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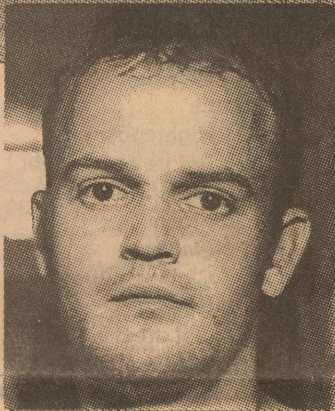
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One thing leads to another — Matthew Jarred Hussell, 28, of San Angelo, (at left) was arrested Sunday afternoon after a traffic stop on U.S. 277 uncovered an expired liability insurance card and fraudulent credit cards. After his release on \$5,000 surety bond, Hussell's insurance document was also revealed to be fraudulent. Joseph Tyrone Nichols, 24, of Hawley, was also arrested during the traffic stop. He was charged with possession of a dangerous drug when a quantity of prescription drugs were found in a plastic bag.

COURTESY PHOTO

Credit card fraud investigation stems from traffic stop on U.S. 277

A routine traffic stop proved to be anything but routine Sunday, Sept. 22, 2002, when Deputy Jason Chatham pulled over a 1995 Mazda Protege, two miles north of Eldorado on U.S. 277. The driver of the car, Joseph Tyrone Nichols, 24, of Hawley, and one of his two passengers were cited for having open containers of alcohol in the vehicle.

A second passenger, Jared Matthew Hussell, 28, of San Angelo, proved to be the owner of the car. He was taken into custody and charged with failing to maintain liability insurance when the proof of insurance card in the vehicle was determined to have expired.

A subsequent search of the car revealed a quantity of the prescription painkiller "hydrocodone" in a plastic bag. At that time Nichols was arrested and charged with possession of a dangerous drug.

As officers questioned Nichols and Hussell at the scene, four "Capitol One" credit cards, issued in the names of other individuals were found in the car.

At that point, Hussell reported-

ly told the officers that one of the cards belonged to a friend and that he had come into possession of the other cards in his capacity as a credit card fraud investigator for Capitol One division of Sitel Corporation, a telemarketing firm in San Angelo.

When credit card statements found in the car were matched up with the individual cards, and a receipt from a San Angelo office supply store matched the date and amount on one of the statements, officers began to suspect that Hussell was involved in a credit card scam.

Chief Deputy George Arispe told the Success that he contacted Sitel Corporation to verify Hussell's employment. Arispe says that he informed a supervisor at the company of his suspicions concerning Hussell and was told that a fraud investigator from the company would be contacting the local department to assist with the investigation. So far, local officers are still waiting to hear from the fraud investigator.

The Success also attempted to

verify Hussell's employment at Sitel Corporation, but was told that the company only issued such information over a "900" telephone number for which the caller would be charged. Questions about Hussell's job description and his arrest in Schleicher County drew an immediate "no comment" from the receptionist who took the call. At press time no one from the company has returned the call.

Meanwhile, Deputies Arispe and Chatham continued their investigation locally. Chatham notes that one of the credit cards was issued in woman's name, however, the statement for that card, also found in the car, carries Hussell's address. That statement indicated a number of charges had been made on the card and a pawn shop ticket found by the officers appear to match one of the purchases.

Arispe said that he believed that credit cards, sent to individuals without their request or consent, had been returned to the company by those individuals. Somehow, some of the cards were acti-

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Warning, don't be fooled by latest phone scam!

Schleicher County's Hispanic citizens are once again being targeted by telephone scam artists. The scam involves exorbitant charges for international long distance calls.

Patsy Kellogg, director of the Community Resource Center notified the Success this week that a scam, very much like the one that popped up last year, is going on again. She said that most of the calls involve collect phone calls from an unknown Hispanic male. Kellogg advises that several of her clients report receiving the calls, incurring charges as high as \$200 for one phone call.

The scam begins when a phony operator asks the recipient of the call to accept charges for a col-

lect call from Mexico. The caller then claims to be an acquaintance or a relative of the victim. Once the collect phone call is accepted, the caller makes idle conversation and attempts to keep the victim on the line as long as possible, all the while piling up huge long distance charges.

One victim told Kellogg she thought the call was from her husband who was out of town, but did not recognize his voice and immediately hung up.

In a variation of the scam that ran here last year, the caller told victims that they had won a prize or that he needed to deliver a package. The caller kept the victim on the line by asking for detailed directions.

The San Angelo Better Business Bureau recommends the resident to hang up as soon as the caller states it is a collect call. The minutes start ticking at \$65.00 a minute and are hard to get off your bill.

This scam has been played out here in Eldorado several times, as recently as last year. The scammers count on their victims having short memory. It is recommended to tell all family members of this scam, especially children and senior citizens.

The San Angelo Better Business Bureau says that people who believe they have been victimized should take the following steps. 1) Call your phone company to report

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County commissioners look for ways to save Community Resource Center

Schleicher County Commissioners met Monday, Sept. 23, 2002, and considered ways to save the Community Resource Center. The facility's future has been in jeopardy ever since the Texas Department of Health withdrew financial support last year. Now, a grant is being pursued that might build a new facility, allowing the Community Resource Center, the Sr. Citizens Center and the Meals for Friends program to be housed under one roof.

Ilse Williams met with the commissioners to discuss the possibility that grant funding might be secured from the San Angelo Health Foundation. She was hired recently by the county to head up the grant effort. Williams told the commissioners they would have to show their commitment to secure property on which a building could be constructed, if the grant application is to be taken seriously.

The Commissioners quickly dismissed Williams's suggestion that the building be placed on the courthouse square. The men said that the public would not support such a move. Instead, they offered to look for another location. Williams then reminded the men that they are facing deadline of October, or possibly as late as December for submitting the grant.

Currently, the Senior Citizens Center operates the Meals for Friends program, with the meals being prepared in the Schleicher County Jail. Operations in those two facilities continue apace, however, cutbacks in government funding has greatly reduced the outreach and effectiveness of the



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Getting the lay of the land — The Schleicher County Commissioners Court took a trip to the Ag Barn/Civic Center during their meeting on Monday. Here Commissioner Kirk Griffin (L) Judge Johnny Griffin (background) and Commissioner Johnny Mayo (R) considered options for providing an animal feeding facility once the existing building is converted into a Civic Center.

Community Resource Center. Williams told the commissioners that approximately 26 people received various types of support from the Resource Center between Sept. 5 and Sept. 20. She said the center has an operating budget of \$25,000 per year, collected from among the 14 agencies that use the center. Funds for the center are also provided by the county, the City of Eldorado and the Concho Valley Council of Governments. Williams said the latest census revealed that there are currently 482 citizens within the county over the age of 65.

With that the commissioners voted unanimously to issue a letter, committing the county to be financially responsible for the on-

going operation of the Community Resource Center, the Meals for Friends program, and to provide property on which to erect a new building. The men also authorized County Judge Johnny Griffin to contract with architect Henry Schmidt so that plans for a new building can be drawn up.

The meeting was called to order by Judge Griffin. Commissioners Ross Whitten, Kirk Griffin, Johnny Mayo and Bill Clark were in attendance.

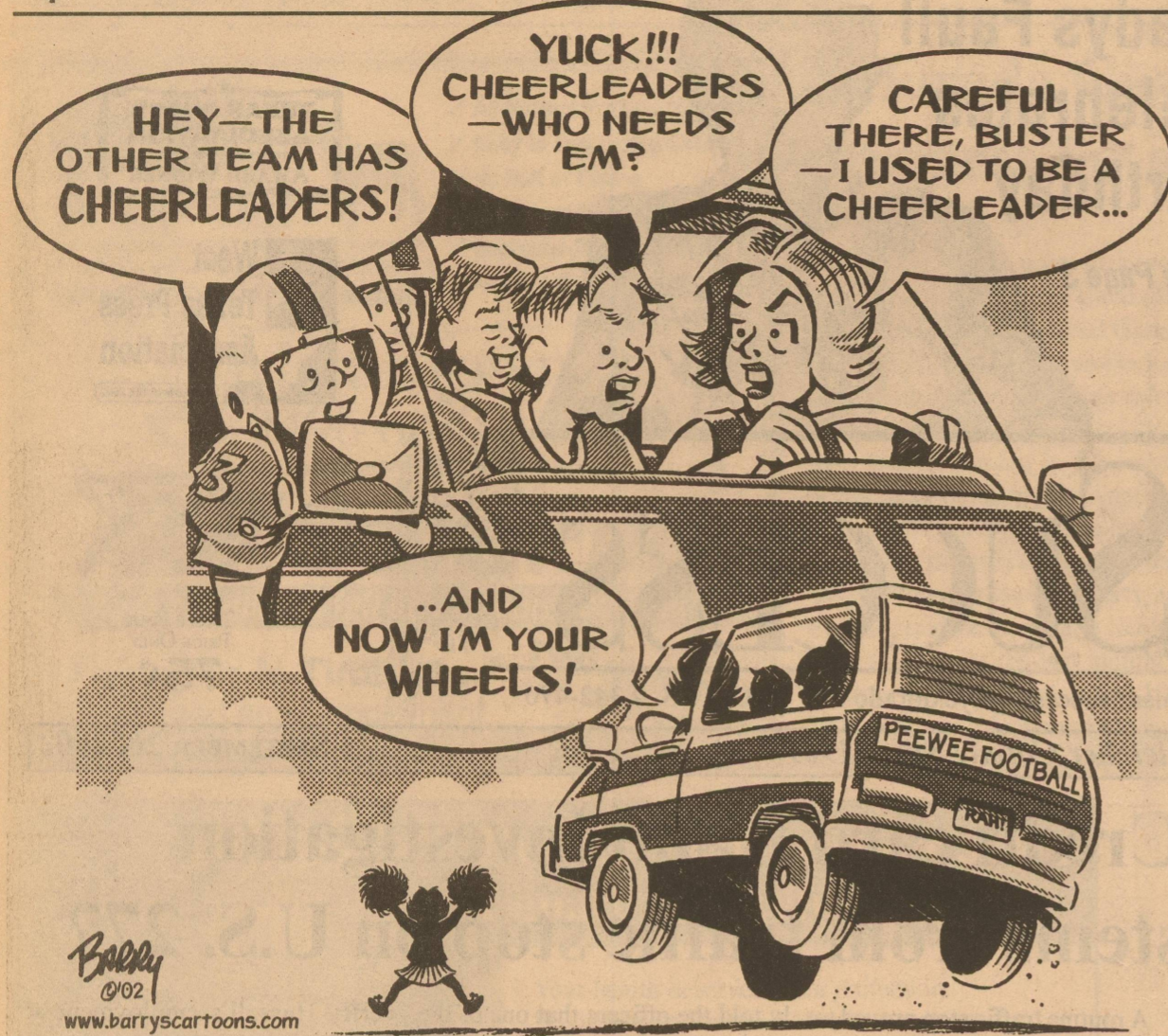
Due to an oversight in the preparation of the agenda for the last commissioners meeting and the failure of the county to publish a public notice for a budget hearing,

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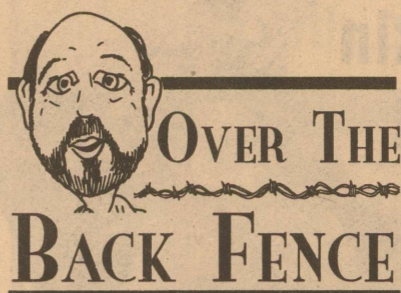
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T-Bone Collision — The front bumper of a 1992 Oldsmobile remained embedded in the side of this 2002 Chevy Impala, following a two vehicle accident at the intersection of North Divide Street and Warner Avenue on Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2002. Two women, Penny Whitten, driver of the Chevrolet, and Dorothy Evans, driver of the Oldsmobile were taken by ambulance to Schleicher County Medical Center where they were treated for injuries. According to Deputy Jason Chatham, Evans failed to yield right-of-way. Interestingly, the accident was reported to the Sheriff's office by a jail inmate who heard the crash. Moments later an "OnStar" operator called to report the wreck, saying that she was notified by a computer in the Chevy that an airbag had deployed in the car.



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Who says history is boring?



by Randy Mankin

Ever wonder how old sayings got to be old sayings? Sometimes it happened because they were true. Sometimes it was because they contained a grain of truth. Usually, however, the truth was a very subjective thing. Examine the 16th century genesis of these phrases and decide for yourself.

"Strictly upper crust."

Back in the 1500s, bread was divided according to status. Workers got the burnt bottom of the loaf, the family got the middle, and guests got the top, or "upper crust."

"Don't throw the baby out with the bath water."

Baths usually consisted of a big tub filled with hot water. The man of the house had the privilege of the nice clean water, then all the other sons and men, then the women and finally the children — last

been burying people alive. So they decided that they should tie a string on the wrist of a corpse, lead it through the coffin and up through the ground and tie it to a bell. Someone would have to sit out in the graveyard all night (the "graveyard shift") to listen for the bell; thusly a unfortunate person might be "saved by the bell" or else be considered a "dead ringer."

"Poison tomatoes?"

Those with money had plates made of pewter which reacted poorly with food that had a high acid content. You see, the acid caused the lead in the pewter to leach onto the food, ending in lead poisoning. This happened most often with tomatoes, which are highly acidic. So, for the next 400 years or so, tomatoes were considered "poisonous."

"How about trench mouth?"

Most people in the middle ages just couldn't afford pewter plates, or much of anything else. So, for dinnerware they used something called a trencher, usually a piece of soft wood or stale bread with the middle scooped out like a bowl. Trenchers were never washed and a soon enough, worms and mold got into the wood and old bread. After eating from wormy, moldy trenchers, one would get "trench mouth."

of all the babies. By then the water was so dirty you could actually lose someone in it. Hence the saying....

"It's raining cats and dogs."

Houses had very low thatched roofs, nothing more than thick straw, piled high, with few wooden supports underneath. In the winter months, animals — including household pets — would bed down in the straw in an effort to stay warm. But, when it rained the straw became slippery and sometimes the animals would slide off the roof. Hence the saying...

"A dead ringer on the graveyard shift."

As the population exploded in England it wasn't long before local folks started running out of places to bury people. So they would dig up coffins and would take the bones to a "bone-house" and reuse the grave. When reopening these coffins, 1 out of 25 were found to have scratch marks on the inside and they realized they had

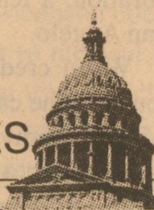
Texas Lottery cashes in with increased sales

AUSTIN — And the winning numbers are 2...9...6...6 — with a dollar sign in front, a decimal point after the 2 and the word "billion" at the end.

Some good financial news finally came out of Austin recently with the Lottery Commission's announcement that it had taken in \$2.966 billion in ticket sales during fiscal 2002 — almost a 5 percent increase over the year before. From the money, in addition to paying off prizes and costs, the agency transferred \$956.6 million to the state, primarily for K-12 public education.

State Capital Highlights

by Mike Cox



Another \$869.7 million was deposited in the Foundation School Fund.

Additionally, \$40 million went to the Multicategorical Teaching Hospital Fund and \$46.8 million to the Tertiary Care Facility Account.

The \$2.9 billion in sales last year represents an increase of almost 5 percent, despite the nation's lousy economy. Or maybe because of it, since winning the lottery is

one of the quickest financial boosts possible.

Of course, this money does not solve the state's budget shortfall, which has been changing about as fast as winning lottery numbers.

In its 10 years, the Texas Lottery, the fourth largest selling lottery in North America, has generated more than \$9.5 billion for the state and paid more than \$15 billion to players in prizes.

New college plan offered

Texas Tomorrow, the prepaid college tuition program run by the Comptroller's office, has a new name and a new way to cover non-tuition related college costs.

The new name is the Texas Tomorrow Funds program. The two funds are the existing Guaranteed Tuition Plan and the new Tomorrow's College Investment Plan.

The new plan covers costs not provided for under the existing tuition plan.

More than 132,000 Texas families have enrolled in the college plan since it was started in 1996.

Details about both plans are available at www.texastomorrowfunds.org or by calling 800-445-GRAD (4723).

Borrowing gets easier...

Signing on the dotted line can't get much easier than it already is, but understanding what you are agreeing to when you take out a loan definitely has.

Acting on legislation stemming from a Sunset Commission recom-

mendation, the state Finance Commission, which oversees the Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner, has adopted rules simplifying the language in standard loan contracts up to \$12,000.

Standard loan contracts complying with the Texas Finance Code have been rewritten at a seventh grade level, with terminology such as "upon any such default, and at any time thereafter," transformed into "If I break any of my promises in this document..."

Work still is under way on simplifying home equity loan contracts.

One thing that hasn't changed: You still have to pay back the loan, plus interest.

For more information on the simplification program, visit www.occc.state.tx.us

Other high-lights...

• Thousands of Texans were scheduled to gather on Texas beaches Sept. 21 for the state's annual Adopt-A-Beach cleanup. Last year, 8,000 volunteers collected 96 tons of trash along 155 of coastline....

• The new state Office of Rural Community Affairs announced availability of grants available from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation for volunteer care giving programs for the ill, disabled or elderly.

For more information on the \$35,000 start-up grants, check the agency's Web site at: www.orca.state.tx.us...or call 800-936-6701....



ROLLING ALONG

WITH TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Collectors Of Memories

The name Grover Talbert had been in my "possible interview" file for sometime. A friend in Rusk told me he collected mustache cups and lived in Huntsville.

I was in that city recently and got Grover on the phone. He told me to come on over. His two favorite cups are the first one given to him and a left handed mustache cup. All his cups have matching saucers. They are mostly rare china and are beautiful. They are displayed throughout the Talbert's well-kept home.

I asked him how mustache cups came into existence in the first place. "I guess it was to keep mustaches dry when men were drinking coffee. They have a little insert or bridge inside the top of the cup that keeps the coffee from getting on the mustache."

Grover has never grown a mustache. "I just got started collecting the cups because I was fascinated by them. They're mostly conversation pieces."

He has cups from all over Europe, mostly made in the 20's and 30's. "I go to garage sales and buy them for a couple of dollars. I walk away smiling."

Grover's wife is named Charlotte Elaine, but her nickname is Wegi (Wee-gee). She collects music boxes. "Somewhere My Love, or Laura's Theme from Dr. Zhivago, is my favorite music," says Wegi. "So I just started collecting music boxes."

They all tell a story about her life. "I have one to represent my parents' grocery store. Then I have a school house because I'm a

teacher and a church to represent my husband being a minister. Then I have one shaped like a telephone because I talk on the phone a lot. I have a horse and buggy like my kinfolks used to have."

She has several boxes put away, but some are displayed in the living room and kitchen. "I have several with a Christmas theme and I get them out after Thanksgiving."

She let me hear some of the tinkling music the little boxes play. "My grandchildren usually crank them up every time they go by them and they get them all playing at once. That's really something."

Wegi is probably the most organized person in Huntsville. At Grover's urging, she showed me a closet with at least 100 scrapbooks filled with photos, ticket stubs, greeting cards and newspaper clippings about the family. They're all placed on shelves according to cities where the family lived and the dates they were there. "When I get old, I'm going to spend lots of time going through these," says Wegi.

When Grover and Wegi celebrated their 45th anniversary last year, their two children, a boy and a girl, asked them what they wanted. "Just to be together" was the reply. The two offspring gave their parents a calendar filled with tickets to various events during the year. The dates for ball games, plays and weekend getaways were all marked on specific dates and had the names of which family members would attend the outings with Grover and Wegi. That's a pretty impressive present.

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4 A flexible container with a single opening	53 Shank	21 Righteousness
7 Scholastic aptitude test	55 Irritated	23 Before noon (abbr.)
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15 Exclaim	59 Brewage	26 Liability (abbr.)
16 Taro root dish	60 Hydrozoic acid	27 Clothes squeezer
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24 Position	71 System of measurement based on centimeters and grams and seconds	41 Wigwam
27 Crybabies	72 Greek goddess of the dawn	42 And so
29 Commingle	73 An immeasurably long period of time	44 The physical position of something
31 Hotshot	74 Metabolic rate (abbr.)	46 Venture off the beaten path
32 Religious hermit		47 Sort
34 Baltic or Beaufort		49 An area of open or forested country
35 Person addicted to luxury		51 Lariats
37 7th letter of the Greek alphabet		54 Military policeman (abbr.)
39 Indefinite article used before a vowel sound		56 Ornamental shrub
40 Slang for tuna		58 Regurgitate
41 Dogma		60 Song of praise
43 Adverb indicating to the same degree		61 Waterproof raincoat
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OBITUARIES

Mario Saldivar

SAN ANGELO — Mario Saldivar, 45, died Friday, Sept. 20, 2002, in a local hospital. Graveside service was Monday in Eldorado Cemetery in Eldorado. Arrangements are by Johnson's Funeral Home. Survivors include his sister and brothers.

Lavonne Hext

Lavonne Hext, 60, of Albuquerque, NM passed away September 20, 2002, at the University of New Mexico Hospital. She is survived by her husband, M.D. "Butch" Hext; sons, Rodney Hext of Richardson, NM; brother, Roy Dennis and wife, Connie, of Moriarty, NM; father-in-law Granvil Hext and wife, Corrine, of Eldorado; sister-in-law, Deanne Walker and husband, Herman, of Eldorado; and three nieces and one nephew. Lavonne was preceded in death by her parents, Easter and Buddy Dennis of Albuquerque, NM.

After graduating from Valley High School in Albuquerque, Lavonne went to business school

and worked as a secretary. After her marriage to Butch in 1963, she devoted her life to family and home. She was always there to listen to her family's problems and share in the joyful times. Lavonne was looking forward to the day she would become a grandmother, but God in His infinite wisdom knew she was terminally ill and called her home.

A memorial service was held Saturday, September 21, 2002 at the Family Worship Center in Albuquerque. Interment will follow at a later date at Santa Fe National Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or a charity of your choice.

Peggy Ottaberry

Peggy Ottaberry 69, of San Angelo, died Friday, Sept. 20, 2002, in a local nursing home. Service were held Monday Sept. 23, at Glen Meadows Baptist Church. Burial was in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Ottaberry was born Aug. 22, 1933, in Crowell, Texas. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her two sons, Jack Oliver of New Market, MD, and James Ottaberry of Seminole;

three stepdaughters, Harvie Rhodes of Kansas, and Lou Nell Ranson and Carolyn Kirkland, both of Baird; one brother John Traweck of Punta Gorda, Fla.; 16 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Rex and Ruby Traweck; her husband, Farlan "Ott" Ottaberry; daughter, Penny McMurray; and brother Jerry Traweck.



Happy Birthday — Gladys Faull was treated to a surprise 94th birthday party Sunday night by the congregation at Community Baptist Church, where Gladys rarely misses a service.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Armchair Decathletes Report to the Starting Line

Dear Editor,

Just wanted to invite any of your readers who are musicians... or even pseudo musicians... to join in at the Jammin' Tree next weekend during the Armchair Decathletes Festival and All Comers Car Show on the courthouse square. It's just going to be a come and go jam session under one of the trees.

For those that don't know, the Armchair Decathlon is ten events

that one accustomed to sitting in an armchair a lot might be able to participate in, such as thumb wrestling, pitching cards to a hat, donut eating, darts, jig saw puzzle making and other such mental competitions. Contestants are still needed. You may call 853-2434 to register or just show up Saturday or Sunday.

Thanks,
Jim Runge

Parent/teacher conferences begin at EHS on Sept. 30

Eldorado High School will host a two day Parent/Teacher Conference in order to visit with all of the students parents.

The conferences are set for Sept. 30, 2002 from 7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Another round is slated for Oct. 7, 2002 from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The date and times were selected so that parents may have some flexibility in their work schedules to meet with the teachers. A private room will be available for those teachers and parents who wish to visit privately.

The high school counselor will be present to answer questions and to make available various material including information about financial aid for students nearing graduation, various testing options for all students, and graduation requirements and a 4-Year Plan for fresh-

man and sophomores. Spanish translation will be available.

The teachers of Eldorado High School hope each parent of a High School student will take this opportunity to ask questions and get to know who instructs their children.

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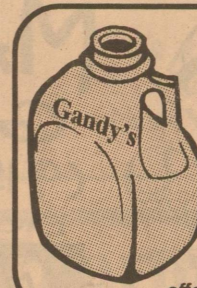


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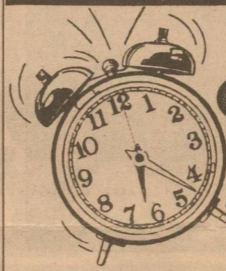
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Hispanic citizens targeted again by telephone scam

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the bogus collect call and ask them to take it off your bill. 2) Delete that portion and pay the remainder of your bill. 3) Make a photo copy of the bill, circle the call or

calls. 4) Write a letter detailing the problem while stating clearly that the phone call was accepted under a false pretense. 5) Mail the letter along with the photo copy to:

Better Business Bureau
PO Box 3366

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The BBB has agreed to forward all such letters to the Attorney General's office where they can be pursued for collection and/or criminal charges.

Finally, the best insurance is not to accept collect phone charges unless you positively know the identity of the caller!

BIRTHDAY LIST

SEPTEMBER

26th Jana Kennedy, Brad Thomas, Jennifer Grelle, Martin Herrera, Arnulfo Montalvao
27th Alan Gillespie, Travis Meador, Kaelyne Wright, Mason Parker
28th Katie Thomson, Nancy K. Woodbury, Victoria Estep, Hope Fuentes, Kati Thomson, Caroline Hight, Bobbie Marshall, Arden Mertz

29th Sylvia Belman, Cindy Cawley
30th Sherri Freeman, Jack Williams, Christina Rojas, Pansie Jay, Glenda Harris,
OCTOBER
1st Samantha Brown, Vicky Esparza, John Kotsch, Andi Sterling, Terry Green, Raymond Spears, Sr., Evan Joiner, Cayla Vanacek, Evan Joiner
2nd Buff Whitten, Sherry Gibson, Melissa Bullard, Donna Suter, Angela Kelley

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27th John Ben & Cindy Cawley
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Eagles run past Red Devils

by David E. Hill

The Eldorado Eagles traveled to Rankin last Friday night to take on the always-tough Red Devils and came away with a 21-14 win. The Eagles evened their record at 2-2 on the season and will get this week off before a final preseason game and then loop play.

The Eagles have shown fans that they play an exciting brand of football and you shouldn't leave the game early or you might miss some great action. In a season that has seen a new coaching staff, new uniforms, and renewed interest in the program (over 70 boys out grades 9-12), the Eagles also have seen a good following on the road. There were plenty of Eagle faithful in Upton County to support the "Warbirds" in their victory. Thus far, EHS has also surprised some of the pre-season predictions with their efforts thus far.

Eldorado found the end zone three times during the ball game. In the first quarter with 8:22 remaining, Trey Chavez found Quisto Gonzalez for a touchdown throw and run. Landon Nixon then added two more TD's for the Eagles with 4:18 in the second on a 32 yard run and with 4:04 in the third on a 6 yard run. Gonzalez added all the PAT's for the Eagles.

Gonzalez led EHS rushers with 134 yards, Chavez had 113, and Nixon had 67. Eldorado racked up 295 yards on the ground. Gonzalez added two catches and Bobby Phillips had a catch as well for the green and white.

"We just need keep moving the ball 3 and 4 yards a pop and everything will come together," Coach Gary Grubbs said following the game. "Our line continues to do a good job and our rushing totals continue to be strong. These kids just keep getting more confidence each week."

Defensively, Ray Buitron led the charge for the Eagles with 10 tackles. Phillip Martinez had 8, while Seth Taylor and Santiago Hernandez each tallied 6. Quisto Gonzalez had 3 QB sacks while Buitron had 2 and Ross Hodges added another. Hernandez had an interception and Taylor and Buitron each forced a fumble.

"We really went after them tonight," Defensive Coordinator Charlie Bunch said after the game. "We stepped up and closed them out in the end and these guys played a very good defensive game."

Eldorado gets the week off this week before taking on Iraan at Eagle Stadium next Friday.



PHOTO BY RANDY MANKIN
Scampering for a TD—Eagles running back Landon Nixon squirmed through a hole in Rankin's defense last Friday night and turned on the speed to out run everyone to the endzone. Nixon, one of the smallest of the Eagles players has come up big for the Warbirds, scoring two TDs in each of the past two games.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN
Future Eagle—Austin Barajas dropped back for a pass during PeeWee Football scrimmage against Sonora here last Saturday.

Kick, Punt & Pass contest scheduled for Oct. 5th

The annual Kick, Punt & Pass competition will be held in Eagle Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 5th. Slated to begin at 9:00 a.m. the event will feature youngsters competing in four age divisions: 0-3, 4-6, 7-9 and 10-12. Prizes will be awarded to the first three places in each division. However, everyone who participates will win a ribbon.

Anyone wishing to participate who hasn't already filled out a registration form should report to the field early.

Also, Bill Hodges, who coordinates the event each year, encourages anyone wishing to help as an official or judge to come to the stadium. "We can use the help," Hodges said. "Let's make this a great event for all our kids!"

Eagles Cross-Country runners compete in Ballinger meet

Eldorado's Cross-Country track runners competed last Saturday at the Bearcat C-Country Meet in Ballinger. The EHS Lady Eagles team placed 6th in a field of 15 teams.

Courtney Sauer led her teammates across the finish line, placing 11th in a field of 130 runners.

Clara Herrera placed 16th, Courtney Brown came in 33rd and Allison Brown was 50th. Kasey Boysaw placed 83rd, Juanita Huichapa was 113th and Mary Ann Moreno finished in 115th place.

The EHS boys team had only three runners competing due to injuries and therefore couldn't compete for team point. Eric Garcia placed 4th in a field of 71 with a time of 17:57. Frank Wipff was 20th at 20:01 and Ryan Cathey finished in 66th at 25:25.

In the 7th Grade Girls Division, LiAna Danford placed 7th in a field of 98 with a time of 14:47. Selvia Aranda was 46th at 17:02, Chelsey Hill finished in 58th at 17:30 and Amica Gonzalez placed 80th with a time of 18:51. Desiree Valeriano was 78th at 20:12, Joy

Martinez placed 87th at 20:25, Rhapsody Swyter finished in 88th position at 20:33, Lynley Glass was 84th at 22:11 and Misti Daniels placed 96th with a time of 22:25.

David Ramirez led the field in the 7th Grade Boys race, finishing 1st at 12:41. Jorge Mata was 9th at 13:47, Louie Buitron placed 15th at 14:38 and J'Lynn Barajas finished in 23 at 15:04. In all, there were 38 boys running in the 7th grade division.

In the 8th Grade Girls Division, Erica Buitron placed 17th with a time of 15:07 and Mariana Guzman was 56th at 18:10.

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Eagles Junior Varsity squad stuns Rankin JV 34-0

The Eldorado JV defeated the Rankin JV 34-0 on Thursday evening, Sept. 19. The Eagle were in control of the game most of the time.

Eldorado opted to kick-off but take the wind on a breezy night and forced the Red Devils to punt. From there it was all Eldorado. Linebacker Kolby Dombroski returned Rankin fumble 65 yards for a TD. Tailback Terrell Boysaw scored 2 touchdowns on runs of 25 and 10 yards.

Tailback Koda Lozano ran in for a TD from 5 yards and had several other good runs and hard hits on defense. Fullback Nestor Hernandez ran in an Eagles' TD on a 5 yard run. Quarterback Tico Robles connected with Tight End Joe Borrego for a 2 pt. conversion. Boysaw also added a 2 pt. conversion run earlier in the game.

Other nice runs were made by Fullback Luis Hernandez, Full-

back Kyle Taylor, Tailback Andy Mejia, QB Frank Edmiston and Split End Rigo Arispe picked up 20 yards on a reverse. The Eagles signal calling responsibilities were directed by quarterbacks Frank Edmiston, Tico Robles, and Jared Grubbs, with each leading drives for scores.

Defensively the Eagles were led by Manuel Arispe, Joel Esparza, Rolando Gomez, Koda Lozano, Michael Ballew, Tony Vasquez, B.J. Dacy, and Jeremy Ussery. The kicking duties were mostly handled by Simon Duran with some assistance from Nestor Hernandez.

There were some nice blocks to spring long runs including those made by Eric Garcia, Michael Hill, Caleb Nixon, and Epolo Herrera. It was truly a team effort with multiple contributions. A portion of the Eagles JV will play against Ozona this evening at 6:30.



Jail break — Eagles JV defenders poured through the line last Thursday, trapping this Rankin runner in the backfield. The Eagles JV dominated the game from beginning to end.

Hospital board meets, moves to upgrade C-T scanner

The Schleicher County Hospital District board of trustees met Monday, Sept. 23, 2002, for its regular monthly meeting. The meeting was called to order by Board President Randy Mankin at 6:05 p.m. On hand for the meeting were trustees Shirley Joiner, Delia Pina, Ricky Fuessel and Jim Martin.

The board went briefly into executive session but quickly returned to open meeting. Mankin announced that the executive session would be taken up again as soon as Dr. Pat Taylor was available to meet with the trustees.

After reviewing and approving the minutes of meetings held on August 26 and Sept. 12, 2002, the trustees heard a report from Hospital Administrator Sharon Dietz.

Dietz advised that the application for Rural Health Clinic status in the hospital's clinic is complete and that approval has been received from Traiblazer, Health Enterprises, the fiscal intermediary that handles claims for the Medicare program. Final approval will come after representatives from the Texas Dept. of Health conduct a on-site survey of the clinic. Dietz went on to say that Rural Health Clinic designation is important since it can mean as much as \$9,000 per month in additional reimbursement from Medicare.

Dietz then updated the board on her efforts to amend the district's procedures regarding payment for employee educational courses and seminars. On her recommendation the board voted unanimously to implement a policy that requires employees to agree to continue working at Schleicher County Medical Center for period of one year in return for the hospital district paying for educational courses. Certified nursing aides

are exempt from the new policy.

Dietz noted that overtime has been reduced in the nursing home due to new scheduling procedures. She also advised the trustees that the hospital's application for a grant to pay for new X-ray equipment was turned down by the Office of Rural Community Affairs. Dietz said a second grant application has been submitted to the San Angelo Health Foundation and that she is hopeful that it will be approved.

Discussion then turned to the hospital's C-T scanner. Dietz explained that it will be about as costly to upgrade the existing scanner, to make it compatible with telemedicine software, as it would be to replace the scanner with a much newer and faster spiral C-T scanner. After reviewing the numbers the trustees authorized Dietz to order the new scanner. It was noted that lease payments on a new Toshiba scanner will be just about \$100 per month more than the district will pay for the old one, once it is outfitted for tele-medicine.

The trustees then authorized Dietz to look into acquiring a storage building to replace the portable shipping container that is currently being used for storage, and they okayed the installation of a network "firewall" so that the hospital's e-mail service can be moved to the new high-speed Internet connection. Dietz explained that the

savings realized by disconnecting the "ISDN" telephone line and dropping the internet service provider will more than offset the cost of the firewall.

The board then returned to executive session. Dr. Pat Taylor joined the trustees in the closed-door meeting. Also participating was hospital consultant Andy Freeman and Sharon Dietz. The posted agenda listed two reasons for the executive session, discussion real property - rent house, and the discussion of personnel - emergency room coverage. The group returned to open session about 45 minutes later without taking action on either of the matters.

Next, the trustees reviewed the district's financial reports. It was noted that the facility ended the month of August with a \$21,767.00 profit. The board then moved to write-off \$25,975.66 in bad debt. It was explained that the hospital will continue trying to collect the money, but that it will be stricken from the accounts receivable roll for accounting purposes. Randy Mankin reminded the board that the district's auditor said only last month that SCMC's write-off's were in line with other hospital's of similar size.

The board then briefly discussed the two vacant board seats. They also reappointed Dr. Pat Taylor to active medical staff. Under the hospital's bylaws medical staff

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Officers pursue credit card fraud investigation

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vated and used to make purchases.

Deputy Chatham made contact with one of the individuals whose name appears on one of the cards. The man, who lives in Colorado, reportedly told the officers that he once had Capitol One credit card, but that he had cancelled it. He told Chatham that the credit card company had recently contacted him to verify that he wanted the card reactivated at a Texas address. He said he told them no and that he

made no such request.

Interestingly, Hussell was found to be in possession of the Colorado man's social security number and other personal information. Chatham said that Hussell had several other names and social security numbers in his possession.

Hussell was charged with credit card abuse in addition to the charge of failing to maintain liability insurance. He was released Tuesday from the Schleicher County Jail on a \$5,000.00 surety

bond.

A few hours after Hussell's release, Deputy David Olivan, received word from a West Virginia insurance company that the expired liability insurance certificate that resulted in the first charges against Hussell, was also fraudulent. Company officials reportedly told Olivan that Hussell was insured by their company in 1997, but not since. Olivan says that charges of possessing a fraudulent insurance document will also be filed against Hussell.

Joseph Tyrone Nichols, whose driving led to the traffic stop in the first place, faces charges of possession of a dangerous drug. He was released on \$2,000.00 surety bond.



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Buckle Up For Safety — Catie Wiedenholfer, coordinator for the San Angelo SAFE KIDS Coalition, demonstrated the proper buckle up procedure for the new car seat to be used by 18 month old Eddykah Rodriguez, as her mother, Yvette Rodriguez looks on. The new car seat was one of the 37 car seats given away last Saturday by the SAFE KIDS Coalition.

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ARRESTS

September 21 • Forte, Eugene, male age 50, arrested by SC Officer, charge with Driving While Intoxicated (1st Offense). Released on \$1,000 Surety Bond.

September 22 • Garcia, Jose Felix, Jr., male age 23, arrested by SC Officer, charge with DPS Warrants. Released on PR Bond.

• Hussell, Jared M., male age 28, arrested by SC Officer, charge with No Liability Insurance and Credit Card Abuse. Released on a \$5,000 Surety Bond.

Nichols, Joseph Tyrone, male age 24, arrested by SC Officer, charge with Possession of Dangerous Drugs. Released on \$2,000 Surety Bond.

REPORTS

September 17 • 6:56 p.m. Complainant stated that kids had stopped up their sewer with dirt and requested the City to check it out. On call city employee contacted.

• 11:16 p.m. Complainant reported a snake in the back room of the convenience store and requested an officer. Officer responded.

September 18 • 7:40 a.m. Complainant stated their sister had fallen and had possibly broken her hip. Officer and EMS 2 responded.

• 10:08 a.m. Hospital requested a transfer to Shannon Medical Center. EMS 2 responded.

• 11:15 a.m. Complainant called 911 and requested that an officer go and check their neighbor's house. The neighbor's electricity had gone out and they were concerned about their belongings. Officer responded.

• 12:58 p.m. Auto recovery called the Sheriff Office to advise there would be a repossession of a vehicle on Rudd Road.

• 1:21 p.m. Complainant called in to reported someone illegally parked in handicapped zone.

• 4:31 p.m. Schleicher County inmate reported a vehicle accident on the corner of Divide and Warner. Two officers and EMS 1 & 2 responded.

• 4:34 p.m. Employee with "On Star" advised that an air-bag had deployed in a vehicle accident which occurred in our city.

• 6:12 p.m. Bank alarm was set off at bank. Officer responded and found everything OK. Chevy suburban found in parking lot.

• 7:23 p.m. Complainant requested to speak to an officer, and to serve a Criminal Trespass on a male subject. Officer responded.

September 19 • 11:26 a.m. Complainant stated they would be having a controlled burn 17 miles out on FM 915.

• 12:20 p.m. Complainant stated that their residence on N. Cottonwood had been burglarized. Of-

ficer responded.

• 3:53 p.m. Complainant on E. Hill reported a break in at their storage building. Items reported missing were two stereos. Officer responded.

• 4:34 p.m. Male subject reported their vehicle had broken down 7 miles north on Hwy. 277.

September 20 • 9:09 p.m. Employee of convenience store reported a suspicious vehicle parked at the store parking lot for several days. Complainant stated that they had seen a male subject enter the vehicle one time and left the area going south on Hwy. 277. Officer responded.

• 9:55 p.m. Sonora's Sheriff Department reported a possible drunk driver traveling north on Hwy. 277. Officer unable to locate.

September 21 • 8:39 p.m. Complainant reported a go-cart on the street after sundown. Officer responded.

• 8:55 p.m. Two callers reported a possible drunk driver traveling north on Hwy. 277 driving a orange Chevy 1500 pickup with Arkansas plates. Subject was arrested.

September 22 • 5:00 a.m. Complainant reported that a vehicle had run off the road and hit a sign.

• 9:00 p.m. Sutton County requested a Schleicher County Officer to assist Sutton County in an investigation. Officer responded to county line.

• 9:48 p.m. Subject reported fireworks being discharged on E. Dorris. Officer responded. Two other complainants called the Sheriff Office for same problem and one identified the two male subjects by name.

September 23 • 2:49 p.m. Complainant on Carson Street requested an ambulance. EMS 2 responded.

• 7:11 p.m. Subject requested to speak to an officer about chickens. Officer responded.

• 8:13 p.m. Clerk at convenience store reported a minor accident on N. Divide and officer requested a wrecker.

September 24 • 12:30 p.m. Complainant reported two vehicle accident on Divide and Murchison. Two officers and EMS 2 responded.

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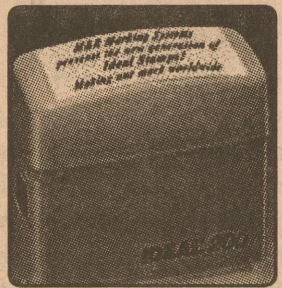
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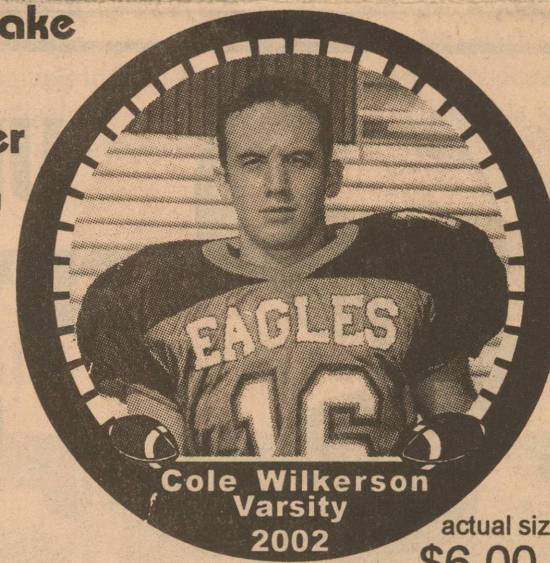
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Eldorado Spotlight



This week the Eldorado Spotlight shines on the Bingo Singers. The group, consisting of Dale West Eubank, Rita McWhorter, Antonio Contreras, Sharon Mittel, Johnnie Jay Nance and Mary Roden, performed for the attendees at the annual Schleicher County Nursing Home barbecue, held last Saturday evening.

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Eldorado Game Association prepares for annual dinner

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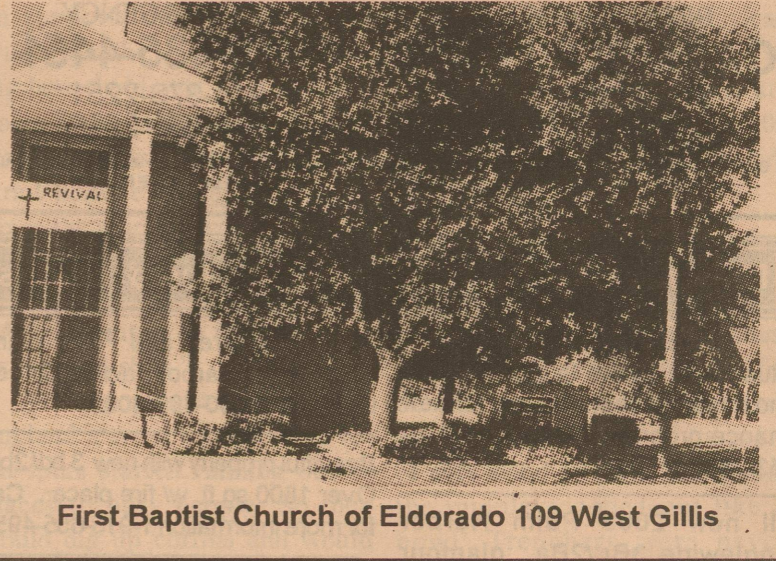
Deer Season is upon us again and preparations for the Eldorado Game Association's Annual Game Dinner have been in the works for some time now. Early ticket sales have begun and prize donations have started coming in. The goal of the Eldorado game Association is to encourage wildlife management, educate landowners as to the diversification of their property, as well as promote hunting in Schleicher County. At the last monthly meeting held on September 10, 2002, we received reports from our

various committees, confirmed that the Parks and wildlife Trailer would be present for the Game Dinner again this year, and began preparations for the officer elections that will be held at the next monthly meeting. Marco Alvizo Game Warden also offered to speak to the association on Chronic Wasting Disease, date to be arranged. The Eldorado Game Association will be holding its monthly meeting on October 8, 2002 at 6:00 p.m. all current members are urged to attend. The upcoming meeting is the final meeting prior to our Annual Game Dinner. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Eldorado game Association please contact Connie Andrews at 853-2576, Melissa Stanford at 853-3456, or join at the Game Dinner on No-

Chamber Pride Spots for Month of September



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So get in the spirit of EHS Homecoming and decorate your windows. Please notify the Chamber office at 853-3109 or participating in the contest.

Commissioners work to save Community Resource Center

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The commissioners again took up the subject of the budget and the tax rate and voted unanimously to readopt the same \$2.28 million budget they voted on two weeks before. Next the commissioners voted to set the tax rate for fiscal year 2003 at 71¢ per \$100 valuation, the same rate they adopted at the last meeting.

The men then voted to accept the bid from Griffin Fuel for a transport load of diesel fuel at \$1.0812 per gallon. The bid included 20¢ in fuel taxes. The bid was the only one received and County Clerk Peggy Williams explained that she had published a public notice in the paper and mailed requests for bids to several fuel suppliers.

The commissioners next voted to set the county's contribution rate to the Texas County and District Retirement System at 8.76 percent for fiscal year 2003. The rate increases the county's contribution over last year by approxi-

mately \$11,000.00.

The men then okayed a contract with Kerr County for mental health and chemical dependence hearings. They also voted to keep the contract with Tom Green County for juvenile detention services. The commissioners also indicated that they were pleased with the performance of Juvenile Probation Officer Gary Smith, and his dedication to his young clients. According to Judge Griffin, the county currently pays \$75 per day to house a juvenile in the Tom Green County Juvenile Detention Center.

The court then visited the Ag Building/Civic Center property south of town to see if any if an existing buildings could be used in conjunction with the new livestock feeding facility planned for construction on the back side of the property. The men also inspected the pole barn which currently houses the pens for holding livestock. The barn is currently attached to the newly completed addition to the ag building. The facility is scheduled to be remodeled next year and converted into a Civic Center.

Before adjourning, the commissioners visited with County Clerk Peggy Williams about increasing fees charged by the county when the Sheriff's Dept. serves papers. The men then voted to increase the fee for serving civil processes and writs from \$50 to \$100. They also raised the fee for forcible retainers from \$50 to \$60. All other fees were left as is. Judge Griffin noted the new fee schedule will bring the county into line with what other counties are charging.

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