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Property values continue to rise

\$50 million increase likely

Rising property values, especially those on the county's oil and gas tax rolls, are likely to produce more revenue for county taxing jurisdictions this year, making the upcoming budget discussions a bit less stressful for the county, school and hospital district.

Chief Appraiser Janie Mitchell told the Success this week that county wide property values could increase by as much as \$50 million this year, with most of the increase coming on the appraisal district's "mineral roll."

\$3 million of the increase is due to construction at the YFZ Ranch, where buildings completed in 2006 were placed on the tax roll for 2007. Several ongoing construction projects at the YFZ won't be added to the tax rolls until next year.

The City of Eldorado's tax base is increasing, too. Mitchell explained that taxable values within the city are up by approximately \$1.4 million, to a total of approximately \$27 million.

Jones appointed to SCISD board

The Schleicher County ISD board of trustees met Monday, June 11, 2007 and voted to appoint Kirk Jones to the seat left vacant by the resignation last month of long-time trustee Jo Helen Kotsch. If he accepts the appointment, Jones will represent the citizens of Single Member District #6.

The meeting was called to order by board president Kurtis Homer following an invocation by First Baptist Church youth minister Syllas Politte. Trustees Lupe Sanchez, Robert Jay, Leanne Higgins, Berta Nicholson and Jan Wanoreck were present for the meeting. So were the district's administrators; Superintendent Billy Collins, Elementary Principal Maela Edmonson, Middle School Principal Kara Sue Garlitz and newly hired High School Principal Scotty Carman. Finance Director Ray Ballew and Administration Secretary Sandra Robledo, were also in attendance.

Among other business, the trustees reviewed the district's financial reports, approved the minutes of the May 21st meeting and authorized the renewal of a contract with Maynard & Associates for the supplemental insurance for the district's students.

The board likewise voted to continue its association with the accounting firm of Reed McKee & Company. The company will perform an audit of the district's financial records

at the close of the fiscal year.

The trustees also renewed a legal services contract with Powell & Leon LLC. Superintendent Collins explained that a \$500 annual fee paid to the company provides the district with phone consultations and a number of legal documents.

The trustees then voted to change the date of their next meeting from July 9th to July 16th before entering into a lengthy closed-door executive session for the discussion of personnel and real estate issues. When they emerged into open session the trustees voted to approve the contract for EHS Principal Scotty Carman. They also voted to hire Jesse Rubio as a teacher/coach and Bridgett Chancellor as a teacher. The board then voted to accept the resignation of High School math teacher Judith Wells.

There was no decision on the real estate issue, but the board did vote to accept an offer from David Creek to demolish a school-owned house that formerly housed the Anenberg Program offices on West Warner Avenue. Superintendent Billy Collins explained that Creek's company will tear down the structure and dispose of the debris at no charge to the school district.

Discussion then turned to appointing a trustee to fill the vacancy in SMD #6. In a rare

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SUCCESS FILE PHOTO

Two of the new residential buildings at the YFZ Ranch that went on the tax roll this year, helping to push the ranch's overall valuation up by some \$3 million to a total of \$20 million. The house in the foreground was valued at \$288,650 while the one in the background came in at \$384,590.

Sheriff meets with commissioners to discuss new & old patrol cars

Sheriff David Doran and Chief Deputy George Arispe were on hand Monday, June 11, 2007 for the meeting of the Schleicher County Commissioners Court.

Doran said he wanted to respond to questions he had heard about his recent purchase of a Ford Expedition for K-9 officer Jason Chatham.

The Sheriff said he bought the vehicle through a purchasing agreement with the Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments. All purchases through that agency go through the state bidding process, he said, and the cost of the Expedition was in line with the cost of the Ford Crown Victoria police cruisers the county normally buys.

Doran went on to explain that the vehicle will offer Deputy Chatham more room for his drug dog Brutus. Also, on the occasions when Chatham makes arrests, he will no longer have to call another officer to transport his prisoners, as is the case now with the dog taking up most of the room in the back seat of Chatham's patrol car.

The Sheriff concluded his by explaining that state bid police cruisers are always equipped at the factory with steel wheel rims. Those rims, he said, don't hold up well under the heavy use they receive here in Schleicher County, especially during high-speed chases. Doran explained that is why he always specifies an upgrade to aluminum alloy rims on the vehicles he orders for the department. The new Ford Expedition came that way, too. However, the rims were billed separately this time, which led to questions at the commissioners' last meeting.

The only other option added to the base unit Ford Expedition was an air conditioner vent in the rear compartment since that is where Burtus will be transported.

Discussion then turned to water damage sustained by the patrol car driven by Deputy Kevin Herbert.

Doran explain that on May 27, a call came in from an OnStar operator saying that three individuals were trapped by rising water in a draw near McIntosh Road. Several emergency units responded to the call, including Fire, EMS and Sheriff's Department officers. At

one point several emergency vehicles became stranded between flooded draws in the eastern portion of the county.

When Chief Deputy George Arispe instructed Herbert to make his way back into town, Herbert's car became swamped in a draw. A Menard Game Warden helped pull the car out of the rapidly rising water, but unfortunately, the water had been pulled into the engine's intake, and the motor seized up.

Doran said that Herbert was assigned Deputy Chatham's old unit and the damaged car is awaiting an assessment by an insurance adjuster.

The commissioners seemed pleased with the Sheriff's explanation and thanked him for his time.

The commissioners then took up discussion of a possible fireworks ban for the July 4 holiday period. The consensus was that there had been sufficient rain in recent weeks and the men chose not to enact a ban this year.

Judge Griffin then read a letter from the Texas Historical Commission requesting appointments to the county's historical commission. No action was taken, but Judge Griffin ask the commissioners to have anyone who

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PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Megan Powell reined her horse around a barrel during the 4H Playday held Tuesday evening at the Schleicher County Rodeo Arena. Megan is the daughter of Johnny and Claire Powell of Eldorado.

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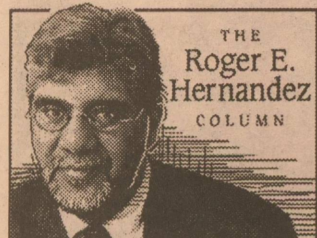
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Freedom marching in reverse under Hugo Chavez

Hugo Chavez may be a thug, but he's no dummy. He knows that with a packed Supreme Court, a rump Congress, a divided opposition and -- tragically true -- a good deal of support from The People, Venezuela's free press is one of the few remaining



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institutions strong enough to keep him from realizing his dream of grabbing absolute power.

So he has set out to destroy it. His government has refused to renew the broadcast license of Radio Caracas Television, Venezuela's oldest and most popular network. It went off the air for the first time in 53 years.

Tens of thousands of Venezuelans took to the streets to protest, but you'd hardly know it from watching the news as the Chavez-friendly operation that replaced RCTV ran an orgy of self-congratulatory cheesiness in its first hours of life, instead of covering the controversy.

Which is exactly what Chavez wants. A tame press that reports just the nice stuff. All those lovely stories about how thrilled Vietnam's deputy minister of agriculture is to be among his Venezuelan amigos.

Chavez and his supporters charged that RCTV supported the failed coup of 2002.

What actually happened? RCTV ran continuous live coverage of anti-Chavez protests, with little coverage of pro-Chavez marches.

Unbalanced reporting, sure. Irresponsible journalism, yes. But one price to pay for freedom of the press is that governments have no right whatsoever to censor journalists for being incompetent or biased. Only journalists should police journalists.

Of course, actual treason or openly calling for the assassination of the head of state crosses the line and can justify legal intervention. But RCTV did not cross that line. Instead, they are being persecuted for their political beliefs. The accusation of "coup-mongers" is a pretext to silence Chavez's opponents. The license-renewal issue provided the perfect opportunity to act, and Chavez is now gunning for another independent news operation, Globovision.

Venezuela still has at least two major opposition newspapers in Caracas, El Nacional and El Universal. They are not licensed like broadcast companies. Chavez has not found a way to shut them up.

Human-rights organizations, journalist groups, Western Europe and the Bush administration condemned the lights out for RCTV. So did some fellow Latin Americans, including former Mexican President Vicente Fox (with whom Chavez has butted heads more than once) said it was "a step toward dictatorship."

But Fox's successor, Felipe Calderon, has kept a low profile, even though he and Fox are from the same party, and even though Chavez's government refuses to recognize Calderon's tight electoral victory over his Chavez-backed opponent last year. Latin America's other regional power, Brazil, has also kept silent; President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva called it an internal Venezuelan issue.

Ah, the precious principle of nonintervention, the last refuge of those who don't mind seeing freedom stepped on, as long as it's the left boot doing the crushing.

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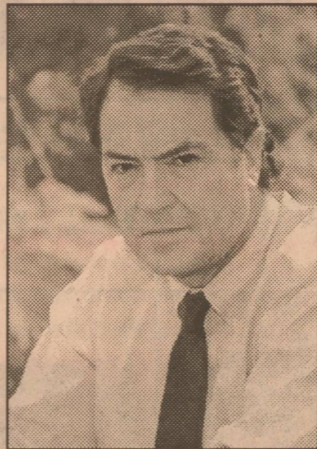
Fathers Are Heroes

In a world of dead-beat dads, workaholic parents and latchkey kids, fathers who set an example for their kids to grow by and who sacrifice so they can give their children a better life are heroes. But like many children, it took me a while to fully appreciate just how special my father is.

Along with thousands of other young men, Dad joined the Army in July 1943, less than a month after he and my mother married. After fighting on the battlefields of England and Europe, he returned home to Tennessee in October 1945. His homecoming was marked by the end of shoe rationing and my conception.

For reasons still unknown, John M. Whitehead didn't have a middle name, just an initial. The oldest of three children, he grew up disarmingly poor outside Pulaski, Tenn. His parents moved a lot, trying to get work to feed their daughter and two sons. This meant, among other things, that the children's education was sketchy at best. They were only able to spend portions of the year in school before pulling up stakes and starting over wherever work was available.

Although Dad never talks much about those days, he can't seem to get past the memory of his last year in school. Like a lot of kids from poor families, John M.'s attendance at school depended largely



Commentary
by John Whitehead

on the vagaries of his family's finances. However, because he was intelligent, his fifth grade teacher worked with and encouraged him, recognizing that he had a lot of potential. As usual, he was only able to spend part of the year in her class before the family had to pull up stakes again and take the kids out of school.

The following year, John M. found himself back in the fifth grade. When he walked into the room, his teacher expressed her surprise at seeing him back at school—and in her classroom. Although she didn't intend to embarrass him, Dad was humiliated and never got past his feelings of shame at having to repeat the fifth

grade. When family finances once again caused him to be pulled him from school, he never went back.

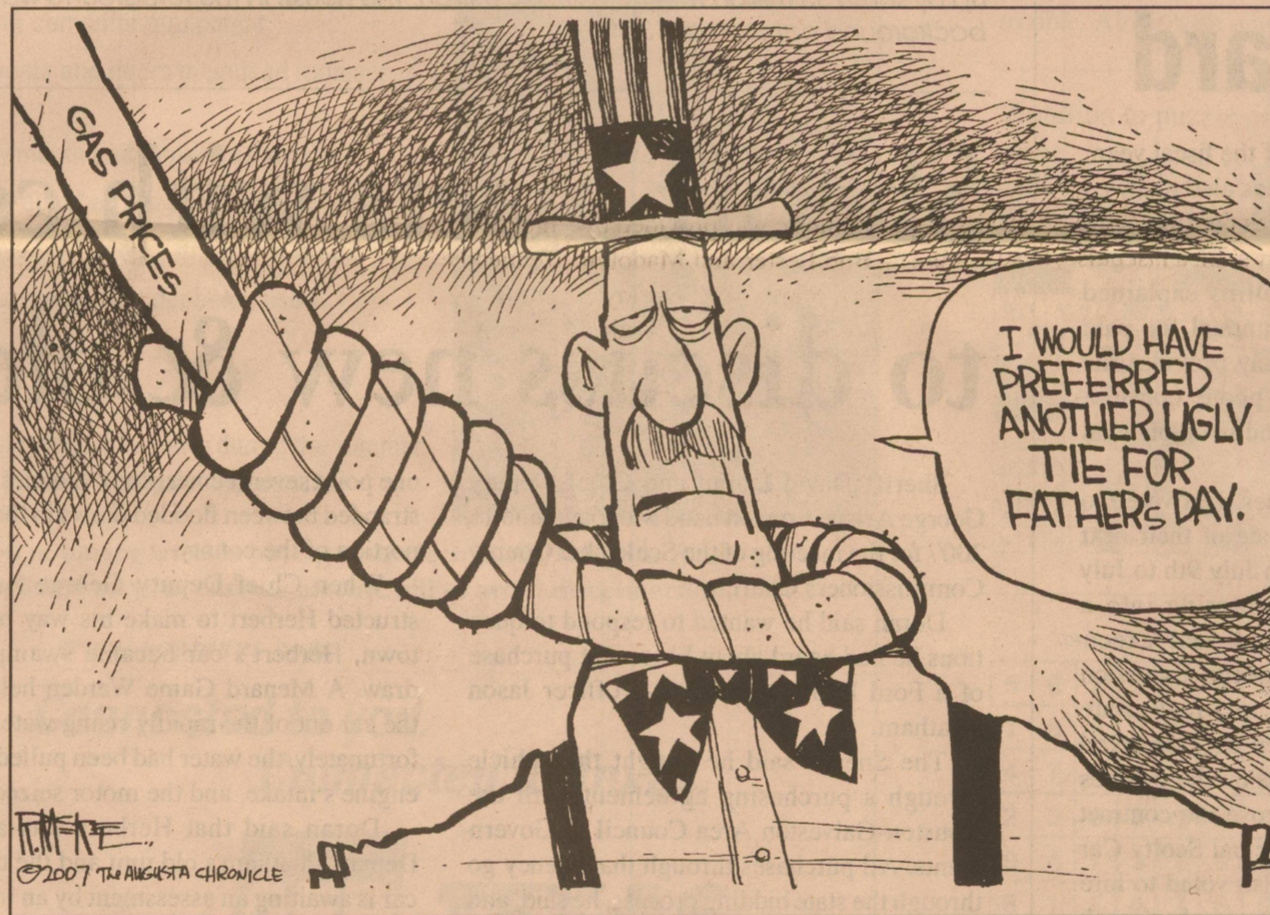
Despite only having a fifth-grade education, my father has done well. He has lived his life one challenge at a time. For many like him, feeding and sheltering a family was heroic work. And with my mother's help, he did it the best way he knew how.

In 1950, my family left Tennessee for Peoria, a central Illinois factory town known as "Little Chicago." Like many other Southerners, we moved "because of the higher wages they were paying up north," according to my dad.

My parents subscribed to the work ethic that you get a job, showed up every day and did it well, hoping either for a raise or more overtime. Corporate politics were unknown to people like my dad. He worked at Caterpillar Tractor Co., serving as a union steward and helping his fellow workers get a fair shake from the company, until he was offered early retirement 30 years later. This is the life philosophy he instilled in me.

Although my mom and dad both worked and had a steady income, it wasn't much, even in those days. I remember that one Christmas I wanted a cowboy gun and holster from Santa Claus.

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The McAfees are Extreme Hobbyists

A friend told me I should visit with Jane and Delmer McAfee in Odessa.

"They have a bunch of railroad stuff and some old cars," said the friend.

What an understatement.

A sign on their entrance wall reads "Texon Santa Fe Depot Museum." I noticed two cabooses sitting on railroad tracks next to a train depot. Jane found the original Texon depot building at Sheffield where it had been used as a feed store. She bought it and had it shipped to Odessa.

The first thing Jane showed me in the depot was a talking manikin dressed up like a ticket agent. Jane flipped a switch and the manikin came to life, telling me about Santa Rita Number One, the discovery well of the Permian Basin, drilled in 1923 near Texon. She spent a year restoring it. The building also has three sets of elaborate Lionel trains.

We stepped outside and climbed aboard a railroad gang car. It has a handle that you pump by hand



by
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Smith

to make the little car travel along 100 yards of track. Jane says when kids come, this is their favorite thing about the museum. The railroads replaced the gang cars with pickups.

We then toured the cabooses. One is completely restored; the other is in the process of getting back to the way it was in the late 40's. Jane likes Santa Fe because she grew up in Temple and Santa Fe trains ran through the town. Her daddy loved model trains. Her museum is open by appointment only.

Jane's husband Delmer has 3 or 4 steel buildings on the place to keep his cars. He has 90. The real premium vehicles are kept in an impressive underground garage that has an elevator to get the cars

in and out. He spent a year building that garage. On the floor above he has a 50's soda fountain complete with 2 jukeboxes pumping out 50-year-old hits.

Delmer loved drag racing as a boy. Back then he would see cars he liked, but couldn't afford. He bought them later when he could. He still has the 59 Chevy he had in high school. He has dozens of other Chevy's from the 50's and 60's. He has other types of vehicles besides Chevrolets, like a 1941 Willys.

"That was the year I was born," says Delmer. "When we used to go to the drag strip, we loved to watch Willys run. They were the fastest things there. I finally managed to get me one and I worked on it a little. It's got a 500-inch Chevrolet motor in it with a blower on it. 826 horsepower."

He has a split-window 1963 Corvette that was built just one year. He has had that car more than 20 years. Sometimes he drives one of his vehicles to work at his oil field business.

Governor signs border security legislation

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — Gov. Rick Perry signed SB 11 into law on June 6, creating a border security council to advise him on how to allocate funds along the Texas-Mexico border.

Perry will appoint all of the members of the council, and among its many duties, the council is to:

- Define the role of emergency management directors;
- Create disaster districts, outline the process for political subdivisions to request and provide mutual aid assistance; and
- Provide for reimbursement of costs.

The legislation, which takes effect Sept. 1, was authored by Sen. John Carona, R-Dallas, and sponsored in the House by Rep. Frank Corte, R-San Antonio. SB 11 also does things such as:

- Allow up to 350 amateur radio operators who are state employees to be granted leave from their jobs so they can participate in emergency management activities;
- Expand wiretapping to catch kidnapers, human traffickers and money launderers;
- Authorize the Health and Human Services Commission to maintain a registry of immunization and medication administered during a disaster; and
- Expand information the state can collect about criminal street gangs.

Perry lauded the bill, saying it "removes bureaucratic hurdles when seconds count and lives are in jeopardy." "If a city has been hit by a wildfire, a chemical spill, a biological threat, or an act of terrorism, bureaucracy should not impede compassion," he said.

Bill targets funeral disrupters

Gov. Perry on June 4 signed HB 1093 by Rep. Charlie Geren, R-Fort Worth.

Geren's bill, which took effect as soon as the governor signed it, makes it illegal to disrupt the funeral service of a fallen member of the U.S. military.

The bill increases the distance barrier for individuals picketing from 500 feet to 1,000 feet of a facility or cemetery being used for a funeral service, beginning one hour before the service and ending one hour after the service is completed.

School food study to be done

The Texas Department of Agriculture wants to find out what schoolchildren are eating.

Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples appointed a committee of 12 people to conduct a study of school breakfast, lunch and after school snack programs.

The study, due before the next school term starts, should help to:

- Determine if there are barriers to participation in school meal programs;
- Identify changes in the nutritional policy that would increase student wellness, increase meal participation and decrease obesity; and
- Examine availability of processed or prepackaged foods in meal programs and note the trans fat content of those foods.

Governor signs smog control bill

Gov. Perry signed SB 12 into law on June 8, in support of the state's clean air incentive grant programs TERP (Texas Emissions Reduction Plan) and LIRAP (Low-Income Vehicle Repair Assistance, Retrofit, and Accelerated Vehicle Retirement Program).

SB 12 extends TERP to 2013 and raises the cap on amount of grant dol-

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OBITUARIES

Mildred Leone Forehand Castello

SAN ANGELO—Mildred Leone Forehand Castello, 95, of San Angelo passed away on Thursday, June 7, 2007.

She was born on March 12, 1912, in Merrit, Texas, to George W. Jr. and Ruth (Hughes) Forehand.

She married her husband of 61 years, Thomas Jackson Castello, in 1932. He preceded her in death in 1993. They married in San Angelo and lived in Abilene, Fort Worth and in the Tulsa area before moving back to San Angelo in 1950.

She was a homemaker, a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt and friend to many.

Survivors include her four children, Jack Castello and wife Joan of San Angelo, Pansie Jay and husband Robert of Eldorado, Kenneth Castello and wife Linda of Wylie, and James Castello and wife Colleen of Bronte; sister Martha Smith and husband Lee of Tulsa, Okla.; brother Kenneth Forehand of Burleson, Texas; grandchildren Steve Castello of Gatesville, Tina Mace of Ozona, Keith Castello and wife

Alicia of Hurst, Kendall Castello and wife Lisa of Farmers Branch, Kevin Castello and wife Ronda of Round Rock, Keisha Glass and husband Mich of Wylie, Benjie Jay and wife Donna of Muleshoe, Gynna Harlin and husband Billy Bob of Burleson, Sammie Duncan and husband Drue of Brackettville, Jolynn Clintsman and husband Bryan of Southlake, Denise Forsythe and husband David of Odessa, Amanda McPeak and husband Spencer of San Angelo, Janelle Roth and husband Mike of Nanuet, N.Y., Jeannine Shannon and husband Brian of Lubbock, and Jeffrey Castello and wife Shannon of Tampa; along with 28 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral service was Saturday, June 9, at West Angelo Church of Christ in San Angelo, with Portis Ribble and Kenneth Castello officiating the service. Burial followed in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

Grandsons served as pallbearers.

Memorials may be directed to the church or charity of choice.



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Mrs. Tanner Fields

Newman/Fields wedding

Gentry Newman and Tanner Fields exchanged vows Saturday, June 9, 2007 at First Presbyterian Church in Eldorado.

Officiating the marriage ceremony was Rev. Ronald Sutto and the bride was given in marriage by her father Kenneth Newman.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Newman of San Angelo, Texas and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tryon Fields of Sonora, Texas.

Ring Bearers were Mack and Ben Plemons and Ushers were Adam Corder of Lubbock.

Special music was provided by Soloists Bob Lester and Madolyn Phillips and Pianist Debbie Joy.

Maid of Honor was the bride's sister Emily Newman. Bridesmaids were Leigh Ann Neal of Abilene, Kayla McCravy of Round Rock, Kayla Fields of Sonora, Lindsay Ashworth of Ft. Worth and Linley Piper of San Antonio.

Best Man was Sean Fields of

Lubbock. Groomsmen were Brad Legan of Springtown, Jeremy McFerrin of Lubbock, Zac Kerbo of San Angelo, Will Whitten of Lubbock and Chance Dillard of Sonora.

Gentry is a graduate of Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Early Childhood.

Tanner is a graduate of Texas Tech University with a Masters in Exercise and Sport Science. He is employed by the Greenville Astros.

After a honeymoon trip to Puerto Vallarta the couple will make their home at Greenville, Tennessee.

Senior citizens urged to stay safe in the heat

(SPM Wire) While the warm, sunny weather can make the summer months great for outdoor activities, we all need to take proper precautions to avoid overdoing it.

Indeed, the warm weather can be dangerous, especially for older adults. Thanks to some of the physical changes that happen as we age, older adults can't cool down as well as they used to when they were younger.

Sometimes, older people may not even feel hot when the temperature is dangerously high. They are also less likely to feel thirsty, even when they are almost dehydrated and their bodies have lost dangerous amounts of water.

Sharon Brangman, M.D., a member of the American Geriatrics Society, says older adults must take the right steps to stay safe in the summer months and offers the following tips for when temperatures hit between 85 and 90 degrees:

- Turn on the air conditioner or go where it's air-conditioned - a shopping mall, grocery store, senior center, movie theatre, museum, or library, for example. Fans aren't enough.

- Drink lots of water and other clear drinks that don't contain alcohol or caffeine. Remember: If your urine is a light yellow color, you're drinking enough water. If it's darker yellow, you need to drink more.

- Take cool showers, baths, or sponge baths.

- Wear lightweight, light-colored, loose-fitting clothing.

- Wear hats.

- Don't stay in the sun for long

- Avoid walking long distances, lifting heavy objects, or doing other strenuous things

Here are some warning signs that seniors and their caregivers should look out for that could signify a health problem caused

by heat:

- Dehydration: Weakness, headache, muscle cramps, dizziness, confusion, and passing out.

- Heat stroke: A body temperature of or above 103 degrees; red, hot and dry skin; a fast pulse; headache, dizziness, nausea or vomiting, confusion, and passing out.

- Heat exhaustion: Heavy sweating or no sweating, muscle cramps, tiredness, weakness, paleness, cold or clammy skin, dizziness, headache, nausea or vomiting, and fainting.

If you or someone you're caring for start to show these warning signs, call your doctor or 911. Move to a cool, shady place, take off or loosen heavy clothes, drink water or other clear drinks. If possible, douse yourself with cool water, or use cold, wet compresses to help lower your body temperature.

For more senior health information, visit the American Geriatrics Society online at www.americangeriatrics.org.

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◆ KNOCKED UP 10:00am 12:55pm 3:55pm 7:10pm 10:20pm	◆ SURF'S UP (PG) 11:05am 1:20pm 4:15pm 7:25pm 9:55pm
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2007 Elementary Gold Star Awards-Education Excellence (Front L-R): Garef Swinford, Abby Nolen, Bre Crofoot, Whitney Perez and Tori Guerrero; (Back L-R): Tres Whitten, Esmeralda Ruezga and Ivie Kate Mynatt. This award was presented during the May 24, 2007 Eldorado Elementary Awards Ceremony.

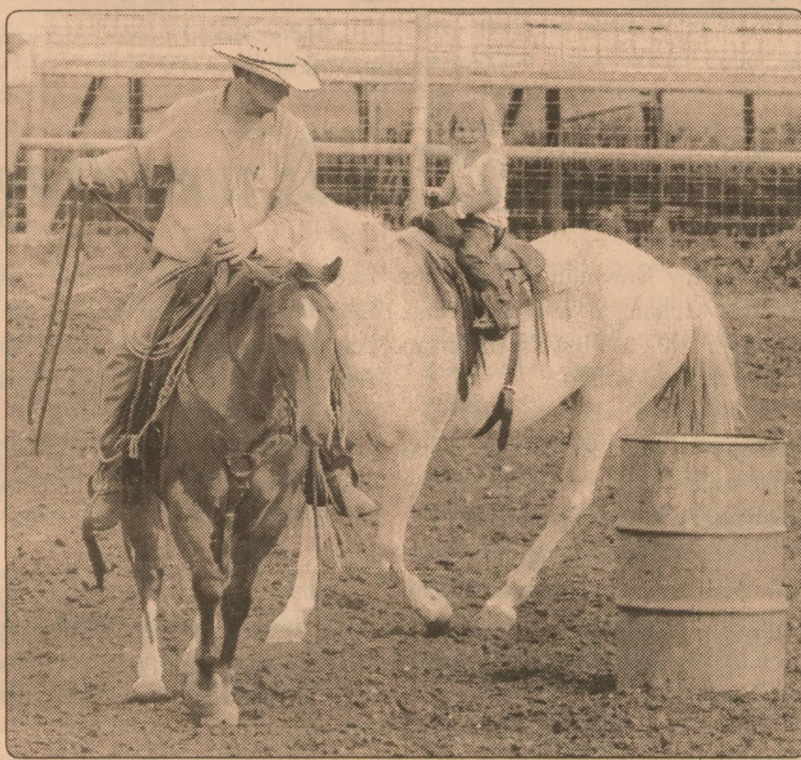
FREE Summer Tennis Camp

FREE: To all 7th and 8th grade students in Eldorado.
 Where: At the Eldorado-High School Tennis Courts
 When: Starts on June 18, 2007 till June 21, 2007.
 Time: The Camp begins at 9 am. Everyday till 10:30 am.
 Students will do conditioning drills, work on the basics of Tennis and play singles and doubles matches against other players of their own level.
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2007 Elementary Silver Star Awards for Educational Achievement Front (L-R): Estephanie Estrada, Kenzie McAngus, Mika Key, Arden Mertz; Back (L-R): Carlos Guzman and Dalton Buchholz. This award was presented during the May 24, 2007 Eldorado Elementary Awards Ceremony.



Cory Lloyd led his daughter Mayci's horse around the barrels Tuesday evening at the 4H Playday held in the Schleicher County Arena.



The Eldorado All-Star minor league team swept the bracket of the Eldorado All-Star Tournament this week, winning all four games to capture their second straight tournament title. Team members include: (Front L-R) Michael Rios, Jose Luis Olivares, Jess Gonzales, Leroy Torres, Cade Ledbetter, Deon Fuentes, (Back L-R) L to R Back row is Junior Gonzales, Jose Guerra, Justin Whitten, Jaime Chancellor, Fabian Gomez, & Jake Swindall. Coaches are Kirk Swindall, Ernie Gonzales, Donny Fuentes, & not pictured David Creek.

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4-H Horse Club Playday Time Change

Just a reminder, playdays time will change to 6:00 p.m. for the next two Tuesdays. We had a good show of participants this past Tuesday and expect more so we are moving the time back.

Events are barrel racing, pole bending, breakaway roping, goat tying, and goat hair pulling.

Contact the extension office with any questions: 853-2132.

Meals for Friends Menu

Monday, June 18
 Swiss Steak w/Gravy, Peas and Carrots, Corn Bread Muffins, Toss Salad, Orange Sections, Milk

Tuesday, June 19
 Polish Sausage, Fresh Baked Sweet Potato, Steamed Cabbage, Corn Bread, Pears, and Milk

Wednesday, June 20
 Chopped Steak, Parslied Potatoes, Cooked Carrots, Wheat Bread, Cucumber/Tomato Salad, Tapioca Pudding.

Thursday, June 21
 Barbecue Chicken, Baked Beans, Calif. Mix Vegetables, Macaroni Salad, Cornbread, Fruited Gelatin, Milk

Friday, June 22
 Tuna Noodle Casserole, Mixed Vegetables, Dinner Roll, Toss Salad with Tomato, Red Applesauce and Oatmeal Raisin Cookie, Milk.

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Sales tax revenue up locally and statewide

AUSTIN —Texas Comptroller Susan Combs announced this week that the state collected \$1.7 billion in sales tax revenue in May.

Combs sent cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$420 million in June local sales tax allocations, up 5.5 percent compared to June 2006.

"Growth in sales tax revenue remains healthy," Combs said. "Sales tax collections reflect the current healthy state of the Texas economy—notably the oil and gas, manufacturing and retail trade sectors."

Combs sent June sales tax allocations of \$283.6 million to Texas cities, up 5 percent compared to June 2006. So far this calendar year, city sales tax allocations are up 7 percent compared to the same time period last year. Texas counties received sales tax payments of \$25.1 million, up 4.6 percent compared to last June. So far this year, sales tax allocations to counties are up 8.2 percent compared to 2006.

Locally, the City of Eldorado

received \$9,132.01, that's up a whopping 108.49 percent over the same period last year. The city's year-to-date allocations total \$73,379.67, up 51.42 percent over last year.

Meanwhile, Schleicher County's monthly allocation was \$13,723.20. That's down 8.61 percent from the same time last year. However, the county's year-to-date total came in at \$103,795.34, up 9.98 percent over the 2006 year-to-date total of \$94,374.66.

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 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 Friday, July 13.



Touch of History

by Rena Galeote

A Movie Theater for Eldorado

T. K. Jones planned to add a touch of the city to the small town of Eldorado, TX in 1930 when he had this Spanish colonial revival / mission style structure built. The contractor for this brick building on Main Street was Mr. Chidester from Menard. It was to house a modern motion picture theater. The theater was first class, and no one seem to mind if during the silent movies the pianist blasted out a Sousa's march when a tender love scene was on or play an Indian Love Call during a lively battle. Every one was just glad to have a fancy theater especially for the Saturday afternoon westerns.

The building had two small rooms on each side of the entrance. "Pancho" Bradley said he

started his first business in one of the rooms with his "Shoe Shine Parlor." Sproul Insurance was also in that side. On the other side a small café was run by some of the following people at different times: Mary Martin, Mrs. Davis, Howard Belcher, D.C. Royster, Rose Holland and Bob Duncan.

The building stayed empty for quite some time after the theater was out dated, and a new drive-in movie was built.

Tom Ratliff bought the building in the 1950's, and remodeled it to house his insurance business, which was later ran by Raymond Mittel. Winnie Helen Ratliff gave the structure to the "Way Off Broadway Civic Theater" group, in memory of Tom, in the 1990's. It was to be used as a theater for the presentation of their performances. The civic theater group, headed by Jo Ann Sproul, remodeled the building to accommodate their use.

Today this beautiful old building is what it was meant to be in 1930, a theater for the citizens and guests of Eldorado to enjoy.

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SCISD board meeting held

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split vote, three of the trustees, Lianne Higgins, Jan Wanoreck and Lupe Sanchez, voted to appoint Mason Vaughan to the seat while Robert Jay, Kurtis Homer and Berta Nicholson voted to appoint Kirk Jones. A second vote was then held in which Jones was the only nominee. That time around

he received the votes off all six current trustees.

The meeting then transitioned into a board training workshop with Rita Gibbs, a senior consultant from the Texas Association of School Boards, leading the group as they spent three hours studying "team building and self-assessment."

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16th Linda Chancellor, Susan Lively, Anthony Ray Lopez, Michael Mayo, Senaida Martinez, Pedro Garcia, J.B. Ragsdale
17th Bernabe Sanchez, Justin Allen Robinson, Jess Gonzalez, Jared Grubbs, Alfonso Mendoza, Patti Prieto
18th Jason Holley, Lester Paul Nixon, Chad Allen, Joe A. Rodriguez, Glen Perkins, Donald Royster
19th Lance Mitchel, Marty Edmiston
20th Mande Wike, Stafan Barajas
21st Veronica Belman, Lindsay Beach, Scott McGregor, Sidney Reynolds, David Charboneau, Jeri Whitten, Pat Sykes

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Bill to attract TV, film jobs

Gov. Perry signed HB 1934, the film incentive bill, a \$22 million package to help Texas attract jobs

in television and film production. The bill provides filmmakers with grants equal to 5 percent of what they spend in Texas. To qualify, they must spend at least \$1 million in Texas, shoot at least 80 percent of the project within state borders and hire at least 70 percent of actors, crew and extras in Texas.

The Texas Film Commission reports there were 32 film projects in the last four years that researched Texas for their production location but instead chose other states that offered incentives.

Sheriff meets with County Commissioners about cars

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might be interested contact him. Judge Griffin then advised the court that the construction of a concession stand and restroom facility at the roping arena would have to be approved by an engineer and that the labor and material must be open to public bid. The commissioners had hoped that if the county served as its own general contractor workman could be hired and building material purchase without having to go through the bid process. Judge Griffin said he investigated the issue only to learn that state bidding and engineering standards would still apply. The commissioners discussed several

options but took no further action on the matter.

The commissioners then met with Texas Association of Counties insurance representatives Pat Gower and Bobby Zesch concerning group health insurance.

Before adjourning, the court approved a request from Treasurer Karen Henderson for two budget transfers.

The meeting was the first of two meetings slated for June. County Judge Johnny Griffin and commissioners Matt Brown, Kirk Griffin, Johnny Mayo and Lynn Meador were in attendance. County Clerk Peggy Williams, Treasurer Karen Henderson and Road Superintendent Clay Burleson were also present.

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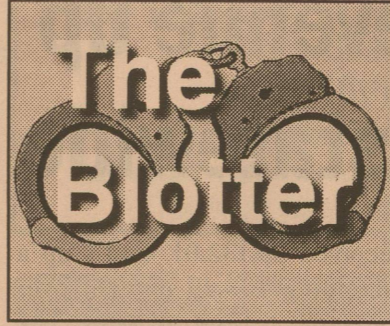
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ARRESTS

June 1 • Jalomo, Roy Salas, male age 32, offense Failure To Appear/Theft By Check. Released.

June 8 • Moreno, Abel, male age 67, offense Disorderly Conduct. Released.

June 9 • Black, Kenley Lane, female age 28. Hold for Sutton County.

June 10 • Cadena, Fidencio, Jr., male age 25, offense SC Warrant/Motion To Revoke. Released.

June 11 • Rodriguez, Juan R. male age 23, offense Warrant/Motion To Revoke. Released on \$2,000 Surety Bond.

June 12 • Ibarra, Pablo F., male age 37. Serving 10 days.

INCIDENTS

June 5 • 1:47 p.m. Caller reported bees in their yard on E. Warner. Eldorado Fire Department notified.

• 6:45 p.m. Caller reported cows and goats out on Hwy. 190 West 4 miles out.

• 11:07 p.m. Caller complained their daughter had taken their car a 1999 Kia and had not returned. Officer responded. Officer spoke to complainant. Car had been returned and subject will not be pressing charges.

June 7 • 12:04 p.m. Caller reported a minor accident on north Hwy. 277. Xochitl Guerreo was cited for failure to yield right of way at a stop sign. Guerrero's blue 2003 Ford Focus hit a dark blue 2004 Cadillac, driven by Pasty Kellog of Eldorado. No injuries. - Officer responded.

• 6:41 p.m. 911 Caller reported a black truck driving recklessly on Hwy. 277 south. Officers notified.

• 6:58 p.m. Caller reported a minor accident on East Fields and N. Cottonwood. Dorothy Burleson received a citation for failure to yield right of way. Burleson was driving a 2005 White GMC Yukon and was traveling southbound on Cottonwood, while Logan Jones of Eldorado was driving a blue 1980 Chevrolet. Jones was travel-

ing east bound on E. Fields, when the Tahoe struck the Chevrolet. Officer responded. No injuries.

• 8:26 p.m. Caller reported 9 goats on roadway near cemetery.

June 8 • 6:30 a.m. A one vehicle accident was reported 8 miles east on Hwy. 190. One female and child was transported by EMS. The 2000 Gray Dodge Dakota pickup was traveling eastbound on Hwy. 190 when a blue flatbed pickup crossed into the eastbound lane forcing the Dodge to leave the roadway. Vehicle left roadway hitting fence. The driver was Raymond Lugo of Tuscon, Arizona.

• 10:25 a.m. Complainant on Del Rio reported a stolen radio, speakers, and gas from their vehicle. Officer notified.

• 2:58 p.m. Hospital requested an officer. Officer responded.

• 4:46 p.m. Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy. 277 northbound. Officer notified.

• 5:25 p.m. Hospital requested a basic transfer to San Angelo.

June 9 • 11:43 a.m. Caller reported two pit bulls in their yard. Dogs were not allowing people to exit their vehicle. Officer responded and owner contacted and animals were picked up.

• 6:35 p.m. Complainant reported stray dog in yard. Officer notified.

June 10 • 4:05 p.m. Caller reported cows on road on Hwy. 190.

• 4:39 p.m. Caller reported an minor accident at traffic light. Arturo Cordova of Andrews was traveling northbound on N. Divide approaching W. Gillis Avenue in the inside lane when a 1993 Gold Buick Roadmaster driven by Dolores Pena of San Angelo attempted to turn left onto Gillis from the outside lane colliding with Cordova's 1997 red Ford F350 which was still in the inside lane. Pena was cited for improper turn, wrong lane. Officers responded.

• 6:31 p.m. Caller reported some cattle on Hwy. 190 West.

June 11 • 12:22 Caller reported break in. Caller reported the break ins have happen several times. Things are missing and being replaced.

• 7:02 p.m. Caller asked for help getting rid of bees. Fire department contracted.

• 8:33 p.m. Caller reported hunting cabin had been vandalized in their absence. Money taken and a case of beer had been consumed. Toilet had been kicked in and will not flush. Caller requested an investigation. Officer responded and was unable to locate complainant.

Weekly Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. "Unleaded," as coffee goes
6. Apply sloppily
10. Thin-waisted fier
14. Pop singer Lavigne
15. Sly tactic
16. Sax type
17. Where a dissection might take place
19. Recipe instruction
20. Matterhorn, for one
21. Pundit's piece
22. Simple hydrocarbon
24. "The Iliad" locale
25. "___ Johnny!"
26. Computer screen problem
29. Caught a glimpse of
33. Suitable for all audiences
35. Battalion or brigade
39. Bell-ringing cosmetics company
40. Tripoli's land
42. Somewhat, on a score
43. Desert formation
45. Siesta taker
47. Raga instruments
49. "Blue ___ Shoes"
50. Less ruddy
53. Some H.S. math
55. Tapers off
57. Hold in check
58. PC program, briefly
61. Last golf shot, usually
62. Basket, often
65. Queens, N.Y. tennis stadium
66. River of Florence
67. Some urban pollution
68. Tea leaves reader
69. Fireballer Nolan
70. Bar, legally

DOWN

1. "Aba ___ Honeymoon"
2. Devil's doings
3. Harvester's haul
4. Have a bug
5. Knocked to the ground
6. "Not a ___ in the house"
7. January 1 song word
8. Olympics chant
9. Neuwirth of "Chicago"
10. The main character in "Requiem for a Heavyweight," e.g.
11. "I do" location
12. "Goosebumps" author R. L. ___
13. Dermal openings
18. Mail ctr.
23. "___ went thataway!"
24. One on the cutting edge
26. Mardi ___
27. Fuji outflow
28. "This must weigh ___!"
30. Cavalry sword
31. Be nosy
32. David Bowie's supermodel wife
34. Oversupply
36. "Uh uh"
37. Like many summer drinks
38. Ran like heck
41. "___ pig's eye!"
44. In ___ straits
46. Nonsensical
48. Squash, in a way
50. Half a '60s singing group
51. Treat like dirt
52. Wood-shaping tool
54. Brazilian hot spot, briefly
56. Have top billing
57. Barrett or Jaffe
58. Toiling away
59. Cozumel cash
60. Make ready, informally
63. Dryly humorous
64. Figs.

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District & County Clerk
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Eldorado, Texas 76936
(325) 853-2833 ext 72

Schleicher County I.S.D. is accepting Sealed Bids for Food, Non-Food, Bread and Bakery Products and Dairy Products for the period of August 1, 2007 through July 31, 2008.

Sealed Bids will be opened Monday June 28, 2007 at 2:00 P.M. in the Administration Building at 205 Field Street, Eldorado, Texas.

Bids received after that date and time would not be considered. Schleicher County I.S.D. reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

Interested Parties should contact Billy Collins at 205 Field Street or by calling 325-853-2514 ext. 222.

Eldorado Spotlight



The Spotlight camera shined on Chasity Willis recently as she inspected one of Pierce Holt's Super Bowl Rings. She was one of the special guests at the first-ever community-wide Mega Sports Vacation Bible School.

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The Devil's River News in Sonora is now accepting applications for Reporter/Assistant Editor. Successful candidate must be computer literate, a self starter, community oriented, be able to write in a clear and concise fashion and possess a good work ethic. You must be able to work flexible hours and attend local meetings and gatherings. Please come by the Devil's River News Office at 228 E. Main in Sonora to pick up an application.

NEED CARING PERSON to work with elderly & disabled person in Eldorado in their home. Flexible hours. FMI call for 658-1307 ask for Aggie or Elaine. 23-24b

EMT COORDINATOR WANTED: Ozona is seeking full-time EMS coordinator. Needs to be EMT certified. Applications may be picked up with Melissa Ybarra at the Crockett County Care Center business office job description is available with applications. No phone calls please. Crockett County EMS is an EOE. 231fn

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION ON APPLICATION TO FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS, IF ANY, OF SHELLY ANN FENNERN, DECEASED, their executors, administrators, heirs and assigns, and to all persons interested in the Estate of SHELLY ANN FENNERN, Deceased: No. 1662, County Probate Court.

Jeff Fennern filed in the County Probate Court of Schleicher County, Texas, on the 6th day of June, 2007, an Application to Determine Heirship.

Said Application will be heard and acted on by said Court at 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday next after expiration of ten days from date of publishing this citation, the same being the 25th day of June, 2007, at the Schleicher County Courthouse, Eldorado, Texas.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Probate Court at said above mentioned time and place by filing a written answer contesting such application should they desire to do so.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at my office in Eldorado, Texas, this 7th day of June, 2007.

Peggy Williams, Clerk
County Court, Schleicher County, Texas
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Blunt names Mike Conaway to Whip's working group on trade

WASHINGTON — House Republican Whip Roy Blunt (R-MO) announced today that Texas Congressman Mike Conaway (R-TX) has been selected to serve on a select working group of lawmakers focused on advancing trade and strengthening the American economy.

"As the 110th Congress looks for ways to advance our interests abroad and grow our economy

here at home, Mike will serve a vital role in shaping the trade policy debate as it moves forward," said Blunt. "I'm grateful to him for accepting the responsibility of serving on this select group, and look forward to seeing what new ideas emerge from it."

The Whip's trade working group will provide a congressional forum for members to discuss specific is-

ssues related to international trade. The objective of the group is to create, refine, promote, and advance the bi-lateral and multi-lateral trade agreements that will open new world markets for domestic manufacturers, and spur economic growth both here at home and around the world.

"I am honored to have the responsibility to work with Mr. Blunt as we move forward on the important issue of trade," said Conaway. "This group will exemplify the importance of trade liberalization and security cooperation, both of which further our national interests from economic and security standpoints."

The group will include lawmakers from various regions across the country, representing disparate views and interests on the impact of trade and the importance of crafting agreements that benefit all Americans.



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE JUNCTION EAGLE
Lynn Meador of Eldorado rode his "recumbent" bicycle to Junction and back last weekend where he participated in a bike rally that took him as far as Ft. McKavett where he turned toward home. Meador said he logged just over 160 miles on the two-day trip.

Fathers Are Heroes

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I got the pistol, but I guess Santa couldn't afford the holster. So my dad made one for me out of one of my mother's old leather purses. Although it didn't look like the ones on television, it worked pretty well. But when my friends asked, "What is that?" I felt a little bit ashamed. Even so, I remember feeling good that my dad cared enough to do what he could to make a little boy's Christmas dream come true.

As a blue-collar kid, I had average grades and got into my share of trouble. Along with much-needed

discipline, my father instilled in me a work ethic and impulse to care for the little guy that led me to attend college, where I studied social work. Following graduation and after a couple of years in the Army, I went on to law school. Several years later, Dad's "help the underdog" philosophy was instrumental in my starting The Rutherford Institute, a legal group dedicated to helping people get a fair hearing in the courtroom. Over the past 25 years, through a network of lawyers across the country, we've defended thousands of people free of charge.

Certain studies suggest that parents have little impact on their children. However, while this may be true in certain instances, my father's shadow lies before me like a clear path. It's a path I'll follow until the day I die, and there are many people, myself included, who are the better for it.

Now 84 years old, my father suffers from Alzheimer's and grows weaker with each passing year. Although he doesn't comprehend everything I say to him, he does understand "I love you, Dad." And even though our roles are somewhat reversed at this stage of his life, there is still much to learn from him and, of course, memories to share.

Constitutional attorney and author John W. Whitehead is founder and president of The Rutherford Institute. He can be contacted at johnw@rutherford.org. Information about The Rutherford Institute is available at www.rutherford.org.

Solution to puzzle on Page 6

Dogging It

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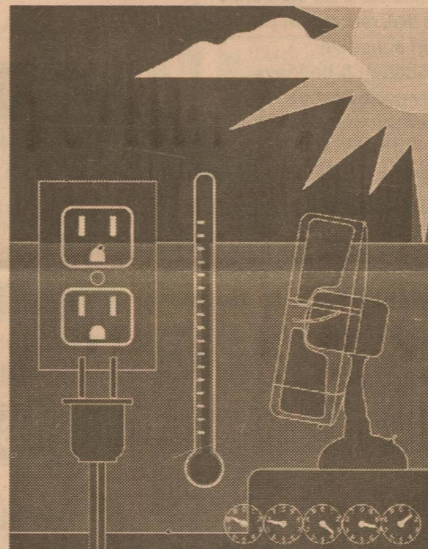
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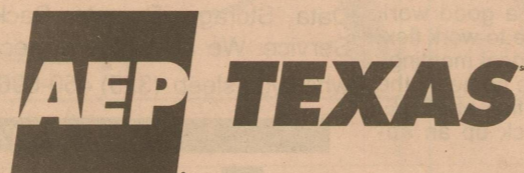
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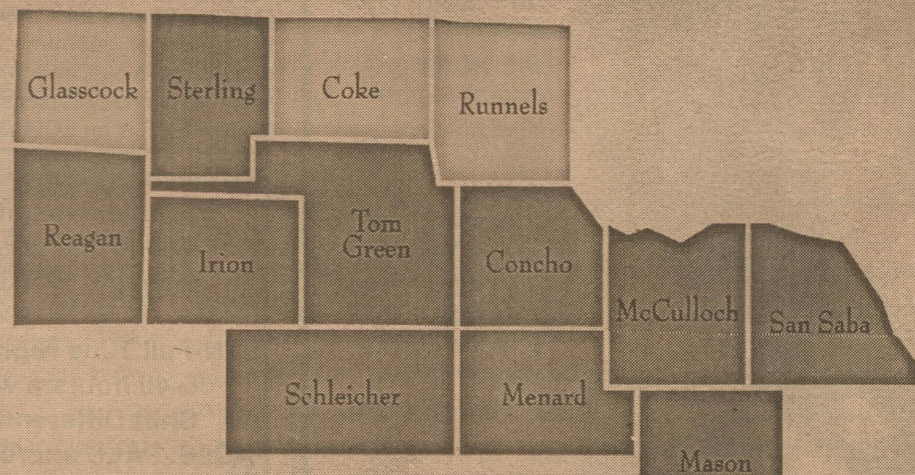
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