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Judge Robert Scott, County Extension Agent for Reagan County, admired Payton Whitten's puppy Prancer during the Dog Show portion of the 69th annual Schleicher County Livestock, Food and Project Show.

69th annual Schleicher County Livestock, Food and Project Show held in newly completed Civic Center

The 69th annual Schleicher County Livestock, Food & Project Show was held in the newly completed Civic Center last weekend. The facility proved to be up to the task as the show went smoothly and there was plenty of elbow room in the new building. Cool, but otherwise beautiful weather greeted those who ventured out to see a show that was expanded over last year's. Robert Scott, County Extension Agent from Reagan County served as the judge for the livestock show. He also judged the annual Dog Show.

The show, held on January 8, 9 & 10, counted numerous entries Breeding and Meat Goat, Steer, Heifer, Swine, Angora Goat, Finewool Lambs and Medium Wool Lambs and Rabbits divisions. Entries in the Food Show and Creative Arts Show were also judged.

Jaymie O'Harrow won the overall Showmanship Award for the second

time in two years and received a leather briefcase in recognition of the honor. Winning showmanship in the various age divisions (regardless of animal) were: Junior Showman (4th-8th Grade) went to Carli McAngus; Senior Showman (9th-12th Grade) went to Seth Taylor. Each received a buckle.

Species showmanship awards were given to Ridge Ann Sudduth, Will Griffin, Marcus Hinojosa, Neal Higgins and Tracy Brenner. Each recipient will receive a jacket.

As usual the dog show Saturday morning was a big crowd pleaser with best dressed and best groom dogs chosen. Corie Williams and her miniature terrier puppy received overall Best Dressed dog and Best Dressed in the Junior Division. Brook Oliver and her yellow lab received Best Dressed in the Sub Junior Division.

Megan Powell mixed breed dog re-

ceived Best Groomed in the Sub Junior Division and Carli McAngus Wired Haired Fox Terrier won Best Groomed in the Junior Division and Best Dressed Overall.

Top winners of the Food Show went to: Sub Junior Best of Show: Lane Griffin's White Chocolate Coconut Cake; Junior Best of Show: Maygen Spradley's Chocolate Extravaganza and Senior Best of Show: Seth Taylors' Banana Split Cake.

First National Bank provided the noon barbecue meal on Saturday.

Individual placings in the Livestock Show, Food Show and Project Show were as follows:

LIVESTOCK SHOW BREEDING SHEEP

Grand Champion Breeding Sheep: Jaymie O'Harrow

Reserved Champion Breeding Sheep: Neal Higgins

Class 1: Neal Higgins (1 & 4), Carli McAngus (2), Haley Higgins (3 & 5);

Class 2: Jaymie O'Harrow (1), McKenzie McAngus (2), Carli McAngus (3), Miles Mikeska (4), Jackson O'Harrow (5) and Macy Mikeska (6).

LAMBS

Champion: Ridge Ann Sudduth
Reserve: Neal Higgins
Showmanship: Ridge Ann Sudduth

Fine Wools

Class 1 (95-100 lbs.): Ridge Ann Sudduth (1) and Meg Griffin (2).

Class 2: (105-107 lbs.): Neal Higgins (1) and Meg Griffin (2).

Fine Wool Crosses

Class 1: (100-101 lbs.): Haley Higgins (1&2).

Class 2: (114-122 lbs.): Neal Higgins (1) and Carli McAngus (2).

Medium Wool

Class 1: (118-128 lbs.) Ridge Ann Sudduth (1 & 2), Mark Bybee (3), Tres Whitten (4).

Class 2: (134-153 lbs.): Mark Bybee (1), Jaymie O'Harrow (2) and Jackson O'Harrow (3).

SWINE

Champion: Marcus Hinojosa

Reserve: Marcus Hinojosa

Showmanship: Marcus Hinojosa

Class 1: (120-147 lbs.) Marcus Hinojosa (1), Neal Brenner (2), Josue Chavez (3), Jorge Chavez (4), Mason Baker (5), and Brian Parsley (6).

Class 2: (149-161 lbs.) Josue Chavez (1), Neal Brenner (2), Mark Bybee (3 & 5), Taylor Baker (4) and Tony Chavez (6).

Class 3: (166-180 lbs.) Mark Bybee (1), Jorge Chavez (2), Cash Lane (3), Tracy Brenner (4) and Robert Chavez (5).

Class 4: (190-196 lbs.) Marcus Hinojosa (1, 3 & 5), Carli McAngus (2), Robert Chavez (4).

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City leaves West Street a one-way near school

Emergency personnel seek name change for some local streets

The Eldorado City Council decided Monday night not to change the flow of traffic on the one-way section of North West Street near the school. Instead, the council asked city personnel to install better signage and to work with the school and the Sheriff's Dept. to see to it that traffic problems are kept to a minimum.

The issue was first raised by Councilmember Robert Bybee who expressed concern about the number of people who drive the wrong way down the two block section that is marked for one-way traffic. He also noted that parents who stop in the street to drop-off or pickup students is a safety hazard, as are school buses that routinely park in the street while loading and unloading. Ultimately, a motion by Bybee to change the two-block section from Warner Avenue to Field Street into a two-way street died for lack of a second.

The council appeared to be swayed by input received at a public hearing where Mayor Nikolauk explained that the street had been changed to a one-way several years ago at the request of the school and that input from current school officials showed that they preferred leaving the street as it is. The

mayor also explained that a school board meeting being held at the same time prevented school officials from attending the hearing. Sheriff David Doran and Chief Deputy George Arispe were on hand for the hearing and spoke against changing the flow of traffic. So did Bill Hodges, who asked the council to leave the street as a one-way and to beef up enforcement.

But one-way streets weren't the only street issue discussed by the council. Fire Chief Jerry Jones appeared before the council to ask that they consider changing the names of some city streets. Jones explained that emergency personnel are often delayed in reaching the scene of a fire or an accident because of confusing street names. He pointed out that there is a West Avenue and a West Street, as well as an East Street and a North East Street inside the city limits. Lee Avenue, also located inside the city limits is often confused with Lea Street, which lies outside the city in the Orient Heights Addition where Denney Avenue is also found. Denny Street lies inside the city limits, intersecting East Street near Dorris Avenue.

Adding to the confusion is the fact

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PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Fire Chief Jerry Jones (center) points to streets on a map that have conflicting names that could cause delays in response time for emergency service personnel. Jones asked County Commissioners (L-R) Matt Brown Kirk Griffin and Johnny Mayo to consider renaming two streets in the Orient Heights Addition because they sound the same as two streets inside the City of Eldorado.

County asked to rename streets

Fire Chief Jerry Jones was joined by EMS personnel Juakin Rojas and Melissa Stanford in asking Schleicher County Commissioners on Monday to consider renaming two streets in the Orient Heights Addition, outside the Eldorado City Limits. Jones explained that confusion about similar-sounding street names has caused emergency personnel to take longer responding to calls. He asked that Lea St. be renamed because it sounds too much like Lee Avenue, which is located in the north part of Eldorado. Jones also asked that Wheat Avenue, which becomes Mary Street once it enters the city limits be renamed Mary Street outside the city limits, as well. Jones said he would be asking the City of Eldorado to rename other streets that were causing similar problems.

The commissioners seemed sympathetic to the request and told Jones they

would be willing to take whatever action was necessary and said they would cooperate with the City of Eldorado in correcting the problems.

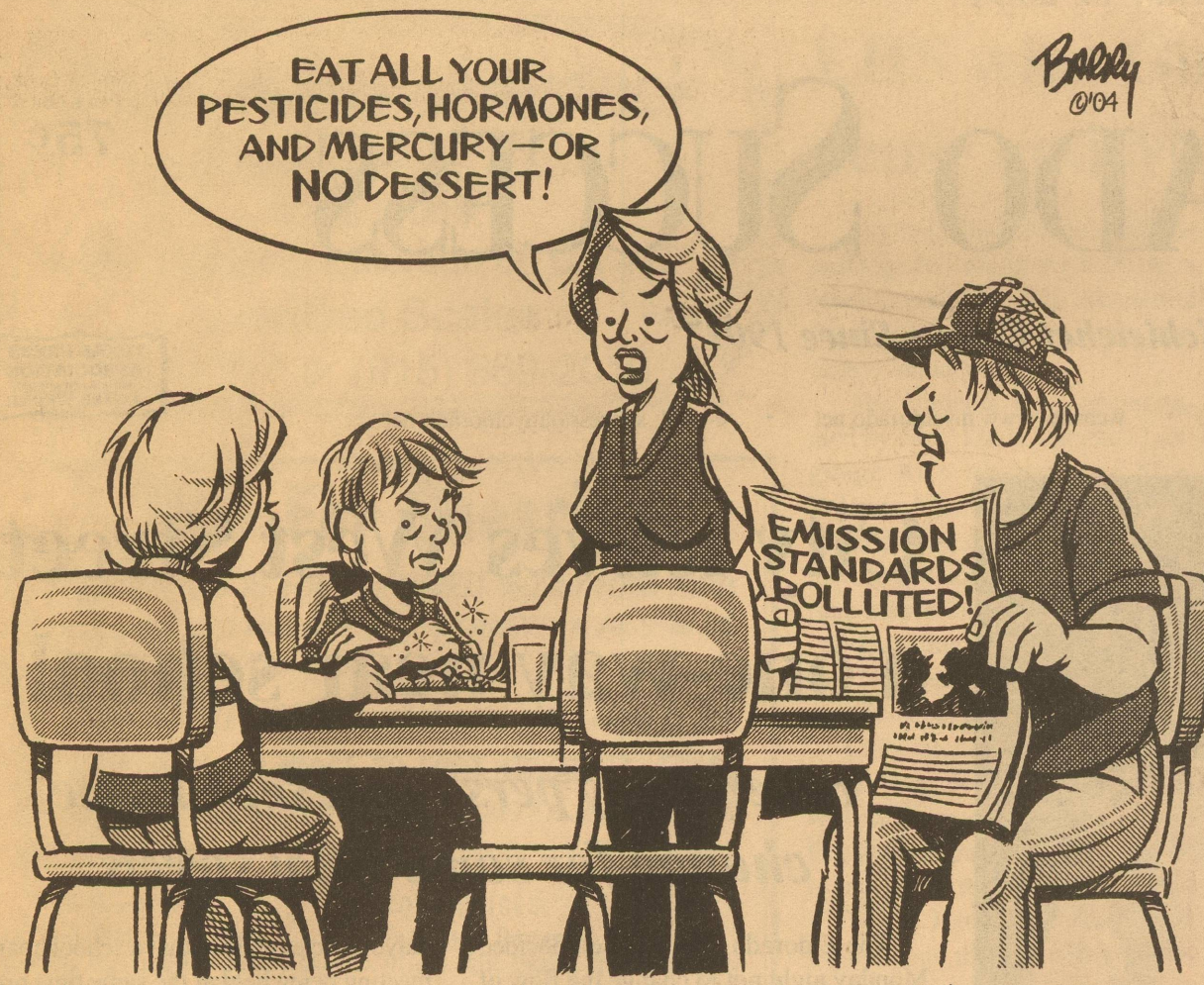
The meeting was called to order by County Judge Johnny Griffin with Commissioners Johnny Mayo, Kirk Griffin and Matt Brown in attendance. Commissioner Bill Clark was absent. Also on hand for the meeting was Eldorado City Administrator Randy Mankin who visited briefly with the men about a cable TV company facility that is built in an alleyway in the Orient Heights addition. Mankin said the facility is blocking a planned water system improvement and asked for the county's help in obtaining easements since the work is being done outside the city limits. Judge Griffin noted that he was aware of the problem and said the county would work to correct the problem.

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PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Robert Buchholz and Dalton Buchholz show off their Grand Champion (R) and Reserve Champion (L) Angora Goats during the 69th annual Schleicher County Livestock, Food and Project Show. Little brother Franklin and mom Mary Buchholz joined in the photo, as did their grandfather, Joe David Ross



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The Mayor Pro Tem of Toyah

Some cities refer to their governing bodies as city fathers. It's different in the little Reeves County village of Toyah. With only one male city councilman, the town is run mostly by city mothers.

The City Hall is in a rock building that was once a church. Diana Tollett is mayor pro tem of Toyah, which gets its name from an Indian word meaning running water.

"We can't afford a city manager, we're a poor little town," she told me. "We just all kind of volunteer our time. The city is run mostly on public service."

Toyah has 107 residents, down from the peak of 752 in the 50's. Toyah depends on Pecos for ambulance service, but the volunteer fire department in Toyah has seven members.

"I pump the trucks and drive them all," says Diana. "We work with fire departments in Balmorea and Pecos. When there's a fire, we all show up and do what we can. Same for wrecks. Toyah has no law enforcement. We depend on the county for that."

Diana has won thousands of dollars in the Texas lotto. One time



by Tumbleweed Smith

her husband was out of work and Diana told him not to worry. The next day she won \$20,000 in the lottery drawing. She has won another \$18,000 pot and several one thousand dollar jackpots. She does some unusual things with her winnings. She passes out one hundred dollar bills to people who need money.

Diana has taught kids how to swim in the city swimming pool. She helps with the city's annual Easter Egg Hunt. Her husband works offshore in Venezuela and is gone half the time. She grew up in the little town and loves it.

"It's a good little community, real quiet and no crime and good drinking water, no pollution. It's a good place to live. I've lived all over the US and in Europe. But this is home."

Residents of Toyah say Diana is responsible for the good tasting

water, which comes from a canyon spring in the Davis Mountains. In the last six years Toyah has installed a state of the art treatment system, paid for by grant money.

"We've put all new distribution lines in town and we have a grant to put liners in our waste water lagoons. We've also got a grant to build some homes for the elderly and disabled. Our infrastructure is in good shape."

Diana is quick to point out she doesn't do all this by herself. She has a good group of citizens to help her.

She took me out to that water treatment plant, just a few miles out of town. Both of us climbed up ladders so she could show me the water in large tanks. Back on the ground, she opened a faucet and gave me a sample. Delicious.

A Toyah landmark used to be the Youngblood Hotel. The owner tore it down and sold the bricks. The old two story bank building has just sold and it's being made into an antique store, coffee shop and residence.

Toyah has some good hunting. The state record mule deer was killed near the city last fall.

Fun and games at the Jr. Livestock Show...

by D.W. Drywrot

It was supposed to be a quiet day, No fuss, no muss and no fret. Just a few young 'uns showin' their calves, Hopin' that purple banner they would get.

At least that's what Joe had told me. He's the County Agent down our way. When he asked for a hand with the stock show, To help the kids in 4-H and FFA.

Well, things started out real easy, Just like Joe promised they'd be. An' I was tellin' myself by dinner, We'd prob'ly be home by three.

That shoulda' been my first clue, That the situation was gonna turn. From good to bad an' bad to worse. But some folks just never will learn.

An' I'm one of those folks, it's true, Who speaks too loud an' too soon. 'Cause just then this one kid's steer, Elected to head for the Moon.

Now, I'm still not sure exactly how, The whole commotion started. But a bucket got dropped behind a skiddish steer, An' you'd a thought the Red Sea had parted.

Well that's how it looked, to me, at least, From my point of view in the back. When the wild-eyed steer sensed danger was near, An' decided to go on the attack.

The beast bolted from the arena, And the crowd let out a great sigh, When the young 'un who was holdin' his halter, Turned loose as he took to the sky.



An' jumped over the panels that separated, The show ring from the rest of the barn, Spreadin' seven kinds of destruction, An' soundin' all manner of alarms.

The pigs were the first to notice, As the demon charged their way, An' they started right in a-squealin', Then a Jenny commenced to bray.

There were squeaks and bleats and hollers, Even cackles from the hens, As the show barn just exploded, An into an angry swirlin' din.

Of rabbits and goats and sheep, An' chickens and pigs and such. The kids thought it all real funny, But the grown-ups weren't pleased that much.

For the clean-up was long and tiresome, And, of course, the show had to go on, Till each of the animals in turn, Had been fed and groomed and shown.

Well suffice it say that I didn't, Get home by three...nor four. It was more like twelve-thirty, Before I drug my butt through the door.

Did I learn anything from my experience, At the junior livestock show? Just that next year I won't be easy to find... Especially for my old friend Joe.

Comptroller: economic turnaround under way

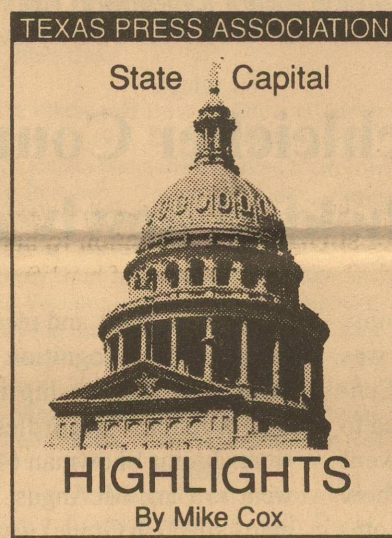
AUSTIN — Happy days are here again, according to the comptroller's office.

Texas took in \$1.25 billion in sales tax revenue in December. That's a lot of money, but the better news is that the monthly income to the state represented an 8.7 percent increase over the previous December.

That 8.7 percent jump in revenue was the biggest since January 2001 — 35 months ago.

"An economic turnaround is now under way, and Texas has seen four consecutive months of sales tax growth," Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn said.

Because of the overall increase, sales tax allocations to the state's cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts also are up. That money, funneled through the comptroller's office, was up 7.1 percent compared with January 2003 payments. (In real numbers, local government got \$303.2 million in funds sent out earlier this month.)



The second implication of the figures is obvious enough, but needs saying: More revenue to the state and local governments means less strain on future state and local budgets. That means that Texas, for once, won't be following trends set in California, where the Golden State is in constant financial turmoil.

More good economic news...

The fact that a three-judge federal panel blessed the Republi-

can's congressional redistricting plan last week seems like political news, but it's also happy news for businesses that produce political signs, bumper stickers, buttons and all the other components of what is still referred to in the civics books as the democratic process.

With all the district lines and colors stamped on the map for a long while, considering that this plan is based on 2000 Census data, those affected by the new boundaries are already doing some serious campaigning.

One of the biggest changes, of course, was the creation of Congressional District 25, which stretches from the southern part of the Capital City Austin to McAllen, a city where palms rustle in the Gulf breeze.

The primary is March 9, but Texans can start expressing their political views sooner than that. As early as Jan. 24, county voting officials can mail ballots to any qualified voter who has requested one. Early voting begins Feb. 23.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

1. Coin depicting Franklin
5. "Mamma Mia!" group
9. Frozen dessert chain
13. Limburger feature
14. Lecher's look
15. Water's edge
16. Mrs. Dithers
17. Seckel or Anjou
18. John Lennon hit
19. Dirt pickerupper, of sorts
22. "___ by Starlight"
23. Starbucks vessel
24. "Kinda" suffix
27. Tag-sale caveat
30. Christie of mystery
32. Aligned the cross hairs
36. Serpent's sound
38. Hot pot or mulligan
39. Major leaguer's honor
42. The Liffey's land
43. ___ no good
44. Nostradamus et al.
45. Begin to blush

DOWN

2. Take as one's own
3. "Casablanca" actor Peter
4. Easily broken
5. Top grades in

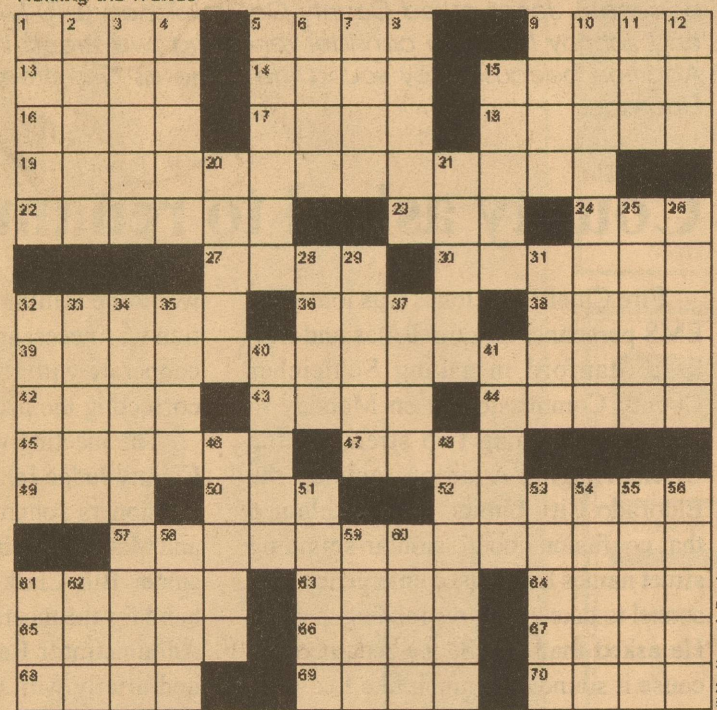
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21. Wall Street disaster
25. See-through
26. Doves' antitheses
28. Flapjack chain, informally
29. Puts through a screen
31. "Even ___ speak..."
32. Mimickers
33. "Okay, so it's not true"
34. It precedes Ash Wednesday
35. Gawked at
37. Message in an octagon
40. Slap the cuffs on
41. Prohibit, legally
46. Steer clear of
48. Familiar saying
51. Name of two presidents
53. Soothes
54. Dickens's Heep
55. It may be icy or blank
56. Rolls radials
58. Participate in a time-share, say
59. Quartermiler's path
60. Succotash morsel
61. Profession, slangily
62. What I might mean

Ticking the Ivories



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DPS gets a new responsibility...

The 78th Legislature merged a little-known state agency into the Department of Public Safety, folding the Texas Commission on Private Security into the law enforcement agency.

Unchanged is the former commission's function, which is to regulate the security industry in Texas.

When it merged with the DPS, the commission had some 130,000 people either under license or registration. That includes 19,000 armed guards and 60,000 security guards not authorized to carry firearms on the job.

The commission also regulates various security-related companies in the state, including alarm companies, armored car operators and video surveillance firms.

The move meant 14 new employees for the DPS, six of them commissioned law enforcement officers.

Starting in September, locksmiths and companies that handle products such as plastic hotel room key cards will come under regulation by the DPS.

OBITUARIES

Andrew F. Moore

Andrew F. Moore, 56, of Eldorado passed away Sunday, Jan. 11, 2004, in the Schleicher County Nursing Home.

Masonic graveside service were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14, in the Sonora Cemetery. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home.

Andy was a rancher, a member of the Masonic Lodge and a lifetime resident of Sonora and Eldorado.

He is survived by his wife, Brenda Moore of Eldorado; a son, Dan Davis of Mineral Wells; two sisters, Angie Wright of San Antonio and Jodie Finkles of Sonora; a sister-in-law, Deb Lee and her husband, Sam, of Portales, N.M.; and nieces and nephews, including Deanna and Keith Wright of San Antonio and Sammie and Cody Lee of Portales, N.M.

Vanita Ann Jolley

MONAHANS - Vanita Ann Jolley, 67, of Richards died Monday, Jan. 5, 2004, at her residence. Graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Monahans Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements are by Family Funeral Services/Jackie Harkey.

Survivors include her husband, Glenn Jolley of Richards; sons, Alan Tayrien of College Station and Andy Tayrien of Riverside, Calif.; and daughters, Tammy Davis of Eldorado and Toni McMahon of Lubbock.

Geneva Minnick

BRONTE — Geneva Minnick slipped the bonds of this world and departed to be with the Lord on Friday, Jan. 2, 2004.

She was born Mary Geneva Clifton on Sept. 13, 1918, on a farm between Bronte and Tennyson. Her parents were Claud W. Clifton and Annie Lee Taylor Clifton. She attended school at the one-room Juniper School House before finishing up in the Bronte school system. After high school, she moved to San Angelo, attended beauty school and then worked in several hair salons.

In about 1947, she moved to Iraan, Texas, and met her husband, J.R. Minnick. They were married in 1950 and had one son, Terry, in 1951. J.R. and Geneva lived in several communities around Texas before moving back to Bronte in 1971.

They owned and ran a small grocery store in Bronte before her husband, J.R., retired in 1976. Geneva worked at the Bronte Senior Citizen's Center for over 20 years, finally retiring in 2000.

She loved her two grandchildren with all her heart, her devoted family, her fellow Christians at the Bronte Church of Christ, all of her friends at the Bronte Senior Center and her special friend of 80

years, Effie Corley.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, J.R. Minnick, who died in 1987; her stepson, Raymond J. Minnick; her eldest sister, Alice Lee Clifton Webb; and her middle sister, Margaret Jewell Clifton Brunson.

She is survived by her son, Terry J. Minnick of Northampton, Mass.; her two grandchildren, Joel Robert Minnick of Northampton, Mass., and Kristin Whitney Minnick, of New York, N.Y.; a stepson, Robert L. Minnick of Benbrook; a sister, Itha Mae Clifton Williams of San Angelo; a brother, William Harold Clifton of Eldorado. She also is fortunate to have a number of loving nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and grand-nephews who have been a source of strength and inspiration to her during the final years of her life.

Family visitation was from 4-7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 3, at Shaffer Funeral Home in Bronte. Service were held at 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 4, at Bronte Church of Christ. Interment was followed in Fairview Cemetery in Bronte.

Geneva was a constant source of goodness and cheer and her loss leaves a hole in the lives of her friends and family that will never be filled.

Fall grads announced at ASU

Angelo State University conferred 324 bachelor's and master's degrees upon 322 graduates during 2003 Fall commencement exercises December 20 in San Angelo.

The 2003 Fall graduates include the following from the Eldorado area: Lyndi Small Harris receive a Bachelor of Science degree and is currently employed by Eldorado Middle School as a permanent substitute.

Dean's list are: Lindsay Nicole Beach, nursing; Juan Angel Herrera, kinesiology/teacher certification; Cassie Shanell Lane, early childhood; Tabitha N. Lloyd, animal science; Lori Nicole Loomis, biochemistry; Sarah Ashley Mantkin, biochemistry; Alana Jade (Oliver) May, physics; and Ika Vlok, animal science.

ASU releases Dean's List for 2003 Fall Semester

Students achieving the Dean's List for the 2003 Fall semester have been announced by Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full-time at ASU and must maintain a 3.25 or better grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Students from Eldorado on the

Elvis and Priscilla Presley offer red roses and a Happy 27th Birthday wish to



Michelle Martinez
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Hillary Elise Skipworth and Eric Ryan McGinnes

Skipworth/McGinnes engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Skipworth of El Paso are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Hillary Elise, to Mr. Eric Ryan McGinnes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McGinnes of Eldorado, Texas.

Ms. Skipworth is a graduate of Coronado High School, the University of Tulsa and Texas Tech School of Law. She is an associate attorney with Ainsa Hutson, LLP.

Mr. McGinnes is a graduate of Eldorado High School and Texas Tech University, where he received both a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural and Applied Economics and a Master of Business Administration in Finance. He is a producer in the commercial insurance division at JDW Insurance.

A May wedding is planned in El Paso.

Silver Haired Legislature

The filing period for Texans 60 years of age and older who want to run for the Tenth Texas Silver Haired Legislature (TSHL) began January 2, 2004.

Silver Haired legislators work with the Texas Legislature on senior issues which may become law. If you are a person 60 or older and a registered voter, you may file as a candidate for election to the TSHL January 2nd through February 27, 2004. Terms are for

two years. TSHL members pay their own travel expenses.

Filing forms may be obtained from the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley Council of Government located at 4850 Knickerbocker Road or by calling 325-223-5704 in San Angelo and 1-877-944-9666 outside San Angelo.

Four candidates will be elected from the Concho Valley. Currently serving as TSHL representatives are Gloria Henderson, Edith Clendennen, and Bonnie Hatch from San Angelo and Brigitte Rogers from Sonora.

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- Monday, January 19**
Chicken Fried Steak, Oven Fried Potatoes, Carrots, Hot Rolls, Vanilla Pudding w/ Fruit, Milk
- Tuesday, January 20**
Chicken Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Mexican Corn, Toss Salad, Lemon Pudding, Milk
- Wednesday, January 21**
Meat w/ Spaghetti Sauce, Spaghetti Noodles, Zucchini Squash, Garlic Bread, White Cake w/ Caramel Icing, Juice, Milk
- Thursday, January 22**
Smothered Steak w/ Onions, Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Apple Crisp, Orange Juice, Milk
- Friday, January 23**
Salmon Croquettes, Macaroni & Cheese, Turnip Greens, Roll, Cabbage Slaw w/ Carrots, Peach Halves, Milk

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1:50 *4:30 *7:15 9:45
- MY BABY'S DADDY (PG-13)
1:15 3:15 *5:20 *7:30 *9:35
- THE LAST SAMURAI dts (R)
1:30 *4:45 *8:00
- THE MISSING (R)
2:00 *5:00 *8:10
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66/47	60/46	59/43	59/35	58/34
Partly cloudy skies early. A few showers developing later in the day.	Periods of light rain. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the mid 40s.	Showers. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the low 40s.	Occasional showers. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the mid 30s.	Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the mid 30s.

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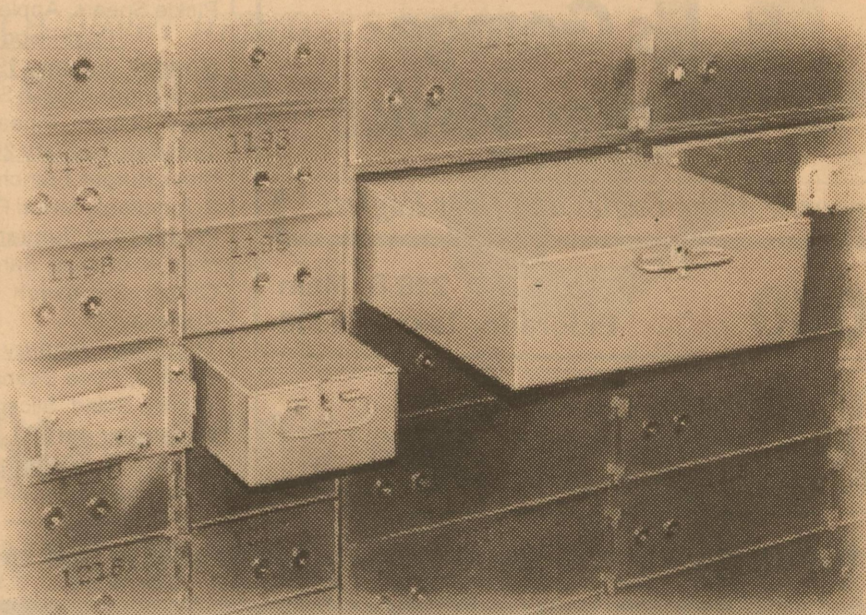
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VARSITY GIRLS

Brady
 January 6, 2004
 Eldorado 06-08-11-14 = 39
 Brady 17-11-12-17 = 57
 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Kasey Boysaw 16, Maxie Holley 1, Brit-tany Sellers 5, Courtney Whitten 2, Chandra Wanoreck 2, Clara Herrera 8, Jessica Robertson 2, Taylor Baker 3. Also playing: Betsy Green. 3 Point Goal: Sellers (1).

Grape Creek
 January 9, 2004
 Eldorado 14-07-08-06 = 35
 Grape Creek 12-10-14-08 = 44
 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Kasey Boysaw 8, Clara Herrera 8, Jessica Robertson 10, Taylor Baker 9. Also playing: Maxie Holley, Britney Sellers, Betsy Green, Courtney Whitten, Chandra Wanoreck. 3 Point Goal: Herrera (2)

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Wednesday, January 21
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Thursday, January 22
 Burritos, Pinto Beans, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Sliced Peaches

Friday, January 23
 Bar-B-Que on Bun, French Fries, Pickle Spears, Apple Halves

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Monday, January 19
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Tuesday, January 20
 Steak Burger, French Fries, Lettuce & Tomatoes, Mixed Fruit

Wednesday, January 21
 Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Potato Chips, Sandwich Salad, Rosy Applesauce

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 Burritos, Pinto Beans, Lettuce and Tomato Salad, Sliced Peaches

Friday, January 23
 Bar-B-Que on a Bun, French Fries, Pickle Spears, Apple Halves

HOOP SCORES

J.V. GIRLS

Grape Creek
 January 9, 2004
 JV Eldorado 11-06-11-14 = 43
 JV Grape Creek 06-09-07-11 = 32
 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Alicia Corrales 2, Katey Blair 29, Josie Diaz 6, Marianna Guzman 6. 3 Point Goal: Katey Blair (3). Also playing: Chelsea Sellers, Liz Lacy, Anna Fuentes, Karian Sanchez, Kimberly Samaniego, Sandra Garza, Tiffany Hernandez, Kristen Mittel, Myra Robles and Krista Troy.

JV BOYS

Junction
 December 29, 2003
 Eldorado 05-10-10-07 = 32
 Junction 10-08-10-13 = 41
 Scoring for the Eagles were: Eric Garcia 9, Russell Cathey 6, Jorge Bustos 6, Sammy Estrada 4, Drew Bosmans 7. Also playing for the Eagles Epolo Herrera, David Hernandez, Abel Montalvo, Adam Dominguez, Armando Moreno. 3 Point Goal: Cathey (1), Bosmans (1).

7TH GRADE BOYS

Ozona
 January 5, 2004
 Eldorado 04-08-06-06 = 24
 Ozona 04-04-07-02 = 16
 Scoring for the Eagles were: Rance Cathey 4, Austin Grubbs 6, Milo Vallejo 8, Dustin Ramirez 2, Timothy Maskill 2, Joseph Turnbull 2. Also playing for the Eagles: Dustin Gauna, Paul Martinez.

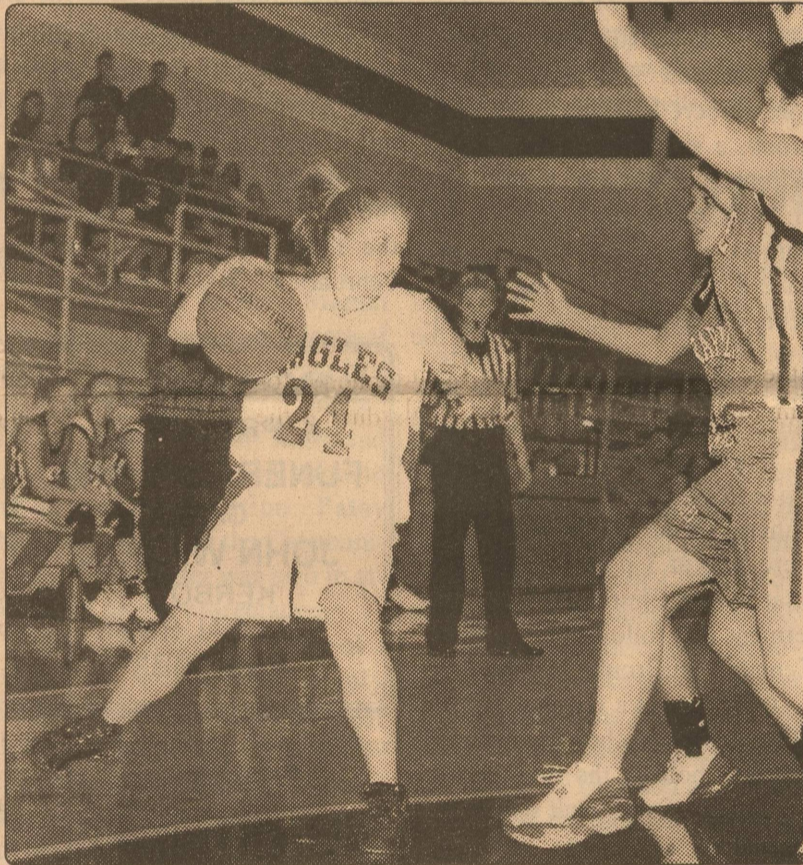
Grape Creek
 January 12, 2004
 Eldorado 07-04-07-13 = 31
 Grape Creek 06-12-11-08 = 37
 Scoring for the Eagles were: Rance Cathey 11, Milo Vallejo 4, Dustin Guana 22, Joseph Turnbull 8, Troy Russell 6. Also playing for the Eagles: Austin Grubbs, Paul Maritnez, Rolando Gonzalez, Dustin Ramirez.

Colorado City

January 2, 2004
 Eldorado 07-17-05-10 = 39
 Colorado City 16-15-16-21 = 65
 Scoring for the Eagles were: Eric Garcia 10, Russell Cathey 7, Jorge Bustos 8, David Hernandez 2, Sammy Estrada 4, Jeremy Ussery 3, Drew Bosmans 5. Also playing for the Eagles Epolo Herrera, Adam Dominguez, Armando Moreno. 3 Point Goal: Cathey (1), Bustos (2), Bosmans (1).

Stanton

January 9, 2004
 Eldorado 14-06-16-12 = 48
 Stanton 17-10-11-10 = 48
 Scoring for the Eagles were: Eric Garcia 11, Epolo Herrera 2, Russell Cathey 3, Jorge Bustos 19, Sammy Estrada 5, Drew Bosman 8. Also playing for the Eagles were: David Hernandez, Abel Montalvo, Adam Dominguez, Armando Moreno. 3 Point Goal: Cathey (1), Bustos (5).



Chandra Wanoreck probes for weaknesses in the Grape Creek defense as the Lady Eagles host the Grape Creek Lady Eagles here on January 9, 2004.

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 19th Kim Jacobs, Wendy Daniels
 20th Bryon Sproul, Kameron Edmiston, Keith Nolen, Wilma Logan, Alma Williams, Bob Wanoreck
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VARSITY BOYS

Brady
 January 6, 2004
 Eldorado 19-19-25-15 = 78
 Brady 13-19-25-15 = 72
 Scoring for the Eagles were: Terrell Boysaw 19, Michael Ballew 1, John Fay 20, Trey Chavez 23, Kolby Dombroski 3, Frank Wipff 12. Also playing for the Eagles were: Ryan Cathey, Josh Trejo. 3 Point Goal: Boysaw (1), Fay (4) Chavez (4), Dombroski (1).

Stanton

January 9, 2004
 Eldorado 08-13-17-14 = 52
 Stanton 13-13-21-12 = 59
 Scoring for the Eagles were: Terrell Boysaw 21, Michael Ballew 2, John Fay 9, Ryan Cathey 2, Trey Chavez 15, Kolby Dombroski 1, Frank Wipff 2. Also playing for the Eagles were: Josh Trejo. 3 Point Goal: Boysaw (3), Fay (1) Chavez (1).

8th GRADE GIRLS

Ozona
 January 5, 2004
 Eldorado 03-07-07-06 = 22
 Ozona 06-12-08-00 = 26
 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Kassi Tyler 2, Ashley Lozano 7, Chelsey Hill 13. Also playing for the Lady Eagles were: Deisy Rios, Blake Chatham, Amika Gonzales, Macy Chatham.

Grape Creek

January 12, 2004
 Eldorado 04-00-02-06 = 10
 Grape Creek 06-09-12-10 = 37
 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Deisy Rios 4, Kassi Tyler 2, Chelsey Hill 2, Macy Chatham 4. Also playing for the Lady Eagles were: Blake Chatham, Amika Gonzales, Ashley Lozano, Alli Perez, Desiree Valeriano

7th GRADE GIRLS

Ozona
 January 5, 2004
 Eldorado 10-12-06-03 = 31
 Ozona 04-03-0-2-02 = 11
 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Haley Higgins 4, Cassandra Buitron 4, Dee Cruz 4, Kirsten Stubbs 13, Tracy Brenner 6. Also playing for the Lady Eagles: Meg Griffin, Bridgette Mitchel, Jessi Valero.

Grape Creek

January 12, 2004
 Eldorado 07-08-08-01 = 24
 Grape Creek 07-01-07-10 = 22
 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Haley Higgins 1, Cassandra Buitron 17, Dee Cruz 4, Kirsten Stubbs 4, Tracy Brenner 6, Jessi Valero 2. Also playing for the Lady Eagles: Meg Griffin, Bridgette Mitchel, Dee Cruz.

Wall Tournament

January 9, 2004
 Eldorado 04-07-02-00 = 13
 Ballinger 04-04-02-02 = 12
 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Dee Cruz 4, Kirsten Stubbs 7, Jessi Valero 2. Also playing for the Lady Eagles: Haley Higgins, Cassandra Buitron, Meg Griffin, Marcela Huerta, Bridgette Mitchel, Tracy Brenner, Veronica Belman, April Porras, Darcy Graves, Lindsay Pridemore, Andela Herr.

Wall Tournament

January 10, 2004
 Eldorado 04-02-12-07 = 25
 Sonora 02-03-00-11 = 16
 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Haley Higgins 4, Cassandra Buitron 13, Kirsten Stubbs 6, Meg Griffin 2. Also playing for the Lady Eagles: Dee Cruz, Marcela Huerta, Bridgette Mitchel, Tracy Brenner, Veronica Belman, April Porras, Darcy Graves, Lindsay Pridemore, Andela Herr, Jessi Valero.

Wall Tournament

January 10, 2004
 Eldorado 14-00-00-00 = 14
 Wall 03-10-10-02 = 25
 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Haley Higgins 6, Dee Cruz 2, Kirsten Stubbs 6, Bridgette Mitchel 2. Also playing for the Lady Eagles: Cassandra Buitron, Meg Griffin, Marcela Huerta, Tracy Brenner, Veronica Belman, April Porras, Darcy Graves, Lindsay Pridemore, Andela Herr, Jessi Valero.

8th GRADE GIRLS

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Sul Ross releases Dean's List

Sul Ross State University in Alpine, Texas named 265 students to its fall semester Dean's List, the honor roll of students maintaining a 3.3 or greater grade point average.

Helen Christina Redish, an undergraduate student was enrolled

for 12 or more semester hours and maintained an average of 3.3 or higher on a 4.0 scale, and was eligible for the Dean's List.

Helen Christina Redish is a 2003 graduate of Eldorado High School and the daughter of Mack and Angela Redish.

School board recognized for service to community

The seven members of the Schleicher County ISD board of trustees met Monday, January 12, 2004, and enjoyed a meal provided by the school district in honor of their volunteer service as school board members. The trustees include Board President Jo Helen Kotsch and trustees Eddie Albin, Berta Nicholson, John Paul Joiner, Kurtis Homer, Lupe Sanchez, and Jan Wanoreck.

Following the meal, the group took up a full agenda of school district business. Others on hand for the meeting included Superintendent Mark Gesch, Rachael Nixon, campus principals Kara Sue Garlitz, Tim Seymore and Bob Wanoreck, EHS Librarian Debbie Griffin, Technology Director J.D. Doyle and Maintenance Director John Kotsch.

Also present was Shannon Wideman who asked the board to consider changes to the school's lunch menu. Mrs. Wideman, a registered pharmacist, suggested that the current menu contains too many carbohydrates and fats. She suggested more skim milk, nonfat yogurt, whole wheat rolls and a list of vegetables that she said were more nutritious than those currently being offered.

Jo Helen Kotsch thanked Mrs. Wideman for her input and concern for the school children.

Next, EHS Principal Tim Seymore presented a certificate of recognition to band members Anna Troy and Ashton Murr who attended area tryouts in Waco for All State Band. Anna Troy placed 4th in Oboe and Ashton Murr placed 9th in Trombone. Both girls will also be performing at the Region 7 Band Concert at Abilene Christian University on Saturday, January 24th in the Symphonic Band.

Superintendent Mark Gesch then presented each board member with a framed certificate signifying their tenure as trustees in observance of School Board Recognition Month. Trustee's Eddie Albin and Berta Nicholson both have served 11 years, Jo Helen Kotsch has served 5 years, Kurtis Homer served 4 years, Lupe Sanchez and John Paul Joiner served 2 years with Jan Wanoreck serving 1.

Among other business, the trustees reviewed and approved the district's financial reports and approved the minutes of meetings held on Dec 8 & 16, 2003. They also okayed new legal policies as recommended in Update 71" from the Texas Association of School Boards.

Under a consent agenda the board approved accepting a donation of \$1,000 from the Booster

Club to purchase baseball caps and softball bags.

Discussion of a \$1,000 transfer fee charged to out-of-district students followed after Supt. Mark Gesch recommended that the trustees not set a fee for the upcoming school year. Gesch noted that the fee had been waived for nine students during the 2003-04 school year. The trustees elected to keep the fee schedule in place, however, with all trustees voting in favor of a motion to do so, with the exception of John Paul Joiner, who had stepped out of the room at the time of the vote.

Talk then turned to a proposal for a "catastrophic sick leave pool" that was supported by several Elementary School teachers in attendance. The plan would allow school district employees to donate their earned personal leave day to a colleague for use in emergency situations, provided all of that person's other accumulated leave had been exhausted. Among the teachers on hand and in support of such a plan were Melissa O'Harrow, Claudia Droll, Geryl Beach, Lisa O'Harrow and Lana Jones. Mrs. O'Harrow read a statement asking that the pool be implemented on all of SCISD's district campuses as soon as possible. An alternate plan, obtained from the district's lawyer Sarah Leon, involving the banking of personal leave time, was presented by Supt. Gesch. The trustees chose to table any decision until a committee of teachers, board members and other school personnel could meet and review the different options and choose the option best for the district.

A recommendation to adjust EHS Counselor Maureen Hodges' salary and to extend her contract to 12 months was approved by the board. Since Middle School and Elementary counselor Glen Nix has left the district, Mrs. Hodges has assumed the additional duties of counseling at those two campuses, as well.

The board went into executive session at 7:10 p.m. to discuss negotiations for real property. They returned to open session at 8:10 p.m. and voted to begin negotiations on purchasing an undisclosed parcel of real estate. Jo Helen Kotsch abstained from the vote that authorized the administration to negotiate for the purchase of property near the school for a play ground area for Middle School students.

The board went back into executive session to at 8:12 p.m. to discuss the superintendent evaluation and contract and came out at 11:00 p.m. They immediately adjourned without taking action.

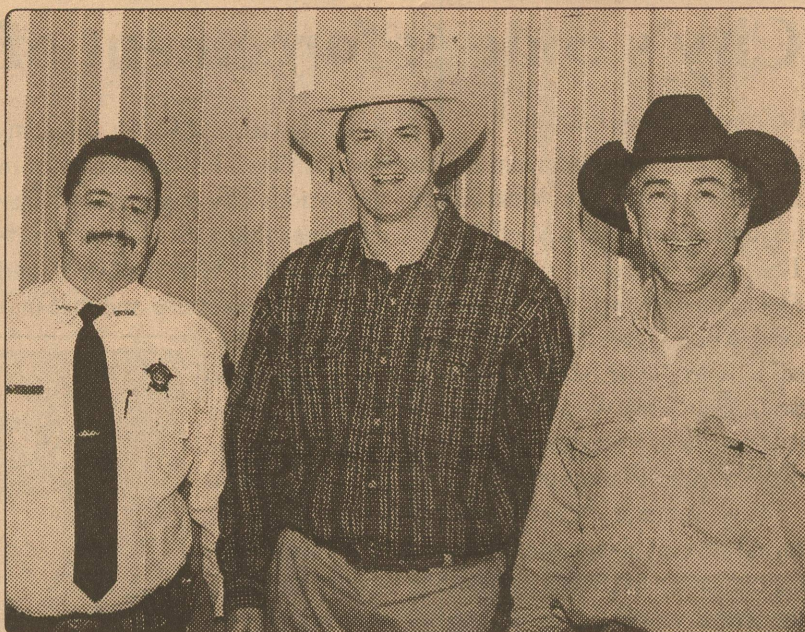


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State Representative Harvey Hilderbran (center) showed up at the Schleicher County Livestock Show last week where he was greeted by Sheriff David Doran and Michael Mertz. Hilderbran's took advantage of his trip to Eldorado to announce he is seeking reelection to Texas House in the 53rd District.

Hilderbran files for reelection to Texas House in 53rd District

Texas State Representative for District 53, Harvey Hilderbran, Republican-Kerrville, was in Eldorado last Friday to announce his candidacy for reelection to the Texas House in the March 9, 2004 Republican Primary. District 53 includes Callahan, Coleman, Concho, Crockett, Llano, Kerr, Kimble, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Real, Runnels, San Saba, Schlie-

icher, and Sutton Counties. Rep. Hilderbran has served on a variety of legislative committees, including the House Committees on Public Health, Retirement & Aging, Human Services, Environmental Regulation, Land & Resource Management, State Recreational Resources, and Natural Resources. He has authored major state legislation and was Chairman of the House Human Services Committee 1993 through 1998, where he passed landmark welfare reform legislation and was responsible for the state's most significant legislation protecting residents of Texas nursing homes.

Currently, Rep. Hilderbran serves on the powerful Ways and Means committee, the important School Finance Committee, and is Chairman of the State Cultural and Recreational Resources Committee.

Volunteers gear up for Rehab 2004

Eldorado volunteers, under the leadership of Mary Roden, will be among friends of West Texas Rehabilitation Center manning telephones for the Rehab phone bank during the Center's 34th annual telethon on Saturday, Jan. 17.

Located at Southwest Electric Co-op, the Eldorado phone bank will operate from 7 to 10 p.m. Donors may call 853-2544 to make a pledge during the Telethon or go by the bank to make an advance donation prior to January 17.

Originating live from the Abilene Civic Center, the telethon will be carried by 10 television stations covering Texas and portions of New Mexico and Oklahoma.

KLST-TV in San Angelo is among host stations. Also, the show may be viewed via satellite: Galaxy 11, Transponder 17.

Rising country music star Joe Nichols will be the featured entertainer, and will be joined by hosts Red Steagall and Charlie Chase. Other performers will include Bill and Susan Hayes, Brad Maule, Anacani, Jonnell Mosser and Morgan Jones.

In addition to entertainment, the telethon includes an auction of more than 350 items donated by businesses and individuals. Items can be seen - and bids placed - on the web site from now until midnight January 17 at www.westtexasrehab.org. An auction tabloid and toll-free bidding numbers will be published in the Standard-Times on January 17.

Significant underwriting for Rehab 2004 has come from American Electric Power and Associated Publishing's Area-Wide Phone Books. "The challenge for the rest of us is to build on the momentum started by these two great corporate friends," said WTRC President Woody Gilliland.

Also providing additional support is Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas, which serves as an auction partner and American Airlines/American Eagle who is the official air carrier for telethon.

Traditionally, the benefit telecast raises more than \$1 million for the Center's operating expenses at facilities in Abilene, San Angelo and Ozona.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

SCISD trustees were honored for their service to the school district Monday night. They include (L-R) John Paul Joiner, Jan Wanoreck, Eddie Albin, Kurtis Homer, Berta Nicholson, Jo Helen Kotsch and Lupe Sanchez.

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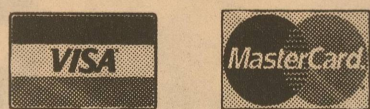
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City's code enforcement officers begins citing violators

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that Fields Street, adjacent to the school is referred to as West Fields because it lies west of Main Street. The same street is called East Fields on the east side of the dividing line. That conflicts, Jones said, with Northfield, Eastfield, Southfield and Westfield streets that surround a neighborhood near the Eldorado Place Apartments.

City Secretary Carolyn Mayo raised several objections to changing the names of streets, saying that the move would be confusing to longtime residents and would create a lot of work for city personnel. City Administrator Randy Mankin said that the biggest problem would be switching over the addresses with the phone and electric companies, as well as with the 9-1-1 system at the Sheriff's Office.

The council discussed the issue at length and it was decided to provide Sheriff's Dept. dispatchers with an up-to-date city customer listing as well as new maps showing the exact street names. Mayor Nikolauk also asked Randy Mankin to work with Jerry Jones to find a solution and to report back to the council.

The meeting was the first of the year for the City Council. It was called to order by Mayor Nikolauk at 6:04 p.m. with councilmembers Richard Mendez, Tommy Minor, Juan Rojas, Dora Bosmans and Robert Bybee in attendance. Councilmember Toni Sudduth was absent.

Following a prayer, led by Father Vathaloor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, the council got down to business, including discussions of the street issues outlined above. Among other business, the group heard updates

from Mankin and Utility Superintendent Floyd Fay on activities in the various city departments. Fay explained that a lift station recently installed on West Brooks St. had been put into service and that materials were being gathered so that the water main could be changed out in the alley beside the County Museum. Fay said that water service would be interrupted briefly on two consecutive Saturdays so that eight-inch valves could be installed at each end of the alley. Once installed the valves would allow work to progress in the alley without affecting the remainder of the town.

Randy Mankin advised the council of correspondence from Cebridge Connections, the company that now operates the cable TV system in Eldorado, in which the company explained they were raising basic cable rates on the system. Mankin noted that deregulation of the cable industry prohibits the city from regulating the company's charges. However, he pointed out that the company's franchise agreement, reached with

Classic Cable several years ago, has expired. With that the council agreed that the company should be brought in to address signal quality issues as well as rates during before a new franchise is issued.

Mankin went on to say that although the company's franchise has expired, the cable company continues to make its monthly payments to the city.

Mankin also updated the council on the work of the city's new code enforcement officer, Marcus Riojas. Mankin explained that Riojas began contacting citizens and businesses about various ordinance violations last week. He said that Riojas is making calls in person when possible to ask that the violations be addressed and allowing up to 30 days before a follow-up letter is sent. He said that Riojas will be submitting complaints to the municipal court on those cases where people or businesses fail to comply with the various ordinances.

Among the ordinances Riojas is charged with overseeing is the one concerning junked or abandoned cars, overgrown and un-

sightly lots, and the blocking of streets and alleyways. He was appointed to the position by the City Council and works in the city's utility department when he isn't taking care of code enforcement duties.

Mankin told the council that Riojas has gotten a good response from citizens and businesses, so far.

A review of the city's financial reports revealed that utility receipts are down, as are sales tax receipts. Randy Mankin said the trend mirrors the downturn in the Texas economy and noted a recent report by State Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn that says the state's economy is rebounding.

As the meeting drew to a close, a brief executive session was held. The council returned quickly to open meeting and voted unanimously for a pay raise for Utility Superintendent Floyd Fay.

In a final piece of business, Robert Bybee offered his resignation from the council. Bybee noted that the resignation was due to the fact that he is a candidate for Schleicher County Sheriff.

The remaining council members voted to accept Bybee's resignation and expressed their appreciation to him for his service to the city.

Bybee's departure leaves a vacancy in City Ward #1. The council briefly discussed whether to appoint someone to fill the vacancy or wait until city elections are held in May.

The next meeting of the City Council meeting is slated for Monday, February 9, 2004 at 6:00 p.m.



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Marcus Riojas is the City of Eldorado's code enforcement officer. He began notifying individuals and businesses last week about ordinance violations. Those that don't come into compliance will be referred to the city's municipal court.

County asked to rename two streets

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Next, County Attorney Marian Overstreet received a certificate of appreciation from representatives of the New Bridge Family Shelter. Debra Dempsey, Tammy Harris and Kris Chandler were on hand to make the presentation. Patsy Kellogg, director of the Community Resource Center was also in attendance for the presentation.

Connie Minnix, the lessee of a parcel of Schleicher County School Land in Gaines County, then came before the court to discuss what was termed "a minor discrepancy" in a date he found in an old lease contract he had for the land. The commissioners recommended the old contract be reviewed by Attorney James Kosub and that the discrepancy be corrected and a new contract produced with a correction. Mr. Minnix also asked that his son, Benjamin Minnix, be added to the contract. Mr. Minnix currently has a 20-year lease on the property that the county manages on behalf of Schleicher County ISD.

Only one fuel bid was received for a transport load of unleaded gasoline, that from Griffin Fuel in the amount of \$1.43 per gallon, including taxes. The men accepted the bid.

The court briefly discussed the cemetery chapel construction and Commissioner Johnny Mayo asked that the chapel committee meet with the commissioners at their next meeting to discuss possible changes in the proposed structure. The use of stone on the outside of the building seems to be contributing greatly to the cost of the building. The commissioners, who have already budgeted \$50,000 for the project, say they would like to discuss this matter with the committee.

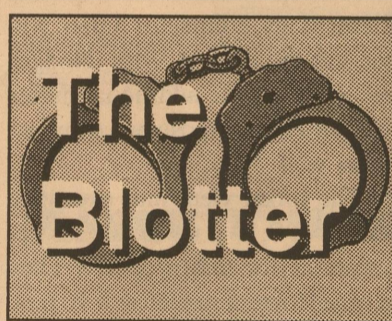
The commissioners then met with Rodeo Association President Troy Daniels, as well as Johnny Bownds, and Cory Stevens, about remodeling the rodeo arena. The current rodeo arena, which was once the site of Eldorado High School's football field, is considered to be too big. Daniels suggested rebuilding the roping box, shortening the arena and building new pens behind the press box. The commissioners were in agree-

ment with the remodeling project but asked for a list of proposed costs before voting on the idea.

Next, the payment of two indigent requests for city utilities and electric bills totaling \$395.76 was authorized by order of the court. The commissioners also voted to renew their membership with the Texas Association of Counties by paying the yearly dues of \$550.00.

The men then discussed acquiring pipe to construct a 24-post barrier around the fueling system at the county airport. Road Superintendent Clay Burleson was asked to purchase the pipe and install it.

Treasurer Karen Henderson then presented year-end transfers to the court noting the county's contingency fund balance from 2003 transferred to 2004 may increase by \$100,000 from the Road and Bridge Fund after refunds of fees from the state. The county began 2003 with a fund balance of \$346,046.00 and ended with \$208,931.00 after spending approximately over \$112,000 in contingency funds on airport fueling and a matching grant for runway lights. Also purchased was an animal feeding barn and a new sewer lift station at the Civic Center.



The Blotter is a summary of the previous week's activity by the Schleicher County Sheriff's Dept. For practical reasons of time and space, The Blotter does not include every call made to the Sheriff's office, nor does it include routine security checks, minor traffic stops or routine patrols. Incidents of major impact will be reported separately. Subjects reported to have been arrested are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ARRESTS

January 8 • Long, Cody Duane, male age 33, offense warrant/Parol Violation, Brazos, County.

January 9 • Dominguez, Andres III, serving weekend for Irion County.

January 10 • Segura, Jose Enrique, male age 21, offense making Alcohol Available To Minor.

INCIDENTS

January 6 • 3:24 p.m. Complainant reported a vehicle accident on US 277 north of Dry Draw. Three officers and EMS2 responded along with Air Med. Still waiting on DPS report.

January 6 • 10:49 a.m. Complainant reported possible criminal mischief. Officer responded.

January 7 • Clinic requested a ambulance for a basic transfer. EMS 1 responded.

January 8 • 3:08 p.m. Complainant requested an ambulance for their mother. EMS 2 and officer responded.

January 8 • 5:30 p.m. Complainant reported they were missing a 22 Magnum Remington and noticed it missing when they reached to kill a rattlesnake. Complainant did not know how long it had been missing.

January 10 • 10:15 p.m. Complainant reported a man did not have money to pay for gas and promised to return with the cash in 15 minutes. Officer responded and customer

paid for gas at 11:20 p.m.
January 9 • 5:52 p.m. Complainant requested an ambulance. Officer and EMS 2 responded.

January 9 • 7:42 p.m. Hospital requested a basic transfer to a San Angelo hospital. EMS 1 responded.

January 9 • 11:31 p.m. Complainant reported a reckless driver. Two officers responded.

January 10 • 2:23 a.m. Complainant on East St. reported loud music. Officer responded.

January 10 • 1:17 p.m. Hospital requested an ambulance for a basic transfer. EMS 1 responded.

January 10 • 12:09 p.m. Complainant requested an ambulance for their sister. EMS 2 responded.

January 10 • 2:12 p.m. Complainant called 911 and requested an ambulance for their daughter. Officer and EMS 2 responded.

January 10 • 2:22 p.m. ambulance was disregarded by hospital. Patient was at emergency room.

January 10 • 3:50 p.m. High School Principal reported that a juvenile committed disorderly conduct by using profanity in a public place against a teacher. A citizens complainant was filed and a citation for disorderly conduct was issued to juvenile.

January 10 • 5:10 p.m. Complainant called to report a one vehicle rollover. Officers and EMS 2 and Fire Department responded. The 2000 white Mercury Mountaineer as traveling south on US 277 close to the city limits. Vehicle swerved to miss a deer and driver over corrected and rolled the vehicle left to right. Vehicle landed on its wheels facing south. Driver Rosalinda Sarabia of San Angelo was taken to Schleicher County Medical Center by ambulance. Officer David Olivan investigated the accident.

January 10 • 8:56 p.m. Complainant called to report a vehicle driving recklessly. Officer responded and unable to locate.

January 10 • Complainant on Kinney Street reported several air impact drives and drills, a cutting torch and grinder taken from their vehicle. Officer responded.

January 10 • 2:00 a.m. Complainant ran vehicle through fence 12 miles on Hwy. 190 on south side of road near County Road 119.

January 10 • 9:28 a.m. Complainant on South Divide reported a male subject was in their office and would not leave. Officer responded.



Tracy Brenner had the Champion Market Rabbit while John Cody Brenner had the Reserve Champion Market Rabbit at the 69th Annual Schleicher County Livestock, Food and Project Show held here last week.

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Jaymie O'Harrow (R) had the Champion Breeding Sheep while Neal Higgins (L) had the Reserve Champion at the 69th Annual Schleicher County Livestock, Food and Project Show held here last week.

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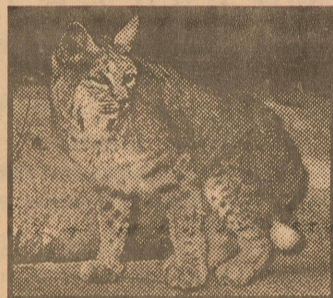
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EHS wins Gold in Number Sense and Mathematics

Eldorado High School students participated along with thirteen other schools at UIL Academic Practice Meet in Mertzon on Saturday, January 10.

The students were accompanied by Mrs. Linda Thomas, Language Arts teacher, and Mrs. Yolanda Adame.

Eldorado competed in the following divisions: Calculator, Current Issues and Events, Journalism-Headline Writing, Mathematics, Number Sense, Ready Writing, Science, and Spelling.

Calculator Applications had 30 contestants. Josh Trejo placed 3rd with a score of 209. Also Tony Chavez competed. Their sponsor is Mrs. Amy Rutherford.

Travis Joiner and Josh Trejo were among the 15 contestants in Current Issues & Events. Their sponsor is Mrs. Teresa Baker

Rachel Joiner who competed among 22 other contestants placed 6th in Journalism -Headline writing. Sponsor is Mrs. Teresa Vasquez. Travis Joiner and Josh Trejo also competed.

Eldorado Math Team consisting of Kolby Dombroski, Josh Trejo, Travis Joiner, and Rachel Joiner placed 1st Place. Josh Trejo also placed 1st as an individualist medalist and Travis Joiner placed 3rd as an individualist. The math team is sponsored by Mr. Tom Gray. There were 28 math contestants.

Eldorado also took the gold in Number Sense. The first place team members are Kolby Dombroski who placed 13th, Rachel Joiner, Travis Joiner 3rd place medalist with a score of 108, Kyle

Taylor and Josh Trejo who also was 1st place individual medalist with a score of 219. Number Sense teacher sponsor is Mr. Tom Gray. The team had combined score of 359 and 27 contestants.

Rachel Joiner competed in Ready Writing who was sponsored by Mrs. Teresa Vasquez

Eldorado's Science Team placed 3rd. Travis Joiner individually medaled a Bronze. Josh Trejo received a 4th place ribbon. Other team members were Jaaron Crawford, Tony Chavez, Rachel Joiner and Kyle Taylor. Science Team is sponsored by Mrs. Angela Case & Mrs. Amy Rutherford.

Laurie Almazan received a 3rd place medal in Spelling. Daniella Guadarrama lost a 6th place tie breaker. Spelling is sponsored by Mrs. Linda Thomas.



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Showmanship - (Front L-R) Carli McAngus, Junior Showman; Jaymie O'Harrow, Top Showman; Middle (L-R) Ridge Ann Suduth, Sheep Showman; Tracy Brenner, Rabbit Showman; Neal Higgins Goat Showman; (Back L-R) Marcus Hinojosa, Cattle Showman; Seth Taylor, Senior Showman; and Will Griffin, Cattle Showman.

Livestock, Food & Project Show results listed

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Class 5: (199-241 lbs.) Marcus Hinojosa (1, 4 & 5), Mark Bybee (2), McKenzie McAngus (3).

CATTLE

Showmanship: Will Griffin

Heifers

Champion: Meg Griffin
Shorthorn: Meg Griffin (1)

Steers

Champion: Will Griffin
Reserve: Jaymie O'Harrow
Class 1: (1130-1205 lbs) Jaymie O'Harrow (1) and Meg Griffin (2).
Class 2: (1330-1380 lbs.) Will Griffin (1) and Meg Griffin (2).

RABBITS

Champion: Tracy Brenner
Reserve: John Cody Brenner
Showmanship: Tracy Brenner
Class 1: Tracy Brenner (1), John Cody Brenner (2), Ashby Ragsdale (3) and Shelby Seymore (4).

GOATS

Showmanship: Neal Higgins
Angora's
Champion: Robert Buchholz
Reserve: Dalton Buchholz
Class 1: (Yearling) Robert Buchholz (1 & 3), Dalton Buchholz (2).
Class 2: (2 Year Old) Dalton Buchholz (1) and Robert Buchholz (2).
Class 3: (Aged Doe) Robert Buchholz (1).

Breeding Meat Goats

Champion: Neal Higgins
Reserve: Marty Powell
Class 1: Neal Higgins (1), Marty Powell (2, 3, & 4), Haley Higgins (5&6).
Class 2: Miles Mikeska (1 & 3) and Macy Mikeska (2).

Meat Goats

Class 1: (60-77 lbs.) Justin Whitten (1), Neal Higgins (2), John Cody Brenner (3 & 4), Adrian Arispe (5), Tracy Brenner (6), Michael Redish (7), Torey Griggs (8), and Jonah Griggs (9).
Class 2: (78-84 lbs.) Wes Brown (1), Tres Whitten (2), Alan Dykstra (3), Garrett Lux (4,6), Tracy Brenner (5), Kevin Dykstra (7, 9), Chris Whiddon (8), Briley Ledbetter (10).
Class 3: Jaymie O'Harrow (1), Jackson O'Harrow (2,3), Carli McAngus (4), Chris Whiddon (5), Kevin Dykstra (6), Neal Brenner (7,12), Allison Reynolds (8,10), Seth Taylor (9), Justin Whitten (11).
Class 4: (92-105 lbs.) Jaymie O'Harrow (1), Carli McAngus (2), Lauren Brown (3, 11), Kevin Dykstra (4), Briley Led-

better (5,9), Alan Dykstra (6), Allison Reynolds (7), Seth Taylor (8), Garrett Lux (10), and Tres Whitten (12).

Class 5: (106-137 lbs.) Lauren Brown (1,7), Wes Brown (2,10), Jackson O'Harrow (3), Briley Ledbetter (4), Carli McAngus (5,8), Seth Taylor (6), McKenzie McAngus (9), Manny Gonzalez (11) and Allison Reynolds.

FOOD SHOW

Junior Best of Show: Maygen Spradley's Chocolate Extravaganza
Senior Best of Show: Seth Taylors' Banana Split Cake.

CAKES

Sub Junior
1st Place and Best of Show in Sub Junior Division went to Lane Griffin - White Chocolate Coconut Cake; Jonah Griggs - Pecan Sour Cream Pound Cake; Jess Gonzales - Sour Cream Coffee Cake

Junior

1st Place and Best of Show in Junior Division went to Maygen Spradley - Chocolate Ganache Extravaganza; Tracy Brenner - Coca Cola Cake; Kevin Dykstra - Texas Sheet Cake; Briley Ledbetter - Italian Cream Cheese Cake; Torey Griggs - Brownie Torte Cake; Corie Williams - Cranberry Coffee Cake; Allyson Jarrett - Old Fashioned Coffee Cake; Ashby Ragsdale - Coconut Pound Cake; Miles Mikeska-Italian Cream Cheese Cake; Carli McAngus-Italian Cream Cake; Garrett Lux -Pumpkin Roll

Senior

1st Place and Best of Show in the Senior Division went to Seth Taylor-Banana Split Cake; Jose Chavez-Texas Sheet Cake; Lauren Brown- Carrot Cake; Ashley Doran- Hummingbird Cake; Lacey Ragsdale- Chocolate Italian Cream Cheese Cake; Neal Higgins-Sprite Cake; Will Griffin - Apricot Nectar Bundt Cake;

COOKIES

Sub Junior

1st Place-Claire Wideman-Monster Cookies

Junior

1st Place-Wes Brown - Turtle Bars; Mason Baker - Pecan Tasties; Abbi Spradley - Candy Shop Cookie Pizza; Haley Higgins - Butter Toffee Cookies; Marty Powell- Lady Bird's Famous Brownies; Meg Griffin- Muddies; Zack Brame -Danell's Famous Brownies

Senior

1st Place-Emily Newman-Almond Cream Confections; Tony Chavez - Oatmeal Raisin Cookies; Marcus Hinojosa - Cowboy Cookies; Taylor Baker- Monster Cookies; Ridge Ann Suduth - Coconut Treatures;

CANDY

Sub Junior

1st Place-Macy Mikeska-Almond Roca

Junior

Mason Baker- Candy Bon Bons; Ashley Paulson -Caramel Candy

Senior
1st Place- Allison Reynolds- Triple-Chocolate Turtle Fudge

YEAST BREAD

Sub Junior:
1st Place- Lane Griffin- Cream Cheesb Rolls

Junior

1st Place Marty Powell- Mimi's Coffee Cake

Senior

1st Place Chandra Wanoreck - Buns from Heaven

PIES

Junior

1st Place George Chavez - Apple Pie; Robert Chavez- Cherry Pie

Senior

1st Place Mark Bybee - Pecan Pie

ART SHOW

Art Instructor: Bill Wells and Judge: Mary Buchholz.

Grand Champion: Jaaron Crawford-Scratchboard;

Reserve Champion: Danielle Guadarrama- Water Color

Scratchboard: 1st Place- Jared Grubbs, Norberto Alvaro, Oscar Munoz, Nestor Hernandez, John Fay, Michael Wedum, Jaaron Crawford;

2nd Place- Frank Duran, John Fay, Rachel Joiner, Scott Cawley

3rd Place-Courtney Whitten, Rachel Joiner, Homer Hernandez, Brandie Cross;

Honorable Mention: Homer Hernandez

Flag: 1st Place- Frank Duran, 2nd Place- Courtney Whitten, 3rd Place-Vic Escobar;

Linear Line Design: 1st Place- Dillon Greer,

2nd Place- Courtney Whitten, 3rd Place-Dillon Greer;

Optical Design: 1st Place-Tanner Robledo,

2nd Place-Homer Hernandez, 3rd Place-Robbie Young;

Honorable Mention: Rachel Joiner

Color Watercolor: 1st Place Ribbon: John Fay, Danielle Guadarrama, Homer Hernandez

2nd Place Ribbon: Michael Wedum and Rachel Joiner

3rd Place Ribbon: Danielle Guadarrama, John Fay

Colored Drawing Figures: 1st Place Ribbon: Homer Hernandez, Nester Hernandez, Homer Hernandez;

2nd Place Ribbon: Nester Hernandez, Holley McKenzie, Frankie Arispe, Scott Cawley;

3rd Place Ribbon: McKenzie Holley, Joel Esparza

Honorable Mention: Teresa Barajas

Landscape Colored: 1st Place Ribbons: Byron Hibbs, Tanner Robledo, Frank Duran, Homer Hernandez;

2nd Place Ribbons: Frankie Arispe, Robbie Young, Travis Joiner, Homer Hernandez, John Fay

3rd Place Ribbons: Michael Wedum, Ricky Jamba

Honorable Mention: Homer Hernandez

Adult Division
1st Place Gabrielle Blye



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