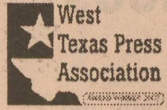


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## Warrant reveals alleged hoax calls continued for days after YFZ raid

### Caller claimed to be in San Angelo shelter

An arrest warrant was issued for Rozita Swinton of Colorado, Springs, Colorado on April 16, 2008, by a district court in El Paso County Colorado. The affidavit filed in support of the warrant reveals that Ms. Swinton is the woman who allegedly placed hoax telephone calls that prompted the raid on the YFZ Ranch. Not only did Swinton's calls allegedly trigger the raid, but they continued much longer than the public was originally told and well after hundreds of women and children were removed from the YFZ Ranch and taken to shelters in San Angelo.

The affidavit indicates that Schleicher County Reserve Deputy John Conner received calls from a woman identifying herself as Sarah, saying that she was in one of the shelters but that she was being observed by her sister wives and was unable to identify herself to CPS workers or law enforcement officers.

The caller further stated that she was told by her sister wives that CPS workers were trying to poison the people from the YFZ Ranch with food in "shiny wrappers."

At one point, the caller noted that it had rained the night before in San Angelo. A fact verified by Texas Ranger Kemp, who was assigned to the case in San Angelo.

The caller, who identified herself as Sarah Barlow, contacted a shelter for battered women in Snohomish County, Washington on April 10, 2008, seven days after the raid began. An operator at the shelter contacted Deputy John Conner and set up a 3-way conversation with her. At

that time, the caller said that girls at the shelter had received teddy bears and that the boys received small toy cars, another bit of information verified by officers and CPS workers at the shelter.

The caller ended the call as she had several others by saying that her sister wives were coming.

In another call, Deputy Conner asked if he could assist the caller in contacting him. He said he would wear any color shirt she suggested. The woman would only say that he should not wear red.

Most of the calls were reportedly made from trac-phone type cellular telephones, making the calls difficult to trace.

But by this time, law enforcement officials were very suspicious, aided by the fact that the caller contacted the Snohomish County shelter 28 times between March 29th through April 12th. The Newbridge Family Shelter was contacted 16 times between March 29th and April 5th. Numerous other calls were made to other shelters around the nation, including one in Florida.

Finally, the U.S. Marshals and FBI were contacted to help trace the phone calls. That led to contact with officials in Colorado Springs. Law enforcement officers there identified Ms. Swinton as someone who had a history of making false reports of abuse.

Apparently, it was two such messages from Swinton on March 29th & 30th in which she said she was a 16-year-old girl named Sarah with an 8-month old baby

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Lamar Johnson and his son Jake Johnson came forward last Thursday to submit to DNA testing ordered by 51st District Judge Barbara Walther. Lamar Johnson is considered one of the elders of the FLDS church. None of the other leaders at the YFZ Ranch were willing to come forward.

PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

## Utah accountant sets his sights on assets at YFZ Ranch

### San Angelo attorney hired to assist in the effort

Bruce Wisan was appointed Special Fiduciary over the United Effort Plan Trust in June of 2005 after a Utah judge found that FLDS Prophet Warren Jeffs and his fellow trustees were not properly overseeing the fund.

Since that time, Wisan has tried to gain control of the trust's estimated \$100 million in assets. A job that was complicated by lack of cooperation from Jeffs loyalists living on UEP owned property in Hildale, Utah and Colorado City, Arizona. Equally frustrating was the action city councils of Hildale and Colorado City, also comprised of Jeffs' faithful followers.

But, little by little, Wisan has chipped away at the wall of secrecy that surrounds much of the day-to-day activities in C-City/Hildale. And, little by little, he became convinced that Warren Jeffs and his followers were funneling assets away from the trust he was assigned to oversee and converting them into cash to send to the YFZ Ranch near Eldorado, Texas where the group was building a new community, and an enormous white limestone temple.

Wisan recently hired San Angelo attorney Samuel Allen to represent the trust's interest in Texas. On Wednesday, April 16, 2008, Allen served subpoenas on 51st District Attorney Stephen R. Lupton and Assistant District Attorney Allison Palmer on April 16 requesting the access to documents and items seized during the 6-day-long raid on the YFZ Ranch.

The subpoenas seek documents and tangible objects that might indicate a connection between the YFZ Ranch

and a long list of defendants including: Warren S. Jeffs, Truman Barlow, Leroy S. Jeffs, James K. Zitting, William E. Jessop a/k/a William E. Timpson and the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Wisan is seeking any records that might reveal assets belonging to the defendants in hopes of satisfying an \$8.8 million judgement he won against them on behalf of the UEP Trust.

Wisan has already satisfied part of that judgement by seizing property owned by the church in Utah and Arizona, including a large dairy farm near Beryl, Utah.

Still, more than \$4 million remains to be paid. Plus there are attorney fees and fees due to Wisan's accounting

firm that have not been paid.

At first there appeared to be few if any legal ties between the YFZ Ranch, owned by YFZ Land, L.L.C. and the FLDS church.

However, as lawmen descended on the ranch during the recent raid, Merrill Jessop, the man who oversees daily operations at the ranch, and Isaac Jeffs, a brother to Warren Jeffs, filed a motion to quash the search warrant. On the motion to quash, the men listed the FLDS church as a petitioner. Among other things the motion sought to prohibit lawmen from entering the FLDS Temple, located on the YFZ Ranch.

Judge Barbara Walther denied the motion and the search continued.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

This building, widely referred to as the Temple Annex is where lawmen are rumored to have found a vault during the raid on the 6-day-long YFZ Ranch that began Thursday, April 3rd.

## Local officials told that YFZ children were home schooled

SCISD Superintendent Billy Collins says he and Sheriff David Doran met with Merrill Jessop and Richard J. Barlow of the YFZ Ranch on January 21, 2008 concerning the children at ranch and their schooling needs.

Jessop and Barlow provided Collins with a letter stating that the children at the YFZ Ranch were attending a private school "designed to provide education in reading, writing, spelling, math, and good citizenship."

The letter continued by saying that the school season extends from September to May of each year.

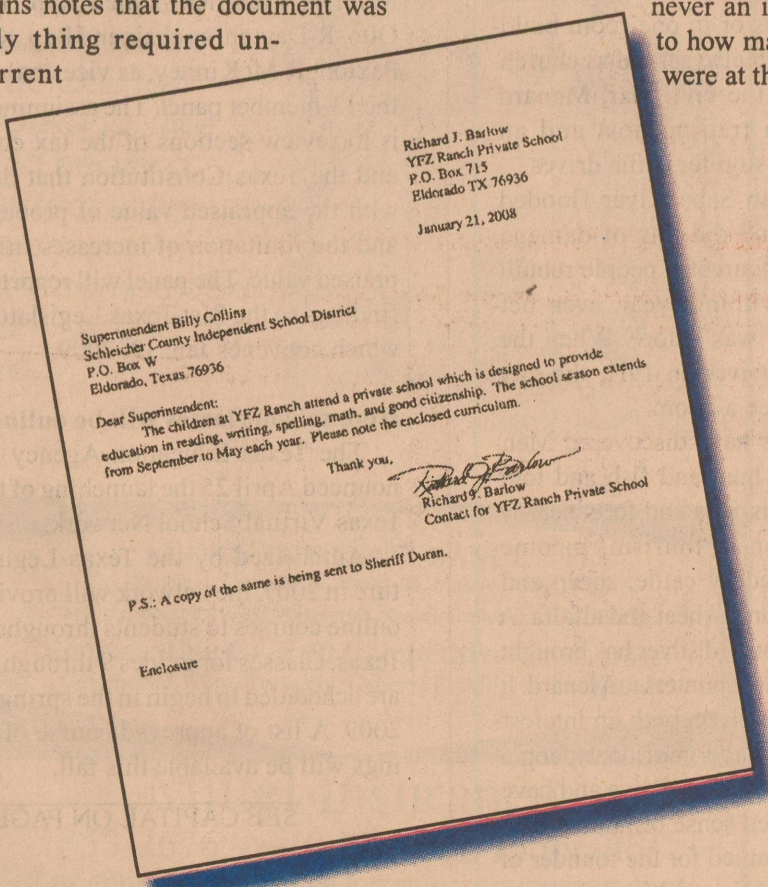
Collins notes that the document was the only thing required under current

Texas law. But, the men went further and provided Collins with a year-by-year breakdown of the school's curriculum for the 1st through 8th grades and an overall curriculum for the high school.

The meeting was arranged by Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran and took place in his office. Chief Deputy George Arispe also sat in on the meeting.

Collins says that he and Doran had met twice previously with Merrill Jessop, beginning in the Fall of 2006 and then again in 2007. Both times they were assured the children at the YFZ Ranch were being properly school. He said there was

never an indication as to how many children were at the Ranch.



Superintendent Billy Collins  
Schleicher County Independent School District  
P.O. Box W  
Eldorado, Texas 76936

Dear Superintendent:  
The children at YFZ Ranch attend a private school which is designed to provide education in reading, writing, spelling, math, and good citizenship. The school season extends from September to May each year. Please note the enclosed curriculum.

Thank you,

Richard J. Barlow  
Contact for YFZ Ranch Private School

P.S.: A copy of the same is being sent to Sheriff Doran.

Enclosure

## The Olympics: Bush Shouldn't Go

"The journey of harmony" isn't living up to its name.

That's what organizers of the Olympic Games dubbed the tour of the Olympic torch before realizing that the flame would have to be secreted away during its ceremonial meanderings. It was extinguished at least once in Paris as pro-Tibet protesters besieged it, and in San Francisco it popped up unannounced in unexpected places lest demonstrators create an unseemly ruckus.

If they have a sense of humor, the gods of public relations must be smiling. China celebrated landing the 2008 Summer Olympics as a global PR coup that would seal its status as an internationally respectable power of the first rank. Instead, China is reaping the embarrassment that comes with cracking skulls in Tibet and abetting genocide in Sudan as the world's eyes turn to it as the host of an event devoted "to promoting a peaceful society concerned with the preservation of human dignity."

If the games weren't a de facto seal of approval, thugs wouldn't pant over hosting them. Hitler worked to keep the 1936 Olympic Games -- awarded to Berlin in 1931 prior to his rise to power -- in Germany. For good reason: historian William Shirer says that turned them into "a dazzling propaganda success for his barbarian regime." In its eagerness to keep the Summer Games in Seoul in 1988, the then-authoritarian state of South Korea didn't crush protesters, thus arguably paving the way for its eventual political opening.

China won't be so gingerly, but to the extent the games become the occasion for embarrassment for Beijing rather than glorious self-congratulation, the better. The torch should be harried, and Western leaders should stay away from the opening ceremonies.

All of this is mere symbolism, of course. For China, though, it's the ceremony and the pretty picture that matter most.

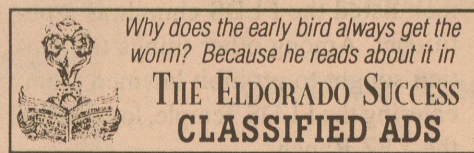
President Bush hasn't declared himself about the opening ceremony, understandably. If he says he won't go now, he'll lose any leverage over the Chinese. But ultimately he can't go, unless he wants to repeat his father's experience of rubbing shoulders with Chinese officialdom fresh from a crackdown. Bush has talked about religious freedom more than any other American president. In the past, he hasn't hesitated to irk China, meeting with the Dalai Lama in the White House.

It is the misfortune of Beijing that it has lost the cachet it once had on the left. The country is associated less with Mao's Little Red Book than with capitalist development and rampant pollution, making it an acceptable target for moral censure. It helps that Tibet's most famous representative is a Buddhist monk and that the autonomy of a landlocked Central Asian region at 16,000 feet is a cause safely sequestered from any hint of the American national interest.

Tibet will surely get more restive rather than less as the August games approach. They are simply too good a platform for international attention (the 1989 Tiananmen Square protests began upon a high-profile visit by Mikhail Gorbachev). China will respond brutally and hope its Olympic stage-management still comes off without a hitch

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## Standing with our Neighbors

by Teresa Todd

Last week a friend made a very wise statement: How we treat the weakest among us is how we as a society should be judged.

In that context, I would like to commend the Child Protective Services caseworkers and law enforcement officers who removed over 400 children from the polygamist compound up the road in Eldorado, Texas.

When I heard the news, the first thing I felt was relief for the children, especially the young girls. The second thing I felt was empathy for the caseworkers, lawyers, judges, court staff, law enforcement, Children's Advocacy Center interviewers, and CASA volunteers who would soon be absolutely overwhelmed, not just with the sheer numbers of their new cases, but also with the unenviable task of performing their duties under the ever-invasive eye of the national press.

I experienced this phenomenon during my tenure as Presidio County Attorney, as the press descended en masse on our courthouse two times in the spring of 1997. The first time was after the Republic of Texas standoff in late April, when Rick McLaren and his cronies were brought to the Presidio County Jail.

Less than a month later, Presidio High School student Esequiel Hernandez, Jr. was gunned down near his home in Redford, Texas by U.S.

### And Another Thing....

by Teresa Todd



Marine Corporal Clemente Bañuelos. I felt nothing but contempt for the hundreds of scoop-hungry reporters that descended like Old Testament locusts, and nothing but sadness for the Hernandez family, who was engulfed each day by an intrusive, screaming horde as they made their long walk into the courthouse.

That sadness is what I feel now when I watch girls in Little House on the Prairie dresses being shepherded from place to place. No child should have to endure great personal tragedy with a TV camera in her face.

So who are these people? The Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (FLDS) splintered off from the Mormon Church in the 1930s when the Mormon leadership officially renounced polygamy. The controlling principle of the FLDS was then and continues to be plural marriage, and its practitioners believe that no man with fewer than 3 wives can attain the Kingdom of God.

Since 2002, the FLDS has been led by Warren Jeffs. Jeffs is currently doing time, after being

convicted in Utah on two counts of aiding rape by using his influence in 2001 to pressure a 14 year-old girl into marrying her 19 year-old cousin. He informed the uncooperative girl that she "risked her salvation" if she didn't go through with the marriage.

Having worn out his welcome in Utah, Jeffs and his followers bought their Yearning for Zion Ranch in Schleicher County in 2003, relocated, and began constructing their own temple and town. You know, the No One Goes In, No One Goes Out type.

There are many things about this sad situation that I do not understand. I don't understand the mystery of which kids go with which mothers. Apparently the "sister wives" raise their children communally, so many of the children don't actually know which woman is their own birth mother. The Judge recently ordered DNA testing of all 437 children and the polygamous adults in order to prove paternity... and maternity.

I do not understand how any mother can bring up her children in this type of environment, or give her underage daughters up for marriage to adult men. There has simply got to be something inside you screaming that this is wrong. For this reason, I have no pity for any of the mothers who have done this, and I don't think they should

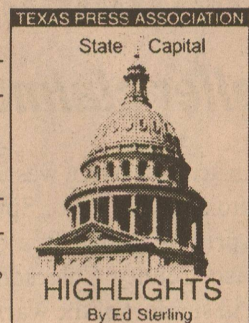
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## Governor asks for help in curbing food and feed prices

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - With grocery bills and livestock feed prices inching higher and higher, Gov. Rick Perry asked a federal agency to help bring relief.

In a letter dated April 25, Perry requested a waiver from the Environmental Protection Agency to cut the renewable fuel mandate for ethanol produced from grain by 50 percent. The waiver, if granted, would provide Texans with relief at the grocery store and enable the Texas livestock industry to continue providing its big share of the nation's food supply, Perry said. "We appreciate the good intentions behind the push for renewable fuels. In fact we're diversifying our state's energy portfolio at a rapid rate, but this misguided mandate is significantly affecting Texans' family food bill," Perry said. The renewable fuel mandate increases corn crop diversion to ethanol production through 2015. The Energy Policy Act of 2005 established the mandate, and amended by the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007.



### Count of YFZ children increases

The number of children removed from the polygamist YFZ Ranch near Eldorado on April 3 and ensuing days originally was tabulated at 416. The count increased to 437, and then climbed to 462. The increase from 437 to 462 accounts for the discovery that at least 25 of the mothers who left the religious sect's 1,700-acre ranch compound are in fact less than 18 years of age. Ranch children have been transferred to state-certified foster homes, with their parentage to be determined and legal status still up to Texas courts of law. In a related development, authorities identified 33-year-old Rozita Swinton, a Colorado Springs, Colo., woman, as a "person of interest" in calls made to a crisis hotline that resulted in law enforcement intervention at the ranch compound. The Texas Rangers are investigating.

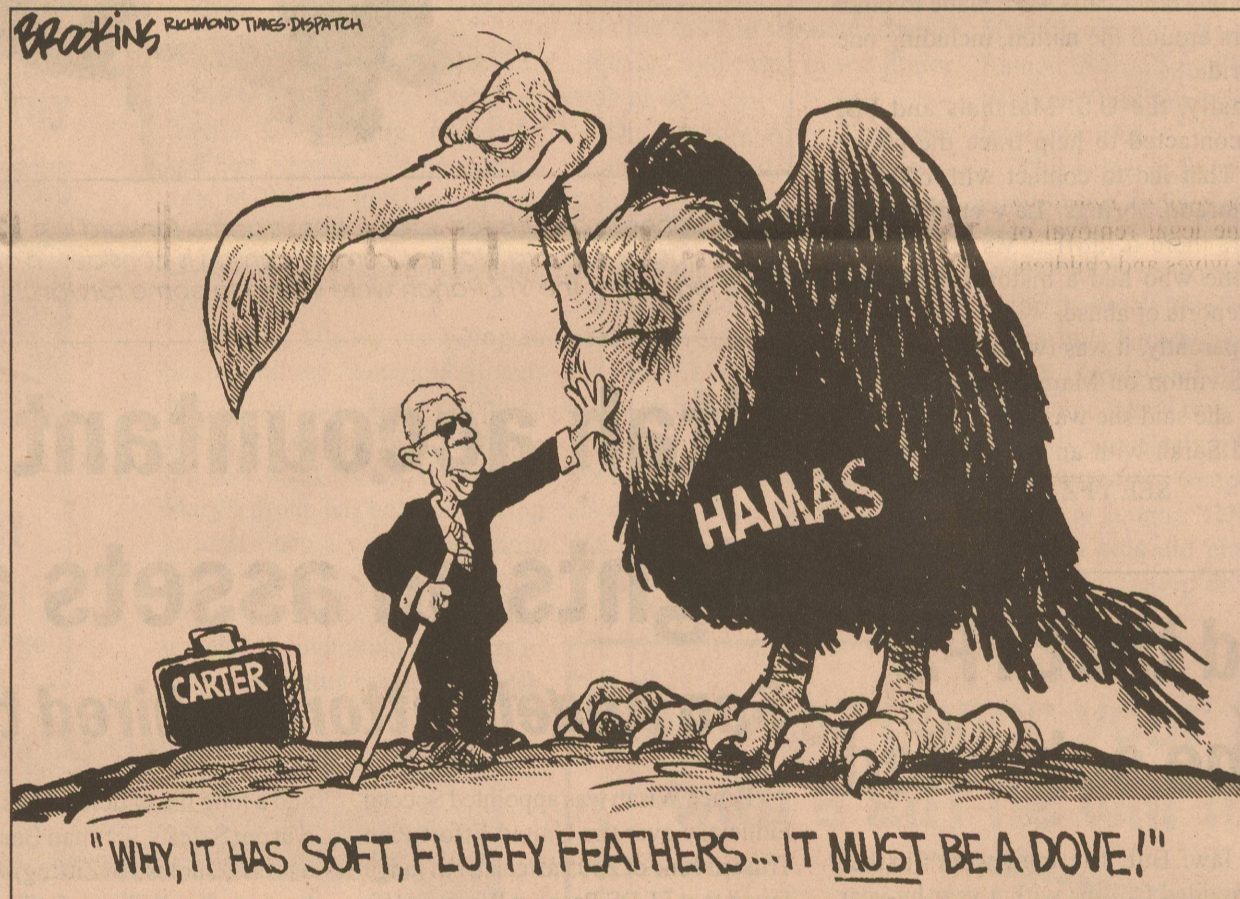
### Due date for new tax is extended

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs on April 22 announced that businesses unable to meet the May 15 due date for the franchise tax will have an additional 30 days to submit their returns or file an extension without penalty. The complexity of the revised franchise tax and the newness of the enhanced electronic reporting methods have caused concern among taxpayers statewide, Combs said. Panel to study property taxes House Speaker Tom Craddick on April 24 announced the formation of the Select Committee on Property Tax Relief and Appraisal Reform. Craddick named Rep. Jim Otto, R-Dayton, as chair and Rep. Ken Paxton, R-McKinney, as vice chair of the 13-member panel. The assignment is to review sections of the tax code and the Texas Constitution that deal with the appraised value of property and the limitation of increases in appraised value. The panel will report its findings to the 81st Texas Legislature, which convenes Jan. 13, 2009.

### High school classes will be online

The Texas Education Agency announced April 25 the launching of the Texas Virtual School Network. Authorized by the Texas Legislature in 2007, the network will provide online courses to students throughout Texas. Classes for grades 9 through 12 are scheduled to begin in the spring of 2009. A list of approved course offerings will be available this fall.

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## Menard is a City of Practical Jokers

I had the distinct pleasure of speaking to Menard's annual chamber of commerce banquet the other night. It was something I had wanted to do for a long time because I wanted to tell the residents of Menard how much material I have found there and how much enjoyment I've had visiting the city. I've met some fascinating people in Menard.

So many of them mentioned practical jokes that have been pulled in the city. Someone at the banquet told me a book has been written about some of the better ones. I did a story one time on Menard's Big Broadcast. Some enterprising folks thought they would rig up some wires and tell everybody that a live show from Menard was going to be broadcast on the radio statewide. On the day of the supposed broadcast, a large crowd gathered in the park. A flatbed trailer truck served as the stage and there was entertainment. The broadcast never went past the park.

During that event someone in the crowd was told that he had won the Irish Sweepstakes. He was severely disappointed to learn



by Tumbleweed Smith

it was a joke.

One Menard resident put a live bobcat in a suitcase and put it beside Highway 83. Another one told me about a man who had too much to drink one night and some of his friends put him in a casket in the funeral home.

Menard is a place on the San Saba River. The bridge that crosses the river is surrounded by dozens of huge pecan trees that are so inviting you want to stop and have a picnic or just sit in the cool shade.

Menard County is a land of prairie and hills, of creeks and old canals. The dark soils are alkaline and grow live oak, juniper and mesquite, which provide the perfect playground for deer, turkey, javelina, squirrel, fox, raccoon, coyotes and bobcats.

The Apaches loved the area around Menard. So did the Co-

manches. A few pioneer cattlemen arrived in the 1840's and found the place worth fighting for. Soon there was a store, a blacksmith shop and a saloon. New settlers arrived by oxcart and stagecoach. Early schools were held under shade trees or in one-room buildings, which also served as churches. After the civil war, Menard became a trading post and an overnight stop for cattle drives.

The San Saba River flooded in 1899 and did lots of damage, but the resourceful people rebuilt the city within a year, even better than it was before. When the railroad arrived in 1911, the city experienced a boom.

Visitors have discovered Menard. They hunt and fish and tour historic missions and forts nearby. In addition to tourism, income is generated by cattle, sheep and goats, pecans, wheat and alfalfa. A legend of buried silver has brought many treasure hunters to Menard. It is a unique place, with an interesting history and confident people who love where they live and have an advanced sense of humor. The city was named for the founder of Galveston Michael Menard.



Fort McKavett as it appeared in its early days. The ruins of the old fort lie just outside the Eastern edge of present day Schleicher County on the San Saba River.

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Fort McKavett, which lies a few miles east of the eastern Schleicher County line, was built in 1852 to protect the early pioneer families settling in this remote West Texas wilderness. This was before Schleicher County was established, and the surrounding area was also under the protection of the military fort. The land was cheap in this part of Texas, but the price of losing lives to hostile Indians was sometimes great.

The fort closed in 1859 because most of the settlers found this area too remote and unsettled.

The first name given to the fort was "Camp San Saba". A small

## Touch of History

by Rena Calcutt

### Fort McKavett, Texas

town site near the fort was supposed to be named "Lehnesburg" after a German immigrant, but got stuck with the name, "Scabtown". The town site fit the name.

The military reactivated the post as, "Fort McKavett" in 1868, after the Civil War. In 1880 the town site, with a less obnoxious name, had a school, a church and several shops.

In 1883 the fort closed again as hostile Indians were gone. The need for Military protection was gone also. This time, however, the families stayed in the area and continued to grow.

One of the events associated with Fort McKavett is the Black Buffalo Soldiers that served in the military at the fort in the 1870's and 1880's.

The ruins of the old fort were in pretty good shape in 1950, mainly because they had been built using local limestone rock. The State of Texas decided to restore as many of these buildings as possible, and make the site into a State Historical Park. In 1968 the park opened. There are now over twenty-five restored buildings.

On the third weekend of March, the past comes alive at Fort McKavett with a living history enactment performed by volunteer groups playing the roles of buffalo soldiers, cavalry officers, laundresses, wagon masters, hunters and settlers who once populated the fort.

## Standing with our Neighbors...

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I do not understand why Texas seemed like a good place for these folks to relocate their Temple Town. We have numerous laws protecting children, and specifying at what age they become adults for legal purposes. We have a statute prohibiting polygamy. To openly disregard our laws shows a serious lack of respect for the Texas legal system, and ignores the potential for a future, more painful relocation—into the Texas prison system.

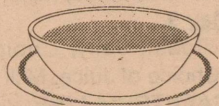
Now I'm not trying to go Nancy

Grace on y'all: I am a reasonable woman who makes every effort to be tolerant of the belief systems of others. But when your whacked-out beliefs involve the marriage of grown men to child brides, then you and I must part ways, and I must wholeheartedly support your prosecution and the legal removal of your underage wives and children.

If we as a society are judged by how we treat the weakest among us, then I am proud to be judged by the brave actions of the committed professionals in Schleicher and Tom Green counties who are attempting to protect over four hundred children, and trying to help them find their way in a new world.

Teresa Todd was Presidio County Attorney from 1994-2004. She retired from that post to move to McDonald Observatory in Jeff Davis County, where she lives with her husband and two sons. She is currently a stay-at-home mom, part-time lawyer, and full-time commentator on life, love, sports, and politics.

### Meals for Friends Menu



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**Wednesday, May 7**  
Roast Beef With Gravy, Mashed Potato, Brussel Sprouts, Wheat Roll, Brownie with Nuts, Juice Milk

**Thursday, May 8**  
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by Linda Thieme

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\* Moderate \*\* Challenging \*\*\* Hoop Boy!  
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**Friday, 6 p.m. Eagles vs. Marfa in Crane**  
**Saturday, 6 p.m. Lady Eagles vs. Trent in Ballinger**

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DITCH!*

## Middle School Track Results

**JR High Girls  
11A District Track Meet  
April 10, 2008  
Christoval, TX  
7th Grade Girls**

Placed First With Team Total of 211

**Discus:** 3. Mary Lou Martinez 52'8 1/2"; 4. Stacey Valeriano 49' 1"; 6. Kasey Gonzales 45' 3/2";

**High Jump:** 1. Nolen 12'10 1/2"; 2. Arispe 12' 5 1/4"; Nikki Herrera 12' 1/4";

**Shot Put:** 3. Stacy Valeriano 21' 10"

**Triple Jump:** 1. Miranda Arispe 26' 3 1/4"; 2. Brooke Guerrero 24' 10"; 4. Nikki Herrera 22' 1 1/2"

**2400 Meter Run:** 2. Robin Hibbs 14:46.84

**400 Meter Relay:** 1. (Nikki Herrera, Mary Lou Martinez, Miranda Arispe, Avery Nolen) 59.53

**100 Meter Hurdles:** 1. Arispe 19.59; 2. Brooke Guerrero 20.05; 3. Mary Lou Martinez 20.93

**100 Meter Dash:** 2. Edwards 15.91; 3. Stacey Valeriano 16.25

**800 Meter Relay:** 1. (Brooke Guerrero, Kasey Gonzales, Stacey Valeriano, Nikki Herrera) 2:13.83

**400 Meter Dash:** 1. Avery Nolen 70.81

**300 Meter Hurdles:** 1. Stacey Valeriano 67.41

**200 Meter Dash:** 2. Kasey Gonzales 33.28; 3. Brooke Guerrero 34.15

**1600 Meter Run:** 3. Robin Hibbs 8:54.94

**1600 Meter Relay:** 1. (Nikki Herrera, Mary Lou Martinez, Miranda Arispe, Avery Nolen) 5:05.40

**8th Grade Girls  
Eldorado placed first as a team with 230 points.**

**Discus:** 1. Dacy Whiddon 64'6"; 2. Marissa Gonzales 60'11"; 4. Melissa Gonzales 55.4 1/2"

**High Jump:** 1. Brianah Creek 4'6"; 6. Brianda Torres 3'8"

**Long Jump:** 1. Brianah Creek 14'1/4"; 2. Brianda Torres 13'11 1/2"

**Shot Put:** 1. Marissa Gonzales 26'8"; 4. Dacy Whiddon 25'3"

**Triple Jump:** 1. Abby Fuentes 28' 1/2"; 6. Polli Guerrero 24'7 3/4"

**2400 Meter Run:** 4. Amanda Garcia 11:37.09; 5. Polli Guerrero 12:48.59; 6. Sierra Arispe 13:05.02

**400 Meter Relay:** 2. (Melissia Gonzales, Maddi Bilbrey, Marissa Gonzales, Brianda Torres) 57.34

**800 Meter Run:** 5. Rodriguez 3:06.66

**100 Meter Hurdles:** 1. Marissa Gonzales 19.62; 2. Melissa Gonzales 20.06

**100 Meter Dash:** 2. Brianah Creek 14.12; 4. Allyssa Galindo 14.96; 4. Dacy Whiddon 14.96

**800 Meter Relay:** 1. (Ashby Ragsdale, Brianda Torres, Abby Fuentes, Brianah Creek) 2:01.00

**JR High Track Meet  
Christoval Cougar Relays  
March 27, 2008  
7th Grade Girls**

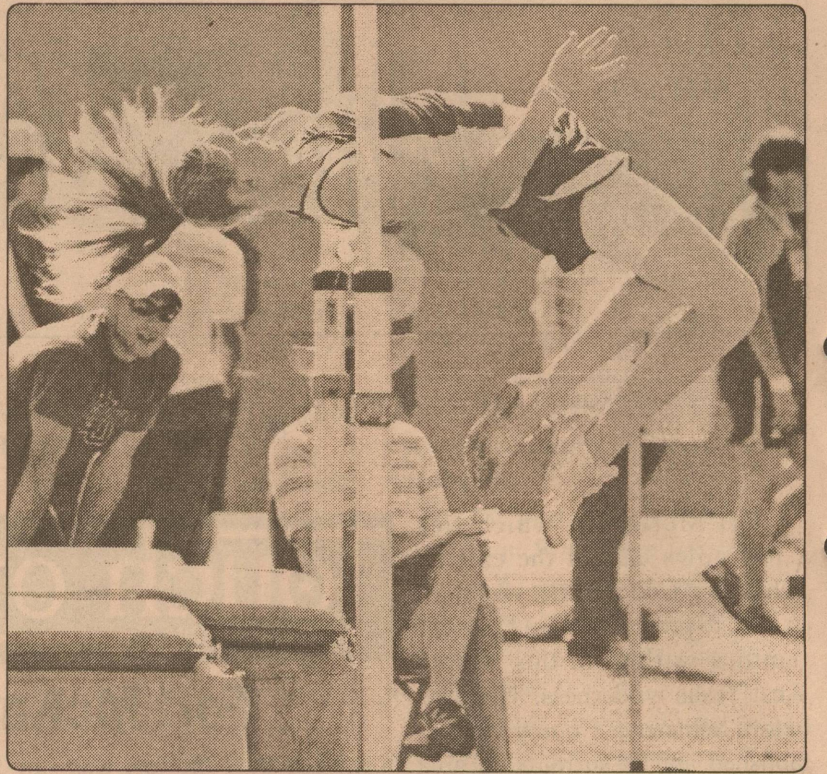
First Place in Team Points 125

**100 Meter Hurdles:** 1. Miranda Arispe 20.10; 4. Mary Lou Martinez 21.06; 5. Brooke Guerrero 21.41

**800 Meter Dash:** 1. (Brooke Guerrero, Kasey Gonzales, Stacey Valeriano, Nikki Herrera) 2:14

**400 Meter Dash:** 1. Avery Nolen 68.43

**300 Meter Hurdles:** 2. Stacey Valeriano 68.06



Haley Higgins arches her back as she soars over the bar at the Regional Track Meet held last Friday in Abilene. She cleared 4 ft. 6 inches before bowing out of the competition in 14th place.

## EHS tracksters compete at Regional

Eagle tracksters competed at the Regional meet this weekend at Abilene Christian University in Abilene.

Rhapsody Swyter put in her personal best time during the 100 meter hurdles with a time of 17.12 in the preliminary heat. This placed her fourth in her heat and kept her out of the finals by a hundredth of a second.

Another Eagle that performed her personal best was Bridgett Mitchell with a 100 meter time of 13.40. This placed her just outside of the finals as well in the ninth position.

Haley Higgins tied for 14th place with two other jumpers during the high jump competition. She left the contest after clearing 4'6".

The boy's 4X200 meter relay was disqualified from the competition.

## Eldorado Youth Baseball Upcoming Games

There will be no more games or practices until May 6th due to TAKS Test.  
No Exceptions-T-Ball-Minor-Major

**Tuesday May 6, 2008  
T-BALL**

5:30 p.m. Phillies vs A's Volunteer Field; Twins vs White Sox High School Softball Field

6:30 p.m. Astros vs Dodgers at Volunteer Field

**MINORS**

5:30 p.m. Giants vs Pirates Legion Field

**MAJORS**

7:00 p.m. Mets vs Cardinals at Legion Field

**Thursday May 8, 2008  
T-BALL**

5:30 p.m. Astros vs Twins Volunteer Field; Dodgers vs A's at High School Softball Field

6:30 p.m. White Sox vs Phillies Volunteer Field

**MINORS**

5:30 p.m. Giants vs Marlins Legion Field

**MAJORS**

7:00 p.m. Rangers vs Yankee Legion Field

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## School Lunch Menu

**BREAKFAST MENU**

**Monday, May 5**  
Cinnamon Toast, Choice of Cereal  
Choice of Juice, Milk

**Tuesday, May 6**  
Biscuits, Sausage, Jelly, Choice of Juice, Milk

**Wednesday, May 7**  
Blueberry Muffins, Choice of Cereal  
Choice of Juice, Milk

**Thursday, May 8**  
French Toast, Syrup, Pineapple  
Tidbits, Choice of Juice, Milk

**Friday, May 9**  
Buttered Toast, Jelly, Choice of Cereals, Choice of Juice, Milk

**CAFETERIA LINE**

**Monday, May 5**  
Cheese Nachos, Peppers, Broccoli  
Tops, Dip, Cole Slaw, Pineapple  
Tidbits

**Tuesday, May 6**  
Lasagna, Green Beans, Tossed  
Salad, Hot Rolls, Sliced Peaches

**Wednesday, May 7**  
Cowboy Beans, Corn bread, Carrot  
Stixs, Dip, Potato Salad, Pear  
Halves

**Thursday, May 8**  
Burritos, Refried Beans, Lettuce &  
Tomato Salad, Sugar Cookies

**Friday, May 9**  
Pizza, Carrot Stix, Dip, Apple  
Halves

**BASKET LINE**

**Monday, May 5**  
McRib Sandwich, Baked Chips,  
Carrot Stix's/ Dip, Pineapple  
Tidbits

**Tuesday, May 6**  
Ham & Cheese Hot Pockets, Pork-n-  
Beans, Fresh Broccoli, Dip, Sliced  
Peaches

**Wednesday, May 7**  
Chef Salad, Dressing, Diced Ham,  
Cheese Cup, Crackers (8), Pear  
Halves

**Thursday, May 8**  
Burger Salad, Pickles, Sugar  
Cookies

**Friday, May 9**  
Pizza, Carrot Stix, Dip, Apple  
Halves

## The Eldorado Girls Softball Association Inc.

announces the beginning of the 2008 youth softball season.

This year the E.G.S.A.  
is seeing the largest turnout ever  
recorded in Eldorado girls softball  
with almost 100 local girls ages  
7-16 participating in the league.

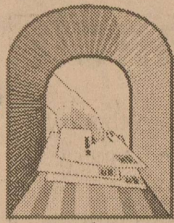
This level of participation  
could not have been achieved without the  
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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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### Proud of Softball District Champs

Dear Editor:

I want to congratulate our softball team for a great job. They started out rough around the edges, but have come together to make a run for the state title a reality. The defense has done a tremendous job every game to shut their opponents down. They have had amazing plays that have been key to every victory and will continue to help us to a State Championship Title.

Chelsey Hill has shown just how far she can stretch to make the out and dominates first base. We will miss her next year. Corie Williams talks to her teammates, keeping the team on top of the play, and has done a fantastic job covering second base.

Aubrey Martinez is a dominating force as shortstop. She is a brick wall and can zing the ball to first base which shuts the other team down before they can even get started.

Cassandra Buitron is so quick fielding and throwing the ball the runner never has a chance to advance to any base safely. Allison Jarrett has really stepped up and shown her prowess in left field. She has had some awesome catches and her bat is getting stronger with each game.

Amika "Mighty Mite" Gonzales will leave you speechless at center field. She can run and back up right or left field making it look like the outfield is only a few feet wide. She may not get to hit the

ball often, but her strike zone is so small that she gets on base often and she is so fast running the bases you can bet she will score.

Amy Alviso has great heart and she never quits trying. She practices pitching after practice and on the weekends. She has really started hitting the ball making her a valuable team player.

Bridgett Mitchell has shown stamina as pitcher. She puts in countless hours after practice to work on pitching.

Haley Higgins has had a great batting season and has been strong behind the plate.

Meg Griffin, Kadie Niblett, Krista Galindo, Deisy Aranda, Brittany Guana, and Marci Minor may not see much playing time, but they are at practice, learning plays, working with the team and at every game showing support.

Kareem Abdul Jabar said "One person cannot make up a team, but one person can be a crucial ingredient to a team."

I am so proud of these girls. Each and every girl is part of the team and has a job that is vital to their success. The stats show how much they have improved and how hard they have been working to be #1.

Keep it up girls. Can't is not a word in your vocabulary. ALL THE WAY TO STATE!!

Leanne Higgins  
Parent



PHOTO BY J.L. MANKIN

82 year old John Callison of Eldorado can still make the B-Ball sing through the hoops. Callison brought home three more gold medals from the Kerrville Senior Olympics held April 25 and 26. John won a gold in Free Throw, Round The World and Horse Shoe. His wife Jo was there to cheer him on.

**County Agent's Update**  
by Cory Stevens

### 4H Camp in Brownwood

The week of 4H camp this year is July 9-11. It will again be held at the 4H center on Lake Brownwood. If your child is interested in attending, contact the extension office soon, the deadline is quickly approaching. 853-2132

### Burger and a CEU Events

We are in the middle of another Burger and a CEU Event at the Extension Office. The previous meetings have been very informative and very well attended. Vaden Aldridge will be at the extension office on Monday May 5th at noon to discuss summer control burns. We will follow up with Alan McGinty on May 19 with the latest herbicide updates. These meetings only last one hour, and I will feed you lunch.

### 4H Day at Elementary

On Tuesday, May 6th, the second and third grade students will be attending a promotional event put on by the Schleicher County 4H club. This event will discuss all areas of 4H that the local club participates in. Literature will be provided to all. If you would like to come up and take part, we will be in the Elementary Gym from 1-3PM.

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### TxDOT to begin resurfacing roads in multi-county area

TxDOT contractor Brannan Paving Company, LTD, will begin resealing 171 miles of road surfaces in 13 counties surrounding San Angelo on April 30. The affected counties are: Coke, Concho, Edwards, Glasscock, Irion, Kimble, Menard, Reagan, Real, Runnels, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton, and Tom Green.

Brannan Paving plans to work during daylight hours six days a week and complete the job by

mid-July.

The sections being repaved are road surfaces in the worst condition along US 87, US 83, US 67, US 277, US 377 and a variety of FM and RM roads in the counties. Work in each area will be completed in a relatively short period of time—a day or two. TxDOT wishes to advise motorists that they may come across pilot cars or flaggers when in the work zone and to obey all work zone signage.

### EMS Sonora Tennis Results

Junior High Sonora Tennis Invitational was held Sat. the 26th.

7th Grade Results: Girls Single Division: 1. Miranda Arispe and 4. Robin Hibbs; Girls Doubles 3. Lori Escobar/Sierra Arispe.

7th Grade Boys Division: 3. Dylan Ramos; 4. Will Barker and Consolation Champion Bryan Parsley.

Other 7th grade players: Nikki Herrera/Stacy Valeriano, Diego Sanchez and Austin Stapp.

8th Grade Results: Girls Singles 2. Brianda Torres; Girls Doubles: 1. Marissa Gonzales/Amanda Garcia 4. Ashby Ragsdale/Ana Sanchez and Clarissa Castro/Clarissa Gomez Consolation Champions.

Boys Singles: 3. Nathan Jimenez; Mixed Doubles: 1. Melissa Gonzales/Tyler Farmer; Other 8th grade players: Louis Sanchez, Alan Espinosa and Robert Chavez.

Eldorado will host JR. High District Tennis this Saturday, May 3. play will begin at 8:30. The following schools should be attending: Christoval, Forsan, Menard, Miles, Irion Co. and Rotan.

### Middle School Invitational Tennis Tournney Held

Eldorado Middle School Invitational was held April 12, 2008.

7th Grade Results: Girls Singles: 1. Miranda Arispe 8-2 against Favila of Sonora; 3. Avery Nolen, 8-3 against Portales of Reagan County and Consolation Mary Lou Martinez.

Girls Doubles: Consolation went to Stacy Valeriano and Nikki Herrera; Boys Doubles: Consolation

Dylan Ramos and Hagen Porras;

8th Grade Results: Boys Singles: 4. Tyler Farmer; Girls Singles: 2. Brianah Creek beat Solis of Sonora 8-3 and lost to Jennings of Ozona in the finals; Girls Doubles: 3. Brinada Torres and Amanda Garcia beat Vargas and Wright of Reagan County 8-0; Consolation Melissa and Marissa Gonzalez.

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## TSGRA members to meet Tuesday at X Bar Ranch

Members, directors and interested sheep and goat producers in TSGRA district 5 will meet Tuesday, May 6, 2008 at the X Bar Ranch Live Oak Lodge outside of Eldorado. Brian Edmiston is district chairman and is in charge of local arrangements. Remember, if you are coming from Eldorado going west on 2129,

DO NOT turn in at the first X Bar Ranch entrance! Go to the second entrance.

The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. and will conclude with the noon meal hosted by friends of TSGRA in Schleicher County. A great informative program has been arranged. TSGRA president Lynn Glass will be on hand

to report on TSGRA activities. The other officers will report on the newly formed American Goat Federation, meat goat activities, membership and TSGRA PAC. A report will also be given on the two bills we are working on to obtain additional predator control funding at the state level and to control feral hogs.

## Commissioners discuss rodeo concession stand

Commissioner's Matt Brown and Lynn Meador were present for the April 28, 2008 Commissioners Court Meeting. Judge Johnny Griffin was also present. Commissioners Johnny Mayo and Kirk Griffin were not present.

Schleicher County Judge Johnny Griffin advised Commissioner Matt Brown and Lynn Meador at their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday morning that Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative had chosen not to do the wiring at the rodeo concession stand. Griffin explained that another independent contractor was hired to do the job.

It was also noted that welding contractors were hired at \$30 per

hour to construct frames for the bathroom dividers in the concession stand building rather than paying \$4,000 for redi-built dividers. A sink has been purchased and is awaiting installation, meaning that the concession building is very near completion.

In other business, the commissioners opened and accepted a fuel bid for diesel from Griffin Fuels in the amount of \$3.9078 per gallon. There were no other bids received.

The total cost for the 7,200 gallons of diesel will be \$28,136.16.

The commissioner then proceeded to open bids for the sale of used county equipment. All of the items up for bids were sold, netting the county \$11,412.00.

Emergency Management Coordinator and Fire Chief Jerry Jones spoke to the court concerning a correction on the bills incurred during the YFZ raid. The itemized statement will be sent to Homeland Security for payment. The largest of the items was the Sheriff Department expenses which included overtime salaries for deputies, meals, fuel, office supplies, locksmiths, food service, and tool rentals. Other law enforcement will submit their salary expenses individually to Homeland Security. The cost presently stands at about \$67,000.

There are other expenses yet to be divided between state and local officials.

The commissioners then discussed purchasing a lawn mower for use on the courthouse lawn. They also discussed the need for a backhoe. Judge Griffin will look into buying a lawn mower. The commissioners agreed it will be more economical to rent a backhoe as needed.

The men next approved the expenditure of \$1,200.00 for two new radios in road department vehicles.

The court then discussed enclosing the north stage of the Memorial Building for use by Election Administrator Brenda Mayfield during local elections. Commissioner Lynn Meador suggested a curtain of some type might be sufficient to give privacy needed without making the wall a permanent fixture. It was agreed that the cost of a curtain would be explored.

Before adjourning, the men reviewed the monthly bills submitted by County Treasurer Karen Henderson. They also looked over the county's investment reports.

The meeting was attended by Commissioners Matt Brown and Lynn Meador. Commissioners Kirk Griffin and Johnny Mayo were absent. Also in attendance were Deputy Clerk Sarah McNeely and Road Superintendent Clay Burleson.

The next meeting of the Schleicher County Commissioners Court is slated for 9 a.m. on Monday, May 12, 2008 in the Commissioners Courtroom on the first-floor of the county courthouse.

## BIRTHDAY LIST

MAY

1st Richmond Adame, Paige Holt, Issac Saldivar, Aubrey Martinez  
2nd Cruz Sanchez, Layne Babb  
3rd Martha Lively, Ramiro Buitron, Ryan Adame  
4th Scot Espinosa, Michael Coker, Jill Sanchez, Elena Escobar, Steve Nelson, Victoria Jo Belman, Krystal Crofoot  
5th Mary Grover, Larry Nicholson, Jr. Kanon Gibson  
6th Charlotte Adame, Cole Pina  
7th Bobby Quintana, Mario Robles, Mikinzie Holley, Brenda Robinson  
8th Bay Aguilar, Ray Ballew, Wm. Chris McCravey, Kathy Mankin, Shannon Wilkerson, Denver Smith, Jess Martin  
9th Martha Adame, Susan Parker, Lydia Elkins, Heather Homer, Alex Massingill, Ryan Farmer, Marie Barrera, Duane Lettinger, Scotty Johnson, Becky Sterling  
10th Sierra Arispe, Kimberlin Conn, Mia C. Ruiz, Jimmy Belk

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### New Briscoe memoir hits shelves

The Center for American History at the University of Texas announced April 23 the release of a personal memoir, "Dolph Briscoe: My Life in Texas Ranching and Politics." Briscoe served as governor from 1973 to 1979. Don Carleton, executive director of the history center, conducted a series of interviews with Gov. Briscoe. After each interview, Carleton edited the transcripts

to build a narrative in Briscoe's voice. Throughout the process, Briscoe read and revised the text, Carleton said.

### Flags at half-staff for Guerrero

Gov. Rick Perry on April 24 directed that flags be flown at half-staff in memory of Lena Guerrero of Austin. The former state representative and Texas Railroad Commission member died April 23 at the age of 50, after a long battle with cancer. Burial was in the Texas State Cemetery on April 26.



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## Weekly Crossword Puzzle

### ACROSS

1. Rhea's "Cheers" role
6. Have a few too many
10. Spare tire make-up
13. Elementary school quintet
14. Androcles' extraction
15. "\_\_\_ had it!"
16. "Cats," for one
18. Beat it
19. Saturn model
20. Midlife \_\_\_
22. Toss a monkey wrench into
27. Stove top vessel
28. Dealt in stocks
29. Lead ore
31. Dog-\_\_\_ (shabby)
32. It may be cracked
33. Way too smooth
36. Flow back
37. Shlepped
38. Sandra of "Gidget"
39. Like Easter eggs
41. 2000 Oscar role for Julia
42. Powerful sharks
44. "\_\_\_ you are" (invitation words)
46. Hospital solution
47. Chewy candy

### DOWN

49. Designated as agoal
51. Porto \_\_\_, Brazil
52. Beehive State native
53. Marceau's mime character
54. Drilling tool
61. Prefix with duct
62. Madagascar tree-dweller

### Pick on

63. Pick on
64. Track action
65. Blue-pencil
66. Composer Bruckner

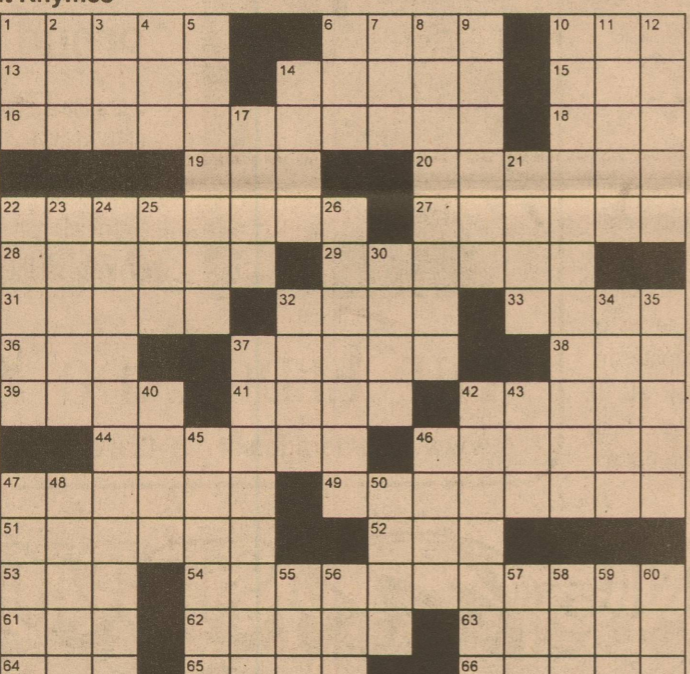
### Took for no credit

5. Took for no credit
6. Quaker pronoun
7. Word of awe
8. Caused a tingling sensation in
9. Menu offering
10. Glove compartment item
11. Be of use to
12. All wound up
14. Tart taste

### Blue dye

17. Blue dye
21. "Pay \_\_\_ mind"
22. Jousting's mount
23. Sheik's home of song
24. Place to cook ribs
25. Horatian work
26. Swell head
30. Mideast's Gulf of \_\_\_
32. Mrs. Dithers
34. Africa's Sierra

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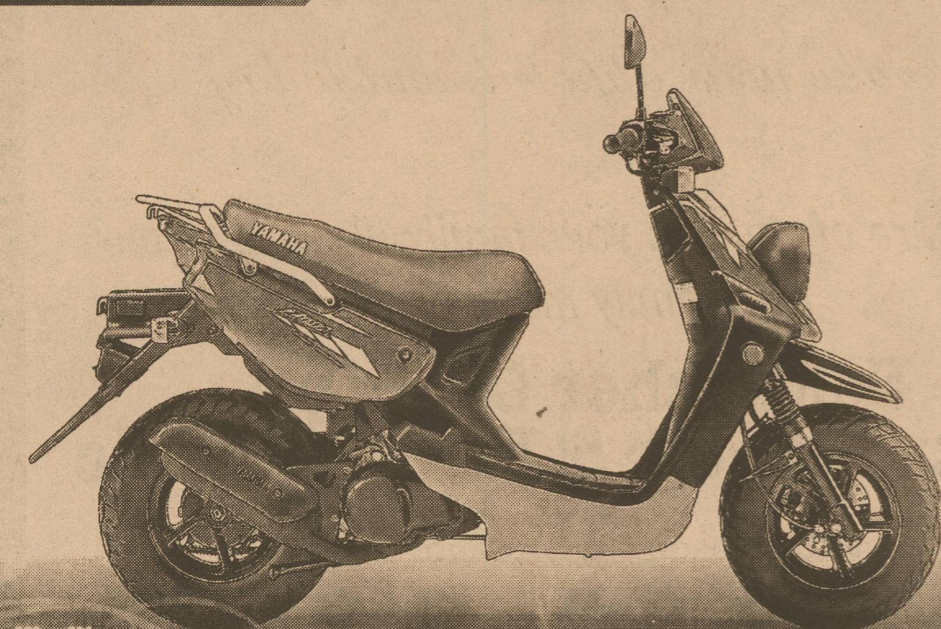


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## DPS to all Texans: May is Motorcycle Safety Month

May is Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month in Texas, and DPS urges all motorcyclists and the traveling public to practice safe driving habits.

The 852,781 licensed motorcyclists in the state can improve their own safety by following this advice from DPS:

- Attend a professionally taught motorcycle safety course. (Call 1-800-292-5787 for information.)
- Wear protective equipment, including a helmet, whenever riding.
- Ride defensively.
- Avoid risk-taking behavior, such as speeding, weaving in between traffic and riding while intoxicated. Nationally, almost half of all motorcycle fatalities involve alcohol.

Drivers in vehicles other than motorcycles should realize that motorcycles are sometimes difficult to see, so keep an eye out for them.

Don't cut them off, and give them extra space.

Record numbers of Texans are taking advantage of the basic and advanced motorcycle operator training offered by the DPS Motorcycle Safety Unit. Last year, 33,697 Texans took either the basic or advanced course, setting an all-time record number for the thirteenth straight year.

The basic course may be used to waive the licensing road test, and both of the courses may qualify for ticket dismissal and insurance discounts. Motorcycle riders can locate the course nearest to them by visiting the DPS Web site [www.txdps.state.tx.us/msb/](http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/msb/) and can take advantage of 81 permanent locations and nine mobile sites across the state.

"We continue to notice an increase in crashes involving returning riders, meaning those who have ridden before, took some time

off from riding and are getting back into it," said John G. Young, coordinator of the DPS Motorcycle Safety Unit. "We want to encourage them to enroll in one of our courses to brush up on their skills."

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7th Grade-(L-R) Avery Nolen Nikki Herrera, Mary Lou Martinez and Miranda Arispe are 7th Grade Girls District 11A 1600 M. Relay winners. They earned the title April 10, 2008 in Christoval with a time of 5:05.40.



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8th Grade-(L-R) Allyssa Galindo, Abby Fuentes, Brianah Creek and Ashby Ragsdale are 8th Grade Girls District 11A 1600 M. Relay Winners. They earned the title April 10, 2008 in Christoval with a time of 4:52.37.

Solution to puzzle on Page 6

Rhymes

C	A	R	L	A	T	O	P	E	F	A	T		
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Answer to Sudoku on Page 3

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2	5	4	7	9	1	8	6	3
6	9	2	1	3	7	4	5	8
3	7	5	4	8	2	6	9	1
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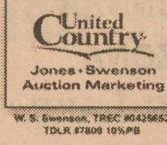






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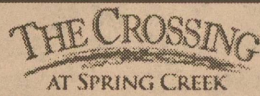
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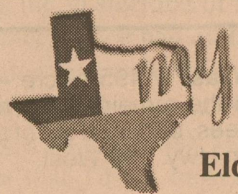
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**Eldorado 4-H Wool and Mohair Judging Teams:** Front (L-R) West Ramon, Will Mynatt, Roman Gonzalez, Franklin Buchholz, Marcus Ramon, Byron Aycock, Aaron Santellano; Back (L-R) Dalton Buchholz, Tres Whitten, Justin Whitten, Davis Hutto, Robert Buchholz, and Ivy Kate Mynatt.

**Schleicher County 4H Club Happenings**



**County Agent's Update**

by Cary Stevens

The Schleicher County 4H group has been extremely busy this past few weeks traveling to different contest in Kerrville, Ozona, Brownwood, Eldorado, and San Angelo. We have had a total of 18 kids making our tour of Wool Judging, Mohair Judging, Livestock Judging, and Shooting Sports.

First of all, we are going to begin with our Wool and Mohair Judging groups. Mary Buchholz has taken on the task of training this team with a vengeance. Mary's group has been practicing at least once a week, and many times twice a week for the past couple of months. The group has traveled to invitational contests in Ozona (bringing home 5 plaques),

Kerrville, and also Eldorado.

The Eldorado contests was held here last weekend, and Schleicher County fared very well. Ivy Kate Mynatt was the overall high individual of the entire Mohair contest. Ivie had nearly a perfect score, beating over sixty competitors from around the area. This group also won the third in the novice wool division, and third in the junior mohair division.

On Tuesday, April 22nd, our group traveled to San Angelo to compete in Wool, Mohair, and also Livestock judging. Again, the wool and mohair teams shined. The results portion of the contest began with Schleicher 4H winning the Junior Mohair division. They also won both 2nd and 3rd place in the Junior Wool division. Four of our kids placed overall as individuals as well: Tres Whitten placed 6th, Ivie Mynatt placed 5th, Justin Whitten placed 4th, and Robert

Buchholz was the high individual in the Sr. Wool division. Robert qualified for state roundup to be held in June in College Station.

4H members participating in the wool and mohair contest across the area are: Byron Aycock, Dalton Buchholz, Franklin Buchholz, Robert Buchholz, Davis Hutto, Ivie Mynatt, Will Mynatt, Marcus Ramon, West Ramon, Aaron Santellano, Justin Whitten, Tres Whitten, and Roman Gonzalez.

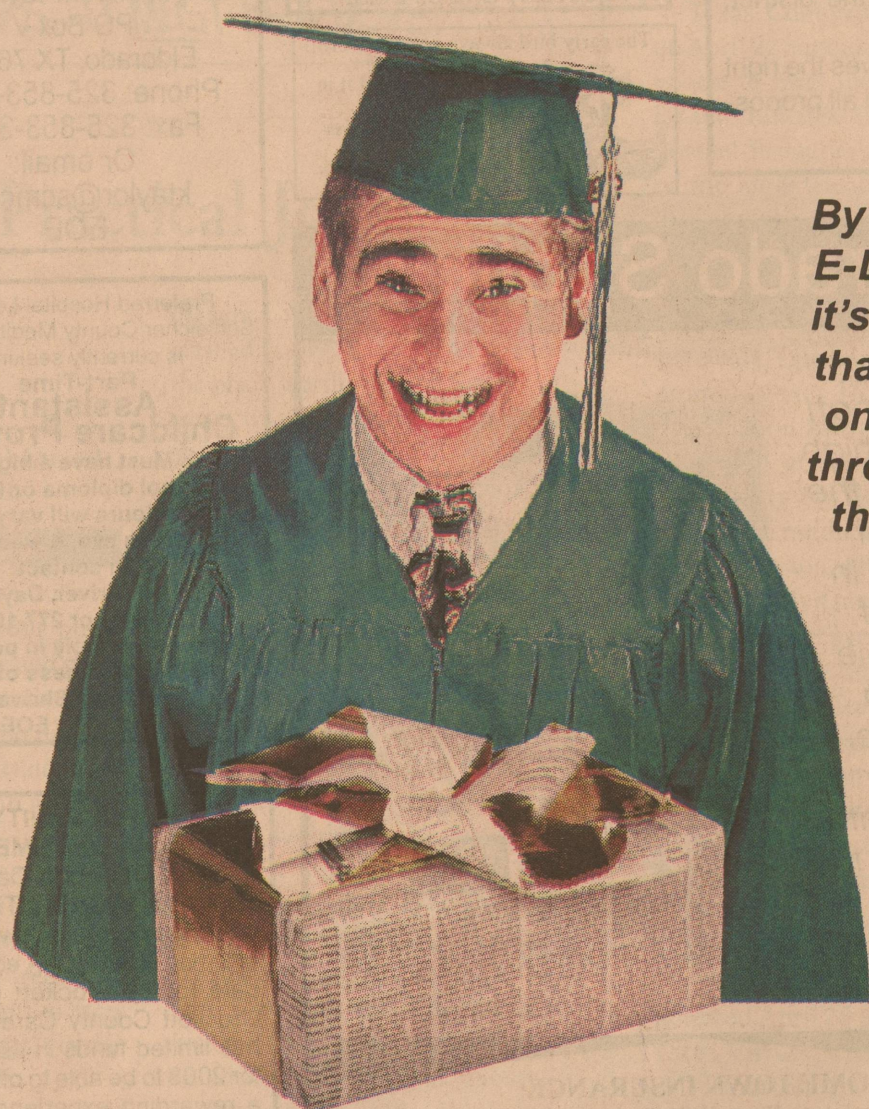
The same individuals listed above plus Jackson O'Harrow, Abby Nolen, Jesse Pfeuffer, and Jody Pfeuffer also participated in the livestock judging contests. These kids have been practicing weekly for several months, and have come a long way. With over 130 kids participating in the livestock contest, the competition was extremely tough. However, the Eldorado kids did place second in the junior sheep division. We

also had several kids place in the top 30.

Davis Hutto, Byron Aycock, Jessica Gonzales, Jesse Pfeuffer, and Jody Pfeuffer all traveled to Brownwood recently to compete in the District shooting sports competition. Under the supervision of Sunny Ethridge, Glynn Hutto, and Ray Pfeuffer, these kids have been practicing at least weekly since Feb. 1. This was the first competition for all of these kids, and all of them did extremely well for their first time. As a group they placed sixth place in the junior team division. That is not too bad, being there were 12 teams. The shooting sports program would not have been possible without the above mentioned volunteers.

Congratulations goes out to all participants, and a huge THANK YOU goes out to all of the volunteers that have made these events possible.

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