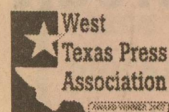


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City Council meets with lawyer behind closed doors

The Eldorado City Council began its meeting on Monday, October 15th, with a closed-door executive session. Joining the council in the private session was local attorney Chad Elkins.

The agenda for the meeting listed the purpose of the closed door session as consultation with attorney about pending or contemplated litigation.

The council emerged into open session after about 45 minutes without taking action or making any reference to their executive session discussions. However, The Success has learned that the council was considering a lawsuit that has been threatened against the city over its recently enacted zoning ordinance.

Attorney Chad Elkins left the meeting as soon as the executive session was over.

In other business, the council met with Fire Chief Jerry Jones who asked for authorization to spend \$750 in budgeted funds for a digital two-way radio. Mayor Nikolauk advised that the council had allocated the funds for use by the fire department and that the council had no objection to the purchase of radio equipment.

Juanice Orr and Susie McAngus next met with the council to express their appreciation for the city's new zoning ordinance, especially as it applies to mobile homes within the community.

The city council then heard from Eddie Albin, Ilse Williams, Roland Vasquez and Randy Mitchel, who updated the council on progress the Wellness Center Foundation has made toward raising funds and obtaining grant money so that a wellness center can be constructed here.

Mayor Nikolauk advised the committee that a letter of support would be prepared and signed by himself and the individual council members. He went on to say that he would explore how the city might contribute financial support to the project.

In other business, Mayor Nikolauk told the council that a permit for a wastewater treatment plant at the YFZ Ranch has been reviewed by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and is still pending. Nikolauk went on to say that he had written to TCEQ supporting the YFZ Ranch's permit application.

City Secretary Carolyn Mayo then informed the council that local businessman Curtis Griffin recently met with her concerning property he owns in the north part of town. She said that Griffin learned from a property survey that land and part of a building he owns is actually sitting on city property. Ms. Mayo said the item would be placed on a future agenda.

Next, the council heard from Utility Superintendent Floyd Fay who told the council that TCEQ inspectors had recently visited the landfill and water department. The City was written up on several deficiencies in both departments. Those deficiencies are currently being corrected, Fay said.

He continued by saying that it will cost over \$21,000.00 to repair the city's track loader, a machine used primarily at the city landfill. Fay added that repairs to the landfill compactor's motor cost \$32,000.00 and that another \$13,400.00 would be required to fix the compactor's rear axle.

Fay then said that the city had money left over from previous paving projects and he would like to pave Old Sonora Road and Mary Street, West Mills and the area around the stop sign where the north end of East street intersects Hwy. 277.

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Headin' for Paydirt



PHOTO BY J.L. MANKIN

Eagles receiver Dustin Gauna hauled in this pass and headed for the end zone during first quarter action last Friday night in Sterling City. The Eldorado Eagles scored 45 first half points, then added three more in the second half as the Warbirds coasted to a 48-0 victory over the Sterling City Eagles. Eldorado is 2-1 in district play and 3-3 on the season.

School Bus Safety Week reminds drivers to stop

For Texas students, the most dangerous part of their journey to and from school is crossing the street to board a school bus or after exiting one. During the 2006-2007 school year, no students were killed during this critical part of their journey to and from school, but passing motorists pose the greatest danger to these students.

Texas state law requires drivers to stop for school buses that are stopped and have activated their alternating red flashing lights. Drivers should not proceed until the school bus resumes motion; the driver is signaled by the bus driver to proceed, or the visual signal is no longer activated.

"Motorists who do not stop are endangering our most precious resource—our children," said DPS Director Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr. "These reckless drivers will face fines of up to \$1,000, plus court costs if they are convicted."

School Bus Safety Week runs from October 21-27 across the nation. This year's safety week theme—"Stop on Red, Kids Ahead"—reminds drivers to obey the law regarding stopping for a school bus.

If a road is divided only by a left-turning lane, drivers on both sides of the roadway must stop for school buses with alternating red flashing lights activated. However, if the lanes are separated by an intervening space or physical barrier, only motorists going in the same direction as the bus are required to stop.

DPS is encouraging school districts across the state to plan special events to observe School Bus Safety Week, which also recognizes the hard work and dedication of school transportation professionals, especially school bus drivers, who ensure a safe journey for students every day.

School buses remain one of the safest modes of transportation in Texas—38,000 school buses transport 1.5 million Texas children every school day. School buses account for less than one-half of one percent of all Texas roadway crashes.

U.S. Supreme Court to hear local cash seizure appeal

The United States Supreme Court agreed Monday to hear an appeal of a 2004 money laundering case that originated with a traffic stop here in Schleicher County. By taking the case the court has agreed to decide if merely hiding drug money from law enforcement officers constitutes money laundering.

Humberto Fidel Regalado Cuellar, a citizen of Mexico, was convicted of money laundering in Federal District Court in Lubbock. He was stopped on July, 14, 2004, by Schleicher County Deputy Sheriff Kevin Herbert after he observed Cuellar driving slowly in a 70 mile-per-hour zone. Cuellar was also seen to be swerving, causing Herbert to suspect the driver might be intoxicated, according to court documents.

Herbert, was soon joined by DPS Trooper Danny Nuñez and Schleicher County K-9 officer Jason Chatham. After Chatham's drug dog Brutus alerted behind the front seat of Cuellar's white Volkswagen, the officers located a removable panel that covered a hidden compartment. Inside the compartment the lawmen found several bundles of cash, wrapped in duct tape and secured inside blue WalMart bags. The bundles were each labeled with various dollar amounts that later proved to correspond to the amount of cash in each bundle. In all the officers located \$83,000 in cash.

Cuellar was arrested and transported to the Schleicher County Sheriff's office for questioning. At that time he asked for access to a telephone so he could call his family in Mexico saying that if he didn't show up with the Volkswagen his family

would be found, "floating down the river."

Cuellar's case was turned over to the U.S. Attorney's office in Lubbock and he was convicted in U.S. District Judge Sam Cummings court on a charge of International Money Laundering in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1956(a)(2). The law prohibits a person from transporting (or attempting to transport) illicit funds, from a place inside the United States to a place outside the United States, knowing that such transportation is designed to conceal or disguise the nature, location, source, ownership or control of

those proceeds.

Cuellar was sentenced to 78 months in federal prison followed by 36 months of supervised release.

Cuellar received a brief reprieve when a three-judge panel of the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals overturned his conviction earlier this year. The panel ruled that the government had indeed proven that the money represented the proceeds of the illegal drug trade, and that Cuellar was fully aware where SEE DRUG MONEY ON PAGE 6

Humberto Fidel Regalado Cuellar, a citizen of Mexico, was convicted of international money laundering after law enforcement officers found \$83,000 in cash concealed in this Volkswagen Beetle in July, 2004. Deputy Kevin Herbert stopped Cuellar just south of Eldorado on suspicion of driving while intoxicated. Cuellar's case will now be reviewed by the U.S. Supreme Court as justices seek to determine if merely concealing drug proceeds amounts to money laundering.

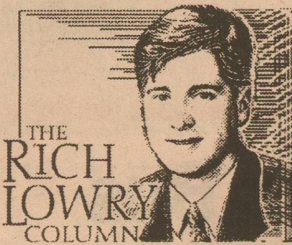
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The Lonely War

BAGHDAD -- A war has probably never been so debated and so little understood as the one in Iraq. "The domestic political debate has nothing to do with what we're doing here," says one U.S. officer, in a representative comment offered not in a spirit of bitterness, but of cold fact.

This is the lonely war. No one cares about it as much or understands it as well as the men and women here on the ground, who feel -- understandably -- that they are the only ones even remotely engaged in the fight.



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The U.S. government has never brought to bear its resources in a truly national effort to win; the State Department has left almost the entire nonmilitary aspect of the war to the military; the Pentagon's slow-moving procurement program has an internal clock still set to peacetime; the top brass worry more about relieving the strain on the ground forces than achieving success on the ground; and the Bush administration hasn't been willing -- until too late -- to begin to provide a bigger force that would relieve that strain.

On top of this are the members of Congress and senators who show up for visits that seem more about saying they have been to Iraq than truly grappling with the war; the journalists whose reports tend to reflect whatever is the conventional wisdom about the war back in their newsrooms; and supporters and opponents of the war who support their clashing narratives of victory and defeat with the gross simplifications.

The word that one hears again and again here, but is so rare in the domestic political debate, is "complex." The war is changing at least every six months, and every area of the country -- even every neighborhood in Baghdad -- has a different dynamic.

Sometimes our supposed allies in the Iraqi National Police work against us, and sometimes our enemies can be leveraged against our even-more-lethal enemies. Navigating this multidimensional, ever-shifting chessboard are the leaders of U.S. combat brigades who have to run local governments, train Iraqi forces, manage relations with Baghdad and engage in graduate-level anthropology -- all while fighting a war.

South of here in the rural Sunni area known as the "Triangle of Death," there are 137 tribes and subtribes -- what an officer of the 2nd Brigade of the Army's 10th Mountain Division calls "an archipelago of complex societal islands." We have begun to master them. The tribes have produced thousands of volunteers to police the area, and violence has plummeted. But the story hasn't gotten out. Troops laugh about a reporter who refused to get off an aircraft upon learning it had alighted in the dreaded Triangle of Death.

That kind of disconnect with press coverage and the debate back home is a constant theme. The Senate recently passed a resolution sponsored by Sen. Joe Biden, D-Del., calling for splitting Iraq in three. A colonel here scoffs that the Senate managed to agree on the one step that basically no one in Iraq wants to take.

Americans here don't talk so much of victory, but of achieving an acceptable outcome and forestalling the catastrophe that failure would bring. The burden for doing that falls, of course, on our troops, who have managed for now to reverse Iraq's downward slide. They might be lonely, but they are brilliant and unbelievably brave.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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Prop. 15 is the Right Medicine to Help Cure Cancer

by Gov. Rick Perry and John Sharp

We all have the face of someone in mind when people talk about cancer. Someone who is no longer with us. Someone in treatment. Someone who survived.

Cancer is one of our most formidable enemies. It is the number one cause of death for Americans under the age of 85 and claims the lives of more than 37,000 Texans every year.

It is largely out of our control if cancer strikes, who it strikes and where. We can commit to an exercise regime, champion our friends not to smoke and teach our children to eat their vegetables. But we do not know what causes some cancers or who they will victimize, and while cancer treatments continue to advance there is no cure.

With such a great Goliath before us, the questions remain: When will there be a cure? And who has the grit to get us there?

Texans have an opportunity to answer these questions on November 6th. We can choose to take up the gauntlet and slay this giant by making a decade-long commitment to infuse cancer research with \$3 billion. We can choose to provide cancer research with \$300 million annually at a critical point when cancer research continues to make medical leaps towards targeted treatments, but the federal government is ratcheting down funds for cancer research.

There are 400,000 cancer survivors in Texas right now, and ap-

proximately 95,000 more Texans will hear the dreaded words "you have cancer" this year. We believe passing Proposition 15 will inspire doctors, patients, and their families to persevere in their fight, knowing that there is a renewed effort underway to find a cure.

While scientists have made many advances in their understanding of cancer, there is still much we don't know. We cannot pinpoint a single cause. We do not know why normal cells that divide and grow in an orderly fashion morph into cancerous cells that grow out of control to ravage the human body.

We believe that three billion dollars will help produce answers that ultimately save lives.

Perhaps those dollars will lead to the discovery of a single cure for cancer or maybe they will lead researchers to discover new therapeutic approaches that specifically target different kinds of cancer.

Building on the successes of mainstay, broad spectrum cancer treatments like chemotherapy and radiation, researchers are exploring more treatments that target the cancerous region, instead of the entire body. Other cutting-edge research is delving into new arenas like light therapy, nanotechnology and gene therapy. Providing more money to these efforts can deliver more treatment options.

With \$300 million in annual cancer-fighting funding, we can broaden the front in our war on cancer to include more rare strains

of the disease while deepening our investment in cures for the most common types.

In addition to accelerating existing research efforts, new funds will also attract the world's leading medical minds to our state. This research capital will increase the collaborative efforts among our state's universities and medical centers. The six-major university systems in Texas will help screen the research applications that seek these state funds.

If the people of Texas approve this constitutional amendment, they will double funding for cancer research in our state. Proposition 15 will create the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, which will be authorized to issue \$3 billion in general obligation bonds to fund cancer research, clinical trials, and laboratory facility construction throughout Texas.

One cannot put a price tag on the value of a human life, but Texas voters can commit to a decade-long investment in cancer research. We believe more research will lead to more answers, more cures and, ultimately, saving more lives.

Cancer is a personal burden with a public solution. Like thousands of cancer survivors, in the face of this dark enemy we can choose not to bow down, retreat or despair. We can research, build our medicinal weapons and find cures. On November 6th, Texans have opportunity to strike a blow against cancer by voting yes on Proposition 15.

Strong economy will allow state to give tax credit in 2008

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — About 370,000 employees in Texas will receive an estimated \$170 million in surplus state tax credits next year, Gov. Rick Perry said.

A strong Texas economy pushed the state Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund to a \$376.7 million surplus, Perry announced Oct. 9.

For the second year in a row the trust fund's ceiling has been exceeded, enabling the state to return excess taxes back to employers, Perry said.

Eligible Texas employers filing quarterly unemployment tax reports will receive a tax credit beginning with their first quarter 2008 tax return.

To receive the credit, employers must meet eligibility requirements, including having payroll during 2007 and having paid all taxes due.



Report details water pollution

Goals of the federal Clean Water Act of 1972 are to eliminate discharge of pollutants into waterways and make those waterways safe for swimming and fishing.

But in 2005, more than 53 percent of industrial and municipal facilities across the state discharged more pollution into waterways than their Clean Water Act permits allow.

That statistic comes from "Troubled Waters: An Analysis of Clean Water Compliance," a new report released Oct. 11 by Environment Texas, an Austin-based non-profit.

"As the Clean Water Act turns 35, polluters continue to foul our rivers, lakes and streams," said Brad Hicks of Environment Texas. "With so many facilities dumping so much pollution, no one should be surprised that more than half of Texas waterways are unsafe for swimming and fishing. But we should be outraged."

Environment Texas used the federal Freedom of Information Act to obtain data on facilities' compliance with the Clean Water Act between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 2005. Environment Texas researchers found that:

- Texas had 318 facilities, more than any other state, report exceedances of their Clean Water Act permits. These facilities reported a total of 1,340 exceedances.

- Facilities in Texas often exceeded their Clean Water Act permits by extraordinary amounts. On average, facilities exceeding their permits did so by 143 percent, nearly 2.5 times the legal limit.

- Polluters in Texas reported 64 instances in which they exceeded their Clean Water Act permit by at least 500 percent over the legal limit.

"Over the last three and a half decades, this landmark environmental law has made significant improvements in water quality, but the original goals have yet to be met," according to Environment Texas.

Investor group purchases TXU

Dallas-based TXU Corp. on Oct. 11 announced its merger agreement with Texas Energy Future Holdings Limited Partnership, a group of private investors who reportedly paid \$32 billion.

The power company is now doing business as Energy Future Holdings Corp. Shares of TXU common stock ceased trading at the close of the market Oct. 10 and will be delisted.

Plans are in place for retail residential customers to receive rate reductions.

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Big Spring's Foremost Animal Lover

When Melanie Gambrell was growing up in a small town in Iowa, she spent a lot of time on her aunt and uncle's pig farm. She'd sing to the pigs and feed them apples. Her uncle raised ducks and she would get in rotten duck egg fights with neighbor kids.

"When those rotten duck eggs hit you, they explode all over you," says Melanie. "I had to ride in the back of the pickup a lot because I stunk."

She used to pick up garter snakes and put them in her pocket.

"My mother never could figure out how those snakes kept getting in the house," says Melanie, who now has as many animals as some small zoos. "People just drop them off or they call me to take care of them."

Growing up in town, she never had all the pets she wanted. Now she does. Her place east of Big Spring is a menagerie.

"I have a pet steer named Spot that lived in the house with us for three months. I have a llama named Brock. We've got two bar-



by Tumbweed Smith

bado sheep named Barbie and Doe, I have a fainting goat, a meat goat, two horses, rabbits, birds, seven of my own dogs, six of my own cats, two bobcat kittens, a possum, some chickens and roosters and a husband."

She has made a business of taking care of animals. She grooms and boards them, trains them, uses them as therapy for people in nursing homes, teaches people how to be better pet owners through her weekly radio program (Pet Talk) and puts some orphaned animals up for adoption.

"I'm pretty particular about who gets my animals," she says. "I want to make sure they get good homes. When they do, I get a real satisfied feeling."

Her business is called All Crea-

tures Sanctuary and Rescue. She is licensed to examine animals to see if they've been abused. People bring her injured wild animals and she helps them get better so they can return to the wild. By the way, she says you shouldn't put feed out for stray cats.

"It'll bring colonies of feral cats, skunks and raccoons and becomes a breeding ground and a place for disease."

Melanie got a new dog the other day and named him Bob Barker. She did have a pet mule deer that rode in her car.

"We raised her from a baby. When she was about a year old she started visiting the neighbors, which were a mile away. They would call and tell me that Big Girl was on their place. I'd drive over there and she would come to the car, get in and we would drive off."

Her pet steer Spot slept on a comforter in her house and had his own blanket.

"Have you ever bought Depends for a steer? That's no bull."

Dr. and Mrs. Jim Bob Brame celebrate 50th Anniversary

In the beginning, there was an educators meeting in Austin in 1955 at which Winnie Helen, Holly's mother who was teaching with Jim Bob at Deer Park, Texas, introduced her to him. At lunch at Hill's Cafe, Jim Bob gallantly interceded in behalf of Holly's social life.

More teachers' meetings in Austin and visits with Holly who was attending the University of Texas, led to marriage of Holly and Jim Bob at St. Christopher's Catholic Church in Houston, Texas on August 10, 1957.

Holly was christened Helen Beaman Hilliard, first born of Winnie Helen Beaman Hilliard and Fay Joseph Hilliard of Houston. Jim Bob's parents were Frankie Edwards Brame and Richard Arthur Brame of Goose Creek, Texas.

Currently, the Brames are members of Holy Angels Church in San Angelo.

Reflections of 4 children in 5

1/2 years, 5 grandchildren in 25 years, and 50 years of togetherness have been welded by continuous optimism and humor. Jim Bob's life as teacher, doctor, physician spokesman and rural health advocate and Holly's as wife, mother, grandmother extraordinaire, business woman, and educator have prompted a kaleidoscope of memories of events shared.

Holly's and Bob's adventurous lives have led them to live in Pasadena, New Orleans, El Paso, Eldorado and San Angelo.

To celebrate this momentous occasion the Brame children, Beaman, Elisabeth, Laurence and wife, Helen, Luke and wife, Tere, have arranged numerous festivities. Enchanting grandchildren who keep their grandparents in shape are Shannon, Victoria, Zackary, Kevin and Paula Brame. Travel is a favorite pastime and they will soon depart on another trek.



Dr. and Mrs. Jim Bob Brame

4H cooking classes termed a big success

This past Sunday, we had our 4H cooking classes for the year. We did it a little different this year. We had it all on one day. Forty-two 4Hers came and participated in the "Taste of Texas". The group traveled the state without leaving the civic center.

Holly Griffin took the kids to College Station. There they learned about the food pyramid. They also made placemats to give to the needy citizens of Eldorado,

and also played food BINGO. Michelle Mynatt traveled with the kids to Austin. There they learned about Dietary Guidelines. They also made Granola Trail Mix.

Lindsey Parker and Meg Griffin hosted the kids in San Antonio. There they learned about food safety and also made quesadillas. Cheryl Forlano took the 4Hers to the Hill County and Fredricksburg. They learned about yeast and made Kalaches. Debbie Griffin traveled with her group to the Space Center in Houston. In Houston they learned about food preservation, and made chocolate and vanilla treats.

Other volunteers helping on the big cooking day were Roxanne Arispe, Kathleen Nolen, Dawn Rubison, Angela Aycock, and Terry Curtis.

Also, the local cooking contest is coming up next week. The contest will begin at 5:00 on Tuesday, October, 23rd. Remember participants, recipes are due to the county extension office by Thursday, Oct. 18. Please call with any questions.



County Agent's Update

by Cory Stevens

Agriculture Producers Awareness Day

This will be a 6 CEU program to be held on November 6, 2007 at the Schleicher County Civic Center. Registration will begin at 8:30 and the program will start at 9:00 AM. The cost of the program is \$5 to cover the cost of the meal.

This is a unique opportunity. (1) You may stay for the morning sessions only and get 3 CEUs, (2) you may come in at 11:00 and get one laws and regulations CEU, (3) you may come for the afternoon sessions and get three CEUs or you can come and stay all day and get 6 CEUs. I know that sounds confusing, call me if you have any questions; 325-853-2132 or cell 325-277-5225.

Program agenda:
9:00-10:00 Billy Warrick-

Crops
10:00-11:00 Bill Thompson-Economist talking about small grain/livestock production
11:00-12:00 Cory Pense- TDA Laws and Regs
12:00-12:30 Hamburger Lunch
12:30-1:30 John Dorsett- Trapping and M44s
1:30-2:30 Vaden Aldridge- Control burns
2:30-3:30 Alan McGinty- Rangeland Maintenance

Jackpot Goat Show slated in Eldorado

A jackpot goat show will be held in Eldorado on Saturday, October 27, 2007. All 4Hers who have a goat project are encouraged to participate. For more information contact the Extension Office at 853-2132



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- Wednesday, October 24**
Cheese Enchiladas, Spanish Rice, Pinto Beans, Toss Salad, Wheat Bread, Mandarin Orange, Milk
- Thursday, October 25**
Meat Loaf w/Tomato Sauce, Black-eyed Peas, Okra, Corn Bread, Banana Pudding, Milk
- Friday, October 26**
Turkey w/Gilbet Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Cornbread Dressing, Broccoli, Milk, Dinner Roll, Cabbage Salad, Pumpkin Pie

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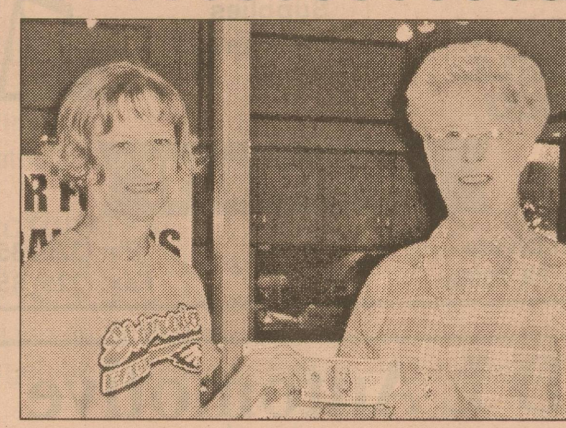
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Weekly Sudoku Puzzle

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.
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Sterling City Who?

Eagles cruise on autopilot to 48-0 win

The Eldorado Eagles made short work of District 16-1A foe Sterling City Friday night as they rolled to a 48-0 victory. The first half of the game had some wondering if the UIL should consider implementing a 40-point mercy rule, or give referees the power to declare a TKO.

The lopsided win pushed Eldorado to a 2-1 district record and 3-3 on the season.

"Sometimes it's hard to prepare for a team that isn't very good," Coach Don Richters said. "Our kids did a great job of not looking to the next game. We try to approach each week as just another step to the playoffs. Each one just as important as the next."

Eldorado certainly did not look past Sterling City. Forty-five of the Warbirds points were scored in the first half. The last three came on a 34-yard field goal from Jesus Vasquez.

"We tried to not make too big of a deal over last year's situation,"

Richters said, a reference to a bitter 56-0 loss to Sterling City in Eagle Stadium. "That is the past. We are worried about our own destiny."

Manny Gonzalez lead the team in yardage with 73 on the ground and another 35 through the air. He managed a touchdown in each facet of the game.

Three Eagle receivers found themselves in the end zone. Dustin Guana shined with two receptions for 62 yards and a touchdown.

Paul Martinez hauled one reception for a score, and Jesus Vasquez managed two receptions for a touchdown.

"Not only did we throw the ball very well," Richters said, "but we also were very stout on defense. Our defensive ends were solid all night."

The second half would fly by, as Eldorado put its younger players in the game and kept the ball on the ground.

Miles Mikeska finished the night with 31 yards on eleven carries. Louie Buitron made his presence known with three carries for ten yards and a touchdown.

Rance Cathey completed two passes on two attempts for 60 yards and a touchdown. Pedro Garcia tossed one pass for 17 yards and a touchdown.

"We now have our eyes set on Menard," Richters said. "They are as good of a team as we've played since Christoval. We just need to block well and take care of the ball."

The game is scheduled for 7:30 pm in Menard. Everyone is encouraged to make the trip. The game can be heard on 104.9 KLDE.



PHOTO BY J.L. MANKIN

Paul Martinez was escorted to the end zone in Sterling City last Friday night by a convoy of Eagles players. Martinez fielded a Sterling City punt on the Eagles 40 yard line, made a quick move toward the middle of the field then cut outside behind a wall of blockers to go 60 yards untouched for a TD. The score was one of seven touchdowns the Eagles put on the board in the first half as they coasted to a 48-0 victory and a 2-1 record in District 16-1A.



PHOTO BY J.L. MANKIN

Pedro Garcia made life miserable for Sterling City quarterback Lucas Rawles during Eldorado's 48-0 victory last Friday night. Garcia tallied three sacks on the evening.

School Lunch Menu



BREAKFAST MENU

- Monday, October 22**
Blueberry Muffin, Choice of Cereal/Choice of Juice, Milk
- Tuesday, October 23**
Biscuits/Sausage, Jelly, Choice of Juice, Milk
- Wednesday, October 24**
Cinnamon Toast, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk
- Thursday, October 25**
French Toast, Syrup, Choice of Juice/Milk
- Friday, October 26**
Buttered Toast/Jelly, Choice of Cereals, Choice of Juice, Milk

BASKET LINE

- Monday, October 22**
Pepperoni Pizza, Fresh Broccoli and Carrot Stix/Dip, Sliced Pineapple
- Tuesday, October 23**
Steak Burgers, Baked Chips, Lettuce /Tomato, Sliced Peaches
- Wednesday, October 24**
Ham & Cheese Hot Pockets, Cucumber Salad, Fresh Broccoli Tops/Dip, Pineapple Slices
- Thursday, October 25**
Chef Salad/Dressing, Diced Ham/ Cheese Cup, Crackers (8) Pear Halves
- Friday, October 26**
Chicken Strips/Half Baked Potato Applesauce, Carrot Stix/Dip, Chocolate Chip Cookies

CAFETERIA LINE

- Monday, October 22**
Chalupas, Lettuce and Tomato Salad, Spanish Rice, Sliced Pineapple
- Tuesday, October 23**
Lasagna, Hot Rolls / Tossed Salad Peas & Carrots, Sliced Peaches
- Wednesday, October 24**
Taco Rolls, Ranch Style Beans Cucumber Salad, Pear Halves
- Thursday, October 25**
Cheese Pizza, Trail Mix, Mixed Green Salad, Chocolate Chip Cookie
- Friday, October 26**
Hamburger/Chips, Lettuce/Tomato Hamburger Pickles, Apple & Orange Halves

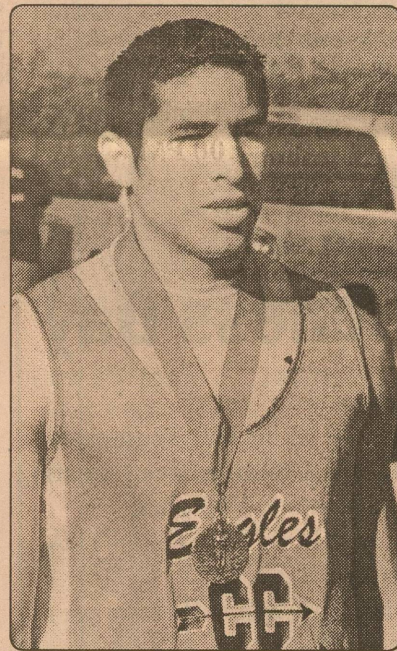


PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

David Ramirez placed 2nd in the Cornerstone Christian Cross Country Meet held Saturday at O.C. Fisher Reservoir in San Angelo and paced his team to a 1st place medal. Ramirez finished the course with a time of 17:25.23.

Ramirez 2nd at C.C. Meet

The Eldorado Varsity Cross Country Team traveled to O.C. Fisher Reservoir to run in the Cornerstone Christian Cross Country Meet.

The course was hilly and the weather windy, giving some resistance to the runners.

Eldorado Lady Eagles team placed 2nd with a score of 55. Individual results are: 10. Claudia Pasillas, 15:09.26; 15. Daisy Aranda, 16:03.01; 17. Maria Pasillas, 16:21.08;

Eagles team placed 1st with a score of 15. Individual results are: 2. David Ramirez, 17:25.23; 4. Mason Baker, 18:00.03; 5. Josh Hash, 18:17.6; 6. Aaron Parsley, 18:18.28; 7. Dylan Dombroski, 18:31.37; 12. Hunter Alvizo, 19:31.85; 13. Joseph Rubio, 19:33.57; 15. Jorge Medrano, 9:38.48; 18. Michael Rubio, 20:05.64 and 19. Zack Brame, 20:07.48.

Jr. High Eagles win 16-8 over Sterling City

The Eldorado Jr. High football team extended its winning streak to three in a row with a victory last Thursday over the visiting Sterling City Eagles. The Eldorado team fought hard in the contest with a Sterling City team that only had 14 boys on the entire team.

The game would be tied at the half 8-8. Both teams would exchange drives and punts to end the third quarter of play knotted up at 8 points each. The fourth and final quarter would see Eldorado score with 42 seconds remaining and convert on the two-point conversion to go ahead 16-8.

The ensuing kickoff would be returned by Sterling City to Eldorado's 20 yard line where they would have 4 plays to tie the game. The Eldorado defense would go on to hold the Sterling City Eagles scoreless in the second half to preserve the victory.

The win pushes Eldorado's to four wins and one loss on the season and a perfect 3-0 on district play. The Eagles will next play host to Menard beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The 7th graders will open the game with a quarter of their own to start off action versus Menard.



PHOTO BY J.L. MANKIN

Nathan Jimenez sprinted to the end zone for the winning touchdown last Thursday as Eldorado's Jr. High Eagles defeated Sterling City 16-8.

EOBOC to host free Halloween Party

by Jim Runge

Even though Count Dracula's Haunted House will not open this year, the EOBOC will host a free Halloween party on October 31 at 8 PM at the T9C Ranch. Count Dracula's is currently undergoing a move so is unable to open this year, but will re-open next year with a skeleton crew.

This year's Halloween party will include a costume contest and a pumpkin carving contest, along with free candy, Halloween music and dance contests to the monster mash and other such Halloween tunes.

Although admission is free, to gain admittance, all must either wear a costume or be with a child or adult in costume. Monetary prizes will be given for the most creative costumes and for the best carved pumpkins. Preference will be given to home made

costumes. The best overall adult costume will receive \$20, as will the best child's costume.

Other prizes will be given for excellent costumes in each category. The best adult carved pumpkin will also receive \$20, and the best pumpkin carved by a child will also receive \$20. The most points will be given for creativity and originality in all contests.

To get to the T9C Ranch, go west on Rabbit Road from the Mertzon highway for four miles. The ranch entrance is a little over three miles past the Eldorado airport. Turn left into the T9C just before the pavement ends and the roads curves. Halloween decorations will adorn the gate and driveway to the huge barn to guide your way. The gates will open at 7:30 and the party will begin at 8 and should end by 9. For more information, contact Jim Runge at 853-3678 or eoboc@hotmail.com.

Nursing Home Fall Festival & 2nd annual Bean Cook-Off

The Annual Bean Cook-Off will be held at the Nursing Home parking lot on Saturday, October 27, 2007 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

There will be two entrances; one is at the big gate by the front parking lot of the Hospital and the second is the side gate of the back at the emergency's parking lot.

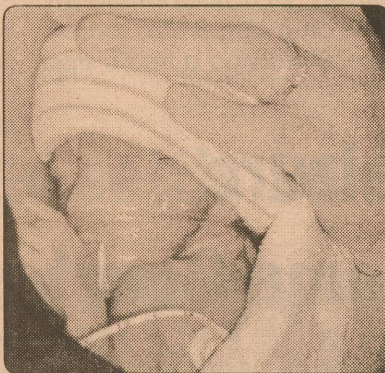
Entertainment will include Bounce Houses for the kids, Music Band, drawings and West Texas Cloggers. Breakfast burritos will be cooked on site at 7:00 am.

Also there will be brisket burritos,

menudo breakfast, homemade soup and corn bread cooked by the best, gorditas with the trimmings, asado burritos just like Mom's and hot tamales and grilled hamburgers, bake goods and more.

There will be lots of crafts and free Door Prizes to be given at the end of the day. The Bean Cook-off begins between 7:00 am and 7:30 am. Judging of the beans will be at 1:00 pm. Most of the beans are cooked on an open fire.

Judging of displays will be at 11:00 am. The Community is invited.



COURTESY PHOTO

Landon Thomas McSherry

It's A Boy!

Selina and Josh are proud to announce the arrival of their son Landon Thomas McSherry. Landon was born Tuesday, September 25, 2007 at 11:01 a.m. He weighed 1 lb. 9 ounces and was 12 3/4 inches in length.

The proud grandparents are Juaquin and Solia Rojas of Eldorado and Randy and Grace McSherry of Menard.

Capital Highlights...

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Donald L. Evans of Midland, who served as U.S. secretary of commerce for four years under President George W. Bush, has been named non-executive chairman of EFHC.

Complaint filed against judge

Twenty attorneys from different areas of Texas filed an official complaint with the State Commission on Judicial Conduct, requesting that it investigate Sharon Keller, the presiding judge of the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

At issue is the judge's decision not to keep courthouse doors open past 5 p.m. so that attorneys could file an emergency request

to stay the Sept. 25 execution of Texas death row inmate Michael Richard.

Coffer totals more than expected

On Aug. 31, the last day of fiscal year 2007, Texas had more money in its treasury than expected.

Comptroller Susan Combs reported the state had \$8.5 billion, \$1.5 billion more revenue than she had projected.

She attributed this to an increase of almost 11 percent for the year in state sales and use tax collections.

The \$1.5 billion may sound like a lot, but it represents only 1 percent of the state's \$152 billion budget for fiscal years 2008 and 2009.

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21st Jaymie O'Harrow, Princess Gruben, Bobbye Roubison, Codi Schwiening, Araceli Escobar, Brence Minor, Jo Ed Hill, Mary Jo Hill, Mabel Blaylock, Davis Schwartz, Joyce Redwine

22nd Zana Porter, Donna Garvin, Farley Dakan, Austin Hunter, Estella Montalvo, Luis Aguilar, Angis Avila, Laney Martin, Kami Lux, Laney Martin,

23rd Brian Beasley, Penny Whitten, Larry Nicholson, David Brehens, Jo Ann Palmer, Eli Droll, Ray Don McIntosh

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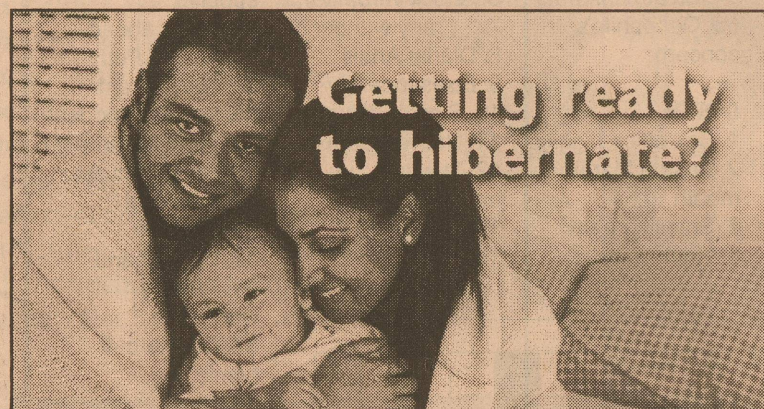
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The address to which claims may be presented is:
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DATED the 16th day of October, 2007.
Donald P. Dorsey
Attorney for the Estate



Late night haul — Deputy Kevin Herbert, DPS Trooper Danny Nuñez, Deputy Jason Chatham, and his drug dog Brutus, posed with more than \$83,000.00 in cash seized following a traffic stop on July 14, 2004.

Drug money seizure heads to Supreme Court

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The panel stated that "Taking hidden cash to Mexico is not money laundering" unless some further design to conceal can be proven. The judges said the statute would prohibit taking drug money to Mexico for the purpose of concealing the fact that it is drug money, but that it does not outlaw concealing drug money from the police for the purpose of taking it to Mexico.

Cuellar remained in prison, however, until the entire Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals promptly reviewed the case and reinstated his conviction.

Now, Cuellar's lawyers have taken their case to the highest court in the land and the U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to hear it.

Titled Humberto Fidel Regalado Cuellar v. United States of America, the appeal argues whether proof that petitioner transported cash proceeds of drug trafficking concealed in a hidden and disguised compartment in a car destined for Mexico was sufficient to establish that he transported money in a manner "deigned," at least, "in part," to "conceal or disguise" either "the nature, the location, the source, the ownership, or the control" of those proceeds within the meaning of the government's current money laundering statute.

The job of opposing Cuellar's appeal falls to the U.S. Solicitor General's office in Washington, D.C.
For his part Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran said he was surprised to learn that the high court had agreed to hear the local case but that he was pleased that nothing in the appeal indicated that local law enforcement did anything wrong.

"You hear about these cases being overturned on a technicality," Doran said. "This appears to be a very technical technicality. I hope the Supreme Court will uphold the lower court's conviction."
Phone calls from *The Success* to the case's original prosecutors, or the attorneys in the Solicitor General's office who will be handling the case from now forward were not immediately returned.

Comptroller introduces taxpayers to the revised Texas Franchise Tax

AUSTIN — The state Comptroller's office will host 10 free seminars throughout the state to introduce taxpayers to the revised Texas franchise tax and help them learn how to calculate the tax. The seminars will benefit current franchise taxpayers and the approximately 200,000 new entities that will file franchise tax reports for the first time, beginning with reports due on or after Jan. 1, 2008.

"The revised franchise tax, sometimes called the 'margin tax,' was passed by the Legislature in 2006 and modified earlier this year," Comptroller Susan Combs said. "After so much public discussion and debate, some taxpayers may be uncertain about exactly how the law will work. These free seminars are a great opportunity to answer taxpayers' questions."

Franchise tax seminars are scheduled in Midland/Odessa on Oct. 23, El Paso on Oct. 24, Lubbock on Oct. 25, Austin on Oct. 31, Waco on Nov. 1, Tyler on Nov. 5, Houston on Nov. 7, Harlingen on Nov. 8, Arlington on Nov. 13 and San Antonio on Nov. 14.

Web-based training may also

take place to assist taxpayers unable to attend a seminar. For complete details about the scheduled seminars and any additional seminars or Web-based training that may be added to the schedule, see the Comptroller's Web site at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/franchise/tour.html

The Comptroller's free franchise tax seminars may be applied to continuing professional education requirements for certified public accountants and continuing legal education for attorneys.

The Legislature revised the franchise tax by changing the tax base and the tax rate and extending coverage to most legal entities. All taxable entities with total revenue greater than \$10 million must pay tax on their margin. Margin is the lesser of: total revenue minus cost of goods sold, total revenue minus compensation or total revenue times 70 percent. Total revenue is determined based on federal income tax reporting. Taxable entities with \$10 million or less in total revenue may choose an E-Z filing option (i.e., 0.00575 x apportioned total revenue), or they may choose to pay tax on their margin.

ASU/TTU offers sessions on advanced education degrees

The Angelo State University College of Education is offering a Master of Education in Guidance and Counseling in the Hill Country for teachers interested in a career as a public school counselor. Information sessions on the new program will be held from 6:00 to 7:30 pm on Oct. 16 at Texas Tech University at Highland Lakes, 806 Stephen Hawkins Parkway, Marble Falls and on Oct. 17 at Texas Tech University at Fredericksburg, 102 E. San Antonio Street, Suite C (classroom).

To reserve a seat at the information session, please call (830) 798-9548 for TTU at Highland Lakes or 830-990-2717 for TTU at Fredericksburg. For additional information, call ASU at (325) 942-2647, email ci@angelo.edu or visit www.angelo.edu/dept/ci/.

Texas Tech University offers the Master of Education in Educational Leadership with professional principal certification preparation program in the Hill Country. Certified teachers are invited to learn more about the program on Saturday, October 20 at an information session.

Dr. Joe Claudet, will be teaching class from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm in Suite C (classroom) at 102 E. San Antonio Street in Fredericksburg. He invites any interested educator to come by and observe the class from 12:00 to 1:15 p.m. and have lunch with cohort 6 at 1:30 p.m. He will give a program overview and take questions about the program. Please RSVP to Jerrie Dooley at 830-990-2717 or jerrie.dooley@ttu.edu to reserve a seat.

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5. "Lemon Tree" singer Lopez
10. Dirtbags
14. Ready for business
15. Pine exudation
16. Twistable snack
17. Marked by self-indulgence
19. Tijuana's locale, for short
20. Means of escape
21. Place to get oysters or clams
23. Like some grins
24. Have a bug
25. Marathoner's rate
26. Arborist's skill
31. Satellite's job, briefly
34. Part of an interstate
35. Old French coin
36. Cheese in a ball
37. Sunday assents
39. Gives a boost to
40. Cackleberry
41. Light bulb, in comics
42. Map close-up
43. Doctors sometimes engage in it
47. "The doctor ___"
48. Offbeat
49. "That's all ___

wrote"
52. Rub elbows
55. Free from imperfections
57. Bad way to run
58. Insect domestication
60. Greedy one's cry
61. Overthrow, maybe
62. ___ Nicole Smith

63. Critic's bestowal
64. Bit attachments
65. Oenophile's concern

DOWN
1. Box office biggies
2. Boston Marathon month
3. Smelling a rat
4. "Trick" joint
5. Mrs. Ed Norton
6. Attack verbally
7. "___ any wonder?"
8. Diarist Anais
9. Signs indelibly
10. Sign of disuse
11. Native Saudi
12. "It was ___ vu all over again"
13. Eagles do it
18. Soak up
22. Wile E. Coyote's supplier
25. Think ahead
26. Rock's Petty
27. Traction aid
28. Horned goddess
29. Intersection point
30. Sudden burst
31. Cause of grounding
32. Upper hand
33. Tamer's workplace
37. Off-the-cuff comic, e.g.
38. Chow ___
39. Director Lee
41. ___ facto
42. The movie "Wordplay" is one
44. Tricky pitch
45. Accepted, as a job
46. Thumb twiddlers
49. Perform superbly
50. Reddish brown dye
51. Award named for Poe
52. Some Easter dinners
53. Leave off
54. ___ fide
55. Gilpin of "Frasier"
56. Fix, in a way
59. Poetic preposition

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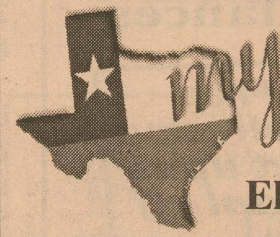


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C.C. Doty and A.B. Priour on horses at Colonel Wm. Black's Point Breeze Ranch 1886--note eclipse windmill in back ground.

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Colonel William Black helped settle Schleicher County

Colonel William L. Black enlisted in the Confederate Army, and served through out the rebellion. He was wounded at the Battle of Shiloh, but recovered and continued serving. He engaged in a naval expedition in 1864, in which he was captured, and held prisoner in California until after the war was over. He helped free his colleagues after his release.

Colonel Black's family lost all of their estate during the Civil

Touch of History

by Rene Calcote

War. Col. Black did not let this misfortune keep him down. He immediately went to New York, and engaged in the cotton exchange business, making a fortune in this business.

Black became interested in Texas resources, and believed

Texas offered great opportunities for investments. In 1884 he bought 50,000 acres of ranch land near Fort McKavett. He moved his family to this ranch, which was later to be in Schleicher County. He called the ranch the "Point Breeze Ranch", and his sheep foreman was

C.C. Doty, and his cattle foreman was A.B. Priour.

The ranch house was built on the hill above the springs in 1886. It is still there today, and the Historical Society helped get a Texas Historical Building Medallion honoring the old house in 1963. Dorsey Hardeman, former State Senator was present at the ceremony honoring the Black Ranch Home, and the placement of the Texas Historical Building Medallion.

THC seeking applications for Historical Markers

AUSTIN — The Texas Historical Commission (THC) will begin accepting applications for 2008 Official Texas Historical Markers beginning Nov. 1, 2007 in anticipation of the Jan. 15, 2008 deadline. Under the new program instituted last year, applications will now be submitted electronically for review.

Potential sponsors interested in applying for a marker should first meet with their county historical commission (CHC) for assistance compiling their application and for guidance on local procedures and reviews. Application forms and guidelines are now available on the THC web site at www.thc.state.tx.us. Also available online are detailed marker research guides that provide information on how to compile the requisite research for a variety of eligible topics including structures, cemeteries, individuals, communities and churches, to name a few.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Field Trip to the Newspaper

Eldorado Second Graders visited The Eldorado Success office last Thursday where they learned how news is gathered, photos are prepared and newspapers are produced. The students were from Mrs. Sessom's, Mrs. O'Harrow's and Mrs. Meador's classes.

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There will be theme baskets on display at school and the home game October 26th. The baskets will be given away in a drawing with tickets selling for \$1.00 each or six (6) tickets for tickets for \$5.00.

The success of this event depends on every parent helping. Contact your child's teacher to sign up to work at the festival. Everyone wants to have a good time, but everyone needs to work a short shift to insure a safe and fun event for all our children.



Annual Game Dinner

Eldorado Game Association

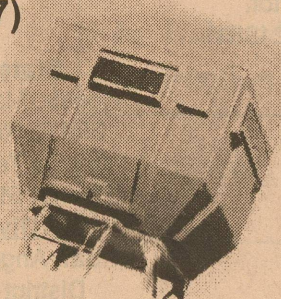
WHEN: Sat., November 3th

WHERE: Civic Center
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Early Voting begins Monday, October 22nd in General Election and SCISD Rollback Election

Schleicher County Election Administrator Brenda Mayfield announced this week that Early Voting by personal appearance for the November 6, 2007 general election will begin on Monday, October 22, 2007 and continue through Friday, November 2, 2007.

Early voting will be conducted each weekday, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., in the Election Administrator office in the Schleicher County Memorial Building, located at 1 North Cottonwood Street in Eldorado.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
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Election Day voting will be from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on November

6, 2007 at the places listed below:
Precinct #1- First Methodist Church Educational Bldg.
Precinct #2- Schleicher County Memorial Bldg.
Precinct #3- Schleicher County Courthouse
Precinct #4- Our Lady Guada-

lupe Catholic Church/Head Start Bldg.

Not only will voters be deciding several Constitutional Amendments as passed by the Texas Legislature, they will also be voting in a Tax Rollback Election for Schleicher County ISD.

City council meets, handles mixed agenda

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City Secretary Carolyn Mayo advised that a bid of \$66,279.75 from 90 West Construction had been received for paving the streets but that the dollar value of the jobs was such that the projects could have to go through the bidding process.

No further action was taken on the matter.

Ms. Mayo then informed the council that Municipal Court Judge

Pat Ragsdale had submitted his resignation on Monday October 15, 2007 due to health reasons.

Next, the council voted to hold a public hearing on the taxation of goods-in-transit, as allowed by House Bill 621. The bill states that before a government body can take action on the goods-in-transit issue they must hold a public hearing on the matter.

House Bill 621 applies primarily to inventory that is stored, or

shipped through a jurisdiction for the purpose of assembling, manufacturing, processing or fabricating goods.

Before adjourning, the council approved the September 10, 2007 meeting authorized payment of the city's current bills. The council also voted to for Mayor John Nikolauk to continue on the Schleicher County Appraisal District board of directors.

It was noted that there is still a vacancy on in the council, the Single Member Ward #1 seat previously held by Dr. Pat Johnson.

Council members present for Monday night's meeting included Stacy Haynes, Stan Meador, Dora Bosmans, Mayor John Nikolauk, Richard Mendez and Dorothy Dacy.

The next meeting of the Eldorado City Council is slated for 6:00 p.m. on Monday, November 12, 2007.

Notice of Special Election (Aviso de Elección Especial)

To the registered voters of the County of Schleicher, Texas:
(a los votantes registrados del Condado de Schleicher, Texas):

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., November 6, 2007, for voting in a Special Election to adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 80th Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas:

(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 6 de noviembre de 2007 para votar en La Elección Especial párar adoptar o rechazar la enmiendas propuestas constitucional asi como fueron sometidas por la 80 a Legislatura Sesión Regular, de la Estado de Texas.

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(Entre las 9 de la mañana las 5 de la tarde el principio el 22 de octubre de, 2007.)

and ending on **November 2, 2007.**
(y terminado el **2 de noviembre de, 2007.**)

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Issued this the October 9, 2007
(publicado este el 9 de octubre de, 2007)

Johnny F. Griffin
Johnny F. Griffin, Schleicher County, Judge
Johnny F. Griffin, Juez del Condado de Schleicher

Resource Center Schedule of Events

Angel Tree Applications for children – infant through 6th grade, if they qualify. **NOW** until October 30th.

D.P.S. for drivers license October 23rd, November 13th, 20th and 27th. Open 9 am to 3:15 pm.

WIC October 18th and 22nd – 9 am to 3:30 pm.
Free Blood Pressure and Blood Sugar Checks October 25th and 31st. November 7th, 13, 20th and 28th from 9:30 am to 10:30 am.

ANGEL FOOD -Because of the Thanksgiving Holiday you may place your order for November Angel Food now and no later than October 31st. The food will be delivered in Eldorado on November 17th.

Thunderbird -locally Monday - Friday 7:30 to 4:00 pm. San Angelo shopping trips November 2nd and 14th. Medicaid trips to Sonora, San Angelo and here need to be scheduled 2 days in advance.

Area Agency on Aging will be at the center on November 14th. They have answers about services and benefits that are available for persons 60 and older. They can also inform you about using 211 services - that is the free number you dial when you need answers about anything.

For more in formation and to schedule a Thunderbird trip call 853-2574. You may leave a message with your phone number and we will return your call. Community Resource Center is located at 105 W. Callender.

Answer to Sudoku on Page 3

6	3	4	9	2	7	1	8	5
9	7	1	3	8	5	2	4	6
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Solution to puzzle on Page 6

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)
Dist/Div: San Angelo
Contract 0034-05-037 for SEAL COAT in RUNNELS County, etc will be opened on **November 01, 2007 at 1:00 pm at the State Office.**

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.
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District Engineer
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San Angelo, Texas 76904
Phone: 325-944-1501

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

Golf Play Day to benefit Wellness Ctr.

A Golf Play Day benefiting the Schleicher County Wellness Center will be held on Sunday, Oct. 21, at the Eldorado Golf Club. The cost is \$10.00 per person. Registration will be 1 p.m. and Tee Time is 1:30 p.m. This will be a usual Sunday playday with the usual payback.

Local businesses are serving as tee box sponsors for this event. A hole in one contest will be held. Come on out and enjoy an afternoon of golf as you benefit the proposed wellness center.

EMS Lady Eagles place 1st at CC Meet

Middle School Cornerstone Christian Cross Country Meet was held Saturday October 13 at OC Fisher North Shore.

Eldorado's Junior High girls team took first and the Eldorado boys team placed 2nd.

Junior High girls results are: 1. Avery Nolen, 14:13.57; 2. Abby Fuentes, 14:34.01; 4. Miranda Arispe, 14:46.95; 9. Mary Lou Martinez, 15:55.24; 13. Nikki Herrera, 16:04.25; 14. Amanda Garcia, 16:04.8; 15. Brianah Creek, 16:10.58; 22. Sierre Arispe, 17:29.06; 23. Kasey Gonzales, 17:30.37; 25. Ashby Ragsdale, 17:41.48; 38. Marissa Gonzales, 19:01.76; 42. Stacey Valeriano, 20:00.26; 45.; Melissa Gonzales, 21:01.06,

Junior High boys individual results are: 1. Robert Chavez, 11:57.59; 5. Evan Joiner, 13:46.76; 8. Nicholas Gonzales, 13:56.76; 19. Austin Stapp, 15:02.29, 26. Brian Parsley, 16:06.46; 27. Eric Estrada, 16:15.66; 28. Nathan Jimenez, 16:19.14; 29. Rico Martinez, 16:21.53 and 35. John Paul Galan, 17:41.56.

Ozona businessman gets 63 months prison time for \$2 million fraud scheme

by MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher
Ozona Stockman

The former manager of Wool Growers Central Storage Co. was sentenced to prison for taking \$2 million in a fraud scheme.

Donnie Laughlin, 60, was sentenced to 63 months in federal prison for engaging in monetary transactions derived from specified unlawful activity and aiding and abetting. Laughlin was sentenced during a 15-minute hearing on Oct. 12 in the Lubbock Federal Courthouse.

Laughlin has been ordered to report to the Federal Correctional Institution in Big Spring on Nov. 16. The prison houses low security male inmates and has a satellite camp housing minimum security male inmates.

Along with his prison time, Laughlin was also ordered to pay \$2,072,326.56 in restitution. The restitution is set to start after Laughlin is released from prison, in which he will undergo a three-year term of supervised release.

If Laughlin is unable to pay the full restitution amount during the three years, he will make payments of \$200 per month until the restitution is paid in full, court documents state. Interest on the unpaid balance has been waived.

The restitution is to be paid to the U.S. District Clerk's office in San Angelo. The money will then be distributed to 77 creditors claiming to have lost money at Wool Growers.

Laughlin must also refrain from incurring new credit charges or opening additional lines of credit without permission from the U.S. Probation Officer and must provide the probation officer with any requested financial information, court documents state.

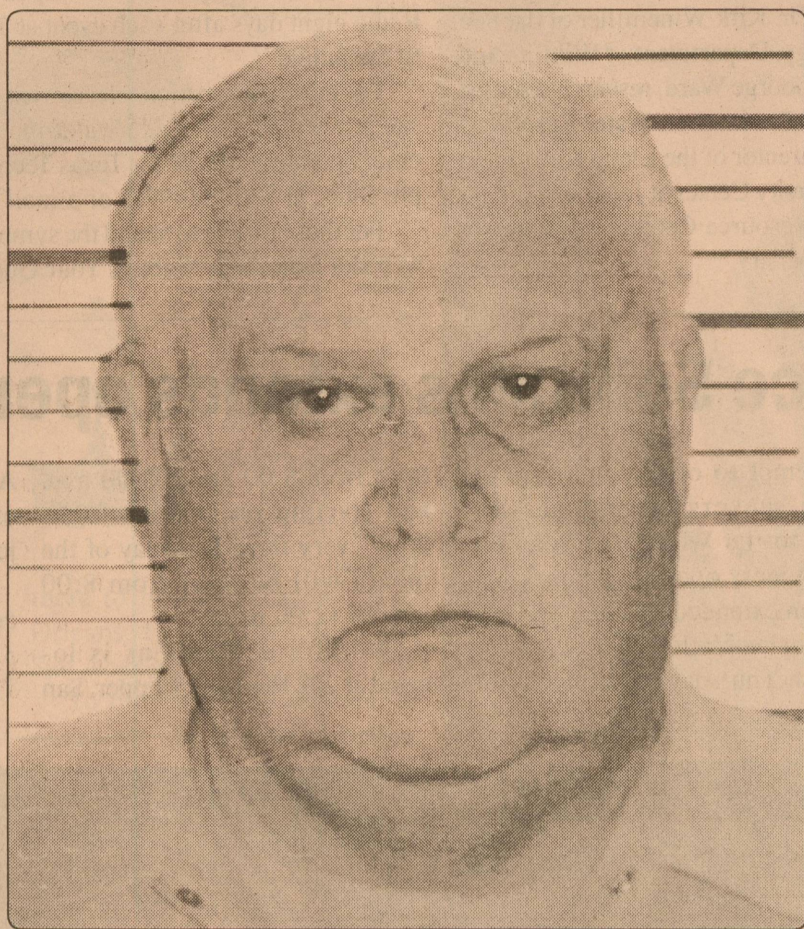
Laughlin shall not transfer, sell, give away or otherwise convey any asset with a value of \$500 or more without the approval of the U.S. Probation Officer.

As directed by the probation officer, Laughlin shall apply monies received from income tax refunds, lottery or gambling winnings, inheritances, judgments, settlements and any anticipated or unexpected financial gains to paying the restitution.

Laughlin pled guilty on May 31 in Lubbock.

Beginning in March 2000, Laughlin carried out the scheme by selling producers' wool and mohair, and not paying the producers the money they were owed, the documents state. Laughlin also sold the products without the producers' knowledge or permission.

Instead of deducting fees for storage and commissions from these sales, and paying over the balance to the producer, Laughlin



Donnie Laughlin, former manager of Wool Growers Central Storage Co. in Ozona was sentenced last Friday to 63 months in federal prison for his part in a scheme to defraud the company and its customers.

would either keep the money for himself or transfer the money from the mohair/wool sales bank account to the bank account of the Wool Growers retail business, the documents state.

The documents also state that Laughlin allegedly committed mail fraud by authorizing approximately 34 envelopes from five buyers of wool and mohair that were addressed to "Wool Growers

Central Storage" in Ozona. The envelopes contained approximately 34 checks payable to "Wool Growers Central Storage" or "Sanderson Wool Commission" totaling approximately \$758,552.63.

Each of the envelopes, and its contents, were to be sent and delivered by the United States Postal Service, the documents state.

The mail fraud scheme allegedly took place between Feb. 1,

2002 and May 25, 2006, the documents state.

The money was deposited into a bank account that was supposed to be for payment to the producers, not to be used for Wool Growers expenses.

Once the money from the fraudulent sales had been transferred from the producers bank account and deposited into the Wool Growers retail business bank account, Laughlin would then order the money to be used for regular business expenses of the Wool Growers retail business or would be used by Laughlin in the form of unauthorized additional salary checks and cash, the documents state.

Laughlin was hired in 1991 as manager of Wool Growers.

Former bookkeeper Tonya Stalcup is currently serving a 33-month prison sentence in the Federal Prison Camp at Bryan, Texas for frauds and swindling and aiding and abetting.

After serving her prison time, Stalcup will also be placed on three years of supervised release and ordered to pay \$200,000 in restitution.

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NOTICE OF TAX ROLL BACK ELECTION
(Aviso de Elección para ratificar el valor de impuestos)

To the registered voters of the County of Schleicher, Texas:
(a los votantes registrados del Condado de Schleicher, Texas):

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., **November 6, 2007**, for voting in a Special Election to ratify the ad valorem tax rate of \$1.17.

(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el **6 de noviembre de 2007** para votar en La Elección Especial párar ratificar el valor de impuestos adoptados.

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Issued this the 10th day of September 2007
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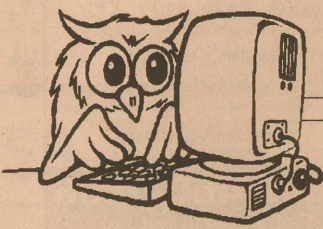
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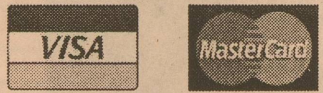
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Cross Country Medalist

Claudia Pasillas placed 10th in the Cornerstone Christian School Cross Country Meet held Saturday at O.C. Fisher Reservoir in San Angelo. She helped her team to a second place finish. Pasillas completed the course with a time of 15:09.26.

Water Symposium to be hosted by TTU Fredericksburg

The second in a series of Texas water symposia co-sponsored by Schreiner University, Texas Tech University at Fredericksburg and Texas Public Radio will take place Thursday, Nov. 8, at 7 p.m., in the Admiral Nimitz Ballroom in the National Museum of the Pacific War, located at 328 E. Main Street, Fredericksburg. The title of the lecture and forum is "H2O: The Science of Water Issues."

Speakers at the symposium will be Dr. Kirk Winemiller of the Section of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences at Texas A&M; Dr. George Ward, research scientist and associate director of the Center for Research in Water Resources, University of Texas; Dr. Tom Arsuffi, director of the Llano River Field Station and Research, Texas Tech University Center at Junction; and Dr. Ken Rainwater, director of the Water Resource Center and professor of civil engineering at Texas Tech University.

Two 2008 spring symposia also are planned for 7 p.m. on January 24 at Texas Tech University Center at Junction ("Conservation: Taking Action for Your Children's Children") and March 6 ("Policy, Planning and Politics: Where Do We Go from Here?"), returning to Schreiner University in Kerrville.

All of the forums will be taped and broadcast on Texas Public Radio eight days after each event at 7 p.m. The series is free and open to the public.

For more information, please visit the Texas Water Symposium Web site at www.schreiner.edu/water/index.htm or contact Bob Hickerson, chief operating officer for Texas Tech University Division of Off-Campus Sites, at 830-990-2717 or e-mail him at bob.hickerson@ttu.edu.

For those unable to attend the symposia, the Texas Water Symposium web site features a "Submit Your Question" e-mail function.

Texas Workforce Solutions extends operating hours

"We realize the need for our customers, employers and job seekers, to have extended hours to benefit from workforce and childcare services at Workforce Solutions," said Pat Ray, Project Director. Mrs. Ray stated in an

attempt to offer employers and job seekers more accessibility to the Workforce Solutions' services, operating hours have been extended to better serve the Concho Valley. She explained each Thursday the office will be

open from 8:00 am to 8:00 p.m. and starting on October 20th, 2007 every third Saturday of the month will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Workforce Solutions is located at 202 Henry O. Flipper, San

Angelo, Texas and offers an array of services for both employers and job seekers.

For further information, please contact Workforce Solutions at 325-653-2321 or 1-800-996-7589. TDD: 1-800-735-2989.

PUBLIC NOTICE

On September 20, 2007, Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division ("Atmos" or "the Company"), filed a Statement of Intent with each city within Atmos' service territory to increase its gas rates and implement a new schedule of rates and riders applicable to all customers within all incorporated cities served by the Mid-Tex Division. The proposed effective date of the requested rate changes is October 25, 2007. If approved, the proposed changes will affect approximately 1,428,700 residential, 122,600 commercial, and 960 industrial & transportation customers.

If approved, the proposed rates will increase the Company's annual revenues for the incorporated areas of its Mid-Tex Division by \$50,946,000 or 3.5%, including gas costs, or 13.49% excluding gas cost. The proposed change in rates constitutes a "major change" as that term is defined by Section 104.101 of the Texas Utilities Code. In addition, the Company seeks to recover all of its rate case expenses and all city rate case expenses as allowed by law. The exact amount will not be known until the case is completed.

Based on the proposed rate design, the system-wide average monthly bill for each customer class within the incorporated areas of the Mid-Tex Division will increase by the amount and percent shown in the table below:

Customer Class	Current Bill	Proposed Bill**	Difference	Percentage Increase with Gas Cost	Percentage Increase without Gas Cost
Residential	\$70.85*	\$72.42*	\$1.57	2.22%	8.27%
Commercial	\$296.15*	\$305.36*	\$9.21	3.11%	22.72%
Industrial	\$2,975*	\$3,143*	\$167.89	5.64%	38.95%
Transportation	519.88	\$687.77	\$167.89	32.29%	38.95%

Note: Bill impact ranges are subject to varying tax rates among the cities.

*Includes Rider GCR Part A cost of \$7.55 per Mcf.
**The calculation of bill impacts assumes monthly consumption of 6 Mcf for residential, 30 Mcf for commercial, and 300 Mcf for industrial and transportation customers.

In addition to the rate revisions in Rate Schedules R, C, I, and T, other proposed tariff changes include changes to Rider GCR, Rider WNA and proposed Riders for a rate review mechanism and conservation & energy efficiency program. The Company proposes to revise its weather normalization adjustment ("WNA") mechanism to exclude non-weather sensitive commercial customers and to modify the WNA mechanism to calculate the WNA adjustment based on weather stations at a regional level rather than under the current practice of associating all towns with a single weather location for purposes of determining the WNA adjustment. The Company proposes a change to its Rider GCR to allow the recovery of the gas cost component of uncollectible expense through the Rider GCR instead of through base rates and to update the Upstream Allocation (Factor D) to reflect the factors as proposed in the Company's Class Cost of Service Study. In addition, the Company proposes a new Rate Review Mechanism ("RRM"), Rate Schedule RRM, to provide for an annual review by the cities of the Company's expenses, revenues and rate base investment and a corresponding adjustment to the Company's rates to reflect annual changes (increases or decreases) in these categories. The Company proposes a gas conservation & energy efficiency program and tariff to authorize the program. Finally, the Company is asking for authority to make future filings with the regulatory authority on an electronic basis, rather than by paper copy.

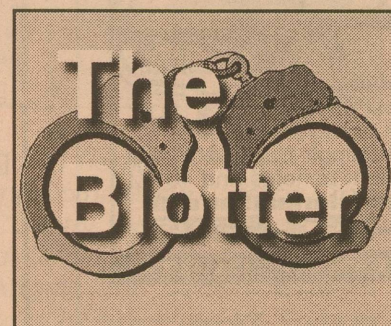
Persons with specific questions or desiring additional information about this filing may contact Atmos Energy Corporation at 1-888-286-6700. Complete copies of the filed Statement of Intent, including all proposed rates and schedule changes, are available for inspection at Atmos' offices located at 5420 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1600, Dallas, Texas 75240. In addition, customers can contact their respective municipality for additional information regarding this rate request.

Éste es un aviso a los clientes de Mid-Tex División de Atmos Energy Corporation, (la "Compañía"), que la Compañía está solicitando un aumento en la tarifa del gas. Este aumento afecta a todos los clientes de la Compañía en el cuidado de Mid-Tex. Si usted tiene preguntas con respecto a este aumento, por favor llame a Atmos Energy Corporation al 1-888-286-6700.



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Deputy Jason Chatham investigated a one-vehicle rollover Tuesday night on approximately 14 miles north of Eldorado on U.S. 277. Tiwari Guarav Kumar of Sonora was traveling southbound when he reportedly hit a deer and lost control of his 2003 Honda Civic. Kumar was taken by EMS ambulance to Schleicher County Medical center for treatment.



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

ARRESTS

October 14 • Estrada, Juan Francisco, male age 24, offense Driving While Intoxicated (1st, Class B). Released on (2) \$1,000 Bonds.

INCIDENTS

October 10 • Caller reported an injured fawn on FM 915. Officer responded. Fawn was sick and was put down.

October 11 • 12:58 a.m. Caller reported a party in the middle of street at apartments. Loud music was playing. Officer notified.

• 4:22 a.m. Caller reported a burglar alarm going off at a residence. Officer notified.

• 11:11 a.m. Caller reported a possible scam from the National Lottery.

• 11:05 p.m. Officer requested in reference to minor damage done to a vehicle. Officer responded.

October 12 • 9:44 a.m. Caller reported diesel taken from com-

pany vehicles parked at the rodeo grounds. Officer notified.

• 12:27 a.m. Hospital reported a victim of a dog bite. Officer and City employee contacted. Victim approached a residence on Mc-

Whorter Ave. and unknown type of dog bit victim on the left leg midway between the knee and ankle causing a small puncture wound and two minor lacerations. Wound was photographed and case number assigned. The case has been turned over to the City of Eldorado for further reporting to the state.

• 3:08 p.m. Caller reported a fight at the High School Gym.

• 5:06 p.m. Complainant requested to speak with officer over neighbor disturbance. Officer notified.

October 13 • 5:50 a.m. Hospital requested tennis court lights be turned on for a Air Med flight.

• 10:44 a.m. Walk in complainant reported littering on property by neighbors. Complainant reported neighbors were throwing bottles and trash over on to their property and they were finally "fed up" of cleaning their mess. Officer was unable to locate neighbors and left his card.

October 14 • 12:31 a.m. Complainant reported loud music from the neighbors on next block.

• 10:43 a.m. Complainant reported a reckless driver on Highway 277 heading North in a black car.

• 11:09 a.m. Complainant reported a parked white truck parked with loud music. Officer notified.

• 7:02 p.m. Caller reported cattle on the west side of the Highway past the rest area North of Eldorado. Officer responded.

• 7:08 p.m. Dispatch contacted possible owner of cattle.

• 7:18 p.m. Caller advised a loud party was going on at apartments and requested an officer at the scene to disperse persons at party. Officer responded.

• 9:26 p.m. Caller from Del Rio expressed concern over two sons of a possible deranged person. Subject had threatened to a family member they would kill both boys and then commit suicide. Subject requested a deputy to investigate. Officers responded and was unable to locate subject.

• 10:24 p.m. Complainant in a maroon Dodge pickup had run into a large tree like shrub in front of complainant's residence. Caller assumed the occupants were inebriated as they had thrown out empty beer containers. Officers responded to the scene. Possible vehicle was locate at apartments.

October 15 • 6:25 a.m. Caller reported a possible fire one mile out on Hwy. 277 North. Officer responded and notified dispatch it was the gas plant flare.

• 12:16 p.m. Hospital requested a ambulance for a basic transfer.

• 4:11 p.m. Caller reported a child choking. Ambulance dispatched and officer.

October 16 • 5:18 p.m. Caller reported a black and silver Mustang driving reckless on East Street. Officer responded.

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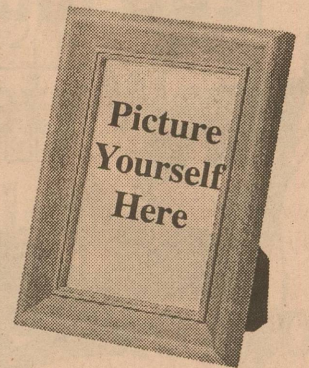
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Members of the Mighty Eagle Band played in the stands last Friday night during the Eldorado Eagles game with the Sterling City Golden Eagles in Sterling City.

The band will perform this Friday evening during halftime at the Eagles game in Menard. The following day the band will travel to Brady where it will compete in the District Marching Band Contest.

The band is slated to perform at 10:15 a.m. during the marching contest in Brady.

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Ghostly Campout planned at Fort Lancaster

SHEFFIELD, Texas — Why wait for a Halloween, which falls on a Wednesday this year, when you can get a jump on Halloween by sending your little ghouls and goblins to a sleepover on the grounds of an abandoned frontier fort or taking them to a state park to listen to campfire ghost tales or learn about bats?

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is teaming up with the Texas Pecos Region, Friends of Fort Lancaster, Ozona Chamber of Commerce and Iraan-Sheffield Chamber of Commerce to sponsor "A Fort Lancaster Ghostly Campout" on Saturday, Oct. 27. The first-ever sleepover to be held at the state historic site will feature a host of events, including

guided trail hikes through the ruins, campfire ghost stories, a wildlife scavenger hunt and weenie roast.

"Fort Lancaster has stood guard over the Pecos River Valley, protecting the region for more than 150 years," said historic site superintendent Chris Elliott. "This is a chance for the people of the Pecos Trails Region to help do their part to protect and preserve the fort."

While the number of overnight campers is limited to 26, all visitors are welcome to visit the 1855 fort built by the U.S. military to guard those traveling the San Antonio to El Paso Road from "Indian hostilities." The event is the first of many planned fun and education

fundraisers for the historic site located west of Ozona and just 10 minutes south of Interstate 10 in Crockett County.

Fort Lancaster State Historic Site covers 81 acres of the beautiful and rugged Pecos Valley. The fort's interpretive center features exhibits on military history, natural history and archeology.

Campers are asked to bring their own tents, bedrolls, lanterns, personal snacks, cameras, binoculars and, of course, their favorite ghost stories. To get more details or to make a camping reservation, visit the Texas Pecos Trail Web site or call the fort at (432) 836-4391. The cost is \$25 or \$35 for two.

SCISD to hold Safe & Drug Free Schools Information Session

The 2nd annual Safe & Drug Free Schools Information Session is slated for Monday, October 22, 2007 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the Eldorado High School Library.

Speakers for the event will be Kelli Thorp from Sonora who will speak on Internet Safety, Raquel Torres with the (BCFS) Baptist Child & Family Services of Del Rio will be holding some Parenting Classes; Van Dodd with the Permian Basin Regional Council on Al-

cohol and Drug Abuse Region 9 and Calton May, Substance Abuse Counselor and Probation Officer from San Angelo will speak on gang and drug awareness.

This program is open to all SCISD parents, students and community members.

Child care will be provided, door prizes will be presented and refreshments will be served.

Free sales tax seminar offered at ASU/SBDC

The ASU Small Business Development Center will be conducting a FREE workshop entitled, "Sales Tax Seminar" on Tuesday, October 23 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the ASU Campus 2222 Dena in the Rassman Building - SBDC Conference Room.

Topics covered will include completing tax returns, what is or isn't taxable, your responsibilities as a taxpayer, Comptroller services and publications. There will be a question and answer session. This seminar will help the taxpayer gain the knowledge to collect and accurately report

the state sales tax and to maintain required records.

Our guest speaker, Debbie Hamilton of the Odessa Enforcement office will conduct the seminar. This workshop is free so please call (325) 942-2098 to register or go on-line at www.sbdc.angelo.edu.



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