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County demos new voting machines

Schleicher County Commissioners got their first look Monday at the kind of voting machines that will be put into service in each of the county's polling places for the next election. Roger Tinnin representing Hart Interactive, an Austin-based company, demonstrated an electronic voting machine and its components for the commissioners and employees of the county clerks office. Throughout the demonstration, Tinnin answered questions about the machine's operations and security features.

The county recently received \$67,000 grant from the state to assist with buying five voting machines. The equipment is intended to assist elderly or handicapped voters but may be used by anyone. It was explained that paper ballots will remain in use alongside the machines for the foreseeable future.

The meeting was the first of two monthly sessions scheduled for June and 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 present were County Road Superintendent Clay Burelson and County Clerk Peggy Williams.

Among other business, the men took up discussion of a county-wide burn ban, but chose not to enact a ban since Schleicher County was not listed among those counties with high fire danger on the Texas Forest Service website.

Also, the commissioners decided to pay \$1,200 toward the cost of a pauper funeral. They then turned to discussing the escalating cost of such funerals and briefly considered the option of switching from traditional burial to cremation for county-funded pauper funerals. It was noted that cremation would cost half as much as a traditional funeral, but the men opted not to take action on the matter.

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PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

County Clerk Peggy Williams and Roger Tinnin of Hart Interactive looked over a new voting machine similar to the ones the county will put into service before the next general election.

Pick up your 2005 EHS yearbook

Students in high school, middle school and elementary school can pick up the 2005 yearbooks at the high school Art Dept. on Friday, June 17th from 10-12 AM. You must have your receipt or be on the paid list to pick up the book.

The next time the yearbook will be available will be 8/22 when school starts.

Jeffs Indicted

FLDS prophet faces criminal charges in Arizona

Warren Jeffs, self-proclaimed prophet of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, is a wanted man this week, following a two-count felony indictment last Thursday in a Mohave County Arizona courtroom.

Jeffs stands accused of arranging a marriage and officiating over the wedding between a 16 year-old girl and a man more than ten years her senior. While he is not charged with a sex crime, the specific charges, or the names that the State of Arizona assigns to the charges, would lead one to believe otherwise.

Officially, the grand jury accused Jeffs of Sexual Conduct with a Minor and Conspiracy to Commit Sexual Conduct with a Minor. In actuality the charges mean that Jeffs ordered one of his 16 year-old female followers to marry a 28 year-old man, who happened to already be married, and then officiated over the service, leading to unlawful sexual contact between the man and the minor girl.

Still, the charges come as a major blow to the practice of polygamy within the FLDS community. Jeffs, 49, has failed to appear and defend himself in a series of civil lawsuits brought against him, his church and the United Effort Plan Trust, a charitable trust operated by Jeffs and his closest associates.

Up until now the most serious allegation leveled at the FLDS prophet came last year when his nephew, Brent Jeffs, accused Warren Jeffs in a civil lawsuit of sexually abusing him when he was a young boy. The prophet has yet to answer court summons to appear and defend himself in that lawsuit and others.

Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran said that was expecting criminal charges against Jeffs but was surprised to learn about them from the press.

"I would have thought that the warrant would be delivered to the appropriate agencies before it was released to the press," Doran told the Success. "As it was I had to hear about it from you."

Lawmen in Utah and Arizona echoed the sentiment, saying that

it would have been easier to serve before news of the warrant was made public.

"I heard about it on TV," one Utah lawman said on condition of anonymity. "By the time I got the word, Warren Jeffs was gone, if he was ever here in the first place."

Locally, a caravan of vans and SUVs was seen leaving the YFZ Ranch shortly after news of the warrant was made public.

Sheriff Doran said he was aware of the mass departure but didn't



COURTESY PHOTO

FLDS Prophet Warren Jeffs was indicted last Thursday by Mohave County grand jurors on two felony counts: Sexual Conduct with a Minor and Conspiracy to Commit Sexual Conduct with a Minor. An arrest warrant was issued for Jeffs, but lawmen in Utah, Arizona, Colorado and Texas don't seem to know where he is. And, it is unlikely that Jeffs will surrender himself to authorities.

know if Jeffs was riding in one of the vehicles. "That happened before we received a copy of the warrant," Doran said.

The Sheriff told the Success on Tuesday that he has been surprised by the media's reaction to the warrant.

"Everyone is calling wanting to know when we're going to storm the gates at the YFZ and asking why we haven't already done so," Doran said.

"We will serve the warrant when

and if we get the opportunity," Doran stated. "People like to compare our situation to Waco...well, I hope we all learned a thing or two from Waco."

"The last thing I'm going to do is tell a bunch of reporters what my plans are. That would be crazy," Doran added. "My duty is to protect and serve the citizens of this county and not to worry about some reporter's deadline."

The charges facing Jeffs are the equivalent to a state jail felony in Texas, just one step above a misdemeanor, but they come with a hefty bond. If and when Jeffs is apprehended he will have to post a \$500,000 bond before he can be released.

If convicted of the charges, Jeffs could face prison time ranging from four months to two years.

The indictment stemmed from the grand jury appearance of a 16 year-old girl who was subpoenaed to testify. The girl, whose identity is being withheld, told KUTV reporter Rod Decker of Salt Lake City that she feared retaliation from within the FLDS.

Reaction to the indictment was predictably mixed with most FLDS faithful refusing to recognize Arizona's authority over their prophet.

Former church members and anti-polygamy activists, however, have a different opinion.

Ross Chatwin, the man who last year defied Warren Jeffs order to leave his home on UEP land after the prophet excommunicated him from the church said he was delighted that the Arizona court had finally taken action against Warren Jeffs.

But, Chatwin was skeptical that Jeffs would ever be brought to justice.

"I don't think we will ever see Warren again," Chatwin stated. "I think he will slink off and hide like the coward he is."

Ben Bistline, FLDS historian and author of *The Polygamists: A History of Colorado City, Arizona* agrees with Chatwin's assessment. "Oh, I don't think we'll ever again see Warren around here," Bistline said. "And, I doubt if you ever see him in Texas. He's going to lay low."

SCISD board begins search for a new AD

Jay O'Harrow spoke briefly during the public comment portion of Monday night's SCISD trustee meeting and asked about the status of the search for a new athletic director to replace Gary Grubbs. Superintendent George Blanch responded by saying he and the selection committee met last week to set up criteria for the position and another meeting is scheduled to start the selection process by interviewing individuals for the position.

The meeting was called to order by Board President Jo Helen Kotsch with trustees Jan Wanoreck, Lupe Sanchez, Berta Nicholson, Eddie Albin, Kurtis Homer and Leanne Higgins in attendance.

The meeting moved on to approving the Financial Records. The fund balance is at \$1,272,499 as of May 31, 2005. Manager Ray Ballew told the board 96.73% of district taxes have been collected for the 2004 school year and the district's money market fund in May increased by \$7,210.38 due to increase in interest rates.

The minutes for the May 16, 2005 were approved.

Librarian Debbie Griffin presented her annual report of all three school libraries. She gave the board an account of how many library books are in each campus at the end of the school cycle. She explained that the loss has been curtailed in Elementary and High School, but Middle School still had a high incidence of lost and missing books. Griffin also updated the board on the number of students who were accessing the distance learning college courses available through Howard College, the only source of distance learning classes available to SCISD. She also presented a request for the board to allow her to apply for a federal grant from the Small Rural School Achievement Program in the amount of \$7,000. The board approved her request.

Next, the board chose to continue using the accounting firm of Reed, McKee and Co., P.C. as their school auditor for the fiscal year ending August 2005.

It was then explained that two anonymous donations in the amount of \$2,500 and \$1,000 had been received for the Service Learning Project to pay for courtyard and playground improvements. The board voted to accept the donations and noted that the larger of

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Are your charitable gifts a good investment?

There are always people who need help. And, if you're like most people, you want to help. It's usually easy to do. You receive a donation request from a charity, you write a check, drop it in the mail, and you've made a real difference. Or have you?

In some ways, making a charitable donation is not very different from making a financial investment. If you were to buy stock in a company, you would take the time to find out if it's profitable and well run, what its products or services are, and if it's likely to achieve its goals.

Donating to a charity is actually another means of making an investment. Well-run charities help identify and address problems, making the world we live in a better place. Your donation, your investment in those charities, gives them the means to do those things, but when you donate to

a charity that is poorly administered, with unclear goals, or weak financial management, in effect, you're making a bad investment.

Fortunately, it's not difficult to become a knowledgeable donor. One good starting place is your state's charity registration office, operated by the attorney general's office in most states. While a charity registration office can't recommend a specific charity, they can tell you if the charity is properly registered and operating within the law. Usually, they can also provide basic financial reports from a charity. Most state charity registration offices have an online website, or you can call the state attorney general's office directly if you have questions about a specific charity.

Another important step is to ask questions of the charity itself. Responsible charities want their donors to understand their programs and

services, and how donations will be used. Many charities belong to federations or alliances that help educate donors about charities, as well as help charities understand and meet their responsibilities to donors.

The Direct Marketing Association Nonprofit Federation (DMANF), for example, is an alliance of more than 300 member organizations. They all subscribe to a Code of Ethics that requires charitable organizations to make clear, honest solicitations for support, and to provide clear avenues of communications to respond to supporters' questions and concerns.

A donation request from a DMANF member charity should provide you with information about the cause being served and the need for your donation. The request will include informa-

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Fathers Create a Safe Haven

by Nolan Ryan

When you think of how fathers, grandfathers and other male figures fit into family life, what comes to mind? As we celebrate Father's Day, it's natural to focus on the simple pleasures such as summer vacations, barbecues, and of course, friendly games of backyard baseball.

This year, in addition to thinking about these memories, I encourage Texas father figures to remember a crucial contribution they make to families: creating an atmosphere of safety and respect for others. It's important we don't take this contribution for granted because, unfortunately, there are many homes in our state that are not safe havens due to domestic violence.



Commentary

by Nolan Ryan
Baseball Hall of Famer

Statewide research shows 74 percent of Texans either have been abused or know someone who has suffered abuse, and the problem knows no age, ethnic or economic boundaries. A friend or family member is often the first person a victim speaks to about domestic violence, but studies also show that 35 percent of Texans who learn of an abusive situation do nothing because they're unsure of where to turn or don't want to get involved. Keeping quiet can lead to dangerous situations for victims because abuse is, rarely, a one-time occurrence and usually escalates in frequency and severity over time. What starts as name-calling is often followed by a threat the next day, which is often followed by serious physical abuse and even, potentially, life-threatening situations, down the line.

With a majority of our state's population affected by domestic violence and three Texas women dying at the hands of an abuser each week, the problem is not just a "women's issue," but a men's issue, a family issue and a community issue that none of us can afford to ignore.

Texas fathers can help by following the Texas Council on Family Violence's advice to "Break the Silence. Make the Call." This title of the Council's campaign focused on victims' loved ones says it all — those who suspect a friend, family member or co-worker is being abused should call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-SAFE or TTY 1-800-787-3224 to get advice on how to safely handle the situation.

Recognizing the signs of violence and being prepared to help is especially critical for the fathers of teenage girls because one in five high school females reports physical or sexual abuse from a dating partner. This violence is strongly associated with other serious health risks including substance abuse, teen pregnancy and attempted suicide.

Fathers are in an influential position to stop this cycle of violence by being a strong, male role model for their sons and the other men in their lives. The best way to do this is to lead by example, honoring our wives, mothers, sisters and daughters by treating them with the utmost respect so future generations will follow suit.

This Father's Day, I hope you'll count your blessings if your home is a safe one and make a plan to help those you suspect aren't so fortunate. If both men and women continue to shed light on this issue, hopefully on future Father's Days all Texans will enjoy celebrations full of barbecues and baseball in safe, happy households.

A former Major League Baseball player and a member of the Baseball Hall of Fame, Nolan Ryan resides in Round Rock, Texas, with his wife Ruth and has three children — sons Reid and Reese and daughter Wendy.

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'Three-wives teaching' destroys families

by Roger H. Hoole

Warren Jeffs, prophet of the Fundamental Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints ("FLDS"), teaches that a woman can be exalted and live with her children after death only if she is married to a man with at least three polygamous wives.

Since 1998, Jeffs' "three-wives teaching" has increasingly run into conflict with basic math: There are simply not enough FLDS women and girls. This causes enormous heartache. To reduce the surplus male population, Jeffs has expelled hundreds of adolescent boys from their FLDS homes — some as young as 13. Called the "Lost Boys," they are not only pushed out, but are considered apostates, damned to Hell, and deprived of any relationship with or support from their families. Anyone willing to risk contact with them gives Jeffs a reason to expel them as well.

To accommodate more and more wives for a select few, Jeffs

has also expelled scores of married men from their families and sent them away to "repent from a distance" under the false promise that if they become "worthy" these men may be reunited with their families. In truth, virtually no one is ever allowed back.

The children are instructed that their only father is their mother's new husband, thereby destroying their genealogy. As families and last names are confused, close blood relatives will increasingly marry.

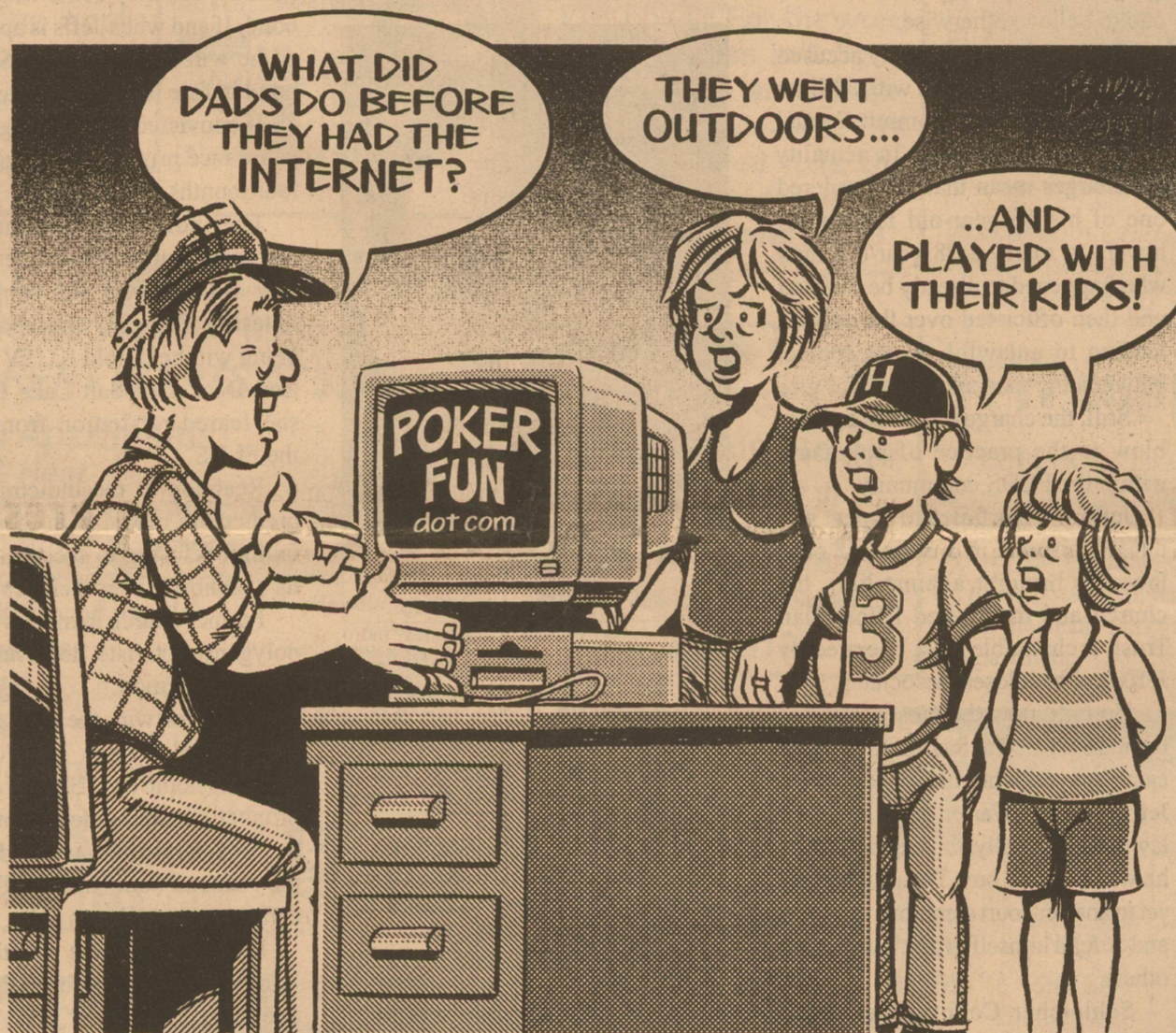
Women and young girls, though highly prized as wives, are also victimized. Not only are they usually commanded to marry an older man not of their choosing, but they are often commanded to marry as underage girls with less than one day's notice. They also can be re-assigned again and again to other men as rewards.

Warren Jeffs' absolute control over FLDS families includes the United Effort Plan Trust, which owns the homes in which FLDS

families live. Under Jeffs, the trust's property has now been put in jeopardy. Utah Attorney General Mark Shurtleff asked the court to take control of the trust, and the court acted by protecting the property at highest risk. If Shurtleff is successful, it may also make it harder for Jeffs to divide and reassign families.

Prosecuting polygamy would be challenging and, for many understandable reasons, Utah has no appetite for it. But aggressively prosecuting those who destroy families and injure children for the sole purpose of maintaining and facilitating this practice is not beyond any state's power or obligation.

Roger H. Hoole is a Salt Lake attorney representing plaintiffs in a civil suit against Warren Jeffs alleging child molestation, another against Jeffs on behalf of boys expelled from their FLDS homes and a suit against the United Effort Plan Trust, alleging fraud.



A CYBER-AGE REMINDER FOR FATHER'S DAY...

A typical Tumbleweed road trip

People sometimes ask me where I get all the suggestions for programs or columns. The answer is three-fold. A lot of the leads come direct to me at my website (tumbleweedsmith.com), others come by way of radio stations or newspapers that carry my reports and still others I find by myself. I love going on interview trips. I feel real lucky to be able to make a living driving around Texas and listening to people.

Last month I spent a week on the road in central Texas. Monday I started out in Brady and interviewed Marsha Neal and Mike Trollinger about the old Palace Theater building they're remodeling. Then I ventured down to Mason and interviewed underwater photographer Leonard Wilson and saw player Spider Johnson, who both live on the Llano River. Further down on the river I interviewed Raye Carrington who teaches fly-fishing and has a quiet retreat she and her husband have turned into a bed and breakfast. Birds are plentiful there. Then I stopped and listened to Nolan Donop tell me about the feed store he's owned for more than 50 years.

Tuesday I ran up to Lamesa to



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visit with Lance Furlow, an 89-year-old man who kills rattlesnakes with a slingshot. He got 80 last year and hopes to get 90 this year before his birthday in September. Then I hightailed it down to Goldthwaite and visited with Rodney and Ginger Spies who have an up to date general store. I visited with Layton Black, an outstanding ex-legislator who does lots of after dinner speaking and is an excellent master of ceremonies and auctioneer. Sam Beaumont told me about raising meat goats.

Wednesday I had a big thrill in Gatesville interviewing Cotton Davidson, who was quarterback of the Baylor Bears when I was a student there. I interviewed James Cross, who used to be LBJ's pilot and Bill Henderson who dropped the bomb on the Bridge Over the River Kwai. Mary Catherine Mitchell told me about her spur collection, AJ Gordon told me a few stories, then

I drove to Salado where I heard from drive-in theater owner Gene Palmer. I also visited with Grainger and Penny Esch, the youthful and enthusiastic owners of the Silver Spur Theater in Salado.

In Killeen on Thursday I did reports on a ranch cook, a music composer, a store that repairs band instruments all over the state and the school at Iduma (where the students say Iduma Best). George White told me about the Lions club Variety show in Temple. I interviewed Larry Pruitt of Jonesboro, who coached 6-man football for years, then got some more good stories from Jo Bird in Rockdale.

Friday I interviewed Michael Craig of Taylor about polka music, movie actor Kerry Wallum, an amazing blind man named Kenneth Atkins who plays the accordion and Phyllis Mortimer who writes poems. In Belton I interviewed Rob Potts, who runs a department store that's been in his family for generations. Saturday I stopped by the world famous Zephyr Store, then visited Robert & Lori Williamson who have a gourmet restaurant on their ranch near Valera.

30 interviews. I had a very good week.

State officials to play musical chairs

by Mike Cox

AUSTIN — Gov. Rick Perry has until June 19 to sign or veto bills and still hasn't said whether he'll call a special session this summer to give lawmakers one more try at solving the state's school funding woes.

Meanwhile, with the '06 primaries only nine months off, Austin political junkies are talking.

With Republican Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs having declared for comptroller, Sen. Todd Staples (R-Palestine) having announced for her job and U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison rumored to be taking on Gov. Rick Perry in next March's Republican primary, where does that leave Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn?

One answer is that Strayhorn might decide not to get in the Perry-Hutchison fight and instead opt to make an end run at lieutenant governor. Just as a Hutchison gubernatorial candidacy would arguably close the governor's mansion to Strayhorn, it would open what is really the most powerful elective job in Texas to the comptroller.

Why? Because the buzz is that Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst is interested in replacing Hutchison in Washington if she comes to Texas to run against Perry.

Should Hutchison decide not to take on Perry, the scenario could default to a Perry-Strayhorn primary battle.

Next station: Name change...

A bill to rename the Texas Railroad Commission the Texas Energy Commission ended up on a side track when the gavel closed the 79th Legislature, but lawmakers did move all the commission's railroad responsibilities to the Texas Department of Transportation.

Rep. George "Buddy" West's House Bill 1078, the bill that would have changed the name of the 114-year-old commission to reflect what it really is, hit the end of the tracks on April 20. That's when it was left pending in the House Energy Committee.

So, once the commission's remaining railroad functions are rerouted to TxDOT, the Railroad Commission will have nothing to do with railroads and everything to do with energy. Maybe next session...

New insurance commissioner...

The No. 2 person at the Texas Department of Insurance, deputy commissioner Mike Geeslin, got the top job last week when Gov. Perry appointed him as former Commissioner Jose Montemayor's successor.

Geeslin, an advisor to Perry before he went to TDI two years ago, will have more on his plate than Montemayor. One of the biggest servings will be overseeing TDI's legislatively mandated absorption of the duties currently handled by the Worker's Compensation Commission. That includes adding a fourth commissioner whose responsibility will be worker's comp issues only.

It's 'skeeter time...

If you've been to the coast lately, or anyplace else in Texas that gets a lot of rain, you know there are plenty of mosquitoes out and about.

According to the State Health Department, so far this year no cases of West Nile infection have been reported in Texas. Last year, 119 human cases occurred in 40 of the state's 254 counties. This year, only six cases affecting birds, three carrier mosquitoes and two infected horses have been reported.

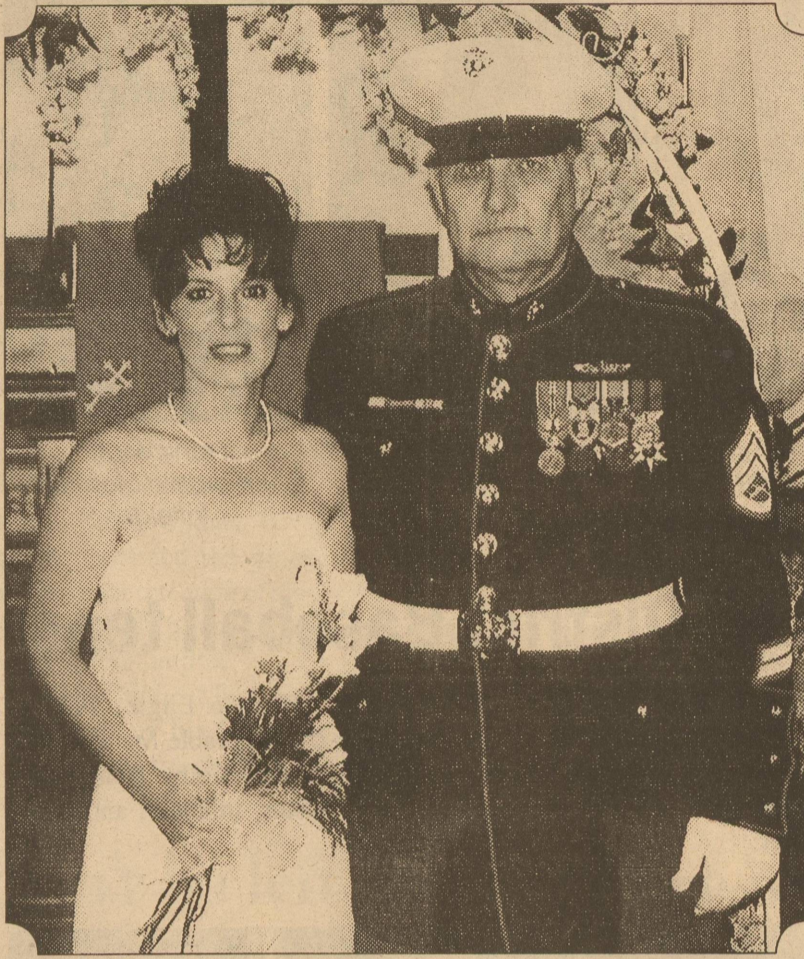
The solution: A good insect repellent and wearing long sleeve shirts and pants. (But the insect spray still is important because a mosquito bite can penetrate clothing.)



OBITUARIES

Odís Theodore Fulton

BRADY - Odís Theodore Fulton, 60, of Voca died Sunday, June 12, 2005, in Brownwood. Graveside service was Tuesday in the Voca Cemetery. Arrangements were by Heritage Funeral Homes. Survivors include son Paul Fulton of San Angelo; daughter Tammy Fulton of Voca; and sisters Shirley Holder of Brownwood and Naomi Dodson of Eldorado.



Mrs. Stacie Rorie and her father Staff Sgt. James C. Reese, Ret.

Reese/Rorie exchange vows

In Monroe North Carolina retired Marine Corps Staff Sergeant James C. Reese had the honor of escorting his daughter Stacie down the aisle on her May 20 wedding when she married Doug Rorie. Parents of the bride are Debbie Little and James Reese. Parents of the groom Mr. and Mrs. Billy Rorie of North Carolina. Maid of honor was Cassie Rorie daughter of the groom with bridesmaid Taylor Friday daughter of the bride. The flower

girl was Kristen Marie Reese and the ring bearer was Zachary Wood. The best man was Billy Rorie father of the groom, with groomsman Rodney Rorie brother of the groom all of North Carolina. Ushers were Tony Reese, Keiten Miller, Nathan Friday, and Phillip Reese. Also attending grandparents August and Mary Roden of Eldorado. The wedding took place at Beulah Presbyterian Church in Monroe North Carolina preformed by Reverend Moree.

Third and final installment in QuickBooks series slated at ASU

The Angelo State University Small Business Development Center will be hosting the Advanced QuickBooks - Taxes and Payroll seminar on Thursday, June 23rd, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Rassman Building (2222 Dena Drive) of the ASU campus, Room 117.

Those attending will learn how to set up and track sales tax and payroll tax liabilities. Payroll and employee information will

be reviewed in addition to forms and reports. It is mandatory that those in attendance be able to perform basic computer skills for this course. There is a NONRE-FUNDABLE \$15 fee. Please call 942-2098 to reserve your space, as seating is limited.

Meals for Friends Menu



- Monday, June 20**
Country Fried Steak, Baked Potato, Spanish Green Beans, Wheat Roll, Lime Rice Swirl, Juice, Milk
- Tuesday, June 21**
Oven Fried Chicken Breast, Potato Salad, Zucchini Squash, Wheat Bread, 1/2 Orange, Lemon Square, Milk
- Wednesday, June 22**
Pork Chop w/ Gravy, Diced Potatoes, Carrots, Tossed Salad w/ Tomato, Wheat Roll, Peach Cobbler, Milk
- Thursday, June 23**
Fried Catfish, Corn Tomato Casserole, Spinach, Corn Bread, Fruited Gelatin, Milk
- Friday, June 24**
Beef & Cheese Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, tortillas, Creamy Coleslaw, Fruit Salad, Milk

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Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence James Anderley

Edmiston/Anderley wedding

Miss Renee Genine Edmiston and Captain Lawrence James (Larry) Anderley were married during a ceremony at St. Ambrose Catholic Church May 21.

The Rev. Tom Barley of Wall officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Jerry and Nell Edmiston of Eldorado.

She is the granddaughter of Nadine Fischer of Mereta and Imogene Edmiston of Eldorado.

The bridegroom is the son of Don and Marlene Anderley of Belle Plaine, Minnesota.

Maid of honor was Jennifer Kezar of Arlington. Bridesmaids were Jamie Graham and Randi Johnson, both of Arlington, and Whitney Marsh of Dallas. Junior bridesmaid was Hailey Mullikin of Grand Prairie, cousin of the bride.

Best man was Tony Kornder of Jordan, Minnesota. Groomsman were Peter Anderley of Waconia, Minnesota, brother of the groom; Russell Paul of Brooklyn Park, Minnesota, and Captain Thomas Lessner, USAF, of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Ushers were Will Edmiston of Slaton, brother of the bride; Ross Crawford of San Angelo and Mathew Fischer of Rocksprings, cousins of the bride, and David Martinez of Dallas. Greeters were Kelly Mullikin of Grand Prairie, Colbey Crawford of College Station, and Jacqueline Fischer of Huntsville, cousins of the bride. Nic Fischer of Mereta, cousin of the bride, was crossbearer. Gift-bearers were Dave and Donna

Cebulla, aunt and uncle of the groom.

A reception, supper, and dance followed at Paseo de Santa Angela in San Angelo.

The bride is a 1998 graduate of Eldorado High School and a 2002 graduate of Texas A&M University with a degree in architecture. She is employed by an architectural firm in Destin, Florida.

The bridegroom is a 1995 graduate of Belle Plaine High School and a 2000 graduate of the University of Minnesota with a degree in mechanical engineering. He is serving with the United States Air Force as a special operations helicopter pilot. He is stationed at Hurlburt Air Force Base in Fort Walton Beach, Florida.

The couple will be living in Crestview, Florida.

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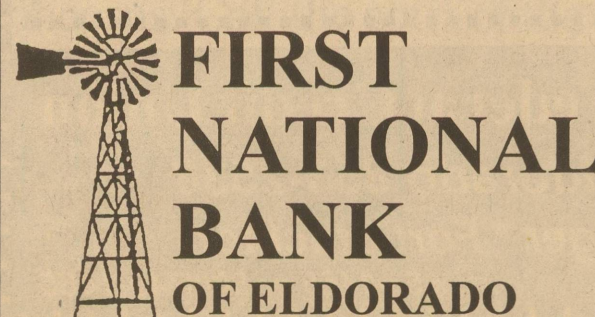
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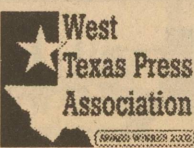
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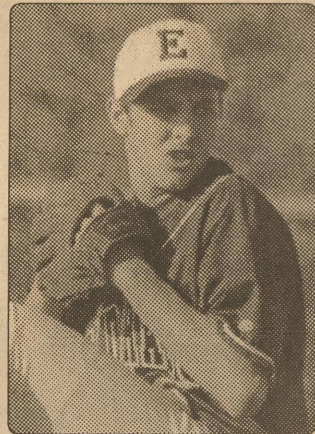
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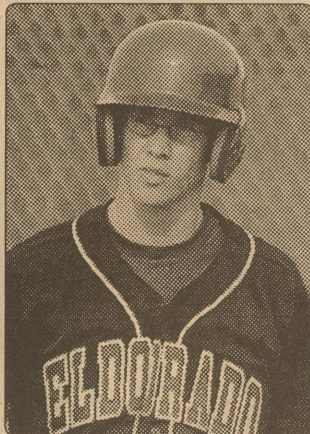
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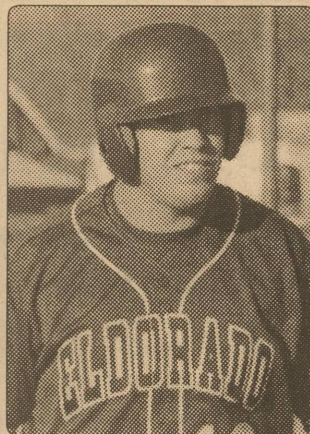
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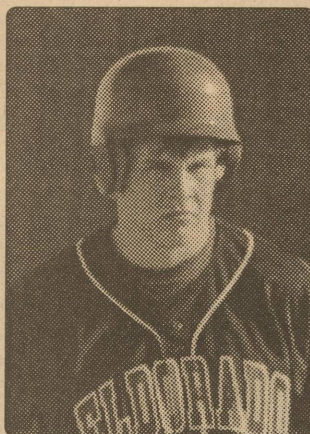
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Frank Wipff
Honorable Mention Infielder

Warbirds place ten on 2-2A All-District Baseball team

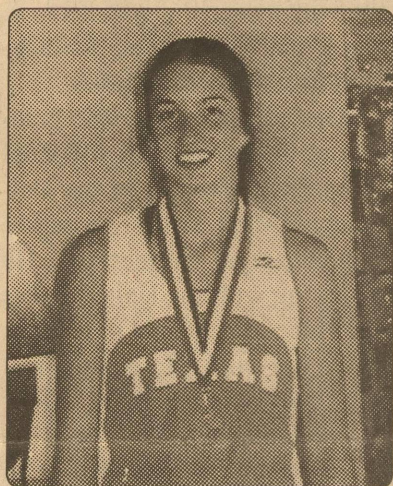
Coach Gary Grubbs released the list for the 2-2A All-District Baseball team this week.

Local players earning 1st Team All-District honors include Jared Grubbs, outfield; Frank Edmiston, outfield; Caleb Nixon, catcher;

Joey Hernandez, infielder; and Ryan Cathey, pitcher.

Eagles named to the 2-2A 2nd Team All-District squad are David Hernandez, infielder; and Russell Cathey, pitcher.

Meanwhile, Eldorado Eagles players picked for the 2-2A Honorable Mention All-District Team included Kolby Dombroski, infielder; Jorge Bustos, infielder; and Frank Wipff, infielder.



COURTESY PHOTO

Rachel Joiner tied for fourth place with a jump of 5' 6 1/2" at the 30th Annual Great Southwest Classic held at the University of New Mexico Track Stadium in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Joiner was invited to compete at the event after finishing a successful track season at Eldorado High School. Joiner is the daughter of Wayne and Shirley Joiner of Eldorado. She will be a senior at EHS when school resumes in the Fall.



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Eldorado's Minor League All-Star Team placed 2nd in the Minor Division of the annual Eldorado Youth Baseball Tournament, held here last weekend. Team members include: (Front L-R): Jacob Sanchez, Strait Pridemore, Cade Ledbetter, Colten Crowder, Dalton Buchholz; (Back L-R): Coach Jeff Chancellor, Jackson O'Harrow, Tres Whitten, Bobby Martinez, Wesley Jackson, Bailey Espinosa, Jose Aranda, Jamie Chancellor, and Coach Robert Sanchez.

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- 17th Bernabe Sanchez, Justin Allen Robjnsn, Jess Gonzales
- 18th Jason Holley, Lester Paul Nixon, Chad Allen, Joe A. Rodriguez
- 19th Lance Mitchel, Marty Edmiston
- 20th Mandee Wike, Stafan Barajas
- 21st Lindsay Beach, Scott McGregor, Sidney Reynolds, David Charboneau, Jeri Whitten
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School board meeting held

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The two gifts had been given as a memorial in honor of Willene Page Garlitz.

In other business, the trustees approved a worker's compensation insurance policy with a one-year option through Claims Administrative Services, Inc. The annual fixed cost will be \$9,401 with a maximum payout of \$32,376.00.

The board next approved two out of district field trips, one for the FFA State Convention in Lubbock, and the other for the Area II FFA Leadership Camp in Big Springs.

It was then noted that several board members had been approached by school staff regarding the SCISD Dress Code. School uniforms and the enforcement of current code was discussed with the trustees agreeing that they were opposed to school uniforms and that the current dress code policies are sufficient. No other action was taken on the matter.

Next the trustees adopted "Localized Policy Update 75" which included revised the policy for promotion or retention of students. The update will be used by a grade placement committee.

Trustee Eddie Albin was then nominated by his fellow board members to serve on the board of

directors of the Texas Association of School Boards.

A 45-minute executive session followed for the discussion of personnel matters. When the board emerged from the closed-door session they voted to accept the resignations of high school teachers Matt and Amy Rutherford, athletic director Gary Grubbs and his wife Margaret who is a library aide. Also the resignation of Doran Schoenhals a middle school teacher and coach, and band director Timothy Williams were accepted.

It was explained that the Rutherfords have accepted positions in San Angelo Central and Lakeview High Schools, Gary and Margaret Grubbs have accepted positions at the Kermit I.S.D. school district, Doran Schoenhals has accepted a teaching position with Temple I.S.D. and Timothy Williams, Band Director retired.

The school's average daily attendance (ADA) for the 2004-2005 school year was 20 students less than the preceding year according to a report given by Superintendent George Blanch who told the trustees that the school's declining enrollment continues.

The school board meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

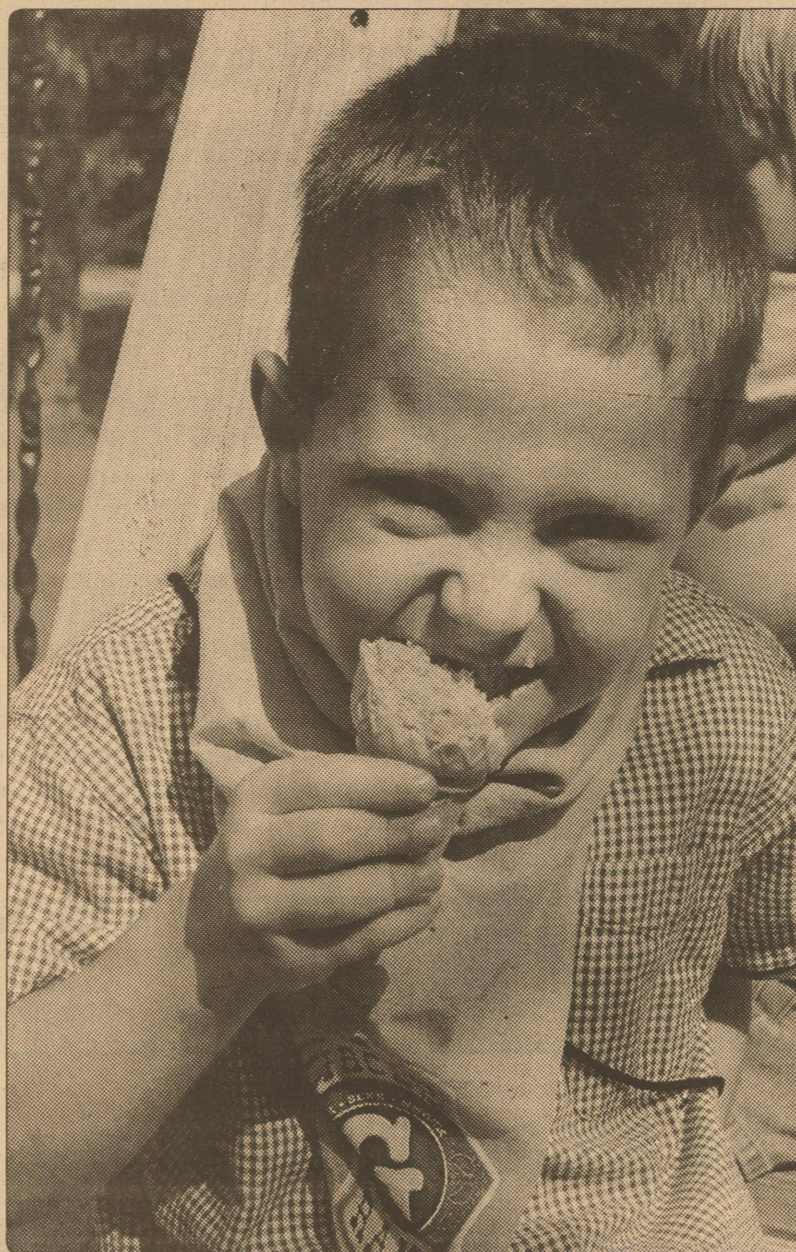


PHOTO BY J.L. MANKIN
Luke Wideman takes a big bite out of a "cup cake cone" during the Vacation Bible School held this week by the First Methodist and First Presbyterian churches.

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Texas Parks and Wildlife Department game wardens have seen a lot of boaters try and go out for their first run of the season and for one reason or another, fail to make a successful trip.

Either they back their truck right into the water, they forget to put fresh gasoline in the boat, forget to put the plug in the boat or a whole host of other 'slip-ups.' Some say boat docks at the end of May and beginning of June bring a whole new meaning to the phrase, "comedy of errors."

But the ramifications of taking out a non-seaworthy boat are no laughing matter. Wardens say there are steps each boater should go through before taking their craft out for the first time this year.

Before You Go:

Find out if you can get emergency assistance by calling 911. In some areas in Texas, you cannot and must call the local sheriff. You can find this out by stopping

at a gas station or bait shop before you put in.

Make sure you have fresh gas in your tank. Gas that has been sitting in boat tanks all year is probably congealed and will clog up your engine, causing it to stall.

Have enough life jackets on board for all passengers and ensure all passengers younger than 13 years old are wearing them while underway.

Check the steering cable. Do this by making sure the steering wheel moves the motor from side

to side.

Check the kill switch. Make sure the engine turns off when it's pulled, then USE IT!

Check the bearings on the trailer to make sure they're greased up enough.

Make sure the lights work on the boat and the trailer.

Make sure the fire extinguisher is fully charged and that all passengers know where it is.

Check the weather. Plan to be back in before a storm hits. (If caught on the water during a

storm, get to the nearest bank as soon as possible.)

Have a float plan, let someone know where you are going on the water and when you intend to be back. Also let someone know where you intend to launch, what kind of boat you have and what vehicle to look for at the ramp. This helps Game Wardens find you if you need rescuing.

Launching:

Make sure to put the plug in the boat.

Set the parking brake on the vehicle towing the boat.

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Take the strap off the boat so the trailer doesn't float up.

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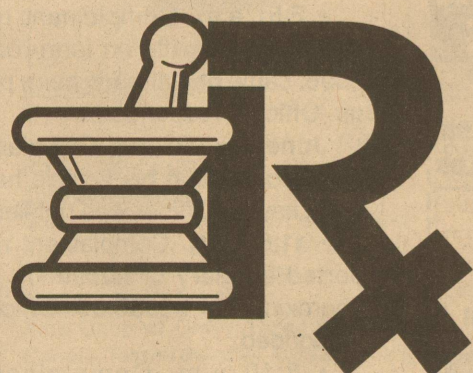


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State and Local sales tax revenue continues to rise

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn last week announced that the state received \$1.45 billion in sales tax revenue in May, up 10.7 percent compared to May 2004. Strayhorn sent \$344.8 million in June sales tax allocations to cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, up 6.2 percent compared to last June. Since January, sales tax allocations to local governments are running 6.8 percent ahead of last year.

The Comptroller said May's 10.7 percent increase in sales tax collections follows an 8.1 percent decline in April, but does not indicate an economic shift. Adjusting for the Comptroller's successful tax amnesty program in 2003,

April state sales tax revenue increased 3.6 percent compared to April 2004.

Comptroller Strayhorn sent June sales tax allocations of \$233.4 million to Texas cities, up 5.5 percent compared to June 2004. Calendar year-to-date, city sales tax allocations are up 7 percent compared to the same period last year. Texas counties received sales tax payments of \$20.3 million, up 6.1 percent compared to one year ago. Calendar year-to-date, county sales tax allocations are 9.8 percent higher than last year.

Another \$9.9 million went to 97 special purpose taxing districts around the state, up 15.8 percent compared to last June. Ten local transit systems received \$81 mil-

lion in sales tax allocations, up 7.5 percent compared to a year ago.

State sales tax collections in May and local sales tax allocations in June represent sales that occurred in April and were reported to the Comptroller in May.

Locally, Schleicher County's rebate totaled \$12,485.51, up 55.12 percent over the same period only one year ago. Likewise the Schleicher County Health Services Tax, which represents a half cent sales tax levied by the county to fund the ambulance service and other programs, received \$11,964.87, an increase of 52.56 percent over last month. Meanwhile the City of Eldorado's sales tax allocation rose only 4.24 percent to \$8,087.55. (See chart

below)
 State sales tax collections in May and local sales tax allocations in June represent sales that occurred in April and were reported to the Comptroller in May.

For details of June sales tax payments to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales and Use Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's Web site at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation will be made on Monday, July 11 and will be reported the following week in The Eldorado Success.

June 2005 Sales Tax Rebates

Local Jurisdiction	June '05	June '04	% Change	2005 YTD	2004 YTD	% Change
City of Eldorado	\$8,087.55	\$7,758.42	4.24%	\$41,459.59	\$41,623.13	-0.39%
Schleicher County	\$12,485.51	\$8,048.90	55.12%	\$59,536.25	\$45,272.38	31.50%
Schleicher Co. Health Services Tax	\$11,964.87	\$7,842.33	52.56%	\$58,163.08	\$44,516.20	30.65%

Be smart with your charitable donations

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tion on how to contact the charity, and you'll know the charity has made a commitment to provide answers to your questions and to resolve any problems should they occur.

One important piece of information you can get from a responsible charity is its most recent financial reports. As Kelly B. Browning, executive vice president of the American Institute for Cancer Research,

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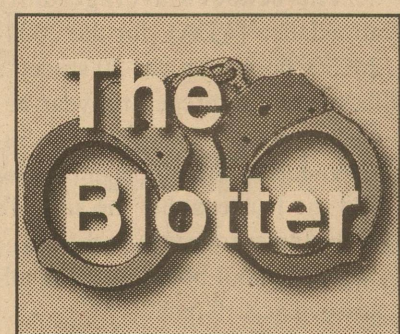
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ARRESTS

June 7 • Larson, John Mathew, male age 17, arresting officer SC deputy, offense Possession of Marijuana less than 2oz. Released on \$1,000 Surety Bond.

June 8 • Chavez, Alfredo Murillo, male age 25, arresting officer SC deputy, offense Driving While License Suspended. Released on \$2000 Surety Bond.

June 9 • Gomez, Rolando Gonzalez, male age 19, arresting officer SC deputy, offense Public Intoxication / Minor in Consumption. Released on Citation.

June 11 • Lopez, Mike Carl, male age 44, arresting officer SC deputy, MTR Probation Possession of Controlled substance.

June 11 • Burlison, Terry, male age 43, arresting officer SC deputy, offense DWI.

June 12 • Cardenas, David, male age 33, arresting officer SC

deputy, offense DWLI.
INCIDENTS
June 7 • 1:11 p.m. Complainant reported a snake in her house on East Brooks. Officer responded.

• 5:03 p.m. Complainant reported a abandoned vehicle that possibly had been wrecked. No one was near vehicle. Officer responded. EMS dispatched then was told to disregard when vehicle was found to be abandoned.

• 11:10 p.m. Complainant reported a possible electrical fire. Officer and EVFD responded.

June 8 • 5:11 p.m. Complainant requested an ambulance for a basic transfer. EMS 1 responded.

• 5:35 p.m. Complainant requested the assistance from an officer because his vehicle had broke down. Officer responded.

• 6:35 p.m. Complainant requested to speak with an officer. Officer responded.

• 6:49 p.m. Complainant requested to speak with an officer. Officer responded.

June 9 • 8:39 p.m. Complainant reported a vehicle that had broke down on North 277. Officer responded.

• 11:09 p.m. Complainant requested to speak with an officer. Officer responded.

• 11:13 p.m. Complainant reported some minors drinking in a Jeep Cherokee. Officer responded.

June 10 • 7:22 p.m. Complainant reported assault by her husband the night before. Officer responded.

• 7:38 p.m. Complainant requested an officer for civil standby. Officer responded.

• 8:00 p.m. Complainant reported cows in the road. Officer responded.

June 11 • 1:05 p.m. Complainant reported a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed. Officer responded.

• 1:37 p.m. Complainant reported receiving harassing phone calls. Officer responded.

• 9:15 p.m. Complainant reported a black w/ grey Ford Pickup driving recklessly with children on the back of the pickup at Mary & Wheat Street. Officers responded.

June 12 • 1:25 a.m. Complainant reported a house alarm went off. Officer responded.

• 7:51 a.m. Complainant reported loose cattle on farm road 2596, cattle had already been put up. Officers responded.

June 13 • 7:37 a.m. Complainant reported that his vehicle had been keyed. Officer was notified.

• 11:57 a.m. Complainant reported burglary of habitation of approximately \$2500.00. Officer responded.

• 5:10 p.m. Complainant brought in a credit card that had been left at Shot's store. Officer responded.

• 5:47 p.m. Complainant reported a maroon car broke down on north 277. Officer responded.

• 5:50 p.m. Complainant reported having bees on the side of their house. EVFD was notified.

• 10:45 p.m. Menard County SO requested assistance with an escort through the county. Officer responded.

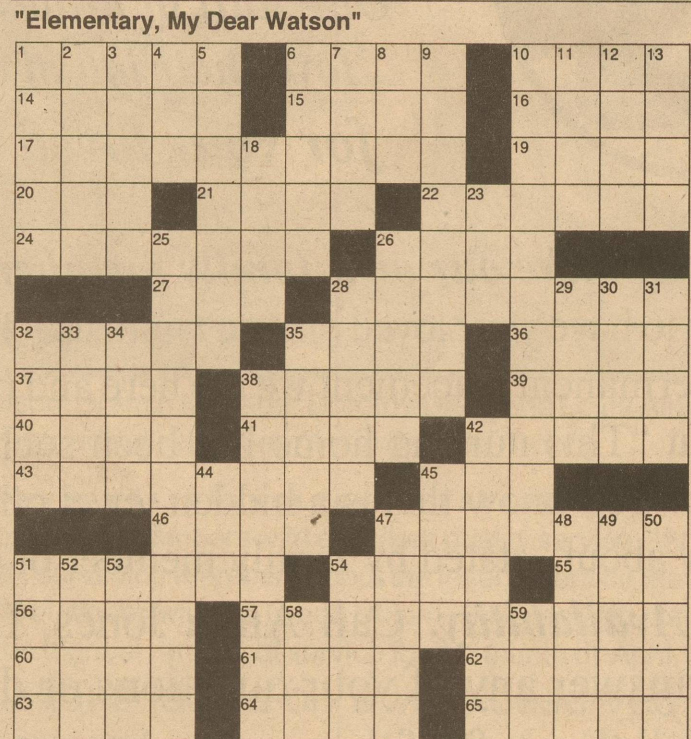
Weekly Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- Move sneakily
 - Letter opener
 - 1982 Robin Williams role
 - Like Cheerios
 - Twiddling one's thumbs
 - Nobelist Wiesel
 - Fuel consisting of an element?
 - Part to play
 - "Alibi" (1989 Tom Selleck film)
 - Wear at the edges
 - Furnace, e.g.
 - Shooting from a concealed spot
 - James of "The Godfather"
 - USNA grad
 - Many Protestants
 - Comic actor Arnold
 - Bunyan's blue ox
 - 1997 Fonda title role
 - Shopper's aid
 - Rationed, with "out"
 - Stubborn equine
 - Jai ___

- Fancy pitcher
- Risk a ticket
- Drove back
- Vintage auto
- Frame of mind
- Soft hues
- Parcel inquiry
- Bit of pond growth
- "O Sole ___"
- Inauguration Day recital
- Water source consisting of an element?
- Pint-size Cooper auto

- DOWN**
- Tenth-graders
 - A Carpenter
 - Gestation places
 - Moon vehicle, briefly
 - Gang-war assault, maybe
 - Yankee legend
 - Ms. Brockovich
 - Country singer Steve ___
 - Chow for a sow
 - Cold and clammy to
 - Kitchen utensil consisting of an element?
 - Oodles
 - Steam up
 - Use a spyglass
 - Starbucks vessels
 - Chow down
 - Snack item consisting of an

- Joe, in headlines
- All wound up
- ___ carte
- Gave a new look to
- Turn on an axis
- Prefix with photo
- Planter's purchase
- "The Lion King" villain
- Chaucer story
- Bahrain resident
- Acknowledged applause
- Disfigured
- Some bagels
- One of "them"
- Spaghetti sauce brand
- Toy piano sound
- Nail file material
- French textile city
- Cobbler, at times
- Male turkeys
- Racetrack fence
- ___ cost (free)
- Tennis score after deuce
- Notable time
- Guitar effect, when doubled



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All types of provider sources will be reviewed and considered for acceptance and use in accordance with the Workforce Investment Act Youth Program Objectives. Candidates seeking approval as service providers must have a minimum of two years experience in the administration of youth programs.

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RFP Document: To request a copy of the RFP, with detailed specifications, visit www.cvworkforce.org or pick up the RFP at Workforce Solutions, 202 Henry O. Flipper, San Angelo, Texas beginning Monday, June 6, 2005 and ask for Mr. Morris Apple.

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Miscellaneous

!!! REWARD !!! Lost Dog: 7 month old female Pug goes by the name Wendy. Anyone with information please call 853-1002, 450-9003, 450-9002, or 853-2691 ask for Mary or Marco. 24b

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Eldorado Spotlight



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County Commissioners meeting held

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choosing instead to table it until a future meeting.

In other business the men voted to call for bids for a transport load of unleaded fuel. They also voted to declare June Fair Housing Month in support of the Fair Housing Law.

Next, the men discussed submitting an application to the Texas Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) for a planning grant under the Texas Community Development Program. If the grant is approved the county will receive \$25,000 to help pay for the engineering and planning service for a Colonias Construction Fund Grant. The county would be required to contribute \$1,200 in matching funds or in-kind services, if the

grant is awarded.

The county will also pursue a Colonias Grant in the amount of \$461,250 to extend water and sewer system improvements into the Orient Heights and Three Sisters subdivisions. If the Colonias grant application is successful the county will provide \$25,000 in matching funds and in-kind services.

Grant administrator Kay Howard of Lubbock was on hand for the discussion and answered the men's questions about the grant application process.

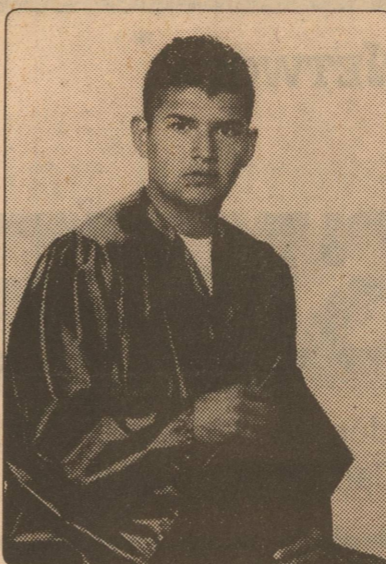
Fire Chief Jerry Jones then met with the court to seek approval of the Hazard Mitigation Plan that will be submitted to the Concho Valley Council of Governments. Jones serves as the county's emer-

gency services coordinator and spend many long hours preparing the plan, which the commissioners voted to accept.

Next, the commissioners voted to extend the child support payment portion of an amendment between the Office of the Attorney General and Schleicher County. County Clerk Peggy Williams explained to the men that her office is responsible for documenting and collecting child support payments before passing them on to the Attorney General's Office. Williams' office receives a small fee for this service.

The meeting ended with the men reviewing and approving the county's bills and authorizing \$128,000 transfers to the General Fund.

The commissioners will meet next on Monday, June 27, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. at the Schleicher County Courthouse.



Jose Duran recently graduated from Texas State Technical College, Brownwood on May 21, 2005 at their campus in Abilene. Duran, a 2003 Eldorado High School graduate received honors in welding technology. He is the son of Simon and Esthela Duran; grandson of Carlos Duran and Guadalupe Cortinas. He is currently employed locally.

Cemetery Chapel tour slated June 25 during Mias Amigas

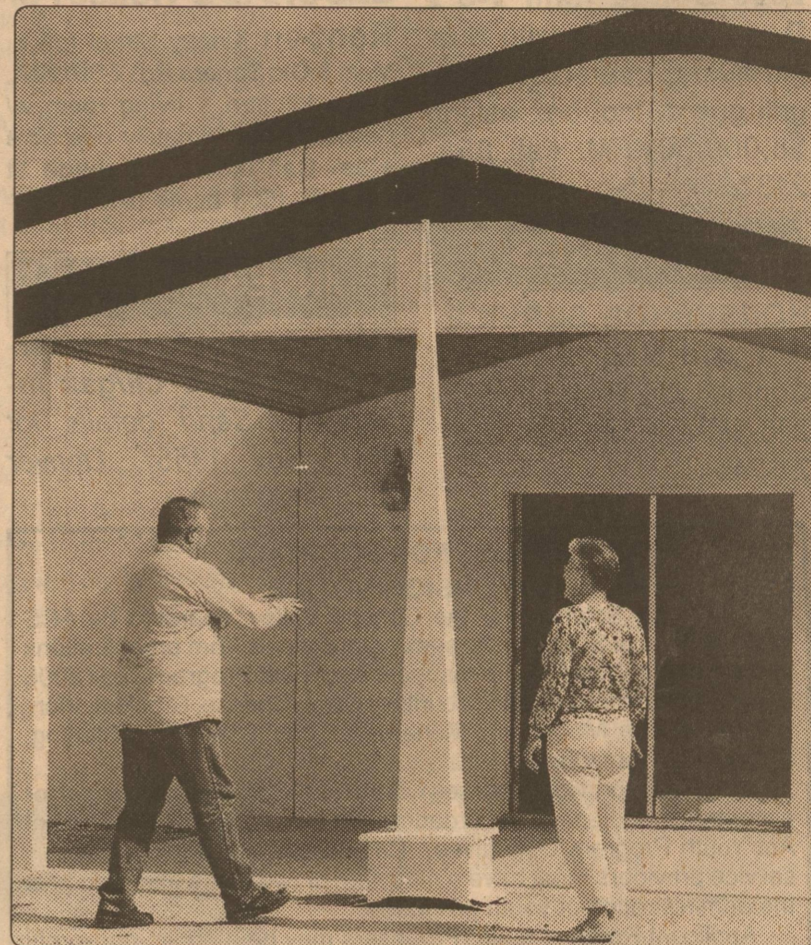
The Cemetery Chapel Committee encourages everyone attending Mias Amigas, Saturday June 25 to take a tour of the new Cemetery Chapel at the Eldorado Cemetery.

Chapel construction was made possible with the help of the Schleicher County Commissioners, taxpayers of Schleicher County and the generous donations of many others.

The chapel is free for any, or

everyone, to use in their time of sorrow. The Cemetery Chapel Committee hopes the comfort of the chapel will make your loss less painful.

The chapel will be open between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., Saturday, June 25. Please come out and see why we are so proud of it. The Eldorado Cemetery is on Hwy. 190 West.



Welder Sam Caldwell explains to Peggy Williams how the new steeple he just fabricated will be placed atop the Schleicher County Cemetery Chapel

PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

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Solution to puzzle on Page 6

Elementary, My Dear Watson

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Weekly Scripture

For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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The 6,000-square foot exhibit takes museum visitors on a virtual tour of the Brazos River from its headwaters northwest of Lubbock to its mouth at the Gulf of Mexico. With 19 aquatic tanks and 12 wildlife enclosures, the Brazos exhibit is the largest aquarium-centered facility between Fort Worth and Albuquerque. Science Spectrum employees report the exhibit attracts more than 200,000 visitors annually.

A partnership between TPWD, the City of Lubbock and the Science Spectrum made the exhibit possible. TPWD awarded a \$750,000 local park indoor recreation grant in 2002 through a partnership with the City of Lubbock Parks and Recreation Department. The total project cost, including other grant sources, was near \$2 million. The initial exhibit construction phase was finished in June 2003.

The exhibit includes a 12-foot wave tank, pictorial introductions to the river's four main sections, an overview of a playa (shallow plains wetland/lake), reservoir and Gulf life, and tours with a video ranger.

TPWD local, regional, and statewide biologists consulted about exhibit content since 2000 during the design phases of the exhibition, including providing information for video ranger stations throughout exhibit. TPWD biologists and fish hatcheries and fisheries centers across the state have been involved in the collections and donations process of many of the wild fish and animals on display. The exhibit will eventually feature cultural kiosks that will include oral histories, music samples, and regional artwork, and a discovery dock and seating area for live animal demonstrations by the Science Spectrum staff. Contributions from local and state scientists, photographers and artists will give the exhibit a local flair.

The Science Spectrum OMNI Theatre is located at 2579 S. Loop 289 in Lubbock.

TX. For more information call (806) 745-2525 or visit the museum Web site.

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