# Tue Eldorado Success 

## - Jeffs' flip-flop coincides

 with lights-out at YFZ TempleWarren Jeffs reportedly told his - brother Nephi Jeffs that he is not the prophet of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, according to a story Tuesday in the Deseret Morning News.

In the story reporter Ben Winslow quotes a law enforcement source as saying, "He said he is the greatest of all sinners and, in so many words, worked his way to be ladder and prophet when he knew he wasn't called of God to be a prophet.'
Jeffs' conversation with his brother happened when the younger sibling visited the FLDS leader in the Purgatory Correctional Facility in Hurricane, Utah, where he awaits trial on charges of Rape as an Accomplice.
Jail officials reportedly tape Jeffs' visits and phone calls.
Jeffs asked his brother to inform his followers of the conversation, but later contacted Nephi Jeffs to say that he had changed his mind.
The Success has learned that Jeffs denial of his prophet status, and his subsequent retraction of that occurred in early February of this year,
which coincides with an unusual oc currence at the YFZ Ranch, when the lights at the ranch, including those on the FLDS temple were turned out for a period of about two weeks.
The temple lights, which illuminated the massive white limestone structure since its completion, were turned bac on and have remained on ever since the two week outage.
Local observers were puzzled when the lights were turned out, but made little of the event until the news reached Eldorado that Warren Jeffs had tempoarily denied his standing as prophet during that period.
The news has led some FLDS watchers to speculate that Jeffs' brief repudiation of his prophet title might have caused his followers at the YFZ Ranch questioned the legitimacy of the village and the temple he had ordered them to build.
Meanwhile, Jeffs appeared befor Utah Judge James Shumate on Tuesday as his attorneys petitioned the court to dismiss the charges against their client on the grounds that they are unconstituSEE JEFFS ON PAGE 8


Eldorado-Divide Soil \& Water Conservation District director Roy Gene Lloyd (L) presented the Outstanding Conservation Ranchers Award to Bobby and Sandra Helmers on March 22, 2007 at the San Angelo area awards banquet

## Helmers receive Outstanding

## Conservation Ranchers Award

The Eldorado-Divide SWCD awarded Bobby and Sandra Helmers with the 2007 Outstanding Conservation Ranchers Award for Schleicher County. They participated in the San Angelo Ang Conservation Awards Banquet in Wall on March 22,2007 whenquet in Wall directors pre 2007 where the district plaque. The directors present for the
wards ceremony included Roy Gen Lloyd, Mary Leigh Dunagan, and Jim Chancellor.
The Helmers will also be honored for outstanding Conservation Ranche at the Conservation Awards Banquet fo Area II on May 8th. The banquet will be held at 7:00 pm in Wall at St. Ambrose Catholic Church Parish Hall.

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EMS volunteers Christina Prater, Wade Shirley and Deputy Jason Chatham loaded Angel Rodriguez Jr. of San Angelo into an ambulance for transport to Schleicher County Medical Center. Rodriguez and three other men were injured Tuesday morning when the driver of a 1997 Ford F-250 pickup fell asleep some 8 miles north of Eldorado. The truck left the roadway then struck an embankment in a drainage ditch before coming to rest near the roadway. The driver, John Raymond Gonzalez, 22, of San Angelo, Rodriguez and two other male passenger way home from work on a drilling rig when the wreck occurred.

Fifth annual Elgoatarod slated for weekend
by Jim Runge
Final preparations are being made for the fifth annual Elgoatarod to be held in Eldorado this weekend, be held in Eldorado this weekend March 31 and April 1. As always the Saturday activities center around goat races spoofing the Alaskan Iditarod, along with other goat related contests such as goat pill flipping, goat kissing and the best dressed goat henever the event falls on an April Fools weekend, a themed parade is held with wild and crazy entries, and this is one of those lucky years, since April Fools falls on Sunday. This year for the first time, helicopter rides will be offered both days to view the city the festival and the surrounding areas from the air.
Another special feature of this year's festival will be the appearance of the New Austin Polka Band, which will play both Saturday and Sunday afternoons. This group has appeared at EOBOC festivals in the past and a mutual admiration society has devel oped between them and the festival attendees. They are a unique group and always add to the festive atmosphere on the Schleicher County courthouse awn. And any event sponsored by the Eldorado Olympic Bid Organizing Committee would not be complete without an abundance of cloggers. The Lone Star Cloggers from San Angelo will perform Saturday morning and the West Texas Cloggers from Eldorado and surrounding towns, will perform Sunday afternoon.
As always, inflatable entertainment will be available on the grounds along with the numerous arts, crafts and food vendors. A wide variety of foods entice many residents to look forward to the weekend in order to partake of the wide range of food offerings. The children always enjoy the bounce houses, ob tock climbing wall, jousting ring and rock cling other inflatables set up under the giant pecan trees. he giant pecan trees
As always, admission is free and ere ane 10 men. The even begins Sunday endiurday and high oon on Sunday, ending at p.m. both days. Atendes ane encoraged to en for April Fools Day. The parde will
begin at $3: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on Sunday from the Hysterical District and proceed down Main Street to the festival grounds. There is no entry fee and all are invited to prepare a "foolish" entry Handsome trophies are awarded to the bestentries and parade watchers always get a kick out of the meny humorous a big Several April Fools contests will be

## on Sunday to commemorate this

 special fun day. Often, surprise enter tainers appear such as Elvis or other memorable singersThis annual event is just another at tempt by the EOBOC to provide cheap, wholesome entertainment, not only to Eldorado residents but to anyone livSEE ELGOATAROD ON PAGE 8


Janelle Pechachek and Rhapsody Swyter

## Pechacek and Swyter advance to

 State Solo \& Ensemble contestOn Saturday, February 10, 2007 at UIL Solo \& Ensemble Contest held at Brownwood at Howard Payne University. Rhapsody Swyter and Janelle Pechacek each received a first division rating and are advancing to State. For solo and ensemble contest band members play prepared music for a judge. The judge evaluates the performance and awards a rating of one to five with one being the high est. Ratings of "One" receive med-
als. Memorized prepared music that receives a Class One qualifies the student for a First Division Rating and a trip to the state contest.
State Solo Ensemble will be held in San Marcus on Monday, May 28th. Liana Danford received a first division but opted to use her music and will not advance to state. Tanja Hibbs received a first division on a class two solo and Timothy Cuevas received a solo and Timothy
second division.

Democrats Vs. The Secret Ballot

Behold, the self-styled friends of American labor. They are now trying to relieve the American worker of what they consider the unreasonable burden of
the secret ballot, which is only one of the cardinal the secret ballot, which is only one
principles of free and fair elections.

The ballots in
 question are those in elections to determine whether or not a work force will unionize. Unions tend to win
these elections when these elections when
they occur (more than 60 percent of the time in 2005), but that's not good enough to stanch the bleeding in union membership. So the unions want o dispense with the elections in favor of a "card check" process. Or as a union official put it in an organizing dispute a few years ago, "There's no reason to subject the workers to an election." House Democrats, who behave as if they hold heir jobs only at the sufferance of AFL-CIO President John Sweeney (and some of them probably do), ave duly obliged by passing legislation to do away with these pesky secret elections, which have been enshrined in the workplace since the National Labor Relations Act of 1935. Instead, workers would become unionized when a majority of them signed an authorization card presented to them by union organizers.
The supporters of this card-check approach argue that it is freer from the taint of intimidation than the secret ballot. Perhaps through the looking glass. But a public process in which workers will feel peer and other pressures to sign up is obviously less likely to reflect their true sentiments than a secret ballot. Nonetheless, the Democrats call their egislation the Employee Free Choice Act, which is hilariously perverse.
The House vote is a vindication for Sweeney, who, against the advice of union leaders who want to spend more on organizing, has insisted on continuing to bankroll the Democrats. His insight is that trying to unionize workers basically is hopeless without more Democrats in office to tip the playing field in the unions' favor.
Union membership has shrunk to a husk of itself. In 2006, it was just 12 percent of workers, down from 12.5 percent only a year before and down from 20.1 percent in 1983. Almost half of those union members are government employees, and almost half live in just six states.

Unionization has declined along with the manufacturing sector, and stepped-up competition has made it harder for companies to bear the increased labor costs and workplace rigidities that come with unionization. Union organizers might as well show p at places of employment and say, Hi, we from the union, and we want to help make your company ess agile and profitable.
Union advocates are missing the dynamic nature of the 21 st-century American economy and misdiagnosing its ills. It has grown wealthier (the median income of households with married couples in their working prime is more than $\$ 72,000$ ). Americans aren't drowning in debt. They are taking on mortgages that represent investments in housing, and their assets are rising faster than their debts (real net worth for middleincome families has increased 35 percent over the past two decades)
So, American workers seem to be doing OK, except for the terrible stresses of elections, of course.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.
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## Watery West Texas

from Colorado last year that arid West Texas isn't really as dry as it might first appear.
He wasn't having any of it so pointed out that rainfall records show that a vast portions of our part of the state receive just as much rain as parts of Colorado that are much greener.
I thought I was going to have to draw him a picture but finally managed to explain it this way We average about 20 inches of rain a year, and you oughta be here the day we get it!
My friend got a chuckle out of the yarn and I let it go. No use, I thought, in trying to explain that the tale has more truth to it than fiction. I recalled all of this Monday as I sat watching water cross the highway in northern Crockett County and it brought back memories of similar scenes, some from my distant childhood.

I grew up in the tiny community of Truby on the banks of the Clear Fork of the Brazos River in Jones County. Actually, I should put quotation marks around the word river, because the Clear Fork was really just a creek that I could jump across in most places and step across in others.
Come to think of it, the word clear should be bracketed in quotes, too, for the muddy red river was never clear
In 1957 West Texas was inundated by a summer monsoon that brought a close to the drought of the 50 's. Soon, the usually docile Clear Fork jumped its banks and grew to a mile wide as it surged
$\qquad$ 10 verr The Back Fence
hrough the valley near our home My granddad lived in a sharecropper shack, smack dab on the north bank of that river. Fortunately for him and the rest of the family, the house sat on one of the few high spots in the valley.
I have only the vaguest memory of that flood and it could be that I only imagine remembering it since heard it spoken of so often during my childhood.
Then there was 1974, one of the wettest years I can remember. when the draws would go down ong enough for us to get to the ocation.
The normally dry Devils River, south and west of Sonora looked ike an ocean. So did Howard Draw, southwest of Ozona. And.. Big Lake's big lake, well a couple of us, acting on a dare, managed to put a boat in the lake during the summer of ' 74 and we actually did a little water skiing.
I doubt seriously if my friend from Boulder would believe any of those stories especially if he saw any of the aforementioned water ways as they normally appear. These memories and others came flooding back as I stopped on U.S. 190, just east of State High-
way 163 to watch Buckhorn Draw rise up and over the highway. I sat there a few minutes, and soaked in the view of running water. Then, realizing that I really needed to get to Big Lake and that the draw was actually rising, carefully steered my Ford into and through the running water. It was just over a foot deep and posed no problem to cross, but as e current hit against the tires and the side of the vehicle, the momen um of the running water could be Just then I remembered tha another newspaper man, in anothe time and place, had driven off into another such draw and didn't make it out the other side. He was Finis Bratcher, the owner and publishe f The Eldorado Success in th mid-80s, years before I ever con sidered going into the business. Finis drowned in Finn gan Draw, just four miles from Eldorado on FM 915. He had been to Mertzon and was hurrying home. No one really knows if the stopped and measured his chances before driving into the draw, or if he drove up on it without noticing Either way, he didn't make it across and his body was found a couple hundred yards downstream.
With that thought in mind, and once clear of the draw, I pulled over on the shoulder of the road and got out and walked down to the water's edge. Satisfied that my duty could wait at least a few minutes, I paused there to watch the rushing water...and to spend a moment or two thinking of Finis.


## The Adventures of a Red Hatter

When I met Jerry Locke in
Gatesville she was wearing a
red western hat with sequins all over it.
"I have another hat," says Jerry t's a Ziegfield Follies hat with purple feathers all over it. I want purple feathers all over it. I want
you to know I couldn't look more gorgeous if I had been born in gorgeous
that era."

## Jerry

Jerry lives on a ranch jus outside Purmela, near Gatesville She is a member of the Red Hat Society.

Some ladies just got together and said, 'hey...let's do something fun, dress up, go places together and have parties.'
She told me about last year' Halloween party.

I went as a witch. Somebod came as a Motorcycle Mama Somebody came as a pirate. Whe you're past fifty you can dres p like you did when you were child."


That's one requirement to be in the organization. You must be over fifty. The ladies wear certain colors.
"You're supposed to wear purple dress and a red hat. If you want to be a member of our group, and you're not fifty, then you can wear a lavender dress and a pink hat. And you can just wait for that fftieth birthday. Some people may worry about getting older but it's all in your head and it's all in your attitude. We choose to have fun.
Jerry's chapter of the Red Hat ters has about 17 members

A-N-T) Royalties. We have such names as Madame Marvelous, Red Annie, Lady Royalty and I am La Te-Da Jerry.

They love to be in parades. "We're available for parades While riding on the parade float, the ladies play kazoos. "I can really play my kazoo. wish I had brought it. We have got really good at playing the kazoo. We are so talented when it comes to playing the kazoo. You know, we haven't done concerts yet but that's because nobody's asked us."

Jerry says when they go to a restaurant wearing their purple dresses and red hats, the people are always glad to see them and give them good seats. Jerry says some of the ladies are good tippers. She has some words to live by. "Happiness is a choice. You ca

TYC master orders review of inmate sentence extensions
by Ed Sterling AUSTIN - The Texas Youth Commission story continues to unfold. It has come to light that the sen tences of 93 percent of the agency's 4,700 inmates had been extended at some point, causing que
Special Master Jay Kimbrough, appointed by Gov. Rick Perry in February to investigate allegations of criminal wrongdoing at the 4,600 -employee agency, said the inmates' sentences would be
$\qquad$ Meanwhile address and correct problems at the TYC stalled in the Hous One reason for
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was raised over a proposal to appoint special state prosecutor to assist local district attorneys in their efforts to wed out wrogdoers at TYC unis. as argued that to create an office of pecial prosecutor for the TYC would ake away local control and it would ost too much.
Debate was suspended, but there is lot of public pressure on the House ct swiftly on TYC legislation

Veto override idea up to voters
Our state constitution gives the governor a 20-day period during which to veto bills, following the final adjournent of the Legislature.
But imagine if senators and representatives could come back to the Capi-
tol after the 20 -day period, convene, and take five days to override vetoes. That's what could happen under a proposed constitutional amendment by Rep. Gary Elkins, R-Houston. Elkins' HJR 59 passed March 21 on a vote of 109-29.
The people of Texas, of which only 39 percent voted for Gov. Perry in 2006, will put Elkins ' idea to the test next fall when they vote on HJR 59 and other constitutional amendments.
The 29 members who voted "no" on he measure were Republicans Charles Doc" Anderson of Waco; Jimmie Don Aycock of Killeen; Leo Berman of yler; Betty Brown of Athens; Warren Chisum of Pampa; Wayne Christian f Center; Byron Cook of Corsicana; Frank Corte of San Antonio; Joe Crabb of Kingwood; Brandon Creighton of Conroe; Myra Crownover of Lake Dalas; Dianne White Delisi of Temple; Joe Driver of Garland; Rob Eissler of The Woodlands; and Dan Flynn of Canton.
Also, Republicans Rick Hardcastle of Vernon; Patricia Harless of Spring; Richardson; Mike Krusee of Round Rock; Jodie Laubenberg of Rockwall; Sid Miller of Stephenville; Anna Sid Miller of Stephenville; Anna of McKinney; Larry Phillips of SherMa. Debbie Riddle of Houston. John man; Debbie Riddle of Houston; John fumas; and Beverly Woolley of and Beverly Woolley of ,
Full House to debate next budget Legislation approved by the House Appropriations Committee on March 20 tabs the state 's 2008-2009 budget about $\$ 150$ billion
The proposed budget, about 4 percent greater than the current 20062007 budget, is scheduled for debate by the full House on March 29.
Plenty of attention will be focused on an estimated $\$ 8$ billion in funds that could be used or saved as prevailing temperaments see fit

House votes to repeal phone tax The House voted on March 20 t do away with something Texans see on their phone bills every month: the


Edwin M. "Rooster" Jackson Jr. Eldorado - Longtime Texas. resident Edwin M. "Rooster" Jackson Jr. went to be with the Lord on
Saturday, March 24, 2007, after a long illness.
 Tuesday, March 27, in Eldorado Cemetery under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home, with Chap ain J.T. Tucker officiating Rooster Jackson was born May 1932, in San Antonio, Texas. He was preceded in death by is parents, Edwin and Winnie Jackson. rmer and loved He was a true blue U.S. Marine and served in the Korean conflict. oilfield and for Reece Albert. Rooster married Annette Farris Engdahl on Feb 2. 1974 in Brady

## He is survived by his wife, hree sons, Edwin M. Jackson III of Schertz, and Derek and Cody Engdahl of Eldorado; and of San Antonio, Cindy White of Aubrey and Pamala Blakeney of Yoakum. He is also survived by 1 grandkids; six great-grandkids; and numerous cousins and Honorary pallbearers were Johnny Mayo Jr., Brandon Deel Dobs Lively, Bob Lester, Ted MalMalkowski, Ross Malkowski an Smokey Taylor. <br> may be made to the Concho Valle may be made to the Concho Valley Home for Girls and VistaCare of San Angelo, Texas.

County Commissioners want to pave Mary Street
missioners Court opened their
Monday, March 26, 2007 meeting Monday, March 26,2007 meeting

Peggy Williams.
The first item of the business agenda was a meeting with paving contractor Steven Bailey who offered a bid of $\$ 49,000$ for paving Mary Street as well as County Roads 206 and 100 . After brief discussion the commis sioners decided to approve paving Mary Street if a separate bid for previously submitted by Seidel Construction of San Angelo. The ommissioners instructed Road Superintendant Clay Burleson to contact Bailey and have him offer bid for Mary Street.
The court then received one sealed bid for a transport load of unleaded gasoline from Griffin Eallon. The county will puct 9,000 gallons.
Jeff Chancellor, representing he youth baseball program, asked teel for new seating to replace bro ken wooden bleachers at the easi hittle league field. Chancellor tor the court the league would install

Capital

- Highlights...

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Texas Telecommunications Infra
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The legislation, House Bill 735 by Joe Straus, R -San Antonio, kills a tax brought into existence in 1995 to help fund computer chools, universities, hospitals and libraries.
Texans were to pay the tax until the fund reached $\$ 1.5$ billion. The goal was reached in 2003, bu fax when the state had a budgel shortfall. At that point, TIF fund were moved into general revenue. Now, the state has a multi-billion surplus, and the TIF is no longer Under HB 735, Texans will go n paying the TIF tax, likely unt the end of June.
A Senate version of the bill is A liams, R -The Woodlands. Differ have to be worked out by a conference committee


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Tuesday, April 3
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Squares, Milk Wednesday, April
Pork Chop w/Gravy, Diced Potatoes, Carrots, Tossed Salad Cobbler, Milk
Thursday,April 5
Beef \& Cheese Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Tortillas, Creamy Coleslaw, Fruit Salad, Milk Friday, April 6
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Eagles golfers place 3rd at Ozona Golf Meet

On March 19, 2007 the Eldorado Eagles' Kirsten Stubbs shot a 121, High School golf team placed 3rd Maureen Martinez shot a 125 and
at the Ozona tournament.
Cash Lane shot a 79 and second place individual medalist, Tyler Doan shot a 92, Adame Richmond and Adam Dominguez each shot a 93 and Clayton Sauer shot a 103.
357.

Sonora's team took first place with a combined score of 336 . Ft. Stockton placed second with an overall score of 346 .
Also playing for Eldorado
Eagles individually were Clark Meyer who shot a 127, Wes Brow shot a 117, Garrett Lux shot a 126 and Ryan Castillo shot a 141.
The following day, the Lady
School Lunch Menu


Milk \& Bread Offered
Menus Subject To Change
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$1 / 2$ pt.Milk $\& 4$ oz.
Juice offered wheach
BREAKFAST MENU
Monday, April 2
Waffle Stix's/Syrup, Slice | Milk

## Tuesday, April 3

Banana Nut Muffin, Choice
CerealChoice of Juice, Milk Wednesday, April 4 JuiceMilk
Thursday, April 5
Buttered Toast/Jelly, Choice
of Cereal, Choice of Juice, 1 Milk
Friday, April 6
BASKET LINE
Monday, April 2
Grilled Chicken Sandwich, 1 Dip, Sliced Peaches Tuesday, April 3
Corn Chip Pie/Cheese Cup, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad
Sugar Cookies Sugar Cookies
Wednesday, April 4 Sarrot Stix's/ Dip, Tator Wedges, Pineapple Slices
Thursday, April 5 BB Que on a Bun, Baked
Chips, Pickle Slices, Pear Halves Friday, April 6
GOOD FRIDAY
CAFETERIA LINE Monday, April 2 St Corn Dogs, Cole Slaw
Stix'Sliced Peaches Tuesday, April 3 Corn Chip Piel Cheese Cup Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad Wugar Cookies
Wednesday, April 4 LasagnalSalad, Peas/Carrots, Hot Rolls, Pineapple Slices Thursday, April 5 An a Bun, Baked

onle Slices, Pear | Chips, $P$ |
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| Halves | Friday, April 6

GOOD FRIDA

[^0] Macy Chatham shot a 152 during the girls golf tourney. The Ozona girls Christoval was second a score of 390 .

Varsity Hornet Relays Irion County March 23, 2007

Varsity Boys
Jorge Mata- 1. High Jump, $4^{\prime \prime}$ and 1. Triple Jump, $37{ }^{\prime} 2^{\prime}$ Tim Maskill- 1, Shot Put, "0", 6. Discus 83 Dylan Dombroski-1
$24 ; 4.1600 \mathrm{M}, 5: 56$
24; 4. 1600M, 5:56
800 M. Relay: 1. 1:40.87 Dustin Ramirez, Ivany Sanchez, Ryan Castillo, Wes Brown.
400 M. Relay: 26 Castillo, Ivany Sanchez, Johnny Mejia, and Wes Brown

1600 M. Relay: 2. 3:49: Ivany Sanchez, Ryan Castillo, Johnny Mejia and Dustin Ramirez Dustin Gauan-2. Discus, 122'6"; 2. Shot Put, 37'4'
Wes Brown-2. 100 M Run, Wes Brown-2. 100 M Run,
11.71; 2. Long Jump, 17'7" Josh Hash-2. 3200 M, 12:10; 1600 M., 5:32
Kevin Dykstra-2. 300 M Hurdles; 4. Pole Vault, $9^{\prime \prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$ Johnny Mejia-2. 200 M Run, 25.60

Ryan Castillo-3. Triple Jump, $32^{\prime \prime} 113 / 4^{\prime \prime}$
Tyler Dombroski-2. High Jump, 5'4"; 4. Triple Jump,
Luis Huichapa-5. Discus, 109'9"

JV Boys
JV Boys
Jesus Sanchez-1. 100 M 26.54 , 1. 200 M Run

Juan Carlos Escobar-1. Tri-
ple Jump, $28^{\prime \prime} 7^{\prime \prime} 1.400$ M. Run 69.07; 1. 800 M. Run 2.53

Marcos Medrano-3. 100 M .
Run; 4. 200 M . Run, 26.20
Byron Hibbs-1. 1600 M
7:35, 4. 800 M. Run, 3:16
Kaleb Murr-5. Shot Putg, $28^{\prime} 3^{\prime \prime}, 6$. Discus, $78^{\prime} 8^{\prime \prime}$ Hugo Rios-5. Discus, Varsity Girls
Claudia Pasillas-1. 1600 M Run; 2. 3200 M Run
Chelsi Hill 2. 100 M. Run, 2 200 M. Run, 4. Long Jump

Rhapsody Swyter-2. 100 M Hurdles; 3.300 M . Hurdles Marcela Huerta-2. 3200 M Ma
Run

Janelle Pechacek-5. Shot Put; 5. Discus

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runs crossed the p
Things went much beter
e Warbirds on Friday, March


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## Eagles fall to Winters, defeat Yellowjackets

The Eldorado Eagles baseball nings, striking out 7 and walking team went $1-1$ as it opened the 1 while holding the 'Jackets to only district schedule, losing 15-4 to one run. Garrett Lux came on in
the Winters Blizzards in Winters, relief in the 4th inning, He struck the Winters Blizzards in Winters, relief in the 4th inning, He struck then coming back home to defeat out two and walked three and e the Menard Yellowjackets by the fectively slammed the door on any same $15-4$ margin.
The Eagles struggled at the have fostered.
plate on Friday, March 9, in Win- Meanwhile, the Eagles bats ters. Rance Cathey led the team were busy as they tallied 15 runs offensively with two hits in three on 7 hits. Dustin Gauna was 2 of at bats. Dustin Gauna, Manny 4 at the plate to lead the Warbird Gonzalez, and Logan Jones, each hitters. Neal Higgins went 1 for 1, Red a hit in the lop sided affair. Logan Jones was 1 of 2, Jorge Mata on the mound for the Eagles. He 3 at the plate and Russell Cathey
up 7 runs. Garrett Lux came on in Some nifty base running and relief after three innings, striking timely errors on the part of the Yelwin. One example of came in the stole home.
23 as they hammered the Men- The Warbirds were slated to
Field. Again, Rance Cathey was game was moved to Wednesday game was moved to Wednesday
due to rain. The Success will report the outcome of that contest in next week's edition.


Birtiday List 29th Megan Grifin, Mike Neubert 30th Claire Wideman, Dorothy Harris, Mitzi Kelley, B.J. Reynolds,
Santos Pina, Sr., Sherry Belk, Sergio Garcia, Rachel Joiner, Buster Harris, Toby Harris, Melinda Hernandez
31st Joey Justina Rodriguez
1st Jim Holley, Brandon Dresner, Tina Dresner, Courtney Mankin ton, Toni Whitten, Emily Newman, Anna McCann, Billie Jean Men doza
2nd Little
2nd Little Joe Aguilar, Andy Spinks, Sandra Goodrum
Layton Spinks
3rd Bryan Gray, Smokey Taylor
Mason Garner, Erin Meador, Bodie Gilstrap
4th Ryan
4th Ryan Espinosa, John Pippen, Ben Edmiston, Irene Tinney,
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Schleicher Co .4 H and FFA compete at major stock shows
by Corey Stevens, County Agent The 2007 Major Livestock Show Season has finally come to an end. We started out in Kerrville
on January 18th, on January 18th, then traveled to Ft. Worth, San Antonio, San
Angelo, Houston, and finished up Angelo, Houston, and finished up
in Austin on March 20th. All and in Austin on March 20th. All and all we showed over 150 projects at
these shows. Along the way we these shows. Along the way, we placed several animals, and were awarded several sale spots.
This year we are graduating four of our showers. All five of these individuals have been inyears. They have all been very successful in and out of the show ring.

Mark Bybee has been stock showing since he was 9 years old. Mark has mostly shown barrows, but has also showed lambs and heifers. Probably the highlight of Marks career was winning a class at Houston in his first year, but he has also made the sale many times since at San Antonio and Houston. This year Mark exhibited barrows at Kerrville, placing 8th, Ft. Worth, San Antonio, Houston, and Austin, placing 6 th.

Josue Chavez has been showing barrows and gilts for years Josue this year added steers to his show string. Josue has had a very successful show career. He has
made the sale at San Angelo and Houston, and placed animals at all of the majors. Josue has worked very hard with his projects. He is definitely the boss out at their pens.This year Josue exhibited barrows and steers at San Antonio, Sa Angelo, Houston, and Austin. showing since he was 9 . Neal showing since he was 9 . Neal
has been showing lamb and boer has been showing lamb and boer Neal included two steers. Neal Neal included two steers. Neal has had great success show boe goats over the years. Probably the highlight of Neal's career was winning Grand Champion Boer
Goat Doe at the San Antonio Stock Goat Doe at he San Antonio Stock hefty. Tholarshipe came with a show boer goats. Sin year Neal San Antonio. in San Angelo and steers in Ft. Worth showed his and Houston.

Marcus Hinojosa also bega showing when he was 9 . Marcus

- $h$many added T-Bone, his year he also years Marcus has steer. Over the years Marcus has placed and made
at both San Antonio and Houston. However, the highlight of Marcus's career is probably his entire senior year, where he made two sale and narrowly missed two more. raveled to Ft. Worth showing a steer and a barrow, then traveled to 3rd place Duroc the sale with with his Red Angus Steer. 4th place gilt at Saer. He had also exhibited tan Angelo and raveled to Ho barrows. Next he he sale with thouston were he made barrow and ath place cross bred his steer again placed 4th with reer in Austin sus finished his caRidgeAnn Sudduth barrow. RidgeAnn Sudduth has also Shown livestock for 9 years. RidgeAnn has shown lambs for er entire career. Even though she probably will not admit it, she has also show barrows at the majors. RidgeAnn has also had a successshow career making the sale both San Antonio and Houston over the years. She has always taken pride in showing lambs that she, her brother, and father have raised. This year RidgeAnn Angelo, and Houston.
The following individuals also exhibited livestock at the majors this year:. They are listed in no particular order:

Jackson O'H
steers and goats at Kerrville, Sa Antonio, San Angelo, Houston, and Austin. He placed 11th with his goat at Kerrville. He also placed 6th with his steer in Houson, making the sale.
Jaymie O'Harrow showed steers and goats at Kerrville, San Antonio, San Angelo, Houston, and Austin. He placed 8th with a oat at Kerrville, 4th with a and 8th with a steer at San Antonio, th with his steer at San Angelo, th with a goat at Houston, and 3rd with a goat at Austin. Jaymie made the sale at Houston, Austin, Rylea Self show Rylea Self show for this for first time at the majors. Rylea did an excellent job. She showed goats in ton. Rylea also showed and Houson. Rylea also showed a lamb in $n$ Angelo.
Jorge Chavez exhibited steers, gilts, and barrows this year. Jorge exhibited steers in Ft. Worth, San Antonio, and San Angelo. Jorge exhibited barrows and gilts in San Antonio and San Angelo. He had 5th place gilt in San Antonio
ngelo.
Robert Chavez exhibited steer, gilts, and barrows this year as well. Robert showed steers in Ft. Worth, Ran Antonio, and San Angelo. Robert also showed barrows and gilts in San Antonio and San Angelo. Robert also had a good Antonio and also 8th with a gilt in Antonio and
San Angelo.
Miles Mikeska was a first er shower this was a first year xcellent jeb wis year. Miles did an He exhibited with his Angus steer. Antonio, and San Angelo. Meg Griffin Angelo.
Meg Grifin showed steers this year as well. Meg always does a good job showing. Meg showed steers at Ft. Worth, San Antonio, San Angelo, and Houston. We expect to see Meg back in the winner
Haley Higgins exhibited boe Hals in goats in San Antonio and San
Angelo. She also showed a lamb Houston. Heley howed amb oat in San Antonio as well as placing 1st with a goat in San Angelo and also placing another 3rd. Wes Brown had an outstanding ear winning the Class 10 market goats at San Antonio. As always Wes did a great job showing. Wes also exhibited goats in San Angelo.
Briley and Cade Ledbetter also had a very nice set of goats they exhibited across the state. The showed their goats in San Antonio San Angelo, and Houston.
Garrett Lux also showed goats his season. Garret narrowly missed placing both of the goats he showed at San Antonio and San

Ashby Ragsdale exhibited goats at San Angelo. Ashby did a good ob showing.
Ivy Mynatt is the oldest kiddo of the Mynatt clan that has recently moved to Eldorado. We are very happy they are here. Ivy showed ambs at San Antonio and San Angelo. This was also Ivy's first year showing, and she has great future ahead of her
Brian Parsley exhibited bar rows again this year. Brian showed at San Angelo and San Antonio. No one works harder than Brian No one works ha
with his projects.
Macy Chatham exhibited goat in Houston this year. This is Macy's first year to show at majors and she did an excellent job, na owly missing placing her goat.
Kevin Dykstra exhibited goats

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[^1]in Odessa and San Angelo. Kevin placed a goat 13th in San Angelo. Kevin showed goats that he raised and did an excellent job with them.
Dalton and Robert Buchholz attended two major shows this year Angelo, Daltora goats. At Sa Angelo, Daton placed 1st with a medium weight wether, 1st with in the meat conbined class. Robert won the junior showmanship while placing 3rd with an aged billy, 2nd pen of three and also had 2 nd jr. flock. At Kerrville the boys also did well. There, Dalton placed 3rd with a yearling billy, 9th with a billy kid, and 23rd with a doe kid.
Robert placed 2nd in the commercial class, 7th with a buck kid, 11th with a buck kid, 15 th yearling, and with a doe kid.
Marty Powell and Megan Pow-
ell showed Dorper sheep at San Angelo. They also did very well. Marty placed 3rd with a yearling yoe, while Megan placed 2nd with yearling ram.
Tres Whitten showed a barrow this year at San Angelo. His brother Justin also showed a barrow as well as a gilt at San Angelo. Arden Mertz showed goats San Angelo this year. Arden has not been showing but two years, and she is really getting the hang of it.
Kaleb Murr was a first time
shower this year and he did a Antonio and San Angelo.
Clayton Sauer was back for
is second year and did a great job showing at Fort Worth, San Antonio and San Angelo
Tyler Doan is was a secon
year shower also and had a great two goats at Fort job with his wo goats at Fort Worth, San
Antonio. ntonio
Clark Meyer was also making his second trip on the road this year and enjoyed every minute of showing his goats at Fort Wort
San Antonio and Houston. All and all, Eldorado had good showing at the majors this year. Thirty two kids showed ivestock at the major shows this year We had a of fun the way, but at the arm along glad this show season has come to an end.


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Eldorado Youth Basketball 5 th \& bth Boys' Orange Team: (Front LR) Dylan Ramos, Bailey Espinosa, Colion Crowder, Daniel Guerro, (Back L-R) Coach Sylas Politte, Ryan Espinosa, Hector Reyes,


Eldorado Youth Basketball 5 th $\&$ oth Boys' Green Teame: :CFront L-R) Juan Carlos Aranda, Tyler Martinez, Jose Aranda \& Robert
Martinez, (Back L-R) Coaches Buff and Dawn Whitten, Blaine Martinez, (Back L-R) Coaches Buff and Dawn Whitten, Blaine
Mitchell, Ceasar Chavez, Austin Stapp, Colten Jackson, Rico Martinez.

Weekly Crossword Puzzle

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## SCISD trustees approve 2007-08 school calendar ${ }^{\bullet}$

EHS Principal Wanoreck retiring at end of year
The Schleicher County ISD proved each campus principal's

School Board selected a school
calendar for the 2007-2008 school calendar for the 2007-2008 school year from among three drafts of-
fered during the group's Monday, fered during the group's Monday, March 26 meeting.
Superintendent Billy Collins Superintendent Billy Collins tenance Supervisor John Kotsch on
noted the first draft was the first his 20 years of service to the school chọice of the district's calendar district. School Board President Jo committee. He further explained Helen Kotsch graciously thanked that House Bill 1 mandates all Mr. Harris for their recognition of school districts in Texas to begin her husband. August 2720 year no earlier than The board next approved the August 27,2007 and complete 180 financial report as presented by
days of instruction including staff Finance Director Ray Ballew who days of instruction including staff development.
Last year the school year began on August 14.
After reviewing the three drafts, the trustees voted to accept the recommended first draft. The first day of school will start on August 30. School holidays will be Labor Day - September 3, Thanksgiving - November 22 and 23, Christmas and New Year - December 24 to January 4 , Spring Break Day - May 26. June 2 and 3 will Day - May 26 . June
be bad weather days.
The trustees then went into executive session to review professional employee contracts. The executive session to review pro- The board then approved an out
fessional employee contracts. The of district field trip for the Middle of High School Principal Bob School to travel to Sea World at the Wanoreck and art teacher Bill hired Maintenance Supervisor Wells. Both are retiring. The trust- Oscar Martinez was designated the Wells. Both are retiring. The trust- Oscar Martinez was designated the
ees also approved the resignations new Integrated Pest Management of Middle School math teacher Coordinator. Bridgett Schroeder and Middle School language arts teacher Pam
mployee recommendations. At the beginning of the meeting Ralph Harris with DK Haney and Associates presented the school with a brass plaque honoring MainFinance Director Ray Ballew who told the trustees the district has budget and has collected $91 \%$ of ax revenue.
Technology Director J.D. Doyle asked the board to approve an Grant. Doyle explained that the funding is tied to the Federal Fre and Reduced Lunch Program and aid this year Schleicher County SD is approved to receive up to 25,000 in grant funds with the istrict matching up to $\$ 6,000$. The rant is retroactive and will pay for omputer servers and switches the trict has already purchad of district field trip for the Middle

Next on the agenda the board pproved the two bids submitted by DK Haney Roofing to repai
the entire roofs for the Field House and Middle School roofs. This includes prime, seal and repair all HVAC curbs, pipe flashings, and gravel drards joints, pans ing a one year warranty on the whole roof. The cost for both will be $\$ 17,465.84$. The trustees then approved adding green trim on the
Middle School Gym which will Middle School Gym which will cost approximately $\$ 6,000$. In other business the board approved the cancellation of the May Districts 3 and 4 and then certified the unopposed candidates Berta Nicholson and Kurtis Homer as "duly elected."
In closing Superintendant Billy Collins informed the trustee he district enrollment is holding steady at 608 students. Collin then spoke briefly about gutting and remodeling the locker rooms in the Middle School Gym. Collins asked the trustees to visit the locke rooms at their convenience. Trustees present for the meet ing included Leanne Higgins, Jan Wanoreck, President Jo Helen Kotsch, Kurtis Homer, Lupe Sanchez and Robert Jay. Trustee Bert Nicholson was not present.

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## Lady Eagles turn attention toward first District title

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through the district schedule. Coach Brian Daniels comment The girls took two big steps to- ed after the game that he was proud ward those goals last week as they of his girls because they never gave downed the Eden Lady Bulldogs up despite almost giving the game 19-2 in three innings. Then came a hard fought battle in which the ters Lady Blizzards. Cassandra Buitron pitched all three innings for the Lady Eagles in their win over Eden. She gave up only two hits while striking out eight.
The game against Winters was a totally different story as the Lady a totally different story as the Lady
Eagles found themselves plagued Eagles found hemselves plagued perres
by a series of errors, the mark of a good team is that

## Warren Jeffs.

CONTINUED FRom PAGE 1 tionally vague.
Shumate ruled against Jeffs, saying that any words that may have used to encourage an under age bride, identified as Jane Doe
IV, to stay with and have sexual IV, to stay with and have sexual relations with her new husband, who was also her cousin, could be seen as enticement. The judge also
denied a motion to quash his order to bind Jeffs over for trial. In a separate motion, Jeffs at-
torneys asked for the trial torneys asked for the trial to be moved to Salt Lake County. The judge ruled against that motion,
too, but said he would consider moving the trial if an impartial jury cannot be impaneled.

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March $21 \cdot$ Diaz, Gilberto, male age 62 , offense Driving While Intoxicated. Released on $\$ 1,000$ Surety Bond.
March 26 - Moreno, Angel Santo, male age 45, Driving While License Invalid. Released on $\$ 1,000$ Surety Bond.

INCIDENTS
March 21 - 7:52 a.m. Complainant reported their child was refusing to go to school. Parent Officer advised parent to call school first. - 1:34 p.m. Complainant rewash. Officer responded.

- 6:40 p.m. Subject on Concho requested to speak with an officer about juveniles who had broken a window out of their vehicle. Officer responded.
March 22 - Complainant reported a controlled burn on County Road 300. Officers and Fire Department notified.
spicious activity in reported suspicious activity in an aban-
doned house on Del Rio. Officer responded.

March 23-1:23 p.m. Complainant requested to speak with an officer about a male subject
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calling their home. Officer responded. - 2:40 p.m. Caller reported suspicious people on Northfiel - 6:41 p.m. Complainant re ported a minor car accident at apartments. Officers responded - 7:41 p.m. Subject reported suspicious activity near their home off of North Divide.

7:46 p.m. Complainant at store reported harassing phone calls. Officer notified.

- 11:06 p.m. Caller reported a vehicle parked too close to the Road. Officer was unable to locate. Ofricer wnable to
March 24 - 9:38 a.m. Several controlled burns were reported to dispatcher. an ACLS transfer to San Angelo hospital.
- 7:37 p.m. Hospital requested an ambulance for a basic transfer 0 San Angelo hospital. - 9:47 p.m. Complainant reported telephone harassment. March $25 \cdot 12.50$ a.m. Caller eported a fight in progress al intoxicated individuals. Deputies responded. - 8.56 a
8.56 a.m. Break-in. Complainbreak in at residence from ex-boyfriend. Ex -boyfriend filed compliant against ex-girlfriend for assault with belt and belt buckle. Officer notified.
- 2:39 p.m. Complainant reported a loose dog with chain wrapped around stop sign at Main and:Mary intersection. Officer contacte and animal control.
2.48 p.m. Complainant reportSouthbound at County Road 312 Officer notified. • 2:57 p.m. Complainant on Main reported a loose dog attacking family pets. Officer and animal control notified.
- 9:14 p.m. 911 Call. No re sponse to 911 . Dispatcher attempted to reconnect and was March $26 \cdot 9: 49$ a.m. Subject quested directions to hospital. - 4:31 p.m. 911 Call. Subject requested an ambulance for elderly - 5:28 p.m. Complainant on Cottonwood reported three pickups trespassing behind house ups trespassing be
- 9:39 p.m. Subject on Old Sonora Road reported a suspicious vehicle in alley. Officer notified and was unable to locate. March $27 \cdot 12: 53$ a.m. Driver hit deer south of Eldorado.
- 8:07 p.m. Complainant report ed a Ford Ranger parked too close to the road. Officer responded. - 6:33 p.m. Complainant re quested to speak with an officer in reference to a disturbance at a
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The cast and crew of EHS One Act Play "Dearly Departed" poses with their Zone Champion plaque. (Front L-R): Brittany Jennings, Darcy Graves, Director Luann Shipman, JC Rodriguez, April Porras; (Second L-R): Tanja Hibbs, Cindy Sanchez, Kaleb Murr, Ridge Ann Sudduth; (Third L-R): Macy Chatham, Kristin Mittel, Corie Williams and Jorge Chavez; Back L-R: Abel Montalvo, Timothy Maskill, Chris Minor and Neal Higgins. The Zone contest
was held March 22 nd in Menard against plays from Christoval was held March $22 n d$ in Menard against plays from Christoval,
Irion County, and Menard. Eldorado advance from Zone and will compete at District in Forsan. Tim Maskill received Honor Crew, Kristin Mittel, Brittany Jennings and Abel Montalvo received Honorable Mention and Neal Higgins and Macy Chatham AllStar Cast.

## Gov. Perry signs law allowing Texans to protect themselves <br> Bill permits use deadly force in self-defense

AUSTIN - Gov. Rick Perry attack. The exception allowed a today signed into law Senate Bill person to use force without retreat 378, extending Texans' rights to when an intruder unlawfully endefense, without retreat, in their extends a person's right to stand home, vehicle or workplace. The their ground beyond the home to law takes effect Sept. 1,2007. vehicles and workplaces, allowing "The right to defend oneself the reasonable use of deadly force from an imminent act of harm when an intruder is: should not only be clearly defined in Committing certain violent nature," said Gov. Perry. "Today, I assault, or is attempting to commit am proud to sign the Castle Law such crimes; which allows Texans to not only - Unlawfully trying to enter a protect themselves from criminals, protect place;
but to receive the protection of state - Unlawfully trying to remove a law when circumstances dictate that person from a protected place. they use deadly force. The law also provides civil ime "I thank Senator Jeff Wentworth, munity for a person who lawfully Representative Joe Driver and the uses deadly force in the above Texas Legislature for their dedica- circumstances. The use of deadly tion to ensuring Texans' rights to force is not lawful when it is used self-defense." to provoke or if a crime other than In 1995, the Texas Legislature a Class C misdemeanor is commitcreated an exception to a 1973 ted by the victim.
statute, which required a person For more information, please retreat in the face of a criminal

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Stop deadly oak wilt disease
AUSTIN - Now that warmer tions tree owners can take to help spring weather is here, Texas For- prevent the spread of this deadly est Service wants Texans to be disease," said Houser.
aware that this is the prime season - Avoid any action that may for new oak wilt infections to start. cause new wounds to oak trees Though not harmful to people, oak from February through June, such wilt is one of the major causes of as those produced by pruning, conlive oak mortality in nearly 65 struction activities, livestock, land Central and West Texas counties. or "cedar" clearing, lawnmowers, "In spring, spores of this fungal string trimmers and storms disease may be transported by sap- - To decrease the attractiveness feeding beetles from infected oaks of fresh wounds to the sap-feeding to fresh wounds on any species of beetles, always cover any wound oak, especially live and red oak," on an oak tree no matter what the said Texas Forest Service Oak Wilt time of year. Any paint is acceptCoordinator, Jim Houser. able and may easily be applied in Once the fungal spores are aerosol form.
introduced into the wounded tree, Additional information on oak the fungus invades the tree and a wilt can be found at Texas Oak new oak wilt infection is created. Wilt Web site at www.texasoak"There are a few simple ac- wilt.org.



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