation of the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles and issued a pardon for A.B. Butler of Tyler.

Butler was serving concurrent 99-year sentences for the abduction and rape of a Tyler woman in 1983. He was released on bond several weeks ago by the trial court judge pending the outcome of his pardon request.

Bush made the decision after prosecution and defense attorneys, the trial court judge and the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals regarded DNA evidence in context with other evidence as proof of Butler's innocence.

Poster Contest Winners Named

State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander announced last week the winners of Texas Tomorrow Fund's "What I Want to Be After College" poster contest.

The contest drew nearly 6,000 entries from young students across the state. Each of the four winners will receive a college scholarship.

Winners are Robert Gonzalez, 11, of Waco, who wants to be a judge; Katie Richardson, 10, of Huntsville, who looks forward to a career teaching children with disabilities; Marissa Hernandez, 14, of Edna, who wants to discover new treatments for cancer; and Natasha Reyna, 15, of Victoria, who wants to be an artist.

Administered by the comptroller's office, Texas Tomorrow Fund allows families to freeze the cost of their children's and grandchildren's future college education at today's prices.

Course to Educate Hunters

Texas Parks and Wildlife will offer hunter education classes all summer long throughout the state.

All Texas hunters born on or after Sept. 2, 1971, must meet these requirements:

- Hunters age 17 and older must successfully complete a hunter education course.

- Hunters ages 12 through 16 must successfully complete a hunter education course or be accompanied by a licensed hunter 17 or older.

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ROLLING ALONG

WITH TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Milton Watts: Lake O' The Pines Poet

I had Milton's name for years. Every time I went looking for him, though, I could never find him. The roads near Lake O' The Pines in northeast Texas are kind of tricky. You need to know your way around to get anywhere.

I called Milton. He gave me specific instructions on how to get to his place. I arrived there about 7 p.m. and left about 4 hours later. He spent most of that time reciting his poetry from memory. I'm impressed with that because most poets I interview don't remember what they write and have to refer to the printed material when it comes to reciting it.

"I've got a lot of them memorized," says Milton. "And with a little brushing up, I can say pretty near all of them by memory."

Milton's father bought land in the area in 1923. He farmed. Milton took over the land 40 years ago and farmed and ranched it until Lake O' The Pines was built. Then he turned it into a mobile home park and marina. He calls the place Island View Landing. "It's kinda rustic," says Milton. "That's a way of sayin' it's not too sophisticated."

He started writing poetry as a hobby in 1973. "By day I scribble and scratch in my efforts to write. I add and delete through the night. Whether my subject is heavy or light, tragic or trite, try as I might, it's never quite right."

Milton writes when he's not tending the store, cleaning up the place, answering questions from a renter or launching a boat. He has written hundreds of poems. Some of them are six pages long.

"I've always tried to express myself. When I was a kid in school,

I tried to write something I thought the teacher would like."

Although none of his poetry is published, he has recited his poems before all types of historical and literary groups.

"By nature I'm a gentle man, conservative, square, perhaps at times however I am a bit prone to swear. Over emotional Irish ancestors like emotions to me did bequeath. I'm something of a weeper, a wailer, a gnasher of teeth."

His subject matter is varied and he doesn't just write poetry. He writes narrative prose about old cures and remedies (with a mixture of china berries and hog lard you could grow hair on a door knob), whiskey making in the piney woods (all try for economic success by various means, attempting to realize their American dreams. The piney woods still is but one of those schemes), personal experiences (I've known many kinds of men, been exposed to various beliefs and cultures. I've sailed high with noble birds and ripped carrion with the vultures) and his muse (spawning romantic rambling ramification comes through loving my imagination).

He usually closes his appearances with a poem called Final Instructions:

I don't want a gold lined casket lined with silk and satin lace, or a three piece suit or a fancy tux, just a smile upon my face. Don't hire a shiny limousine to send me on my way. I'd much prefer a pickup truck, a Ford or Chevrolet.

When he gets an encore, he recites these words: "Greedily I feasted on life. Sometimes I fasted. Life now gone, the epitaph: It was good while it lasted."

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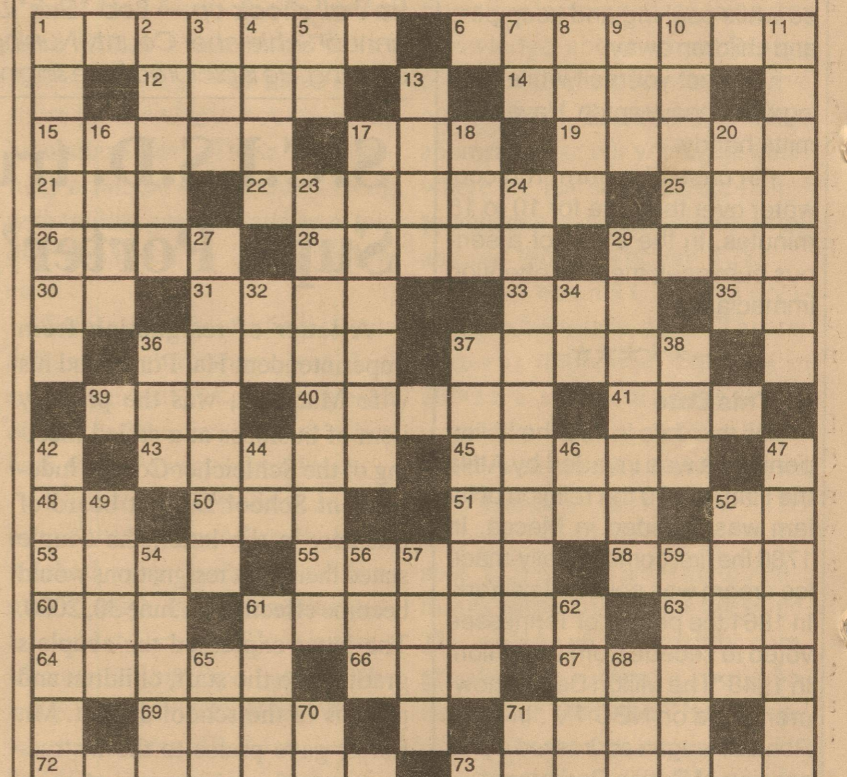


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This crossword puzzle is sponsored each week by:

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OBITUARIES

Clara Mae King Donaldson



ELDORADO — Clara Mae King Donaldson, 81, died Sunday, June 4, 2000 at her residence. Services were held Wednesday, June 7, 2000 at the First United Methodist Church in Eldorado, with Rev. Janis Petty officiating. Burial followed in Eldorado Cemetery. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

Clara Mae was born on March 5, 1919 in Field Creek in Mason County. She moved to Eldorado with her family in 1922 and attended Schleicher County schools. She later married Edward Granville (Sandy) Donaldson in Menard on February 13, 1940. She was an active member in the First Methodist Church and a "Cafeteria Lady" in the Schleicher County school system for a number of years. She was also an assistant librarian at the Schleicher County Library.

She was preceded in death by her husband Sandy Donaldson on

August 1976, and a son, Billy Dean Donaldson, in November, 1991.

Clara Mae is survived by three sons: Walter and wife Joyce of Uvalde, Gary and wife Angela of San Angelo and Larry Donaldson of Christoval; two sisters, Dorothy Harris of Eldorado and Fae Burk of San Angelo; two sisters-in-law, Alma Williams of Eldorado and Imogene Bynum of San Angelo; nine grandchildren, Stassi Beam, Cary Jo Wike, Katy Donaldson, Reid Donaldson, Colby Donaldson, Chauncey Donaldson, Thomas Donaldson, Sabrina Donaldson, Heather Donaldson; and five great grandchildren.

She was blessed by a host of many close friends including Gordon and Mary Sue Riskus who she cherished as part of her family.

Clara Mae dearly loved afternoon rides with special friends to enjoy the wildlife and nature. Her love for nature was reflected by her vast yard and home of plants and flowers. The occasional rains were always a thrill to her. Clara Mae was an accomplished quilter and was an active member of the newly organized quilting club in Eldorado. To know her was to love her.

Pallbearers will be nephews Lee Harris, Jimmy Harris, Jackie Harris, Taylor King, Allen Burk, Bill Flack, Mike Blasdel, Barney Baumann.

Memorials can be sent to the First United Methodist Church of Eldorado.

Billy Dan McAngus

Billy Dan McAngus, 70, of San Angelo died Friday, June 2, 2000, in Shannon Medical Center.

Service was held Monday, June 5, at Johnson's Funeral Home. Burial followed in the Eldorado Cemetery in Eldorado.

Billy was born Feb. 9, 1930, to William Ross and Ethel Hamilton McAngus in Eldorado. They preceded him in death. Billy was raised in Eldorado. He lived in Marshall for 33 years, where he worked as a press maintenance coordinator for Monarch Tile. He married Mary Geneva Knight on June 18, 1954, in San Angelo.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1951 to 1953. He was in the infantry. Billy had been a resident of San Angelo for two years and was a member of West Angelo Church of Christ.

He also was preceded in death by one brother, Eldon McAngus;

and one granddaughter, Christi Smith.

Billy is survived by his wife, Geneva McAngus of San Angelo; two daughters, Judy Reveile of Ballinger and Pam Lee and husband, Bert, of Marshall; one son, Leonard McAngus and wife, Jennifer, of Gonzales; four sisters, Mimi Ann Sackedis of Mount Holly, N.J., Peggy Hopkins of Glasgow, Ky., Wanda Van Hoozer of Sonora and Bonnie Hooker and husband, Willie, of San Angelo; six grandchildren, Jennifer Humphrey of Jefferson, Chris Lee of Eldorado, Ark., Melissa Smith of Marshall, Chad Lee of Marshall, Ross and William McAngus, both of Gonzales; one great-granddaughter, Hope Humphrey of Jefferson; two brothers-in-law, John Knight and Bobby Knight and wife, Gussie; one sister-in-law, Fontella Knight; and several nieces and nephews.

William E. "Bill" McAngus

William E. "Bill" McAngus, 90, of San Angelo died Monday, May 29, 2000, in a San Angelo hospital.

A graveside service was held Tuesday, May 30, in the Eldorado Cemetery, officiated by the Rev. Kenneth Patrick, chaplain of Baptist Memorial Geriatric Hospital. Arrangements were by Johnson's Funeral Home.

A memorial service was held Tuesday, May 30, in Baptist Memorial Chapel.

Bill was born Jan. 19, 1910, in Del Valle to Hugh and Maggie (Boothe) McAngus. The family moved to Schleicher County in 1920 where he finished high school and attended San Angelo Business College in 1931 and 1932.

On Dec. 28, 1935, he married Callie Mae Love of Roosevelt, Texas. She passed away January 1956 in El Paso, Texas.

Bill was a veteran of World War II, having joined the Army Air Corps in 1942. He served approximately 26 months with the 351st Bomb Group, 511th Squadron based in Polebrook, England, where he was a crew chief on a B-17 bomber. After the war he joined El

Paso Natural Gas Co. in 1945 where he became manager of the Insurance and Claims Department. He retired from El Paso Natural Gas Co. Feb. 1, 1975.

While in El Paso he met and married Ruby Jewell Brewer in 1969. In 1978 they moved to San Angelo, making their home in the Bentwood Country Club area until Ruby's death in 1994.

Bill was a member of the Church of Christ.

He is survived by a stepson, Jerry D. Brewer and his wife, Suzanne, their two sons, Mark Brewer and Wesley Brewer and his wife, Waverly, and a great-granddaughter, Ashley Fae Brewer, all of Loveland, Colo.; and several nieces and nephews.

The family requests any memorials be made to Sagecrest Alzheimer Care Center at Baptist Memorial Center, 903 N. Main St., San Angelo, TX 76903.



photo by Kathy Mankin
New minister in town — Rev and Mrs. Leonard Wideman with their children Claire and Luke.

Wideman takes over as pastor at First Presbyterian Church

Rev. Leonard Wideman will preach his first sermon as pastor of First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, June 11. He and his wife Shannan come to Eldorado from Austin where Rev. Wideman recently graduated from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

The couple, who have been married for seven years, have two children, Claire, age 3, and Luke, 7 months old.

Both Rev. and Mrs. Wideman are Texas natives. He is originally from Houston while she was raised in Coppell. Both are graduates of the University of Texas at Austin. She is a registered pharmacist. Rev. Wideman worked as a Petroleum Engineer for Southern Natural Gas before entering the ministry.

The family has varied interests.

Leonard Wideman enjoys golf, extreme sports and biking while his wife Shannan enjoys scrapbooking, reading and biking. The couple noted that daughter Claire likes coloring, ballet and stories while their toddler Luke enjoys eating, crawling and drooling.

Rev. Wideman told the Success, "Being the pastor of First Presbyterian Church is truly a joy and an honor. However, I am not only this congregation's pastor, but also one among many pastors to the community. On behalf of all the churches of Eldorado, I personally invite each person in the community, young and old, into a meaningful relationship with the God we worship, Jesus Christ. I am excited about what God's doing here. Join us in God's ministry."

It's Twins!

Twin boys arrived on Friday, June 2, 2000 in San Angelo hospital. Brendon Bray Guevara arrived first at 1:44 p.m. weighing 5 pounds and 15 1/2 ounces and 19 inches long. His brother Brannon Brees Guevara arrived soon after at 1:49 p.m. and weighed 6 pounds and 1 1/2 ounces and 18 inches long.

The proud parents are Shianne Middleton and Brock Guevara of San Angelo, Texas. Grandparents are Ronnie and Maggie Middleton of Eldorado and Ray and Aletha Guevara of Winter, Texas.

Meals for Friends Menu



- Monday, June 12**
Barbecue Brisket, Baked Potato, Green Beans, Cornbread, Coleslaw, Fresh Fruit Cup, Milk
- Tuesday, June 13**
Steak Fingers w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Sliced Tomatoes, Biscuits, Heavenly Hash Cake, Orange Juice, Milk
- Wednesday, June 14**
Glazed Ham, Cooked Cabbage, Sw. Potatoes w/Apple, Wheat Rolls, Banana Pudding, Milk
- Thursday, June 15**
Chicken Fried Steak w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Hot Rolls, Tossed Salad, Mil, White Cake w/Carmel Icing
- Friday, June 16**
Chicken Salad Sandwich, Carrot & Celery Sticks, Macaroni Salad, Potato Chips, Fresh Bananas, Milk

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Prior to the founding of the construction company, Kirk was, and continues to be, involved in farming and ranching. Holly, originally from Brady, was the director of public relations for St. John's Hospital in San Angelo.

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Looking back at the very first Mias Amigas meeting

Mias Amigas Club History

by Dorothy Dacy

The following are the actual minutes taken at the very first meeting of the Mias Amigas club on June 25th and June 26th, 1931:

"One of the most outstanding occasions of this season was the first meeting of the Mias Amigas club in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Doty in Eldorado.

"The organization of the club was completed on the afternoon of June 25th with Mrs. Josephine Murchison Hill as President and Mrs. Ida Conner Neill as Secretary and Treasurer.

"The club is composed of girls who spent most of their childhood in or near Eldorado. Mias Amigas was decided upon as the name for the club because its meaning (My Friends) proves that thru the stress of every day affairs and crowding years, sentiment and love and youth always love.

"It was only thru the perseverance and Loyalty of the fathers and mothers of these girls that they are privileged to call Eldorado, 'The Land of Gold', home.

"The girls spent the two days recalling many stories of their school days and the many happy hours spent together.

"Dozens of old photographs were dug up and passed around, causing peals of merry laughter as they saw themselves as others saw them.

"New pictures were taken in various poses so that they might have something else to have fun over next year.

"Altho' fun reigned supreme each girl responded readily to the sound of the dinner gong which called them to many good things to eat, including brown beans."

"The following girls were present: Lula Mae Evans Smith - Ozona; Annie Marie Dory Perver -

Ozona; Lucille Hill Walker - Plainview; Mary Ellen Tisdale Hughes - Mertz; Mattie Whitten Royster - Eldorado; Suelena Halbert Byrd - San Angelo; Olga Benton Meador - Eldorado; Lavita Christian Brooks - Eldorado; Elsie Berry Reagan - Eldorado; Lummie Pelt Whitten - Eldorado; Josephine Murchison Hill - Eldorado; Ida Conner Neill - San Angelo; Ruby Jones Dameron - Sonora; Gladis McKnight Davis - Sterling City; Miss Evelyn Hinyard - San Angelo; and Miss Lucy Lee Williams - San Angelo.

"The club voted to have the Homecoming in Eldorado the last of June each year and everyone is looking forward with much pleasure to the gathering of the 'Old Bunch' at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D.C. Hill in June of 1932."

Today's Mias Amigas Club meeting is still held the last week-end of June, as it has been for the past 68 years. It has grown to include all graduates of Eldorado High School, both the girls and the guys and their families. These graduates gather each year to share stories, pictures, and reminisce with friends about their school days. To qualify for membership, you must be a graduate of EHS and have been out of school for 20 years. Many classes have five and ten year reunions during Schleicher County Days and at other times of the year. But the initiation into "Mias Amigas" is a special privilege and joy only people that spent their school days here can appreciate.

This year, the classes of 1950 and 1980, the 50 year and 20 year graduates respectfully will be honored. The meeting is June 23rd and 24th on the Court House Square and in the Memorial Building.

Invitations have gone out, and the schedule of events, times, etc. will follow in next week's Success.



photo by Kathy Mankin

Please identify — Nancy Lester posed Tuesday with a giant root someone left near the front door of the County Extension Office. Neither she nor fellow County Agent Scott Edmonson know what type of root it is, nor do they know who left it. If you have any information, contact Nancy or Scott at 853-2132.

X-Bar Ranch plans Dinner Series 2000

The X Bar Ranch Dinner Series 2000 will consist of three evenings of good food, great entertainment and lots of fun.

On June 24th Voices from the Past will come alive as stories are told about life on the frontier. The readings will come from works that are now part of the West Texas Collection at the Angelo State University Library and will include stories from the early days at Ft. Concho and Ft. McKavett. Additional stories may come from compilations of works made available by the Eldorado Woolen Mill.

The July 14th program "Calls of the Wild" will be presented by Dr. Dale Rollins of the Texas A&M Research Center in San Angelo. The presentation will include his famous wild animal calls of native wildlife. If you stay late enough he may be able to call in some coyotes!

Zechariah Teague, also known as Gary Karschner, will be entertaining the crowds at the X Bar on the evening of August 11. Zechariah presents an entertaining one-man show for audiences who want to learn about the REAL American West and the people who lived the legends.

The gate will be open from 5:00 p.m., meals will be served around 7:30 p.m. and each event should conclude around 9:30 p.m. Guests are welcome to come out early and stay late. In addition to a full meal and entertainment each evening, guests can enjoy hiking on the nature trails, visiting the wildlife viewing area and taking in the beautiful scenery of the X Bar Ranch. No alcohol is served, BYOB. Tickets are sold in advance only.

The 2000 Dinner Series will take place at the Live Oak Lodge

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Place: Live Oak Lodge X Bar Ranch Eldorado, Texas
 Time: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. — Gathering
 7:30 p.m. — Meal: Menu to be announced
 8:30 p.m. — Entertainment

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Mias Amigas Reminder

Dear Editor:

For everyone who ever graduated, attended and/or taught in Eldorado schools thru 1980. It's now less than three weeks and counting to the ultimate, absolute, once-in-a-lifetime millennial return to their roots. Ready or not.

The Schleicher County Independent School District's ultimate reunion will be Saturday, June 24.

Members of the Eldorado High School Ex-Students Association "hope" that the event, which has been in the planning stage since the last weekend in June '99, will draw hundreds of alumni from near and far.

Registration for exes, 1979-1980 class and earlier, will occur Friday evening at 5:00 PM before the Visitation and Class Assemblies commencing on the Schleicher County Courthouse Lawn at 6:00 PM. Registration continues Saturday June 24 at 8:30 AM.

It's hard to listen to the chairman, the class of 1960 followed by the class of 1980 without catching a little of the excitement. Some people's prayer books or Bibles fall open upon the 'well-used' pages. There are others in the local community

who use their considerable influence and force of personality to bring about this Eldorado Millennial Reunion and in fact there are many original moving forces behind the upcoming ingathering of alums from whatever far-flung locations they may have landed to return to Eldorado, where their adult lives began.

In a letter some years ago, Tom Potter, class of 1945, issued a combination challenge and invitation (I believe) to make this millennium mean more than just another turning up of a row of zeroes. These 're-unions' are really a big thing, and "we" should make the most of this year being the year 2000.

Once in a lifetime. When are Eldorado citizens who attended the S.C.I.S. district ever going to get a chance to celebrate something like this if "you" don't do it now?

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Schleicher County Day 2000

Saturday, June 10, 2000
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

7:00 - 9:00 a.m.....Booth Setup
 9:00 a.m.....Vendor booths open
 Parade -- CASH PRIZES
 For top 3 entries (\$100 -- \$50 -- \$25)
 Softball Tourney begins at baseball field
 10:00 a.m.....Historical Society Pioneer Award Presentation
 Registration opens for Washer Pitching
 11:00 a.m.....Live Musical Entertainment Begins
 12:00 noon.....Washer Pitching Tournament Begins
 1:30 p.m.....Open Golf Tournament (scramble) tee time at golf course

Rodeo
 Fri. & Sat., June 9th & 10th
 Rodeo Arena South of Town
 Sponsored by Schleicher County Rodeo Assn.
 Gates open at 7:00 pm
 Rodeo begins at 8:00 pm

2000 Eldorado Open Rodeo

Dance following Rodeo
 Saturday night featuring "Shiloh"

Lois Etheredge, Schleicher County Pioneer Families Honoree

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made a pallet for him and chained him to a porch post. It was 18 miles and 18 gates to open to get to Eldorado, so 'Boosie' waited until morning to take his prisoner in!

This was not 'Boosie's' first brush with the criminal element. While bartending in Sonora, the notorious Will Carver and his gang of outlaws were hiding on a ranch nearby. One night they came to town for supplies and 'Boosie' recognized them. He called his brother Henry, the deputy, and Henry in turn called Sheriff Bryant. Sheriff Bryant and several officers went to the bakery where the gang members were buying supplies. Bryant shot Carver and as Carver was dying, Bryant asked one of the men who had known Carver when he had worked on a ranch in Sutton County if the dead man was really Will Carver. The man replied, "If he dies, he's Carver, but if he lives, I don't know who in the h--- he is!" Will Carver was buried in the cemetery in Sonora. (Bob Evans, a Schleicher Co. rancher and businessman, had worked on a ranch with Will Carver as a young man.)

There was a two-room school house very close to the store, Lois and Edwin attended school there. Sunday school was held every Sunday in the school, and church services were held every few Sundays when a circuit preacher came

by. There was a Methodist preacher and an Episcopal priest who took turns serving the congregation. Lois became a member of the Methodist Church. Mrs. Bert Page would play the piano. There would be dinner on the ground, and there was a lot of "42" played in the store in the afternoon.

The school burned when Lois was 12 years old. Every morning the teacher went to school early and started the fire in a wood stove. She took up the ashes from the day before, and on that particular day, she scooped the ashes into a cardboard box and set the box behind the door. During the night, the live coals flamed up, and the school burned to the ground.

In the early part of the 20th century, screens on doors and windows were scarce, and the flies were bad. Lois' family finally got screens, and Mrs. Sam Jones, a neighbor, asked Lois' mother how she liked them. She replied, "I don't like them. There are so many children going in and out and the flies flock in and can't get out."

Another neighbor in the Mayer community was Mrs. M. E. Neal, grandmother of Orval Edmiston. Grandma Neal frequently wanted Lois to spend the night with her and read the Bible to her. Lois was eight or nine years old at the time, and there were lots of words she couldn't pronounce. When Lois came to one

of the words that she didn't know, Grandma Neal would pronounce it for her, even though she couldn't read. Lois would go home the next morning and tell her mother that she didn't understand why Grandma Neal wanted to be read to since she knew the Bible by heart.

In the early decades of the 1900s, children were responsible for their own entertainment, and the Sharp children were very inventive. On one occasion, the boys caught a buzzard someday, and the girls tore up rags and rolled the rags into a large ball which they soaked in coal oil. The boys brought the buzzard around, attached a wire to its leg, affixed the coal oil-soaked ball of rags to the wire, and set the ball afire just as they released the buzzard. It streaked up and across the

Schleicher Co. Day and Open Rodeo planned

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tact Mark Marshall at 853-2514 ext. 235.

The Schleicher County Historical Society will announce its Pioneer Family award recipients at 11:00 a.m. on the outside stage near the courthouse. This year's honorees are Lois Etheredge and Jim Martin.

Throughout the day, live entertainment will echo from the free stage as several groups take turns providing music. Festival-goers will be able to spend the spare time between events visiting the many food and craft booths which will dot the courthouse lawn.

The second performance of the Eldorado Open Rodeo will begin Saturday evening at 8:00 p.m. Trophy Buckles will be awarded after each event.

Following the Saturday evening rodeo, a dance will be held on the slab adjacent to the arena. Live music will be provided by Shiloh.

For a complete list of events see schedule on Page 5. Make your plans now to attend Schleicher County Day and the Eldorado Open Rodeo. Join your friends and neighbors and take part in all the fun!

sky, and the Bates, neighbors who lived three miles away, called the Sharps and told them to look out at the ball of fire moving across the sky. Do you suppose the children ever admitted to their creativity?

After the Mayer school burned, the Sharps moved into Eldorado. Lois was 12, and she completed the rest of her schooling in town, graduating in 1930. In 1931, on Christmas Day, she married Jack Etheredge, a cowboy on the Thad A. Thomson ranch. They were blessed in 1935 with the birth of a son, their only child, Billy Jack. They left the Thomson ranch in 1942, and Jack went to work for Shell Oil Co. for a very short time. Jack had always been a cowboy, so when he got the chance to return to ranch work, he took it, and he and Lois moved to a ranch near Ft. McKavett where Jack worked for Sol Mayer. They stayed there for 16 months before moving back to Eldorado.

While they were living on the Thomson ranch, Jack roped a wild turkey one day, and he and Lois invited Evans and Etheredge and Junior and Winona Isaacs out to eat with them the next day. After eating, they went to town to play 42 at the Isaacs' home. When they arrived, they found Holvey Enochs sitting in the living room crying and listening to the radio. He told them the Japanese had just bombed Pearl Harbor, and the United States had declared war on Japan.

Another interesting brush with a criminal element occurred in connection with the infamous Calcote murders of Schleicher County. Shorty Benavides was a Mexican immigrant who worked on the Thomson ranch before moving to the Calcote ranch to work. He became friendly with the Calcote family, playing 42 with them, and engaging in various other activities. He became enamored of Mrs. Calcote and one night he slipped in and killed Mr. Calcote, and Mr. Calcote's mother. He abducted Mrs. Calcote and her young daughter, and when he realized that could not escape the county with both of them, he killed the mother and the daughter. Before fleeing into Mexico, however, he returned to the

Thomson ranch and buried the gun that he had used in a garden. He had to pass right by Lois' house to get to the garden. Lois's dad, Boosie Sharp, parked at the house in his pickup to guard the place until the family could get there.

Jack ended his employment with the Thomson ranch and he and Lois moved to the Sol Mayer ranch at Ft. McKavett. A.G. and Cleve Clark and their three children moved to Ft. McKavett the same day that Jack and Lois did. One of A.G.'s jobs on the ranch was to break horses. Cleve and Lois noticed that the pen in which A.G. would work was awfully rocky, so they and the four children got busy and picked up all the rocks and threw them outside the enclosure. When A.G. came in for the afternoon, he was very upset to find that the rocks had been cleared from the pen. It seems that the horses would not buck so much with the rocks in the pen, so Lois, Cleve, and the children went back outside and threw all of the rocks back in the horse pen!

After leaving the Sol Mayer ranch, Jack and Lois moved to town, and as soon as they were settled, Lois went to work for Mr. and Mrs. Archie Wright in their grocery store. She made \$20.00 a week working in the store. Mr. Ratliff had also wanted Lois to work for him in his dry goods store, but when Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Brooks offered her a job in the post office at 85 cents an hour, she couldn't let the opportunity pass. Lois retired from the post office after twenty six years and three months. Jack, in the meantime, worked for an oil company and for a roustabout company since the days of the oil boom had come to Schleicher County. Eventually, Jack and Lois bought a Texaco service station which Jack operated for ten years.

In 1933, Lois joined the First Baptist Church of Eldorado where she was active throughout her life. She was a Sunday School teacher as well as being very active in the senior group which travelled with Mary Robinson. Her church and the friends she made there have been one of the real joys of Lois' life.

In the '30s and '40s, life was simple in America, and one of the reasons was because money was in short supply. It was customary for people to drive in to town on Saturday afternoon, park their cars on Main Street, do their shopping, and then visit for a few hours. Much of the visiting was done in the parked cars, and much people-watching was also enjoyed. One Saturday, Jack, Lois, and little Billy Jack drove to town early so they

would be assured of a good parking place. On the way to town, they cautioned Billy Jack that he was not to ask for anything while they were there. They had not been in town more than an hour when Billy Jack begged for an ice cream cone. To resolve the situation, Jack, Lois and Billy Jack just had to leave and go home because they didn't have a nickel to buy an ice cream cone!

Lois and Jack's son, Billy Jack, graduated from Eldorado High School, married Burnell Doyle, and they moved to Lubbock where Billy Jack attended Texas Tech University graduating with a degree in petroleum engineering. His entire career was spent with Texaco. They had two children, Jackie Susan and Greg. Jackie is married to Billy Don Hampton, and they have two girls, Kasey and Shannon. Billy Don teaches school in Lubbock and Jackie is an attorney. The night that Greg graduated from high school in Dallas, he and his two friends were killed in a car wreck.

Lois, having spent all of her adult life in Schleicher County, has always said "that the best people in the world live in Eldorado." She moved to Myrtlewood Assisted Living Facility in San Angelo in 2000, and now she is anticipating a move to another retirement center in Lubbock to be near Jackie Susan and her family. One thing remains the same, however; wherever Lois lives, she is happy and positive and looking for a good game to play!

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Other Highlights

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BIRTHDAY LIST

- June
- 8th Randy Adame, Dustin Cheatham, Houston Henderson
- 9th Albert Fuentes Jr., Dee Martinez, Eli Martinez, Jake Avila, Stanley Spinks
- 10th Carlos Lozano, Joseph Wink, Shianne Middleton, Tommy Robledo, Carrol Green
- 11th Edwina Taylor
- 12th Blake Leggett
- 13th Clay Butler, Hannah Robledo, Madolyn Joy, Patsy Kellogg
- 14th Ashley Barton, Scott Homer

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- June
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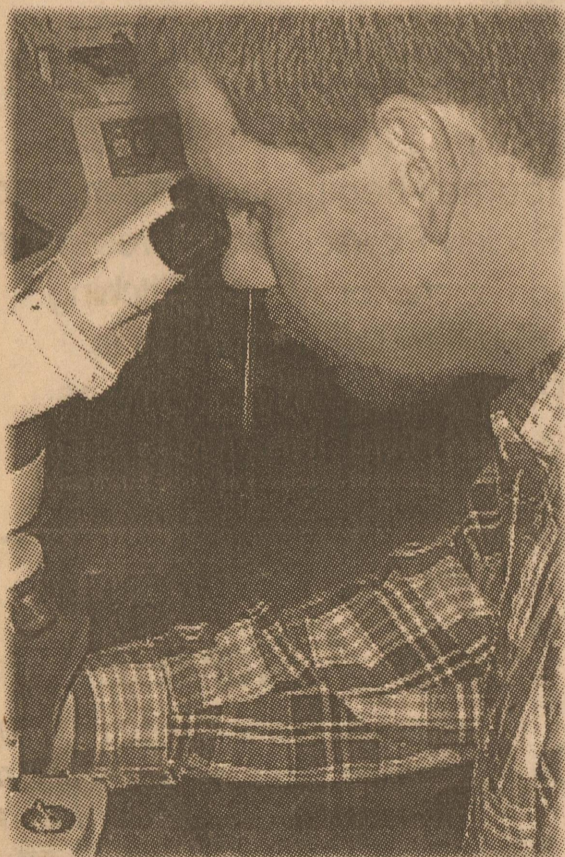
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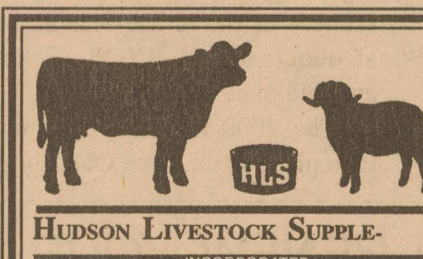
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odist Church in Eldorado. This is how my father and mother became acquainted. They were married in 1915, and ranched in Schleicher County until His death in 1947.

I was born December 15, 1931. My son and his family still live in the house where I was born. I was the youngest of six children. My brothers and sisters are all dead except one sister, Patsy.

I attended Adams School until the 8th grade. When I reached the 8th grade I came to the Eldorado School system where I graduated from High School in 1949. I married Nelva June Bolt in February 3, 1951. We have two children Jimmy (Jr.) and Virginia Sue. We have 6 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. Jimmy married Sherry Davis, and they live at the home place where they are involved in ranching and oilfield pumping. Vir-

ginia Sue married Mitch Trainer they live in Sonora. She is employed by the US Postal Service.

After my father's death in 1947, I ranched with my brother and Mother until I went to work for Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative in 1956 (I roughnecked on a drilling rig for a short time before I went to work for the Cooperative). As most Schleicher County natives of any length of time remember, we suffered through a severe drought through the first 6 years of the 1950's. My brother and I did what most ranchers did then, we burned prickly pear to keep our livestock alive. We had a 250-gallon butane tank in the truck bed of an old pickup and many times Nelva would drive for us (with our two babies in the pickup with her) while we burned pear. This very drought and the fact I had a wife and two children to support precipitated my

going to work at a job that offered a paycheck.

I worked for SWTEC for 43 years. I began as a laborer, became a lineman, then line foreman. I moved into the office in about 1978, and became General Manager in 1990. I remained in that capacity until my retirement on May 31, 1999.

Some memories that stand out in my life: Growing up on a ranch where you had to ride horse back 6 days a week during spring, summer, & fall because of the devastating screwworm. Shearing sheep and goats each year, pulling bitter weed in the spring and early summer in an attempt to rid the ranch of this noxious weed. My father leased two adjacent ranches, and if you had to work livestock on either one of them, you had to ride horseback to that ranch before you could gather the livestock (I don't

think anyone owned a livestock trailer then).

School years in the one room, one teacher country school). Most of the teachers that taught in this school lived with us through the week and went home on weekends. Some of my teachers were Lila Bea Fisher (niece of O.C. Fisher), Jane McKinney (Her husband Kaye operated the Eldorado Success). Church in this same schoolhouse was held every other Sunday, and every fifth Sunday we had

"church all day and dinner on the ground". We always had an annual nighttime revival, and it usually lasted a full week (for light we depended on gasoline lamps that were suspended from the ceiling). Each year at the end of the school term, we had a community barbeque with horse racing, goat roping, and games for the kids (this event usually was attended by more than a hundred people).

The years I spent working for Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative were among the happiest

times of my life. Especially the early years when I worked on the line construction crew. I worked with and for some of the greatest people ever. Through all of those years, I became acquainted with most of our customers (members), and employees of the other cooperatives around us, and when I became manager I got to work with all of the managers in the state and some in other states.

As I look back over my life, there is very little that I would change if I could.

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Lots of Awards — At the end of the recent school year, the 1999-2000 Eldorado Middle School Student Council displayed awards they received at the District VIII meeting of Middle School Student Councils held in Odessa. Included among the awards were the Outstanding Council and Sweepstakes Awards. Student Council members included: (Front L-R) Alicia Corrales, Mikinzie Holley, Lori Loomis, Maxie Holley, Chelci Rodriguez (Middle L-R) Courtney Whitten, Kristin Mittel, Anakaren Esparza, Kolby Dombroski, Charlotte Adame, Lauren Brown, Emily Newman (Back L-R) Marcos Hernandez, Travis Joiner, Clara Herrera, Will Griffin and Allison Reynolds.

School trustees accept Supt. Porter's resignation, vote to hire Ag teacher

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and assistance to the students of the school district. Phil McCormick then called the board into executive session to discuss the letter of resignation and personnel issues.

After returning to open session at 7:50 p.m. the board immediately acted upon the resignations. Mrs. Debbie Griffin, chairperson of the committee interviewing candidates for the position of elementary principal, then reported to the board, supplementing information the board received in executive session. No action was taken on the subject, however.

High school principle Ken Newman made recommendation that Mr. Cory Stevens, currently in the employ of Dell City I.S.D., be hired as Ag-Science teacher. Newman reported that ten candidates had been considered for the position, five of which were screened and interviewed. Stevens is a 1997 graduate of Texas Tech University with a major in Agri-Science. Mrs. Chris McCravery was assigned to serve as Stevens mentor. Upon a motion by Eddie Albin, seconded by Steve Sessom, the board unanimously agreed to hire Mr. Stevens.

Items of information regarding the 1998-1999 administrative cost ratio for the school district were reported by the Texas Education Agency. SCISD's ratio for that period stood at 0.0869, well below the statewide ratio, of 0.1561. A letter, submitted by Joe Wisnoski, coordinator of School Finance and Fiscal Analysis stated "Schleicher ISD's administrative cost ratio for the year 1998-1999 school year is below its established standard,

therefore, no action is required from your district at this time regarding statutory limits on administrative costs."

Also in the area of school finance, an e-mail concerning the pros and cons of changing the district's accounting year was distributed and reviewed.

With no other items on the agenda, the board then entered into an executive session to discuss

strategies for recruiting a new superintendent. The board emerged into open session at 11:30 p.m. taking no action on the matter. However, the Success has learned that the trustees rejected the idea of contracting with the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) to lead the recruitment effort. TASB's services were utilized three years ago when Hal Porter was recruited to replace Scott Barton.

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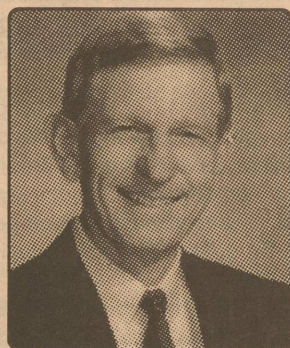
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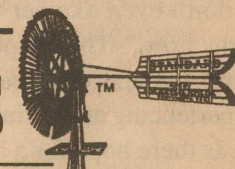
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Thursday, June 15th
Bologna Sandwiches (Cheese), French Fries, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Apple Slices, Milk

Friday, June 16th
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Tech announces Honor's List

Three former Eldorado High School graduates attending Texas Tech University qualified for academic honors lists at the end of the 2000 Spring Semester.

Students on the President's List earned a 4.0 (A) grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more

semester hours of class work. Students who earned 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List.

Making the Presidential List was Erin Clair Meador, Lee Ann Lloyd and Jesse Vasquez.

Certified nurse aide Olympics planned in San Angelo

As you are aware, Certified Nurse Aides are the back bone of a long term care facility. In recognition of the CNA's there will be a CNA Olympics that will be held at Baptist Memorials Center, 902 N. Main, San Angelo on Saturday, June 10, 2000 at 10:00 a.m. The theme for this year is "The 60's - Flower Power."

All nursing facilities in San Angelo and the Concho Valley are in-

vited to participate. At this time 10 facilities have joined the games. Following is a partial list of games: Bedpan Race, Three-Legged Walker Race, Tortilla Toss, Wheel-chair Race.

The winner of each event will be awarded points and in case of the tie the top two teams will compete in a trivia contest regarding CNA rules and regulations to determine the winner. There is no fee to attend the games, and the public of all ages are invited to join the fun.

A raffle drawing will be held for a 19" color TV/VCR combination. Tickets must be purchased at the games. The Concho Valley Home for Girls is the recipient of funds raised.

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Certified Nurse Assistants-L-R: Kayla Kohls, Crystal Vallejo, Jennah Richters, Mitch Wilderson, Haley Edmiston, Ramon Adame, Judith Sanchez, Jackie Barrera and Maria Guzman. These seniors have completed the nurse aide training program at Eldorado High School and successfully passed the skills and written tests required to be Certified Nurse Assistant in the State of Texas. The program is a portion of the two-year health occupation course offered at Eldorado High School.

Minutes of Emergency Medical Service meeting

The Emergency Medical Service's monthly meeting was held on Monday, June 5, 2000. Members present were Bobby Andrews, Victor Belman, Tim Vasquez, Michael Faull, Joey Jones, Soila Rojas, Susie Richters, Dr. Dorie, Meg Anderson, Sheila Prater, Brenda Greer, Connie Andrews, Melissa Stanford, Luiz Martinez, and T.J. Rodriguez.

The meeting was called to order at 5:17 p.m.

I. Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. Motion made by Victor Belman and seconded by Sheila Prater.

II. Schleicher Co. Days, Parade and Rodeo, June 9 and June 10. EMS I will be standing by both Friday and Saturday at the rodeo. We will do b/p checks and have water, the fire department is donating cups. We will not be staying for slack. Sign up sheets are up in the ambulance bays. We will also participate in the parade Saturday morning and will have a booth set up at Schleicher County Days. The ambulances have to be lined up at the old practice fields by 8:30 a.m.

III. Baseball Tournament-Saturday, June 17: 10:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.-We have a sign up sheet for those who would like to help out. EMS II is the 911 unit, EMS I will be at the baseball field. Members can help out in any increment you want. The 911 crew will have to cover the ball

games if no one signs up to help.

IV. Audit Report- Audit completed. Everything came out fine and all monies accounted for. Auditors did make some suggestions to improve our accounting system. This was the first audit for the service. Accounting changes for year 2000 have been put in place and next year audit should be straight forward and a lot simpler.

V. Communication Grant-SB102: The service received monies from the Texas Department of Health and four hand held radios have been purchased. The crew will be able to communicate with the Sheriff Office and Hospital without having to return to the ambulances radio. Tim will in service everyone individually on these radios. Another grant has been submitted to TDH for an upgrade of the current communications system.

VI. Ambulance Operations/EMS Update: On EMS II the light in the patient compartment will come on for a few minutes and shuts off. So be sure to turn on the module master. Also the O2 system on EMS II is electric and so all you have to do is turn the switch on and your O2 will come on. Please be sure that you turn off all items (lights, O2, etc.) when shutting down the ambulance. EMS I and EMS II are stocked basically the same so please feel free to come by and familiarize yourself.

When using EMS I it is very important to turn off the battery switch, we have recently had to replace the batteries because they were run down on 2 occasions. EMS update-Tim just return from a meeting in Austin, the committee which he participates has been discussing proposed changes in the recertification process. The different options were discussed. T.J. Rodriguez, Luiz Martinez, and Stoney Harris all passed the EMT test and are now Certified EMT's. Congratulations!

VII. Schedule Coverage-Discussion of schedule coverage. Melissa has totaled up all calls, 911, transfers and hours if you would like to see. Discussion of Health & Safety 773.0611. Our schedule needs a minimum of 2 certified people and try to limit to a max of 3 certified 24 hours, 7 days a week. Discussion of everyone coming in to 'sign up' on the schedule. The 3 month period of mandatory weekend call is still in place. We need to still run the mandatory weekend shift in 12 hour increments if at all possible. Deadline for signing up on the schedule Thursday 12:00.

VIII. Other Business-We have three students riding out with us now. Leanna is a medical student and will be here till June 30th, Bryan Sproul and Matt Curtis are HOE students. One student will be allowed to sign up at a time.

REPORTS

May 31 • 10:00 a.m. Complainant reported they had lost their cell phone. The last time it was used was on the golf course in Sonora on May 20. Est. Value \$300.

11:50 a.m. Complainant on Mills Ave. brought in a 10 speed bike that they had found on West Mills and West Street.

6:46 p.m. Complainant reported a male subject dressed in a woman's bathing suit at a local store. Officers responded.

7:55 p.m. Complainant reported a red truck driving wildly on Highland Avenue. Officer responded.

8:58 p.m. Complainant on McWhorter Ave. reported young boys driving a go-cart going too fast and almost turning it over. Officer responded.

June 1 • 7:15 a.m. Pipeline company reported they were going to close Gillis Street between Pelt Street and Herman Street while they were working on the street.

8:20 p.m. Complainant on Divide Street reported a transformer that had blown. Complainant had no electricity at the time. Utility company notified about problem.

9:27 p.m. Complainant reported a vehicle driving around with kids riding on the hood. Officer responded.

10:46 p.m. Hospital requested EMS for a ACLS Transfer. EMS 2 responded.

June 2 • 12:45 a.m. Complainant requested an officer to check on male subject because he had been bitten by a rattlesnake. Officer responded and confirmed suspect had been bitten by snake, but was refusing any treatment.

1:20 a.m. Complainant requested an officer because of loud music waking them up. Complainant refused to give their name of apartment number. Officer responded.

11:00 a.m. Complainant reported a 1988 Yamaha 4 wheeler stolen on May 30, 2000. Front tires were worn and new tires in back. Est. value

\$1,500.

June 3 • 12:29 a.m. Complainant requested an officer to check out a loud noise in front of their home. Complainant thought it might be a party. Officer responded.

5:33 p.m. Complainant reported two vehicles driving recklessly traveling south on Hwy 277 at extremely high rate of speed.

6:36 p.m. Complainant on N. Oaks requested to speak with an officer about a male subject. Officer responded.

6:44 p.m. Complainant on County Road 109 found a female blue heeler.

7:56 p.m. Complainant reported that her brother had taken their mom's car without permission. The male subject is intoxicated. Officer responded.

8:56 p.m. Complainant on S Main reported that someone had cut the line to their gas tank. Officer responded.

9:45 p.m. Complainant on Del Rio Street reported a lost Boston Terrier, dog is a female and is black & white in color.

10:45 p.m. Complainant on Lee Street reported kids running through the alley in shorts in the rain. Officer responded and unable to locate.

June 4 • 1:10 a.m. Complainant called to report that the draw 17 miles out on Hwy. 190 was about 2 feet over the road. Texas Department of Transportation was notified.

2:25 a.m. Complainant reported that the door to the wrecker truck was open and the dome light was on. Officer responded.

June 5 • 8:15 a.m. Complainant needed assistance trying to wake a subject. Officer responded and Justice of the Peace was contacted.

6:20 p.m. Complainant requested a Criminal Trespass be served on male subject. Officer responded.

10:48 p.m. Complainant reported 2 vehicles driving recklessly on Hwy. 277 South. Vehicles were driving in both lanes. Officer responded.

Focus on the Family

by Dr. James Dobson

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Dad Can Play Peacemaker For Strong-willed Daughter and Mom

QUESTION: My teen daughter, Cynthia, and I have incredible fights sometimes. No one has ever gotten to me in quite the way she can. We actually yell at each other when these battles are going on. How unusual is that kind of conflict between mothers and daughters? And is there hope for us?

DR. DOBSON: Unfortunately, it is very common. Many psychologists have described a "thing" that occurs between some mothers and teen-age daughters. Even though they love each other, the friction between them can generate a lot of heat. It probably results from a phenomenon that has been called "two women in the kitchen" — a kind of natural competitiveness that occurs between females in the family. It can also be caused by a mother's inability to cope with an extremely difficult and antagonistic kid.

Whatever the source, it can make life unpleasant for several years. I know women who would give their lives for their daughters, yet they say with fire in their eyes, "I don't even like her very much right now." That appears to be what you and your teen-ager are experiencing at this time.

Is there hope for a better relationship in years to come? Yes, I believe you will overcome it. Getting Cynthia through adolescence and into adulthood will change everything. I wouldn't be surprised if she didn't become one of your best friends down the road. So, take heart. A better day is coming.

QUESTION: But what can we do in the meantime? How can I deal with this wildcat who lives under my roof?

DR. DOBSON: Before I answer, tell me what your husband's relationship with Cynthia is.

QUESTION: It's very good. She doesn't pull the same stuff on him that she does with me. What are you getting at?

DR. DOBSON: He may hold the key to the tension in your home. Fathers can play a valuable role as peacemakers and mediators at a time like this. They can help you ventilate anger and find acceptable compromises where they are appropriate. Cynthia may listen to her dad. When teen-agers are greatly irritated with one parent, they will sometimes seek to draw closer to the other. It's like a nation at war that seeks supportive allies. If fathers are favored in that way, they can calm the troubled waters and keep two women from killing each other. Without this masculine influence, routine skirmishes can turn into World War III.

QUESTION: How early in life is a child capable of making a strong-willed stand in defiance against his or her parents?

DR. DOBSON: Depending on the temperament of the individual, defiant behavior can be displayed by very young children. A father once told me of taking his 3-year-old daughter to a basketball game. The child was, of course, interested in everything in

the gym except the athletic contest.

The father permitted her to roam freely and climb on the bleachers, but he set up definite limits regarding how far she could stray. He took her by the hand and walked with her to a stripe painted on the gym floor. "You can play all around the building, Janie, but don't go past this line," he instructed her.

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Dr. Dobson is president of the nonprofit organization Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, Colo. 80903; or www.focus.org. Questions and answers are excerpted from "Solid Answers," published by Tyndale House.
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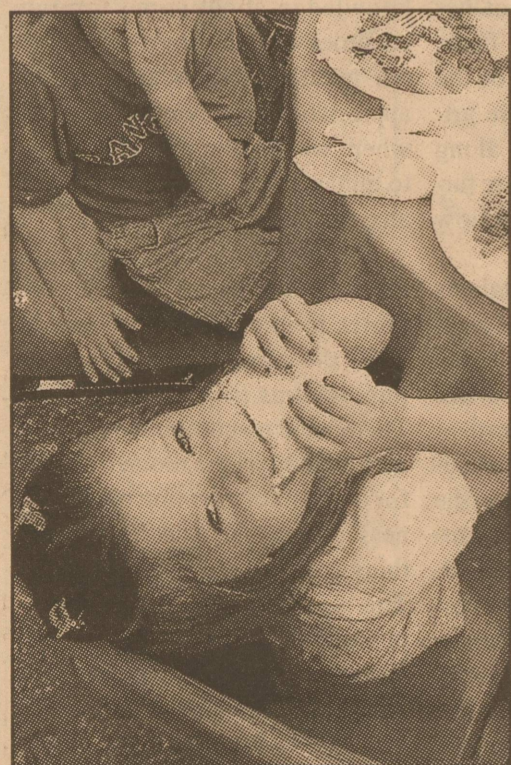
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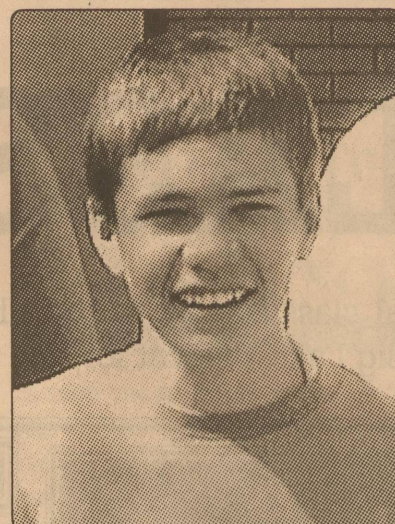
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Sudduth to participate in 2000 Youth Range Workshop

Dest Sudduth had been selected to attend the 2000 Youth Range Workshop at Junction, Texas, June 18-23, 2000. County selection of participants involved in 4-H and FFA activities was based on outstanding projects and interest in range and natural resource management. Dest's local sponsor is Eldorado Divide Soil and Water Conservation District, a strong supporter of range education and leadership development of local youth. He attends Eldorado High School and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sudduth.

The week-long Youth Range Workshop, sponsored by the Texas Section Society for Range Management, is held to recognize outstanding Texas youth and to provide them with an opportunity for complimentary training in range and natural resource management and leadership.

According to Dr. Barron Rector, Workshop Coordinator from College Station, youth participants will learn about the principles of ecology, range and watershed management and gain an understanding of the plant-soil-water relationship. Hands-on activities and lectures conducted by fourteen staff members will provide training for the youth participants in plant identification, evaluation of rangeland potential, determination of stocking rates and land health and the decision making process relative to livestock production, wildlife habitat and ranch planning. Leadership training will feature training on communications skills and conflict resolution and related to ecosystem management. Field trips for Hands-on training will be to a Kimble County ranch, the Kerr Wildlife Management Area, Texas Tech University Center lands and



Success file photo
Dest Sudduth

the South Llano River State Park. Rector states that this extensive workshop has a goal to prepare 4-H and FFA participants for service in leadership roles as youth leaders in the range management program area for their respective counties.

Range Workshop instructors include Texas Agricultural Extension Service Specialists, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station Scientists, County Extension Agents, teachers from Texas A&M University, ranchers, land stewardship consultants, regional stewardship officer for the Episcopal Church in North, Central and South America; biologists/conservationists with the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Texas General Land Office, and Texas Parks and Wildlife and other members of the Texas Section Society for Range Management involved in the management of rangeland resources and youth education.

This will be the 46th consecutive year for this educational activity for Texas youth. The workshop, which began in 1955, has provided training and been of benefit to more than 1,500 Texas youth.

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Red Rover, Red Rover, let Matt come over — Matt Curtis (the big one in the middle) was one of the local youths volunteering his time to help First Baptist Church stage their annual Vacation Bible School.

Woman's club holds final meeting of the year

by Noweita Briggs

The Eldorado Woman's club met in the Memorial Bldg. on Tuesday, May 9th, 2000 at 12:30 p.m. This meeting ended our current Club year. The theme was "Till We Meet Again." This meeting also ended the two year terms of our current officers, committee and representative members. Under the leadership of President Bobby Sanders.

President Bobby Sanders opened the meeting by welcoming 21 members and one guest, Margie Hill. Nelva Martin led in prayer and pledges to the flags was led by Helen Blakeway. We then enjoyed a delicious salad luncheon.

After lunch president Sanders continued our meeting by thanking her officers for their talents during their two year term. A special thanks was given to Charlene Edmiston and Jo Callison for purchasing a United States flag through the office of Lamar Smith, U.S. House of Representative, 21st District and a Texas flag through the office of Robert A. Junell's, State Representative for District 72.

Roll call was answered by giving a past or future program we enjoyed or would enjoy. President Sanders then called for Secretary Imogene Edmiston to give her report. Treasurer Nelva Martin followed with her report. Nelva Martin also presented the Budget for our next Club year which was approved. The Executive Board then made a recommendation pertaining to memorials made to the county library. Florence Williams made the motion and Esther Bunton seconded and approval was made by unanimous vocal vote. Jo Callison next reported that one of our special members Gladys Mittel was a client at our local hospital complex. Gladys has been a treasured member of our club for many years and we wish her happy days in her new home. President Sanders next called

for year end reports from her officers, Standing Committees and Representative beginning with Jo Callison 1st Vice President; Jerre Holley 2nd Vice President, Imogene Edmiston Secretary, Nelva Martin Treasurer, Mary McGinnes Historian, and Helen Blakeway Parliamentarian.

Other reports were made by Shine Spigarelli Finance Chairman, Noweita Briggs Reporter, Jerre Holley Chairman of the Hospitality Committee, Pauline Burkhalter Telephone Committee, Charlene Edmiston for the Library Board, Mary Roden for Christmas Angel, and Myrt Williams for Illness and Bereavement. This conclude our business meeting.

Esther Bunton was the Installer for the new officers for our new club term of 2000-2001. Esther has a extended knowledge of birds and a great love for them. She asked Jerre Holley to use some of her special collection of hand made shore birds and bird houses on the luncheon tables. These were artfully arranged on the tables along with trailing greenery and were further enhanced by bright yellow cloths.

Ester is a lady of many talents and her delightful theme was cleverly carried out by comparing each officer and the duties of her office with that of a very special bird.

For our new President, Jo Callison it was a Brown Towhee as she worked very hard and accomplished much. For Pauline Burkhalter our 1st Vice President it was a Mountain Blue Bird because she is a great organizer and overcomes tough situations. For Mary Roden, 2nd Vice President it was the little Wren who always is so busy doing a great job. A Mocking Bird was chosen for Imogene Edmiston, Secretary as she has such an important job and will do it to perfection. For Nelva Martin, Treasurer it is the Gold Finch who is so organized

and always sees to it that her job is done just right. For Helen Blakeway, Parliamentarian she was akin to the Titmouse who has to be very busy keeping an eye on everything to see it is all in order. For Linda Spence, our Historian, it is the Hummingbird who is so busy gathering together everything that is important to each years activities.

Hostesses for this meeting were the Hospitality Committee and members of the club. A big thanks goes to the Hospitality Committee for their hard work in seeing that each special event was always so beautifully decorated. Also to the Standing Committee who spent many long hours planning our yearbooks and programs for each meeting.

The meeting was closed by reciting the Club Collect.

The 1998-2000 club years were times for learning, deepening our knowledge about some foreign countries, learning how to conserve our precious resources, a closer appreciation of our youth, fun times where we learned to make things to enhance our homes, and a few anxious thoughts before Y2K.

The Woman's Club was organized in February, 1920. This reporter is impressed that here in 2000 the same standards are as important as they were in 1920. There were no computers, or men who walked on the moon or \$1.59 for a gallon of gasoline but goodness, caring, and a desire to make things better still means the same. The world can get terribly complicated but without a strong belief in our God, our Nation, and our family our nation would fail to continue to be great. May we be wise enough not to fall into the paths that led to the downfall of other great nations. United we stand, divided we fall is such wise advice.

Our next meeting will be September 12, 2000.