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Jeffs resigns as FLDS president

Warren Jeffs officially resigned his post as president of the FLDS church on November 20, 2007, according to a press release from his attorney Walter Bugden.

Bugden's office sent the statement to several media outlets last week, including *The Eldorado Success*. It stated:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Mr. Jeffs has asked that the following statement be released to the media and to members of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Mr. Jeffs resigned as president of the Corporation of the President of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Inc. on November 20, 2007.

It is unclear who will take control of the nation's largest polygamous sect now that Jeffs has abdicated his position.

Audio tapes and transcripts of Jeffs' jailhouse conversations would seem to point to William Timpson Jessop, the man who was serving as church bishop. In several of those conversations Jeffs admitted to his followers, including his brother Nephi, that he was not the church's true prophet and that he had wrongly assumed power following the 2002 death of his father, former prophet Rulon T. Jeffs.

At that time, Jeffs said his followers should look to Jessop as their leader. However, Jeffs reportedly retracted those statements.

It is also unclear if Jeffs resignation as president of the church will effect his role as prophet, since they are two separate positions.

Jeffs is presently being held at Utah State Prison Draper, Utah where he is going through orientation as a new prisoner. Following the orientation period, prison officials will determine if Jeffs will be housed in the prison's general population, or be kept in a segregated unit for "at risk" prisoners.

Meanwhile, Jeffs faces more charges in Arizona connection with his involvement in underage marriages. He has also been indicted in federal court on a charge of felony flight to avoid prosecution.

Unusual rules for YFZ sewer plant

The Eldorado Success has obtained a copy of the wastewater treatment plant permit issued to the YFZ Ranch by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. The permit obtains some extraordinary provisions, most likely resulting from the ranch's poor compliance history.

Among those provisions is the requirement that the YFZ hire a contract operator for the wastewater plant.

Two members of the polygamous sect that occupies the ranch are presently licensed to operate a wastewater treatment plant in Texas — Paul Allred, and Abram H. Jeffs, brother of imprisoned FLDS prophet Warren Jeffs. But, under the provisions of the newly issued permit, neither Allred nor Jeffs will be allowed to run the facility at the YFZ Ranch, at least not for now.

That means someone from the outside must be brought in. TCEQ records indicate four persons living in Schleicher County are currently licensed as wastewater treatment plant operators. But only two of them, Floyd Fay and Christopher Phillips, hold the Class C permit that TCEQ is requiring.

Whoever the YFZ Ranch hires to oversee its sewer treatment plant, the operator's contract must be approved by the TCEQ. The contract must also extend beyond the length of the ranch's current three-year permit.

The contract operator must spend at least an hour per day at the facility, 7-days a week, according to the permit.

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Coming at You



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Nathan Jiminez passed the ball Monday night to Robert Chavez as the Eagles 8th Grade Boys basketball team took on the Water Valley Wildcats 8th grade squad. The Eagles won the game by a score of 41-28. Tyler Farmer hit seven 3-pointers to lead the Eagles scoring.

KLDE radio station powers down for equipment upgrade

KLDE Radio temporarily suspended operations Tuesday, December 11, 2007, in order to perform an upgrade of its broadcast equipment. Station manager Danny Boyer explained that the move was necessary in order to install a new transmitter and to carry out other facility upgrades to better serve the public.

Boyer went on to note that KLDE had originally planned for a 2008 opening but that the schedule was pushed forward in order to broadcast Eldorado Eagles football games during the fall of 2007 to the citizens of Eldorado and the surrounding communities.

The temporary shut-down will allow the needed work to be carried out in the most efficient manner and make it possible for the station to return to the air as soon as possible, Boyer added.

SCISD trustees hold monthly meeting

The SCISD board of trustees held a public hearing Monday night on taxation of "goods in transit" at the beginning of their regularly scheduled meeting. No one was present from the community to address the issue, so the board moved on to their normal agenda.

Among other business, Superintendent Billy Collins advised the board that the district's current enrollment stands at 613. Collins then recognized the 2007 Co-District Champion Eldorado Eagles football team. He also acknowledged the sports coverage of *The Eldorado Success* and the *San Angelo Standard-Times*. Collins then recognized First National Bank for refurbishing the football field score board and providing food at the tailgate party held before the playoff game between Eldorado and Roscoe.

Finance director Ray Ballew then updated the board on the district's financial position. He noted the district has \$3.8 million in the bank and that tax

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Commissioners rescind county-wide burn ban Fireworks ban remains in place ahead of holidays

Schleicher County Commissioners met Monday and lifted the county-wide burn ban that was enacted several weeks ago. The men took the action on the advice of Fire Chief Jerry Jones who noted recent wet weather has diminished the threat of wildfires. The county's fireworks ban remains in place, however.

Among those present for the meeting were County Judge Johnny Griffin, Commissioners Matt Brown, Johnny Mayo, Lynn Meador and Kirk Griffin, County Attorney Raymond Loomis, Treasurer Karen Henderson, Deputy Clerk Sarah McNealy, Road Superintendent Clay Burleson, and Joe Ed Spencer, who has expressed an interest in being appointed to fill the county judge position, if and when Judge Griffin retires.

Sheriff David Doran met with the commissioners and received an okay to spend \$800 on a keyless lock system for the dispatch office at the Law Enforcement Center. He said the state is requiring the office to be secured.

Pam White and Gina Sauer then met with the commissioners on behalf of the Schleicher County Library Board. The women noted that librarian Jerri Whitten will be retiring on December 31. They said they are considering ten applicants for the position and asked the commissioners to designate it as a full-time job. The commissioners agreed and voted a full-time base pay with benefits for the librarian position.

The court then awarded a diesel fuel bid to Griffin Fuels at \$2.8598 per gallon. It was the only bid received.

Next, the commissioners allocated the county's

1,663 votes for Appraisal District board to Matt Brown, who got 1,080 votes and John Nikolauk who received 583 votes.

The commissioners then awarded the county's depository contract for 2008 to First National Bank of Eldorado depository for Schleicher County funds for the 2008. Commissioner Lynn Meador abstained from the vote.

The commissioners then approved a list of 13 official holidays for the 2008 calendar year. They also approved the oath of office and certificate administered by Judge Johnny Griffin to reserve deputy Jim Delesdernier.

Discussion then turned to repairs and improvements at the county baseball fields. Judge Griffin advised that the Youth Baseball association wants approval for replacement and painting of fencing at the little league fields which the commissioner promptly gave.

Commissioner Johnny Mayo then asked for an "Intersection Ahead" sign for County Road 119 (Kaffer Road). Mayo said that a stop sign at the intersection of U.S. Hwy. 190 kept being knocked down which contributed to a number of oilfield trucks failing to stop at the intersection and crashing into the pasture across the highway.

Road Superintendent Clay Burleson advised that the signs would have to come from the state and suggested Commissioner Mayo contact the Texas Department of Transportation.

The court then approved budget transfers as recommended by Treasurer Karen Henderson. They also reviewed the bills and authorized payment.

It was noted as the meeting closed that the

commissioners, along with Judge Griffin where would be traveling to Austin on Tuesday to speak to Mr. Gene Gerry with the Texas Association of Counties concerning the procedure for replacing an elected county official that resigns prior to the end of the official's elected term. The question relates to Judge Griffin's stated plan to retire.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

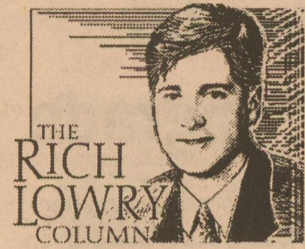
The EHS band has been practicing their Christmas music for the annual Christmas Concert to be held December 16th in the High School Auditorium at 2:00 p.m. The 6th, and 7th grade bands will also perform. The public is invited. Poinsettias will be given as door prizes.

Henry Hyde, RIP

We haven't lacked recently for congressmen who have disgraced Congress. Now, we've lost one who ennobled it.

Henry Hyde has died at age 83. He represented a suburban Chicago district in the House for 32 years before retiring last year in failing health. When political commentators lament the passing of a Golden Age in Congress, they usually are inventing an imagined past. But Henry Hyde really did embody a set of political qualities that have become rare in an age of hyperpartisanship and YouTube debates.

He had principles, but was never a fanatic. He was partisan, but never a bomb-thrower. He defended traditional values, but never was preachy. He was respected by both sides because he knew that



respect must be given to be received. He was eloquent in a way few American politicians are, and deeply literate. But he enjoyed his cigars and -- once a stand-up comic -- leav-

ened all he did with a keen sense of humor. One of his most extraordinary qualities was that he was persuasive and persuadable. In the mid-1980s, he doubted the need to reauthorize the Voting Rights Act. After traveling to the South for field hearings, he changed his mind and worked to convince Reagan administration officials to support the reauthorization.

Hyde came to his famous pro-life views in a characteristic way -- he considered the evidence. When he was serving in the Illinois legislature in the 1970s, a colleague asked him to co-sponsor a bill liberalizing abortion law. He hadn't thought about the issue, and read a book called "The Vanishing Right to Live" by Charlie Rice that convinced him of abortion's evil. He opposed the Illinois bill and, when elected to Congress, shepherded to passage legislation forbidding the federal funding of abortion. The Hyde Amendment has stood for decades as the most consequential piece of pro-life legislation ever to pass Congress.

The pro-life cause became one of the pillars of Hyde's public life. He once told incoming congressmen, in the political axiom he lived by, that they "need to be at least as clear on the reasons why they would risk losing as they are on the reasons why they wanted to come here in the first place." His staffers recall left-wing lioness Maxine Waters later repeating exactly the same advice to freshmen congressmen -- and attributing it to Hyde.

He will be remembered for leading the impeachment of President Bill Clinton, a cause he undertook more out of duty than of zeal (during the controversy, it was revealed that he had had an affair 30 years previously). He thought he had no choice but to champion impeachment given President Clinton's offenses against the rule of law: "It protects the innocent, it punishes the guilty, it defends the powerless, it guards freedom, it summons the noblest instincts of the human spirit."

Right, center or left, we need more representatives who love Congress the way Hyde did.

In a speech in the midst of the impeachment fight, he had proclaimed, "We vote for our honor, which is the only thing we get to take with us to the grave." Henry Hyde departs with his honor intact, honed during decades of public service and acknowledged by all. RIP

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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What I Want For Christmas

Did you ever notice that there is a season for plumbers? It's called the Holiday season. It never fails. I don't know if it's because of the increased number of guests that need to use your toilet or that December is the time for all humans to shed hair. But whatever the reason, nearly every holiday season, I have trouble with my drains.

I love the Holiday season with all of its ups and downs, and I usually have a lot more ups than downs (especially with my drains). However, I could use a little help during this time of year since there are so many things that need to be done.

For example, I love to shop for gifts, but I don't like to wrap them. You can't give a naked gift, though. It's just not done. So I need some help wrapping. Does Merry Maids do that?

I would love to buy a "wow!" gift for each person on my list. The problem is that "wow!" gifts usually cost a lot and I never seem to have enough money to get exactly the right thing for everyone. Of course, I also want to put something in the Toys for Tots bin and contribute to the "Angel Tree" and put a little something in that hanging red pot next to the guy making that incessant ringing bell noise in front of every department store. I figure if I pay him, he'll stop ringing the darn bell. He doesn't play nice, though.

Laura on Life

by Laura Snyder



I love to eat Christmas cookies. The smell of anise and chocolate chip cookies brings back so many wonderful memories. But I burn at least 50% of everything I bake and that smell is not very nostalgic. Now, because of my incompetence, my kids' memories will be that of burnt cookie dough. I may have started a whole new tradition. My Great-great-grandchildren will probably burn a batch of cookies every year in memory of me.

I'm not exactly a creative cook either, but my turkey and stuffing usually come out moderately decent. What I wouldn't give for the skills of Julia Childs, though. To be able to put on a spread that deserves a standing ovation is a long-term dream of mine. Instead, my cooking tends to result in loose fillings, a cracked cap, or the evacuation of some child's two front teeth. I've always related well to that popular holiday favorite: "All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth". That kid's mother must've been a lousy cook, too.

One thing that annoys me is that I can never find a large enough

turkey at the grocery store. I need a 24 lb. turkey for our large family, but the largest I can find is 18 pounds. Do two 12 lb. turkeys have the same amount of meat as a 24-pounder? Even if they did, my cookbook doesn't tell me how to cook two 12-pounders. They assume that sane people only cook one turkey at a time.

The point is, I need certain things at the Holiday season that I don't usually need. The number one thing is... time; time to finish all the cleaning chores that we women obsess about. Your carpet can have Koolaid stains on it all year long, but not during the holidays. As a result of all this cleaning, my hands are as dry as the Sahara in July. So I need lotion and rubber gloves.

Throughout all of this pre-holiday activity, I still need to type out my column, too. I need a few typists just to do that. Of course, my computer needs to work for that, and it tends to break down just when I am the busiest. My husband is a technological wizard, but he's too busy fixing other people's computers to deal with my "little problems". I need some little, tiny, on-call, elf-nerds living inside of my laptop. They can fix it when it glitches. Maybe Santa has a few of those lying around.

I need folding chairs, folding
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State plans to issue new Medicaid card

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — The Texas Health and Human Services Commission announced plans to go statewide with a new smart card system that it said would create a more convenient and secure way for people to verify their Medicaid coverage.

The card, which looks like a credit card, automates the patient check-in process, which presently requires provider staff to copy data manually from paper forms.



The card contains encoded patient information and has built-in fraud protection, as it requires the client's finger image to use.

Statewide expansion is set to begin next year when HHSC issues a request for proposals in May to select a contractor for the project.

The system may be in place by the second half of 2009, said Commissioner Albert Hawkins.

AG sues two Internet sites

Attorney General Greg Abbott on Dec. 5 filed lawsuits against two Web sites, TheDollHouse.com and Gamesradar.com under the federal Children's Online Privacy Protection Act, COPPA.

COPPA generally prohibits Web sites from unnecessarily collecting personal information from children under 13.

Abbott accused the Web sites of unlawfully collecting personal information such as names, ages, and home addresses from children.

Investigators also discovered that the sites' parental consent features were easily manipulated and circumvented.

Regents scale down tuition hike

The University of Texas System board of regents ordered UT-Austin to cut back a proposed tuition hike after students and state legislators complained the average \$300 per semester hike was too big an increase.

Instead, in school years 2008-2009 and 2009-2010, UT System students will pay \$150 more tuition per semester or 4.95 percent more, whichever amount is greater.

In 2002, before the Legislature deregulated tuition, a typical freshman entering UT in the fall paid about \$4,500 a year in tuition and fees. In 2010, under the new rates, an incoming freshman should prepare to pay more than \$8,000.

Speaker names energy panel

Texas House Speaker Tom Craddick announced the creation of the Select Committee on Electric Generation Capacity and Environmental Effects.

Craddick, R-Midland, assigned the committee to prepare a long-term energy and environmental impact plan and submit it to the 81st Legislature, which convenes Jan. 13, 2009.

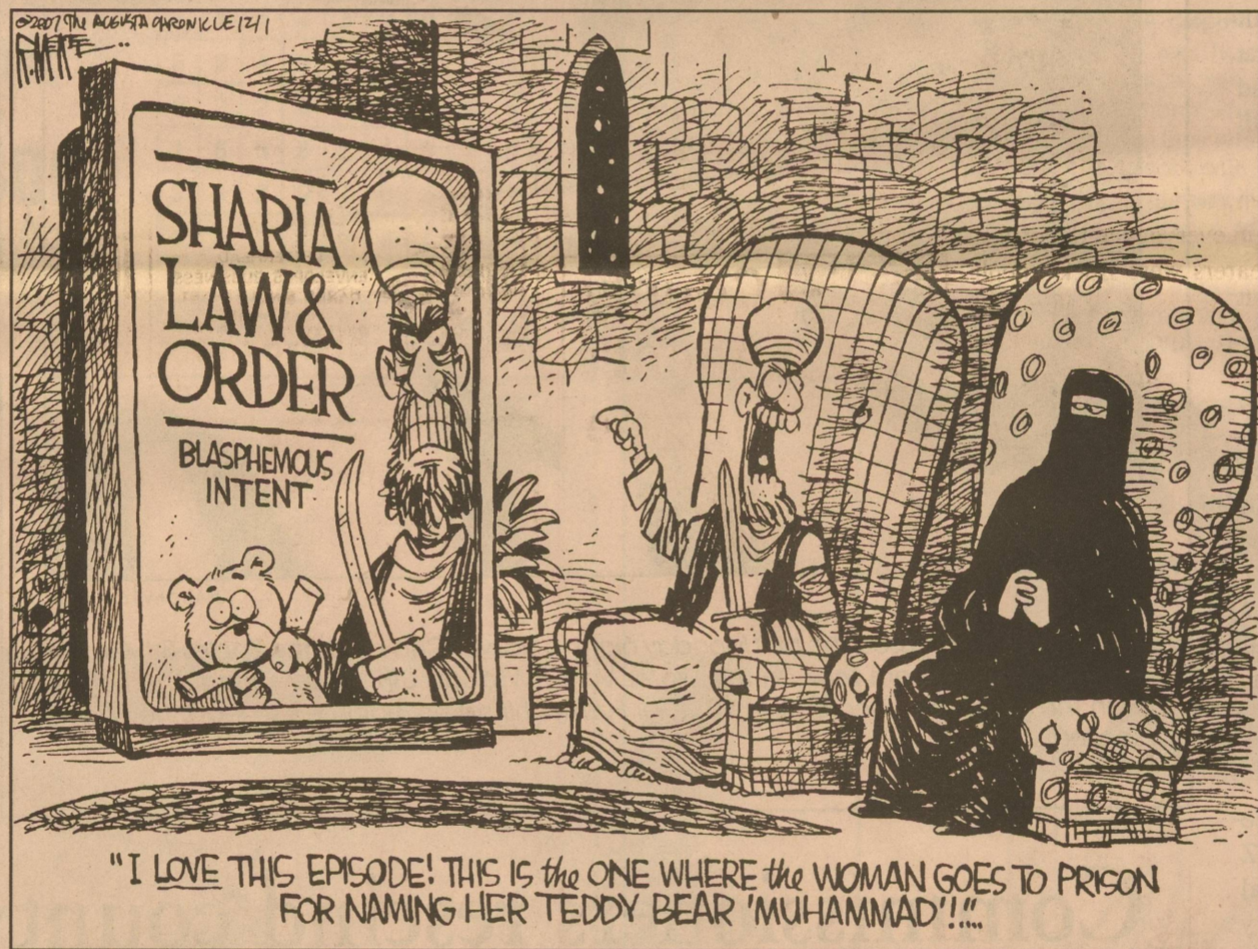
The plan will include an assessment of various types of energy generation available to the state.

Craddick appointed eight House members to the committee: Charles "Doc" Anderson, R-Waco; Kevin Bailey, D-Houston; Norma Chavez, D-El Paso; Rick Harcastle, R-Vernon; Phil King, R-Weatherford; Burt Solomons, R-Carrollton; Joe Straus, R-San Antonio; Sylvester Turner, D-Houston; and Dennis Bonnen, R-Angleton, to serve as chair.

Green schools effort is launched

U.S. Rep. Michael McCaul, R-Texas, announced on Dec. 5 a new, bipartisan congressional effort to ensure schools are safer environmentally

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Performing a Family's Oral History

Jan Hart of Temple goes to schools, churches, synagogues and libraries performing the actual words spoken by her grandmother, Annie Harelik Novit. Jan's presentation is called Annie the Immigrant. It all stems from some tapes she found in storage closet.

In December of 1968, Annie sat down with her children, grand children and great grandchildren and told about her life as a young immigrant from Russia in the early 1900's. A recording of the event was made and it stayed in that closet until 1986, when Jan got it out and listened to it. Her grandmother had been dead five years and when she listened to the recording, Jan says she felt that her grandmother had returned to speak to her.

The tape begins, "My name is Annie Harelik Novit. I was born in the Russian village of Slavan in White Russia August 3, 1886." One story tells about ice-skating on the Berezina River in wintertime. In 1906 Russia was experiencing revolutionary times and it was becoming harder and harder for Jews



by Tumbleweed Smith

in Russia. They were beaten and their businesses and homes were burned. Thoughts turned to immigrating to America. The family eventually settled in Dublin, Texas and opened a store.

"I felt compelled to capture our family history on paper as a gift to future generations of the family," says Jan. She transcribed the recording onto 37 pages and turned them into a book. She included copies of naturalization documents.

After she passed it out to family members, she heard from cousins shortly after they received it. "They told me they cried and laughed and went back to re-read parts of it. They had the best time remembering our grandparents and told me I needed to get it published."

Jan wrote a children's book

titled Hanna the Immigrant, published by Eakin Press. She got the idea to get out the recording of her grandmother because she was looking for a project. "My kids were all grown up by that point and I was bored, suffering from empty nest syndrome. It has just snowballed. I had no idea what would happen from my listening to those tapes."

Jan dresses in a Russian peasant costume and talks with a Russian-Yiddish accent when she speaks before groups. She plays Klezmer music to begin. She says everyone should consider doing oral histories of their families. "Many times when I'm speaking to audiences they tell me they wished they had recorded their grandparents' stories because they've forgotten them. I always encourage children and adults to record the stories for future generations. Tape them, write them down, whatever it takes."

Jan has written a book based on experiences of her mother. She has also written three more children's books plus a guide for interviewing older family members.

OBITUARIES



E.L. "Buck" Kent

E.L. "Buck" Kent, 95, of Midland, passed away Saturday, December 8, 2007 at Midland Memorial Hospital.

He was born May 27, 1912 in Eldorado, Texas to Albert E. and Carrie Cummings Hill Kent. Buck was the 6th of 9 children and grew up helping his family survive the hardship of losing his father when Buck was only 6 years old.

Always the sports fanatic and good athlete, he graduated from Eldorado High School in 1930 and lettered in five sports. He later played semi pro baseball, football, was a professional boxer and even a trick rider during his time in the horse cavalry.

He attended business school in San Angelo and also Oklahoma A&M (Oklahoma State). He proudly served his country in the United States Army, Cavalry Division, and served in the last horse cavalry the military had.

After his two years in the cavalry, he returned to his native West Texas as a semi-pro baseball player in the employ of Wickett Refining Company, Wickett, Texas.

His initial job duties at Wickett Refining, besides playing baseball, included being a general workman, a yield clerk, and also a traffic clerk monitoring the shipments of refined fuels. He progressed through the company and eventually became President and a major stockholder.

His career at Wickett Refining was interrupted during World War II as he was already a civilian pilot and was called up to be a flight instructor for the military. He also served during the war as a ferry pilot flying military planes to the west coast.

Buck started Kent Oil Company and Kent Distributors in 1957, operating and supplying fuel to service stations throughout West Texas. He was a founding member and director of a number of companies, including First National Bank of Monahans.

He served in many civic roles including director of the Buffalo Trail Council, Boy Scouts of

America, and was instrumental in the council acquiring the Boy Scout Ranch in Ft. Davis. He was always proud of receiving the Silver Beaver award from the Boy Scouts.

One of his most amazing feats was being president of the Monahans-Wickett-Pyote Independent School District school board during a 20-year time span that allowed him to pass out high school diplomas to each of his four children.

Buck married Mary Elizabeth Green, of San Angelo, in December 22, 1939.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Tom and Luther Kent, and four sisters, Inez Alsop, Maude Waldrep, Pauline Means, and Albertine Foster.

Buck is survived by four children, James L. Kent, of Potsdam, Germany; Mary Ann Stewart, of Dallas, TX; Thomas W. Kent, of Austin, TX; and William B. Kent, of Midland, TX. Buck has eight grandchildren, with one on the way. His grandchildren are Amy Stewart, Kent Stewart, Jimmy Stewart, Helen Davis, Julie Lenzo, Jodi Kent, Kathy Tope and Ryan Kent and still working on the name for the ninth; two sisters, Mildred Stanford, of San Angelo, TX; and Pat May, of Grand Prairie, TX. Living to 95, he knew and loved each of his seven great-grandchildren Trey and Tristan Lenzo, Henry Davis, Madeleine George and Miles Tope, and Ava Stewart.

He is also survived by fifteen beloved nieces and nephews. As the founder of the Kent Companies, Buck was also 'Father' to hundreds of loyal employees who will miss seeing him everyday at the office.

Pallbearers were Buck's nephews: Al Stanford, Jack Stanford, Joe Stanford, and his grandsons Kent Stewart, Jimmy Stewart and Ryan Kent, and dear friends Jerry Larned and David Ridings.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, December 12, 2007 at First Presbyterian Church of Midland. Interment followed at Resthaven Memorial Park, in Midland. Arrangements were under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Midland.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Buffalo Trail Council Boy Scouts of America, 1101 W. Texas, Midland, TX 79701, or to the First Presbyterian Church, of Monahans, Texas, as Buck was one of the founding members, 500 E 16th St, Monahans, TX 79756.



May Runge Kisko

May Runge Kisko, 71, died unexpectedly but peacefully in her sleep on Sunday, December 2, while visiting the Menard ranch of her brother. May was born on June 30th to Edith Winslow Runge and James Forrest Runge of Christoval, Texas. May is survived by her three siblings - Richard Sealy Runge of Menard, his wife Caroline; Anita Moore and her husband Jene Moore of Kerrville and Colorado; and Jim Runge of Eldorado. May was an exceptional mom to her only child, daughter Edith May Kisko, and her husband Mathew Joseph Casamassina, who live in Los Angeles, and the very proud "Oma" to granddaughters Zoe May Casamassina, 19 months old, and Fiona Jade Casamassina, 10 weeks old. May was preceded in death by her husband, Michael John Kisko, who passed on Dec. 10, 1984. May was loved by Mike's sons: Rick Kisko of Brownwood, Mick Kisko and Matt Kisko of San Angelo, along with their cousin, Jerry Kisko in Connecticut and many other Kiskos across the

country. There is not enough space to list the countless classmates, close friends and family in this area who loved her.

May was a lifelong resident of West Texas who lived life the way she wanted to, not the way others thought it should be lived. She grew up attending schools in Eldorado, before moving to attend North Texas State and the University of Texas at Austin. She was not gone long before she missed the country and her family, so she returned to Christoval to help with the ranch, and work as a secretary in San Angelo. While shopping for a refrigerator, May met and fell in love with appliance salesman Mike and they were married on June 7, 1970 and became parents shortly thereafter. May worked at Templeton Construction Company for several years, as well as Angelo State University. She retired to spend time on the childhood ranch she loved. May was independent, strong, smart and modest. She enjoyed reading, playing solitaire and tending to her plants and animals. She was loved very much by her daughter, Edie, and unfailingly supportive of Edie's decision to move to California, even if she never could understand why. May was fiercely devoted to those she loved, including many, many dogs throughout her life, particularly Ringo, Lincoln and Killer.

Funeral services were Friday at 1:30 p.m. at St. James Episcopal Church in Ft. McKavett conducted by Monte Jones, followed by an interment service at Calvary Cemetery, under the direction of Heritage Funeral Home. The family suggests memorials be given to St. James Episcopal Church, 1 Runge Ranch Road, Ft. MCKavett, TX, 76935.



County Agent's Update

by Cory Stevens

Shooting sports planning meeting

This meeting will be held at the Extension office at 5:15PM on Wednesday, December 19th. This meeting will be a brief one, and it is for parents and volunteers interested in helping out with this year's shooting sports. If your child is interested in 4H shooting, please try and attend.

Sheep and goat showmanship clinic slated

When: Monday, December 17th there will be a sheep and goat showmanship clinic. This event will be held out at the civic center. It will begin at 5:30PM. Jamie Steen, assistant sheep and goat specialist with Texas A&M will be coming down to assist and all 4Hers interested in brushing up on their showmanship skills.

Livestock judging practice slated

We will have another livestock judging practice on Thursday, December 20th. Again, these practices are open to anyone and everyone that would like to participate. We will meet out at the Feeding Facility at 3:15PM. Hope to see you then. If you have any questions about any of these programs give me a call at 853-2132 or 277-5225.

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HOOP SCORES

Varsity Boys

Tuesday, November 27, 2007

At Coahoma

Coahoma 76, Eldorado 35

Score by quarter 1 2 3 4 Total

Eldorado 6 8 10 11 35

Coahoma 16 25 16 19 76

Team stats

Eldorado	Coahoma
Points 35	76
FG 13-59 (22.0%)	29-64 (45.3%)
3pt. 6-26 (23.1%)	0-6 (0.0%)
FT 3-7 (42.9%)	18-30 (60.0%)

#1 Ramos, Dustin 15

#22 Redish, Michael 9

#32 Dombroski, Tyler 6

#12 Gonzalez, Manny 5

#24 Cathey, Rance 0

#23 Martinez, Paul 0

#30 Mata, Jorge 0

#34 Hash, Josh 0

#40 Meyer, Clark 0

School Lunch Menu



BREAKFAST MENU

Monday, December 17

Biscuits / Sausage, Choice Of Juice

Jelly, Milk

Tuesday, December 18

Blueberry Muffins, Choice of Cereal,

Choice of Juice, Milk

Wednesday, December 19

Pancake on a Stick/Syrup, Choice

of Juice, Milk

Thursday, December 20

Cinnamon Toast, Choice of Cereal

Choice of Juice, Milk

Friday, December 21

Cereal Bar, Applesauce Cups,

Choice of Juice, Milk

BASKET LINE

Monday, December 17

McRib Sandwich, Baked Chips,

Tossed Salad, Pineapple Slices

Tuesday, December 18

Turkey & Dressing/Gravy, Hot Rolls/

Cranberry Sauce, Green Beans

Sweet Potato Pie

Wednesday, December 19

Pep Hot Pockets, Carrot Stix/Dip

Tossed Salad, Peach Halves

Thursday, December 20

Cheese Pizza, Tossed Salad, Pear

Slices

Friday, December 21

SACK LUNCH, Peanut Butter/Jelly

Sandwich, Baked Chips, Apple

Slices-n-bag

CAFETERIA LINE

Monday, December 17

Corn Dogs, Pork-n-Beans, Carrot

Stix/Dip, Pineapple Slices

Tuesday, December 18

Turkey & Dressing/Gravy, Hot Rolls/

Cranberry Sauce, Green Beans

Sweet Potato Pie

Wednesday, December 19

Burritos, Ranch Style Beans, Cole

Slaw, Peach Halves

Thursday, December 20

Pep. Pizza, Tossed Salad, Pears

Friday, December 21

SACK LUNCH Peanut Butter/Jelly

Sandwich, Baked Chips, Apple

Slices-n-bag

Varsity Boys

Thursday, November 29, 2007

San Saba Tournament

Eldorado 55, Center Point 47

Score by quarter 1 2 3 4 Total

Center Point 10 14 4 19 47

Eldorado 19 3 21 12 55

Team stats

Center Point	Eldorado
Points 47	55
FG 20-58 (34.5%)	16-67 (23.9%)
3pt. 4-17 (23.5%)	9-32 (28.1%)
FT 3-9 (33.3%)	14-19 (73.7%)

#1 Ramos, Dustin 14

#24 Cathey, Rance 12

#30 Mata, Jorge 8

#22 Redish, Michael 7

#23 Martinez, Paul 6

#32 Dombroski, Tyler 5

#12 Gonzalez, Manny 2

#20 Gauna, Dustin 1

#40 Meyer, Clark 0

Saturday, December 1, 2007

San Saba Tournament

Eldorado 64, Lampasas JV 45

Score by quarter 1 2 3 4

Total

Lampasas JV 14 5 8 18 47

Eldorado 13 23 11 16 63

Team stats

Lampasas	Eldorado
Points 45	64
FG 20-55 (36.4%)	21-45 (46.7%)
3pt. 4-17 (23.5%)	0-7 (0.0%)
FT 3-8 (37.5%)	23-35 (65.7%)

#30 Mata, Jorge 15

#32 Dombroski, Tyler 13

#24 Cathey, Rance 13

#1 Ramos, Dustin 12

#12 Gonzalez, Manny 4

#22 Redish, Michael 3

#40 Meyer, Clark 3

#20 Gauna, Dustin 1

#34 Hash, Josh 0

#23 Martinez, Paul 0

Thursday, December 6, 2007

Tournament at Water Valley

Eldorado 88, Loraine 36

Score by quarter 1 2 3 4 Total

Loraine 9 9 1 17 36

Eldorado 27 17 21 23 88

Team stats

Loraine	Eldorado
Points 36	88
FG 14-44 (31.8%)	38-80 (47.5%)
3pt. 5-19 (26.3%)	6-22 (27.3%)
FT 3-7 (42.9%)	6-11 (54.5%)

#30 Mata, Jorge 20

#32 Dombroski, Tyler 18

#1 Ramos, Dustin 17

#23 Martinez, Paul 12

#24 Cathey, Rance 7

#22 Redish, Michael 7

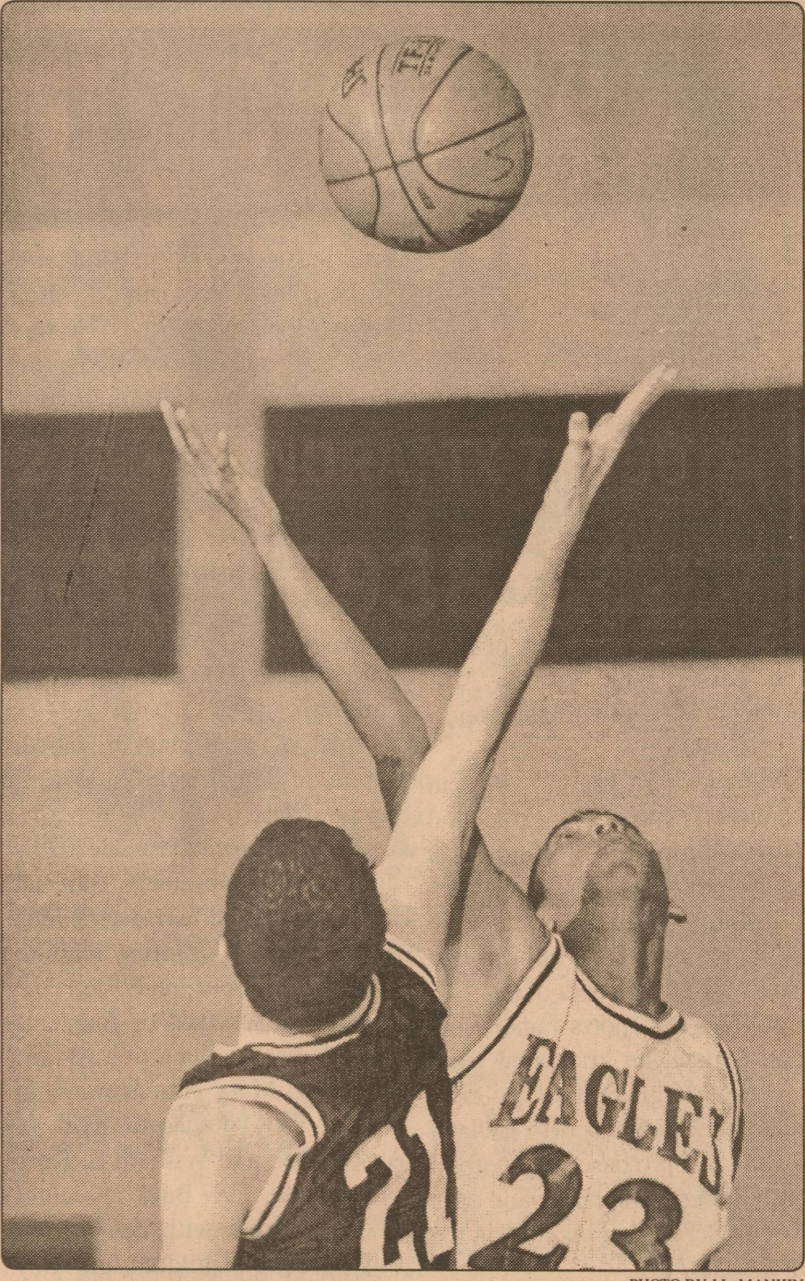
#34 Hash, Josh 4

#5 Dombroski, Dylan 3

#12 Gonzalez, Manny 0

#20 Gauna, Dustin 0

#40 Meyer, Clark 0



Allen Espinosa went up for the tip-off Monday night at the beginning of the game between the 8th Grade Eagles Boys squad and the 8th grade team from Water Valley. Eldorado won 41-28.

Varsity Boys

Saturday, December 8, 2007

Tournament at Water Valley

Garden City 61, Eldorado 49

Score by quarter 1 2 3 4 Total

Garden City 9 12 14 26 61

Eldorado 12 12 9 16 49

Team stats

Garden City	Eldorado
Points 61	49
FG 20-43 (46.5%)	16-61 (26.2%)
3pt. 0-5 (0.0%)	0-16 (0.0%)
FT 21-39 (53.8%)	17-21 (81.0%)

#32 Dombroski, Tyler 17

#1 Ramos, Dustin 12

#24 Cathey, Rance 11

#30 Mata, Jorge 4

#22 Redish, Michael 2

#12 Gonzalez, Manny 2

#23 Martinez, Paul 1

#20 Gauna, Dustin 0

#5 Dombroski, Dylan 0

Varsity Boys

Saturday, December 8, 2007

Tournament at Water Valley

Iron County 69, Eldorado 44

Score by quarter 1 2 3 4 Total

Eldorado 12 7 10 15 44

Iron County 12 27 11 19 69

Team stats

Iron County	Eldorado
Points 69	44
FG 20-43 (46.5%)	16-61 (26.2%)
3pt. 0-5 (0.0%)	0-16 (0.0%)
FT 21-39 (53.8%)	17-21 (81.0%)

#24 Cathey, Rance 15

#22 Redish, Michael 9

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#40 Meyer, Clark 2

3 pointers:

Ramos 1, Gonzalez 1, Redish 1, Cathey 1

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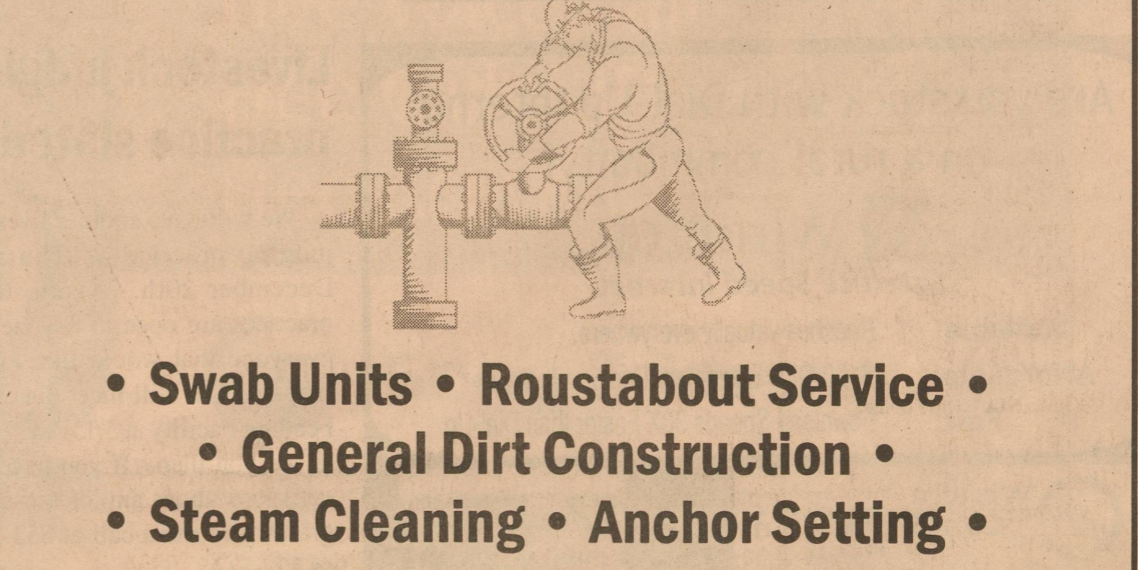
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Touch of History

by Rene Calcote

Eldorado gets a phone system

In the 1870's Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone in which he had spent thirty years working on. In 1906 this new invention came to the small town of Eldorado, TX.

The first person to operate the telephone exchange was B.E. Earl, and the switchboard was located in the second story of the Masonic Lodge Building over Hoover Drug Store. Steve Wright worked at the switchboard, and some of the early operators were Vashti Foley, Chris Enochs and Mildred Jones. Chris and Mildred lived above the exchange for some time. In those days a telephone operator had to be more than an operator. They provided the time and date to callers as well as reporting fires and emergencies. Most of the callers would just say, "Ring the grocery store or ring a resident." The operator had to memorize all local numbers, and some time just a good listener.

Phone lines were strung along the top of fence post that separated the ranches. The wires were attached to a small white insulator on the top of each fence post. These lines were damaged quiet often, and the phone was dead a lot of the time.

Jud and Ed Jones owned the Telephone Co. until December 1, 1915 when San Angelo Telephone Co bought the business.

In 1923 a severe ice storm hit Schleicher Co. and all the weight of the ice on the phone lines caused damage that could not be repaired. All lines had to be replaced.

The San Angelo Telephone Co. built a new structure to house the Co. It is still standing today across the street from the West Texas Feed and Mercantile on Gillis St. This house was also home for the new manager, C.C. McLaughlin.

Some of the operators for McLaughlin were: Lucille Davis Jackson, Lometa "Fuddy" McDonald Davis, and Eva McLaughlin.

In 1948 the telephone co. installed the first dial system in Eldorado with 525 telephones and two long distance lines. In 1954, General Telephone Co. bought the business.

Charlie and Eva McLaughlin bought the old business house on Gillis St. and continued to live there until 1974. Charlie retired from General Telephone Co in 1963 with 33 years with the Co. Eva retired in 1962 working 29 years with the Co.



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Clara Herrera and Michael Rudewick

Herrera/Rudewick engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Fidel Herrera are proud to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter Clara Herrera to Michael Rudewick son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dill and Mr. Ryan Rudewick.

Clara is a 2004 graduate of Eldorado High School and a 2008 May graduate candidate

of Howard Payne University. Michael is a 2003 graduate of Copperas Cove High School and 2007 graduate of Howard Payne University. Michael is currently a math teacher and coach at Copperas Cove High School. The couple plan to wed on June 21, 2008 at the First Baptist Church of Eldorado, Texas.

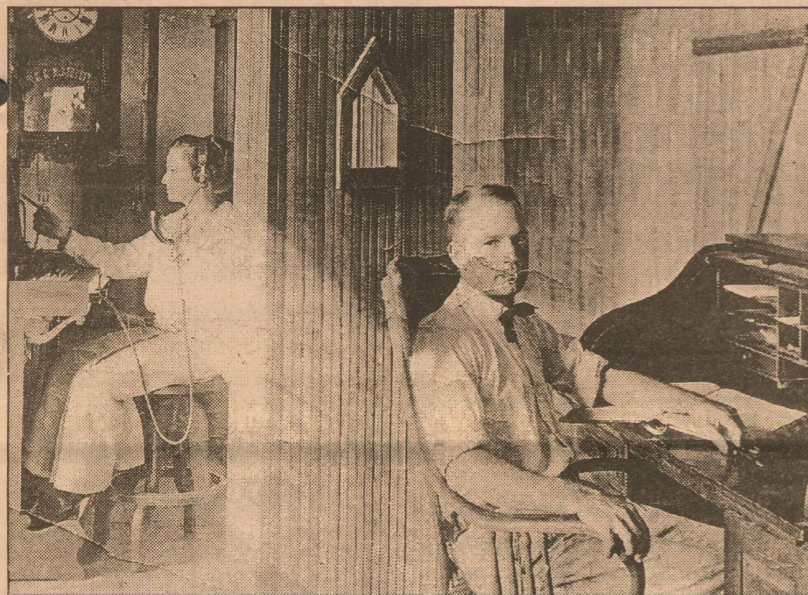


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Jud Jones and Vashti Foley in telephone office in around 1913

Meals for Friends Menu

- Monday, December 17**
Chicken Strips, w/Cream Gravy, Pinto Beans, Mustard Greens, Corn Break, Cherry Cobbler, Juice, Milk
- Tuesday, December 18**
Hamburger Steak, Oven Fried Potato, Lettuce, Tomato & Onions Slices, Bun, Carrot Salad, Fruit Cocktail, Milk
- Wednesday, December 19**
Cheese Enchiladas, Spanish Rice, Pinto Beans, Toss Salad, Wheat Bread, Mandarin Orange, Milk
- Thursday, December 20**
Meat Loaf, w/Tomato Sauce, Black-eyed Peas, Okra, Corn Bread, Banana Pudding, Milk
- Friday, December 21**
Turkey w/Giblet Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Corn Bread Dressing, Broccoli, Milk, Dinner Roll, Cabbage Salad, Pumpkin Pie

Santa Claus is coming to the Nursing Home

Schleicher County Nursing Home is hosting a Visit with Santa on December 14, 2007 from 4pm to 6pm.

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 - 15th Alexia Goodman, Gene Garland
 - 16th Chase Mertz, Stephen Grelle, Kevin Freeman, Virgilio Escobar Jr., Stephen Whitten, Jason Clark
 - 17th Dylan Ramos, Micaela Gonzalez, Anita Robles, Chelci Rodriguez
 - 18th Felipe Montalvo, Brenda Greer, Vickie Schwiening, Jennie Wipff, Tami Kohutek, Jimmy Q. Aguilar
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Forty two 5th Graders received a certificates of completion from the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E) Program, Friday, December 7, 2007. D.A.R.E instructor Officer Fred Dietz taught the 5th class for six weeks the dangers of illegal drugs and alcohol.

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School board meeting...

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revenues are coming in. The board then approved a resolution on the taxation of goods in transit. They also voted to award the district's 3,194 votes for Appraisal District board of directors to Kirk Jones, Kurtis Homer and Phil McCormick. The votes were split evenly among the three men. The trustees then approved bids for two new SUV's. Toliver Brothers bid \$30,000 each on a 2008 Chevrolet Suburban and a 2007 GMC Yukon. Superintendent Billy Collins brought up the need for a policy

for the use of school facilities by non-school groups. Following a brief discussion, the board directed Collins and board president Kurtis Homer to contact school lawyers regarding possible language for a facility usage policy. The board then went into a closed-door executive session for the discussion of personnel matters. They emerged without taking action on the matter. The next meeting of the SCISD board of trustees is slated for 6:00 p.m. on Monday, January 14, 2008.

Superintendent Billy Collins brought up the need for a policy

Capital Highlights...

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and thus should provide a healthier learning place for children.

McCaul, co-chair of the Green Schools Caucus, said, "Today, there are American schools which are harmful to our children. That is unacceptable."

The caucus will take input and begin working on legislation to promote safer schools.

McCaul and architect Stan Haas made the announcement at J.J. Pickle Elementary School in Austin, a "green-built" campus that features proper solar orientation, insulated concrete, rainwater collection, salvaged pine and recycled-content materials, unfinished materials, and paint and finishes with low levels of chemical emissions.

New chief at Parks & Wildlife

Carter Smith, state director of the Nature Conservancy of Texas since 2004, was named executive director of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department on Dec. 5.

A graduate of Texas Tech University and Yale University, Smith succeeds Robert L. Cook, who retired on Aug. 31.

Dewhurst is named Texan of Year

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst has been named "2008 Texan of the Year" by Texas Legislative Conference, a non-partisan organization of Texas business and political leaders. Dewhurst will accept the award at the group's 42nd annual meeting at New Braunfels in March.

Weekly Crossword Puzzle

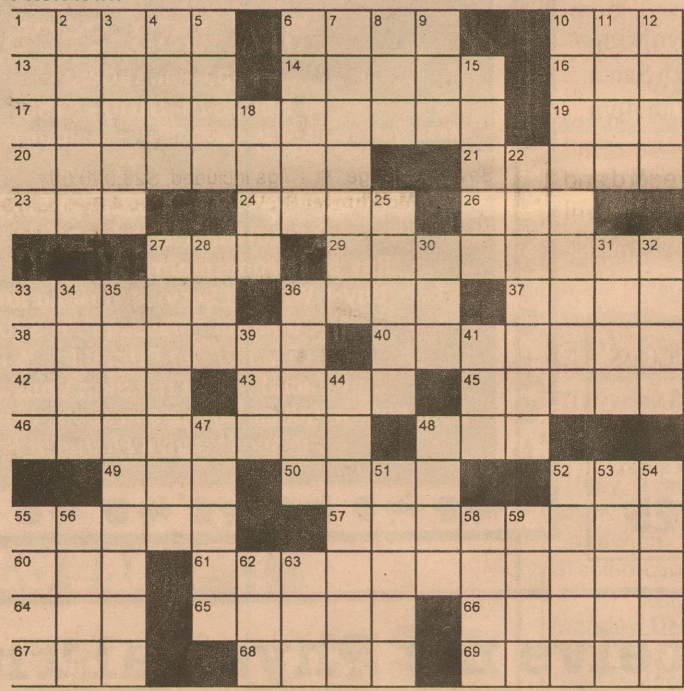
ACROSS

1. Jockey's handful
6. ___-friendly (easy to operate)
10. Part of a semi
13. Sandy's owner
14. Grammy-winning Jones
16. Grand ___ Opry
17. Drafting instrument
19. Harry Potter's best friend
20. Predict
21. Croupiers' tools
23. Blemish on a QB's record
24. Moon vehicles
26. Baby docs
27. It might say "You are here"
29. Ventilation passageways
33. Taking one's cuts
36. Treater's words
37. ZZ Top, for one
38. The Ivy League's Big Red
40. Sewer's guide
42. Totally confused
43. Tosses in
45. Loser to Truman
46. Prime Minister before Major
48. Leary's hallucinogen
49. Mauna ___
50. Defaulter's loss
52. Music store buy
55. Thin cookie

DOWN

57. Weaver of spells
60. Rhoda's TV mom
61. Often-pickled pork morsel
64. Guitarist ___ Paul
65. Cosmetician
66. Porkers' pads
67. Blaster's need
68. Coal carriers
69. Corn loaves
7. Sam & Dave classic
8. Blow it
9. ___4 (Toyota crossover SUV)
10. Bottle opener, of sorts
11. Natural emollient
12. Uncle ___ (rice brand)

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Las Nominaciones del Programa Talento de la Escuela Mediana

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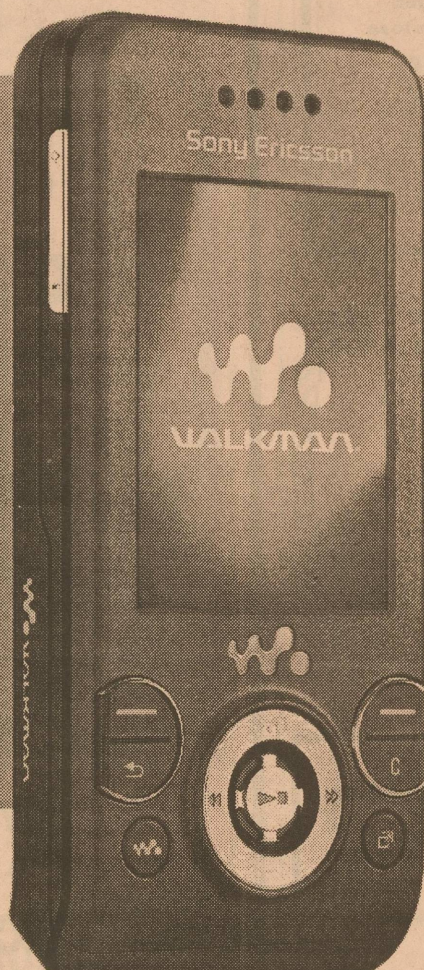
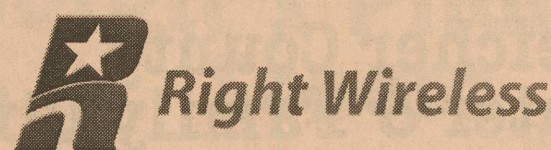
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Dist/Div: San Angelo

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 Austin, Texas 78704
 Phone: 512-416-2540
 Dist/Div Office(s)
 San Angelo District
 District Engineer
 4502 Knickerbocker Rd
 San Angelo, Texas 76904
 Phone: 325-944-1501

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T.J. Rodriguez was named Fireman of the Year last week by the Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department. Fire Chief Jerry Jones (L) is shown here presenting Rodriguez with a plaque in recognition of the honor.

The Blotter

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

December 6 • Pettway, Lupe, female age 43, offense Public Intoxication/Drug Paraphernalia. Released on Citation.
December 8 • Arispe, Johnny, male age 24, offense Driving While License Invalid. Released \$1,000 PR Bond.
December 11 • Whitehouse, Mary Jo, female age 25, offense Failure To Appear/Possession Controlled Substance.

INCIDENTS

December 4 • 9:04 p.m. Complainant reported very loud music coming from neighbors house.
December 5 • 10:02 a.m. Caller reported their registered Angus Bull had been shot sometime last weekend. Also beer cans had been found. Bull was valued at \$4,500. Location CR 316.
• 7:12 p.m. Caller reported a reckless driver in a white Toyota or Nissan pickup traveling with their hi beams on. Officer responded.
December 6 • 5:05 p.m. Hospital requested an ambulance for a ACLS transfer to San Angelo.
• 6:37 p.m. Caller with stranded vehicle requested information where they could place several head of cattle until vehicle was repaired. Officer responded.
11:24 p.m. A dispute between several people was heard during a 911 call by dispatcher. Someone hung up the phone when Sheriff Office tried to get their attention. Dispatcher called back and ascertained that only an argument had taken place with no violence or threat of violence.
December 7 • 9:09 a.m. Subject requested to speak with an officer in reference to a female subject ha-

assing them. Officer responded.
• 9:14 a.m. Caller reported a pit bull at convenience store. Animal control responded.
• 10:28 Caller reported fraud. Officer responded.
• 1:35 p.m. Complainant reported their PO Box had been broken into. Officers informed.
• 2:59 p.m. Caller reported someone had messed with service equipment on a well, plus put water in the oil crank case of a well. Officer notified.
• 8:54 p.m. Caller reported a orange fireball or flare 10 miles north of Eldorado. Officer notified.

December 8 • 3:02 a.m. Call reported an orange flare or possible fireball 10 miles north of Eldorado. Officer responded.
• 11:01 a.m. Gas drive off from convenience store. Amount \$24.40. Vehicle a green older model Chevy, single cab. Contacted Sonora Sheriff Office. Officers unable to locate.
• 11:39 a.m. Caller requested animal control to pickup an animal in a trap.
1:21 p.m. Convenience store employee reported two juveniles attempting to steal from store. Officer responded.
• 4:12 p.m. Complainant reported possible road hunting about 2-3 miles down CR 300. Subject seen several piles of 3-4 deer with only backstraps gone on side of road. Two officers and game warden notified.

• 10:32 p.m. Complainant reported a reckless driver passed them north of the county line heading towards Eldorado driving a white Dodge pickup. Officers notified.
December 9 • 1:04 p.m. Caller reported loud music in the neighborhood and requested an officer to stop it. Officer responded.
8:23 p.m. 911 caller reported a friend taking a box of Nyquil, but stated they would take the friend to hospital. Officer notified.

• 9:19 p.m. Hospital requested a basic transfer to San Angelo.
• 10:44 p.m. 911 caller requested an ambulance for stomach aches from taking a whole box of Nyquil.
• 11:48 p.m. Hospital requested a ambulance for a basic transfer.

December 10 • 4:59 a.m. Caller reported an accident on North Divide. Subject in a Nissan pickup drove into a light pole. Wrecker dispatched and no injuries.
• 5:28 p.m. Complainant reported 12 head of black Angus on FM 345. Owner contacted.

What I want for Christmas

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2
tables, folded napkins, and maybe even someone to fold the laundry. I wonder if the Wrapping Merry Maids would fold laundry too? Probably not.

Most of all, I need sleep, which being as exhausted as I am would almost certainly be possible if my true love was not also a sleep-talker.

When, on the twelfth day of Christmas, he -my true love - asks what I want for Christmas this year, I'll tell him: Twelve Plumbers

plumbing — Eleven Typers? typing — Ten Lords a-sleeping — Nine Ladies baking — Eight Maids a-wrapping — Seven Hundred Dollars — Six Teeth a-staying — Five Folding Things — Four Calling Nerds? — Three French chefs — Two Rubber Gloves — And a Twenty-four pound turkey.

If my true love will grant me these things for Christmas, I will never again ask him to fix my computer, wrap a present, or take a plunger to our toilet.

Answer to Sudoku on Page 5

5	3	9	6	1	8	4	2	7
7	1	6	4	3	2	9	5	8
8	2	4	5	9	7	6	3	1
9	7	2	3	5	1	8	4	6
1	6	5	8	2	4	3	7	9
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6	8	1	2	4	3	7	9	5
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4	9	7	1	8	5	2	6	3

Solution to puzzle on Page 6

Place It In!

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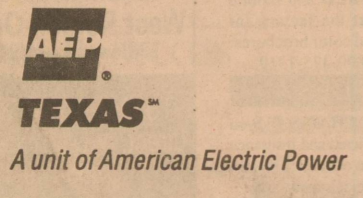
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