



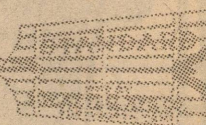
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For Your Information

Brides Abandon June?

The traditional notion of June weddings doesn't seem to fit anymore. According to the latest numbers released by the State Comptrollers office, more weddings now take place in March. In 1997, the most recent year for which data is available, there were 21,118 weddings. Second place went to the month of May which had more than 17,400 weddings. June finished third with 17,200.

On This Date

On this date in 1775 the Revolutionary War Battle of Bunker Hill was fought near Boston. In 1837 Charles Goodyear got a patent for rubber. In 1928 Amelia Earhart became the first woman to fly non-stop across the Atlantic. In 1972 burglars broke into the Democratic Party headquarters in the Watergate Hotel in Washington, D.C. Eventually, the scandal brought about the resignation of President Richard Nixon.

Birthdays of note include: 1702 religious leader John Wesley; 1882 composer Igor Fedorovich Stravinsky; 1904 actor Ralph Bellamy; 1910 singer Red Foley; 1917 singer Dean Martin 1929 sportscaster Bud Collins; 1946 singer Barry Manilow; 1951 comedian Joe Piscopo.

Social Security Rep. To Visit

A representative of the San Angelo Social Security Office will be at the Community Resource Center from 1:30-2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 29, 1999.

Your Social Security business can be handled just as quickly by telephone. Call toll free by dialing 1-800-772-1213 Monday through Friday, 7AM-7PM or the San Angelo office at 915-949-4608 Monday through Friday, 9AM-4PM.

Wire Recycling Planned

Wire Recycling is scheduled to begin on August 2nd and continue through Noon on August 27th, 1999 at the Co-op Gin, No. 1, Hwy. 87, Wall, Texas. FMI Call 659-0722.

Odds and Ends

Radon is a colorless, odorless, inert gas and is heavier than lead. It has an atomic weight of 222 and lead has a weight of 207.

In medieval England beer was often served with breakfast.



photo by Kathy Mankin

Scholarship recipient — Ginger Reynolds displays a certificate denoting the \$10,000.00 4-H Foundation Scholarship she received last week at the State 4-H Round up in College Station.

Ginger Reynolds receives \$10,000.00 4-H scholarship

Ginger Reynolds received a \$10,000.00 4-H Foundation scholarship last week at the State 4-H Roundup held in College Station. She is the daughter of Sidney and Melonie Reynolds of Eldorado and is a recent graduate of Eldorado High School.

Reynolds achievement is just the last in a long line of scholarships that local 4-H members have won. Through the years, Schleicher County students have won more than

\$192,500.00 in 4-H scholarships.

County Agent Nancy Lester expressed her delight that Reynolds had received the Scholarship. "It speaks well of our county that som many of our students have done so well," Lester stated. "I'm very proud of Ginger and I know she will go on to do great things in the future."

Reynolds says she plans to use te scholarship to attend Texas A&M University.

68th Annual Mias Amigas slated for June 25th & 26th

If you are a student who attended Eldorado Schools through 1979 or a teacher who taught there, make plans now to attend the 68th annual Mias Amigas club reunion on Friday and Saturday, June 25th & 26th on the Schleicher County Courthouse lawn.

Registration will begin on Friday, June 25th. Dues of \$5.00 will be assessed. At 6:00 p.m. a sandwich supper will begin. There will be visitation and a "jam session" featuring local talent. Everyone is encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs.

On Saturday, June 26th, coffee and registration are planned for 8:30 a.m. The ringing of the Old

School Bell is set for 9:30 a.m. with the club's general assembly and business session getting under way at 10:00 a.m.

During the General Session, the class of 1978-79 will be inducted into the club and the 50-year class of 1948-49 will be honored. Following the session, the meeting will dismiss to the courthouse lawn where a barbecue lunch will be served.

You are encouraged to reserve tickets for the barbecue and pre-register for the meeting. Those who haven't done so may call 853-2574 weekdays. After 5:00 p.m. or on weekends call 853-2079. You may leave a message at either number.

School board meets, hires 4 new teachers

School districts across the state are hiring new teachers this month and Schleicher County I.S.D. is no different. Monday evening, June 14th, school trustees met in the Elementary School kitchen and, among other business, voted to hire four new teachers. After a lengthy executive session to discuss the move, the trustees emerged into open session and voted to hire Jimmy Saldivar, Ronnie Molina, Ginger Petty and David Lewis. All of them will fill positions of teacher/coach.

Present for the meeting were trustees Ilse Williams, Eddie Albin, Phil McCormick, Steve Sessom, Roxanne Adame, Jo Helen Kotsch and Berta Nicholson.

The meeting began with discussion about the appointment of Maureen Hodges as chief examiner for the school's GED testing center. Supt. Hal Porter explained that Hodges, who is currently a school counselor, will be compensated for the additional duty with funds from the Education Service Center, Region XV (ESC-XV). The board voted unanimously to appoint Hodges to the position.

Next, the trustees met with Billy Savarino, a representative of CSI Energy Management, concerning adopting an energy man-

agement plan. Savarino noted his company is the third largest energy management company in the world and pointed to projects like the Sears Tower in Chicago, the Panama Canal and the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., as evidence that his company has the expertise to manage SCISD's energy resources.

He proposed a plan by which CSI would evaluate SCISD's energy needs. Then, if the trustees elected to do so, CSI would implement a plan to upgrade equipment like heating and air conditioning units. Savarino said that SCISD currently spends \$115,965.00 annually on energy and equipment upgrades. He told the board that if they hired CSI he could offer a 10-to-15 year pay back on the cost of implementing an energy management plan.

The board voted 5-2 to authorize Savarino to perform a preliminary analysis of the district's

needs. Phil McCormick and Ilse Williams voted against the measure.

Next, teachers Jill Preston and Su Scott visited with the board about the pending \$3,000.00 pay raise, approved by the state legislature and signed last week by Governor Bush. Ilse Williams explained that the topic wasn't on the agenda but assured the women that the teachers would be advised when the board gets around to addressing the topic.

Discussion then moved to adopting a depository contract for the school district for the next two years. After discussing the possibility of placing some of the district's investments in TexPool, a plan administered by the State of Texas, the board voted 5-0 to execute a two year depository contract with First National Bank of Eldorado. Trustees Jo Helen

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Comptroller delivers sales tax rebates

State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander delivered a total of \$184 million in monthly sales tax payments last week to 1,097 Texas cities and 118 counties this week. That was down slightly from the same period in last year but is up 7.1 percent, year to date.

In the allocation, the City of Eldorado received \$5,833.21, up 7.02 percent from the June payment last year of \$5,450.57. The city's year to date total is \$37,122.05, down 4.34 percent from the same period one year ago when the year-to-date total was \$38,807.21.

Schleicher County's sales tax rebate this month totalled \$3,798.34, down 45.74 percent from last June's amount of \$7,000.58. The year-to-date total for Schleicher County is \$33,247.74. That is down 60.12 percent from the \$83,375.83 received during the same period in 1998.

The Schleicher County Health Service tax rebate for June was \$3,887.07, down 36.28 percent from last year's June total of \$6,100.85. The year-to-date figure for the Health Service Tax totalled \$29,240.71, down 26.83 percent from the \$39,965.75 delivered in the same period last year.

This month's sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in April and reported by businesses filing monthly tax returns in May, 1999.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation is scheduled to be delivered on Friday, July 9, 1999 and will be reported the following week in the Eldorado Success.



Reverend Janice K. Petty

courtesy photo

First United Methodist Church welcomes Petty as new Pastor

Members of the First United Methodist Church in Eldorado welcomed their new pastor on Sunday, June 13, 1999.

The Rev. Janice K. Petty replaces the Rev. George E. Lumpkin Jr. at the 245-member congregation. Lumpkin, 40, who has served the church since 1994, becomes pastor of St. Luke United Methodist Church, San Angelo.

Bishop Raymond H. Owen of San Antonio announced the ministerial appointments in Corpus Christi during the June 2-5 session of the United Methodist Church's Southwest Texas Annual Conference.

Petty, 42, has been pastor of Lometa and Bend-Chapel United Methodist churches since 1993. She also served the church at Water Valley for two years.

The Braymer, Mo., native earned a bachelors's degree in

1978 from Missouri Western State College. She received a master's degree in 1980 from Idaho State University and master of divinity degree in 1991 from Southern Methodist University.

She was ordained a United Methodist deacon in 1989 and an elder in 1993.

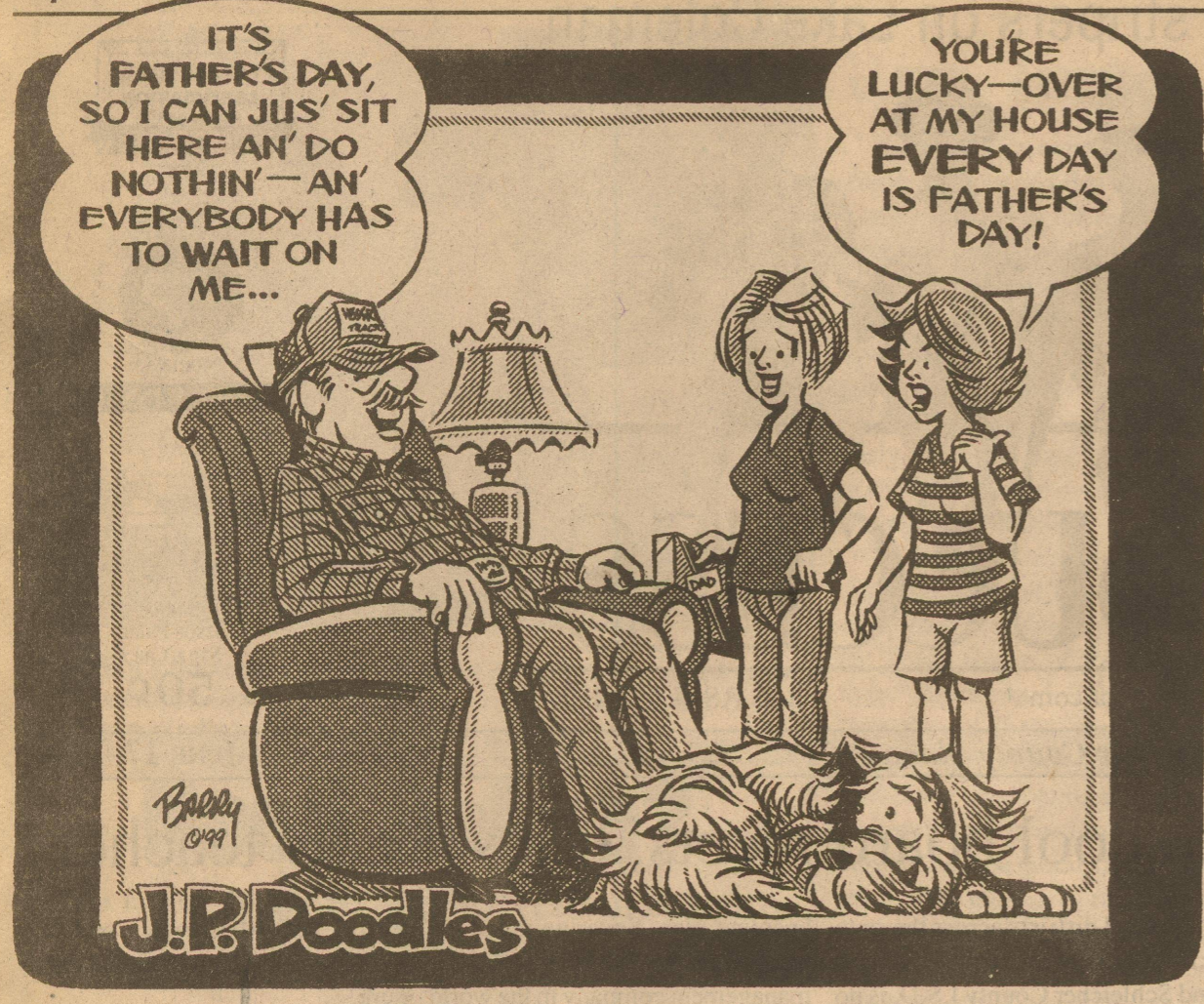
Sixty of the 360 United Methodist congregations in Southwest Texas are to receive new pastors June 13. United Methodist bishops assign clergy members under their supervision to posts annually. A pastor may serve a congregation for more than one year if the bishop reappoints him or her to that post.

The Southwest Texas Conference area covers 76 counties in the southern third of the state. Total United Methodist membership in the region numbers more than 116,000.

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Heroes are often found very close to home

I don't think I've ever told him this, but my Father is one of my heroes. Of the many things he taught me through the years, perhaps the most important is the value of hard work. I didn't always appreciate his lessons, you understand...far from it. There were times in my teenage years when I was convinced that he derived pleasure from dreaming up work for me to do. Later, about the time I had to start paying my own way, I realized that my Dad had always had my best interest at heart.

He also taught me to think for myself. Once, while working in the oilfield, I had been promoted from roughneck to driller. In that job, I would be required to use my brain as well as my brawn.



OVER THE BACK FENCE

by Randy Mankin

My Dad, himself a driller, advised me that there would be times when I would run across problems which weren't easily solved. He advised me to take a few minutes and think about a difficulty before calling for help. "There's never been a driller fired for thinking," he told me, "but, there sure have been a lot of them fired for not thinking."

That advice served me well in many different jobs through the years.

My Dad is a veteran of the Korean War. While there, he distinguished himself in battle, winning several decorations. For years, he stored his medals in their presentation cases, in the bottom drawer of his gun cabinet. Once, while I was in elementary school, I had the opportunity to show the medals to one of my friends. "Wow," he said, "your Dad's a hero!"

Up to that moment I had never thought of him in those terms. Up to that moment I had thought heroes were supposed to be larger than life...like John Wayne or Mickey Mantle. Dad wasn't like that, he was...well, he was my Dad. But that day, for the first time, I saw him differently. I ran my finger across the inscription on one of the medals, VALOR it said. My friend was right...Dad was a

genuine hero.

Through the years, my Father proved himself to be a hero in a thousand different ways. He believed in me, even in my foolish teenage years, when no one in their right mind should have. He supported me, even when I forgot to thank him. And, he challenged me to be better than I was.

Thanks to him, I received a better education than anyone in my family had up to that point. Thanks to him, when I finally earned a college degree, I also owned a work ethic. Thanks to him, I can speak to my son about things like character and integrity.

Last year, my Dad suffered a stroke. While his recovery has been dramatic, it isn't total. He moves slower now and I know he is frustrated by that. He can't do things as easily as he once did, but it hasn't stopped him from trying. And, through it all, he has maintained his sense of humor.

Anyone who knows my Dad will tell you that he can find humor in almost every situation. He always has a joke to tell, or a story to relate. Some of his tales are a little on the crude side, but that's okay, he's lived a hard life and he's earned his rough edges.

I have some stories about my Mother, too, but I'll save those for another column. Sunday is Fathers Day and this week, I wanted to tell you about my Dad. He's retired now, after decades of backbreaking work in the oilfield. He spends his time fishing and working in the yard. I hope he enjoys his retirement...he deserves it.

Bush signs parental notification law concerning abortion

AUSTIN — Gov. George W. Bush last week signed a law requiring doctors to inform parents when their under-18 daughters seek abortions. Under the new law, doctors must wait 48 hours before performing the abortion and must notify parents by registered mail or telephone that their unmarried daughters younger than 18 are seeking terminate their pregnancy.

The new law was authored by Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, and Rep. Dianne White Delisi, R-Temple.

Prayer Vigil Honors Slain Man

A circle of two dozen people dropped to their knees and held hands in a Capitol rotunda prayer vigil June 7 to mark the anniversary of the death of James Byrd Jr., a middle-aged black man from Jasper. Byrd died after being chained at the neck and dragged behind a pickup truck. Three white men were charged in Byrd's death, inspiring hate-crime legislation.

Texas lawmakers failed, however, to pass the measure during the session that ended May 31.

Advocates of a proposal that would have enhanced penalties against perpetrators of hate crimes have asked Gov. Bush to call a special session of the Texas Legislature to reconsider the issue.

The governor took no position on the issue during the regular session.

Homeowner Program Launched

In conjunction with National Homeownership Week, June 5-12, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs last week launched its Texas Statewide Homebuyer Education Program.

The program, intended to increase ownership among low-to

State Capital Highlights

Compiled by Ed Sterling



moderate-income Texans, was mandated by a 1995 Texas law requiring the creation of a program to help citizens learn how to buy a home and keep a home.

Daisy Stiner, executive director of the Department of Housing and Community Affairs, said the program initially will be directed toward underserved areas. She said low-income Texans, minorities and people with disabilities also will be a priority.

The Department of Housing and Community Affairs is responsible for affordable housing, community development and assistance programs and the regulation of the manufactured housing industry in Texas.

Study: Kids Reach for Marlboro

It is against state law for anyone under 18 to buy, possess or use tobacco products, but Texas children annually smoke more than 15 million packs of cigarettes worth \$39 million.

Survey results released June 10 by the Texas Department of Health show how much children smoke and which brands they prefer.

The agency's Texas Youth Tobacco Survey shows Marlboro is by far the most popular brand of cigarettes among underage smokers.

Seventy percent of the smokers in sixth-through-12th grades smoke Marlboro. Newport, at 9 percent, is the second-most popular brand followed by Camel, at 7 percent.

It's no coincidence that

Marlboro leads the list, according to Texas Commissioner of Health William Archer. "Marlboro is the most heavily advertised brand," he said.

The survey, a sampling of middle and high school students in Texas public schools, was conducted last spring.

Safety Is Tops Among Concerns

Safety in schools was a major topic at the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals' summer workshop last week in Austin.

Contraband-sniffing dogs, lockerless schools, gang activity and teacher and student anxiety were among 99 topics discussed at the three-day event attended by more than 1,500 principals and educators.

Other Highlights

A survey released last week by the State Bar of Texas reveals that nearly half of the judges in Texas believe campaign contributions significantly affect courtroom decisions. Holding the same belief were nearly 80 percent of lawyers and nearly 70 percent of other court workers.

Gerald Garrett, 48, of Austin last week was appointed by Gov. Bush as chairman of the 18-member Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles. Garrett will replace current chairman Victor Rodriguez on July 11.

To all you folks who have friends and/or business concerns in Southeast Texas, telephone area code 409 will not "exhaust" in early 2000 as anticipated, the Public Utilities Commission of Texas announced last week.



ROLLING ALONG

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Mr. Bojangles

Everybody from Sammy Davis Junior to the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band has recorded the song, Mr. Bojangles. It was written by Jerry Jeff Walker, whose real name is Ronald Clyde Crosby. He wrote the song while living in New York, his birthplace. "I was with a psychedelic rock band then," says Jerry Jeff. "It was the only type of gig you could get in the sixties."

As a fluke, he joined a group of folk singers who were living in Greenwich Village. "There were bluegrassers among them, some banjo pickers. One of them wrote music for the movie DELIVERANCE."

"Anyway, I was hanging in that folk scene and a bunch of us got pretty drunk one night in the village and we decided to go up to this all night radio station. It was a listener-sponsored radio station and the guy had a program called RADIO UN-NAMABLE and he kinda just did whatever anybody did that showed up. We all showed up and started picking."

"One of the guys said 'play that song you wrote about that dancer.' So I played MR. BOJANGLES. After a couple more songs I went over in the corner and went to sleep. When I woke up there was a whole bunch of pickers who heard the song on the radio and came up to the radio station. The whole room was full of people all picking and singing. I got up and joined them. Someone said 'play that song about that dancer again.'"

"So we all played MR. BOJANGLES. When we finished, the DJ told me he thought that was a really nice song."

"We went out for breakfast and then I went back to my psychedelic band. This guy that had that radio program kept playing both versions of MR. BOJANGLES every night on his radio show for about two months. And everybody in New York was calling around trying to find out who wrote the song and they wanted to record it. And I was way in the background saying I did it and I'd like to record it."

"My band was kinda goin' nowhere then. Consequently I signed with Atlantic Records and cut MR. BOJANGLES as my first single." Jerry Jeff knows that one song propelled him into the national music spotlight. "I'll always thank Bob Phas, the DJ on that show. I called him the other day when I was in New York and he invited me to come on his show if I had some new songs. I told him I did."

Jerry Jeff has a book coming out this year titled "GYPSY SONGMAN." He says it's about his whole musical journey. "When somebody asks me how to get in show business, I tell them I have no idea. Just stay up all night and get a bunch of musicians to play your song live on the radio."

He traveled around the country for four or five years, then settled in Austin in 1970. He first visited there in 1964. He liked it because it was cheap. "Rent was \$129 a month. Electric bill was 9 dollars." Jerry Jeff has done 28 albums to date and plays somewhere in the world a few nights each week. When he's not working he's loafing at one of his homes in Austin or Belize.

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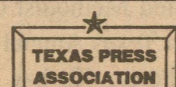
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OBITUARIES

Frances Walton

Frances Clark Walton went to be with the Lord on Monday, June 14, 1999 in San Angelo, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 40 years, Rylan Walton, one daughter Ann Lindsey, two grandsons, Doug and James Earl, her parents, two brothers and three sisters. Before moving to Eldorado in 1991 Frances lived in Big Lake for 32 years.

She is survived by two daughters, Tooter Dunham and husband,

Luther of Eldorado; Nancy and husband Gene Coulvahouse of Odessa; a son, Kenneth Henderson and wife Sharon of Houston; seven grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren, one great-great-grand child and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 10 am, Thursday, June 17, 1999 at The Agape Church, in Eldorado. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home.



Juanita and Fred Igo

courtesy photo

Igos celebrate 50th Anniversary

Fred and Juanita Igo celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, May 29. The Igo's welcomed and shared memories with approximately 125 guests during the come-and-go reception in the Fellowship Hall of Eldorado's First Baptist Church.

The reception and a family dinner was hosted by the couple's children, Richard and Janis (Igo)

Cordes of Menard, Lee and Beverly Igo of Richards, and Carl and Mary Ellen Igo of Yale, Okla. Assisting with the celebration were the Igo's 11 grandchildren.

Over 70 family members attended the event. Thirty-three family members were guests of the Igo's in morning worship services at the First Baptist Church.

Fred Igo of Morton and Juanita Corley of Brownfield were married on June 5, 1949 during a ceremony in the Odessa home of the bride's aunt.

Following the reception, the couple honeymooned in Ruidoso, NM before making their home in Lubbock, where Fred was attending college.

The Igo's have lived in Eldorado since 1975. Fred retired from teaching vocational agriculture in 1985. Juanita retired from the Schleicher County School system in 1996.

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Dear Editor:

Hello! My name was Jay. I was a Border Collie dog that belonged to Tucker Clark. He told me many times, I was his "right hand man."

As you know, ranchers sometimes have to take their livestock on the highway to move them from pasture to pasture. When you see men or animals on the highway,

please, slow down and watch for the animals. They don't know the dangers out there. That is what took my life. I was following Tucker across the highway, along came a fast moving Suburban and hit me. There was no chance for me to live. Later, Tucker laid me to rest under a big tree.

Please slow down and let us live.

submitted by Corene Draper

Vacation Bible School in the park

This Saturday, June 19th, the Midland Recreation Team will be in Eldorado, at the County Park to lead a "Vacation Bible School in the Park." We will begin at 9:00 am and go until 11:30 am. There will be games, singing, snow cones, crafts and much more for all children ages 4 years through 6th grade. Vacation Bible School in the Park is First Baptist Church of Eldorado. If you have any questions call our office at 853-2662.



Dr. Rico Joseph Forlano and Miss Cheryl Kay Niehues

courtesy photo

Niehues/Forlano wedding planned

Miss Cheryl Kay Niehues of Eldorado and Dr. Rico Joseph Forlano of Eldorado plan to marry on August 28, 1999 at Holy Angles Catholic Church in San Angelo.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Denis Niehues of San Angelo. She is a 1992 graduate of Central High School and earned her Associates Degree in Nursing from Angelo State Uni-

versity in 1994. She has been working as a Registered Nurse since 1994.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Albert Forlano of Eldorado. He graduated from Eldorado High School in 1983 and attended Angelo State University and Parker College of Chiropractic where, in 1990, he earned his degree as a Doctor of Chiropractic.

BIRTHDAY LIST

- JUNE**
17th Bernabe Sanchez, Justin Allen Robinson
18th Jason Holley, Lester Paul Nixon, Chad Allen
19th Lance Mitchel, Marty Edmiston, Dallas Turbeville
20th Mande Wike, Stefan Barajas
21st Lindsay Beach, Scott McGregor, Sidney Reynolds, David Charboneau, Colten Behrens, Jeri Whitten
22nd Mickey McGregor, Mildred Phillips, Betty Hanusch, Crissi McCormick, Billie Gayl McKinney, Cari Green, Ramon Adame Jr., Lee Overstreet
23rd Kyle Brown, Jeffery Donn, Oscar Martinez, Summer Finley, Mandy Belk

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Matt Curtis
Freshman

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First, Ms. Garlitz was the 1st tough teacher I ever had. 8th grade is never easy, but when you're taking an advanced class it is especially tough, she told us all year, "don't get behind or you'll never catch up." We'll, I got behind and was like to never catch up, but I did after going to school at 7:00 a.m. and not stopping through 1st period. Then I finally met the challenges of high school. Ms. Garlitz had asked me forcefully to try-out for the One Act play, and I did which has now turned out to be my most favorite thing to do. To portray a hero, villain anything suits me just fine. Now she tells me that she had a plan the whole time she knew I was to be the sheriff. Ms. Garlitz does something every morning in which she is admirable. She gets up and is at school close to 5:00 a.m. That is why she is one of my most admired teachers.



Kimberly Samaniego
4th Grade

The teacher I most admire is Mrs. Homer. It is her because when I was in kindergarten she never got in the mood were she yelled at her kids. She was always organized and she always had something to do that was fun. She taught us how to read and write. She always let us have plenty of playing time. That is why I like her.

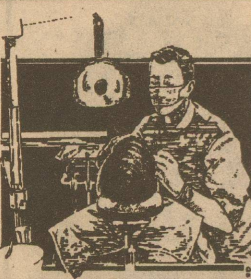
Sandra Garza
5th Grade

My best teach is Miss Jones because she lets us do fun stuff and on Wednesdays she lets us go to computers to play games. Sometimes Mrs. Jones doesn't give us homework when we change classes. I like her because she once made us some food and she let us make this mat from the story called Kwansa. Mrs. Jones lets us work in partners when we draw pictures of the story she reads to the class. So that is why I like Mrs. Jones.



These students were among the winners of the "Teacher I Most Admire" essay contest sponsored by First National Bank of Eldorado. Each of the winners received a \$25 prize.

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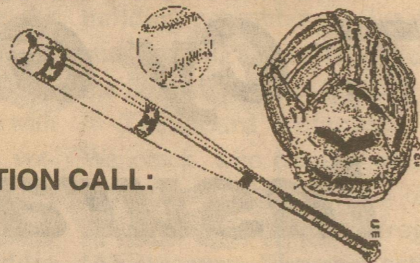
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**Eldorado School
Basketball Camp, 1999**

The Eldorado School Basketball Camp for boys was held during the week of June 7th through the 11th. This camp was held at no charge for students 4th through 9th grade who will attend Eldorado Public School next year. The camp ran from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon and was directed by Coach Alan Gillespie and assisted by Victoria Mitchel and Leslie Gooch. A concession stand was operated by Shannon Gillespie throughout the camp.

There were 20 participants, in all. Activities included skill activities such as ball-handling, dribbling, shooting, defense, offense, rebounding, game concepts, fast-break, passing and various competitions. Campers also played full-court and half-court games. A lot of fun and learning was had by all. Camp participants included Matthew Hill, Michael Redish, Manny Gonzales, Richmond Adame, Chris Chavez, Logan Jones, Drew Bosmans, Briley Leggett, John

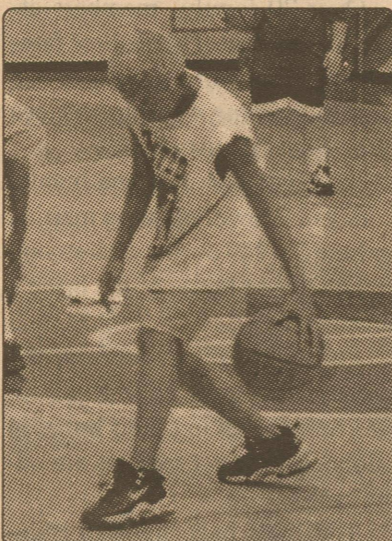


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Just like Michael Jordan — John Fay demonstrated his ball handling skills at the free boys basketball camp held last week.

Fay, Trey Chavez, Forrest Holt, Jordan Fay, Sergio Gonzales, Michael Ballew, Patrick Chavez, Michael Hill, Adam Dominguez, Justin Payne, Caleb Nixon and Frank Edmiston.

A special presentation was held on Friday at 11:00 for parents, grandparents, guardians, etc. A photo of the camp participants will be placed in the foyer of the High School Gym.

All camp participants received a certificate and a camp T-Shirt. Various other awards were also distributed including:

- Ball-handling: Group 2, Matthew Hill; Group 1, John Fay
- Free Throws: Group 2, Briley Leggett; Group 1, Trey Chavez
- Hustle: Group 2, Michael Redish; Group 1, Caleb Nixon
- Hot-Shots: Group 2, Chris Chavez; Group 1, Trey Chavez
- Best All-Around: Trey Chavez
- Most Improved: Group 2, Logan Jones; Group 1, Jordan Fay
- Leadership: Group 2, Drew Bosmans; Group 1, Forrest Holt
- Sportsmanship: Group 2, Logan Jones; Group 1, Frank Edmiston
- 3 on 3: Group 2, Briley Leggett, Manny Gonzalez, Richmond Adame; Group 1, Trey Chavez, Sergio Gonzalez, Michael Ballew
- 3 Point Shooting: Group 2, Briley Leggett; Group 1, John Fay.

Free girls b-ball camp June 21-25

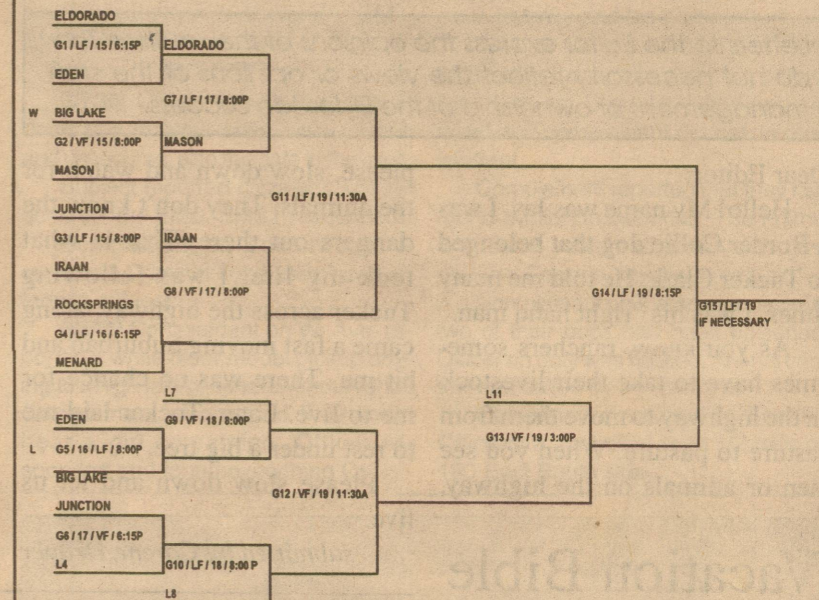
SCISD will be holding a "FREE" basketball camp for girls entering grades 4th thru 9th during the 1999-2000 school year. All applicants must be enrolled in the Eldorado school district in order to participate. The camp will be held in the high school gym, June 21st - 25th from 8:00 a.m. till 12:00 noon. A concession will be available. For more information, please contact Coach Leslie Gooch at 853-3028, ext. 333 or 853-1629.



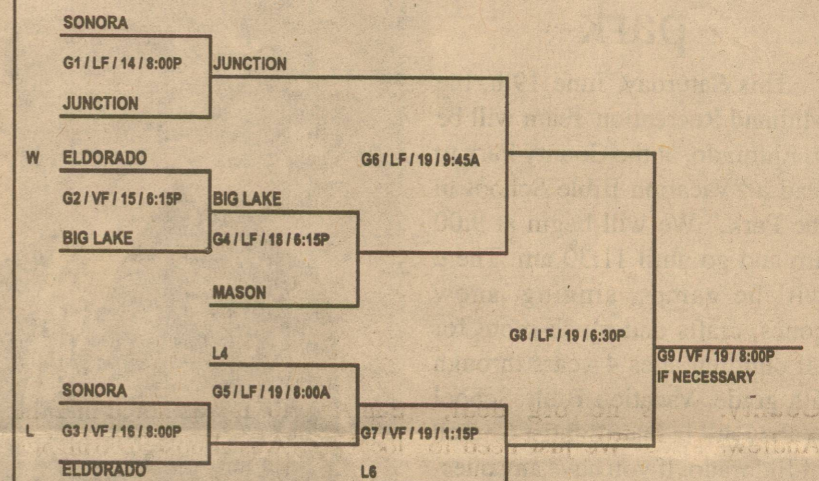
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1999 Boy's Basketball Camp Front (L-R) Adam Dominguez, Manny Gonzales, Matthew Hill, Michael Redish, Chris Chavez, Sergio Gonzalez; Middle (L-R) Patrick Chavez, Briley Leggett, Michael Ballew, Caleb Nixon, Richmond Adame, Logan Jones, Drew Bosmans; Back (L-R) Forrest Holt, John Fay, Trey Chavez, Frank Edmiston, Jordan Fay. Not pictured Justin Payne.

Plateau Classic Division I



Plateau Classic Division II

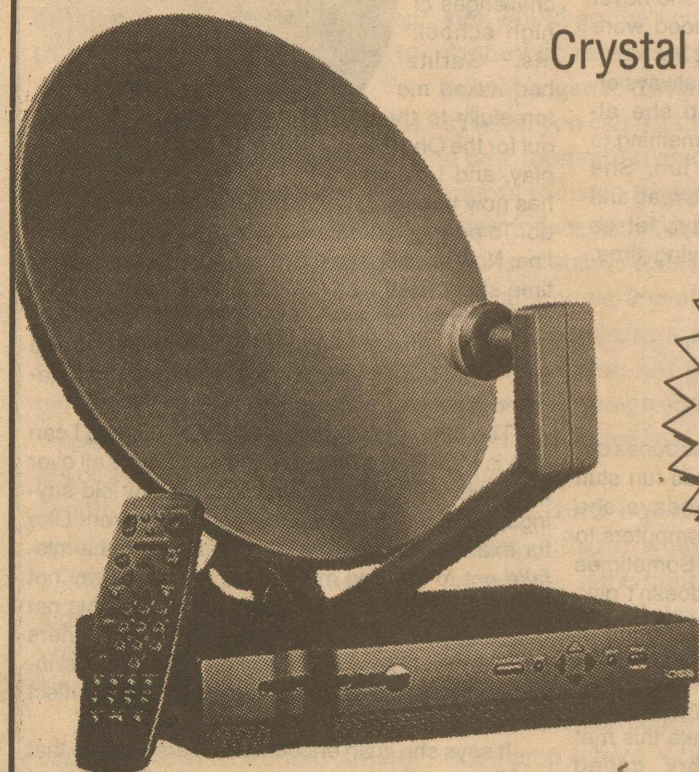


See Division III Bracket on Page 8

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County Commissioners meet, discuss EMS funding & RV hookups on courthouse square.

Schleicher County Commissioners met with representatives of the Schleicher County Volunteer EMS Monday and discussed the county's financial commitment to fund the ambulance service.

County Judge Johnny Griffin blamed himself for a misunderstanding last month between the county and the EMS regarding the service's funding. Griffin said that he had not remembered a court vote happening as it was described in the official minutes. Therefore, he had instructed County Treasurer Karen Henderson to pay the EMS less than their budgeted \$5,000.00.

"I thought we had agreed to fund the EMS up to \$5,000.00 per month, but only if the health services sales tax generated that much money," Griffin stated. "Last month the sales tax fell below the \$5000.00 mark. So, I told Karen to write the check for the amount of the sales tax rebate."

Judge Griffin noted that when the ambulance service's concerns about smaller payment were relayed to him, he checked the minutes of the earlier meetings and learned that indeed the commissioners had voted to give the EMS \$5,000.00 per month and that there was no mention of funding less if the sales tax brought in less.

EMS President Bobby Andrews told the judge and the commissioners that his only concern was that everyone had a clear understanding as to exactly what the details were.

Andrews noted that a grant the EMS had received to pay for construction of their new office, adjacent to the fire hall, had been awarded based on a grant application which claimed \$5,000.00 per month in funding from Schleicher County. "It's no big deal," Andrews said. "We just need to make sure we're all on the same page."

Commissioner Ross Whitten told Andrews that a decline in sales tax revenue might force the Commissioners to reconsider the amount they fund the EMS in next year's budget.

County Treasurer Karen Henderson told the Commissioners that there is currently over \$20,000.00 in the indigent care fund, which is where she deposits revenue from the health services tax. She explained that the county had received the income from the tax for several months before it began using the money to fund the EMS. Also, Henderson said, in months when the tax brings in more than \$5,000.00 the excess is deposited in that account.

Before leaving, Andrews agreed to present the ambulance service's proposed budget to the Commissioners in August.

On hand for the meeting were Commissioners Johnny Mayo, Bill Clark, Steve Minor and Ross Whitten as well as County Judge Johnny Griffin. County Clerk Peggy Williams began the meeting by reading the minutes of the previous meeting which were approved.

In other business, the Commissioners overturned by a unanimous vote the county's long standing policy of allowing recreational

vehicles and travel trailers free use of electrical hookups on the north side of the courthouse. It was noted that there are two RV parks nearby which can easily handle any travelers needing a place to park their RV.

An exception to the new rule, however, will allow any function which is renting the Memorial Building, such as Mias Amigas or Schleicher County Days, access to the hookups.

In other business, the Commissioners decided to repair the roof on the concession stand at the County Golf Course. Sheriff David Doran was asked to see if the work was within the capabilities of his inmates. He agreed to check the project and proceed with it if possible.

The Commissioners then heard a request from the Eldorado Youth Baseball Association for help putting up awnings over the spectator seats at Legion Field and Volunteer Field. The men agreed to fund half of the project, up to \$600.00.

Next, the Court voted to purchase 3.722 acres of land from the Mary Helen Stockton estate along Cedar Lane in Precinct 3, for the purpose of widening the roadway. The county will pay \$500 per acre for the land. It will also remove the old fence, push down brush along the new fence line and construct a new fence along 5.2 miles of the road. The Commissioners called for bids for constructing the fence. Bids will be opened on Monday, June 28th.

Discussion then turned to the purchase of a new riding lawn mower for the cemetery. It was explained that prices for comparable mowers had been obtained from a local store and a store in San Angelo. It was noted that the local price was almost \$200 higher.

Judge Griffin pointed out that since the value of the mower was less than \$15,000.00 the county wasn't required to call for bids. A lengthy discussion then followed about the importance of shopping at home. Finally, Bill Clark offered the motion to purchase the mower locally. The motion was seconded by Steve Minor. Clark and Minor voted for the measure while Ross Whitten and Johnny Mayo voted against. Judge Griffin cast the tie-breaking vote in favor of purchasing the mower locally.

Before adjourning, the Com-

missioners passed a resolution asking the State Comptroller to dedicate the county's share of unclaimed funds from electric cooperatives to the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce's Economic Development Committee. They also agreed to share equally the cost of membership in the Port to Plains coalition with the City of Eldorado. It was noted that the coalition is seeking to extend a 4-lane highway south from Lubbock, through San Angelo to Del Rio where it would meet a new highway being build by the Mexican government. Also, a 4-lane highway would follow Interstate 27 northward from Lubbock to Amarillo then continue northwest to Denver, Colorado.



Fishers of men — These Vacation Bible School students set out across the sea of Galilee in a boat made of chairs and burlap. In this lesson they learned how fishermen in biblical times used nets to haul in their catch. They are (clockwise from left) Taylor Baker, Dalton Buchholz, teacher Branda Gray, Lorenzo Fuentes, Sergio Arispe and Landry Broome.

Thinking of my sister Lorena

by Jewell Sudduth

There were nine children in the Amos Taylor family. Lorena Taylor was the eldest and Jewell Taylor Sudduth was the next-to-youngest. They all grew up on the family farm in Coleman County, Texas.

Lorena was like my "second" mother as she was handicapped and there were phases of farm work she could not do. But, she could cook and take care of the younger children while our parents and the older children went to the fields to work.

Lorena had polio at a very young age and walked with the aid of crutches for nine years until she found out about the sanitorium in St. Louis, Missouri. There, she underwent 9 months of treatment for her crippled leg and came home carrying her crutches.

One incident I remember when I was very young was helping Lorena make corn bread, even though I had to stand up in a chair to reach the cabinet!

Lorena did all kinds of hand work such as crochet, tatting and knitting. She sold enough hand work to furnish her house with furniture. She also was an artist and painted beautiful pictures.

She had a wonderful husband, Jess Williams, who was a dear brother to us all. They moved to California shortly after WWII, looking for work.

Lorena now lives in a convalescent home in Tulare, CA. On



courtesy photo
Lorena Taylor Williams

June 6th, she celebrated her 100th birthday. Two of our sisters, Elgie Spence of Clearlake, CA. and Voncille Estes of Weatherford, TX. were able to attend the big party.

She explained to friends at the party that she spends most of her time putting together jigsaw puzzles. At the moment, she has completed 674 puzzles but plans to keep working on them.

Lorena is indeed a special person in all of our lives. I believe God has given her to us as a Christian example.

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School board hires teachers, approves depository contract

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Kotsch and Roxanne Adame, who are both employed by First National Bank, abstained on the vote.

After the board voted to hire the four new teacher/coaches, Supt. Hal Porter asked the board to consider offering a position to Terry Green. Green, who is now employed by the Menard Special Education Cooperative, serves as SCISD's speech therapist. Porter noted Green could go to work for SCISD with her salary being paid with "flow-through money" from the Menard Special Ed. Coop. and funds from the "Reduction in Class Size Act" recently approved by the state legislature.

Eddie Albin questioned the wisdom of adding staff while the district's student enrollment numbers are dropping. The board voted 5-2 to offer the position to Mrs. Green with trustees Albin and McCormick voting against the motion.

It was announced that Schleicher County deputy Eddie

Rodriguez will serve as SCISD's cheerleader sponsor next year. Supt. Porter explained that Rodriguez, who was a cheerleader at Midland College, also served as a cheerleading coach there. He will replace Tiffany Harris who resigned to take a job in Rogers.

EHS principal Ken Newman described problems he is having finding a high school math teacher. Newman said he had interviewed several applicants, many of whom were also needing jobs for their spouses.

SCISD's maintenance supervisor John Kotsch then updated the trustees on projects his crews are working on during the summer, including renovating an office, building computer workstations and installing a sprinkler system on the football practice field.

The board welcomed Bob Wanoreck, who recently assumed the duties as the principal of the Alternative Education Program (AEP) campus. Wanoreck outlined

his goals for his campus, including the use of vocational facilities and outdoor projects which he said will help his students build self-esteem.

Elementary principal Brian Brownlow told the board he is looking forward to working with Terry Green full-time. He noted that he is dividing the Gifted and Talented program on his campus into two groups. He also explained that some of his teachers will be changing positions in preparation for the next school year.

It was then explained that trustee Eddie Albin is running for the position of Texas Association of School Board's (TASB) delegate from ESC-XV. The board voted unanimously to nominate Albin and endorse his candidacy for the position.

After amending and approving minutes of two previous meetings, the board reviewed and approved the district's financial reports. They then heard of a new policy regarding out-of-district field trips. The board had asked that they be informed about such field trips and Supt. Porter showed them a form that teachers and campus administrators would be required to fill out when requesting field trips. Porter said he hoped the new procedure would make teachers more aware of their responsibilities concerning the trips.

Next, the trustees approved a waiver of tuition for students of SCISD employees. They also voted unanimously to approve the district's application for a TIF grant which would allow the district to expand its technology infrastructure.

The board then voted unanimously to contract with TASB for two long range development planning meetings. It was explained that TASB will send a representative to "facilitate" at the meeting which is planned for two 1-hour days.

The board then heard a series of reports, including an update on a Texas Forts Trail Fall Festival in October which is being promoted by the school's Rural Challenge department.

Before adjourning the trustees discussed attending the TASB state convention in Houston, and the possibility of partially funding the EHS rodeo team. Also, the board asked Supt. Porter to have the district's athletic policy reflect their desire that students participating in subvarsity sports will get equal - or near equal - playing time. Ilse Williams told Porter that the board wanted to see the policy in writing.



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. Incidents 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

6/12/99 Davis, Daniel Shane, male age 24, hold for county judge, charged with Motion To Revoke Probation.

Harris, Richard Carl, male age 33, hold for county judge, charged with Motion To Revoke Probation.

REPORTS

6/7/99 Officer stated that one of doors at automotive business was open and unsecured, also the gate in the back.

Subject reported dizziness and requested the EMS. EMS1 responded.

Complainant on Cottonwood requested a Criminal Trespass placed on female subject.

6/8/99 Complainant on W. Ave. reported a white older model pickup driving at a high rate of speed without lights.

Complainant also stated they could hear a girl screaming. Officer responded and found everything OK.

Complainant on West St. requested to speak to an officer.

Complainant reported 3 men walking into town and may need help towing a vehicle. Officer responded and found everything alright. Subjects had already made contact with a wrecker service.

6/10/99 Complainant reported to Sheriff's Office of a dog that had been found on a ranch 15 miles west. Animal is an older Australian/Shepherd mix. Red/Black spotted with black saddle.

6/12/99 Complainant on North Divide requested an officer to report phone problems.

6/13/99 Complainant stated they had found a miniature dachshund with no tags or collar on 277 North. The dog is a female.

Complainant reported car trouble and needed assistance. Officer responded.

Complainant on E. Dorris reported that someone had beat on their door and trailer home. They could see what the subject was wearing. Officer responded and made contact with the male juvenile and his parents.

6/14/99 Citizen advised someone hit a water meter with a vehicle behind the museum. City was called and advised and complainant did not witness incident.

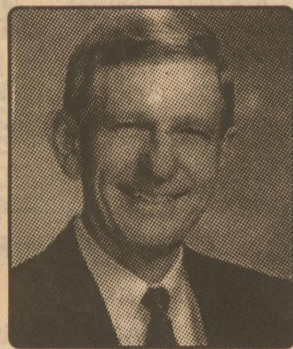
Complainant reported that they had found a mini dachshunds. The animal is about 6 years old, brown with grey on face. Female, has been spayed.

Complainant on Evans reported that two of their dogs had been poisoned. Officer on duty was notified. Animal control was called by complainant.

Complainant reported to Sheriff's Office of a controlled burn 1/2 mile on 190 East South side.

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Meals for Friends Menu



Monday, June 21

Swiss Steak w/Gravy, Baked Potato, Tossed Salad, Cornbread Muffins, Orange Sections

Tuesday, June 22

Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, w/Gravy, Tossed Salad, Wheat Rolls, Peaches, Milk

Wednesday, June 23

Chopped Steak, Parslied Potatoes, Cooked Carrots, Wheat Rolls, Cucumber/Tomato Salad, Tapioca Pudding, Milk

Thursday, June 24

Beef & Cheese Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Creamy Coleslaw, Cornbread, Fruit Salad, Milk

Friday, June 25

Fried Catfish w/Tartar Sauce, Macaroni & Cheese, Mixed Vegetables, Dinner Rolls, Sugar Cookies, Milk



photo by Kathy Mankin

Just outside — Umpire Joe Dombroski eyed the strike zone as Minor's All-Star catcher Matthew Hill hauled in a pitch during a practice game recently Friday against Menard's All-Stars. Eldorado won 16-4.

Focus on the Family

by Dr. James Dobson



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School choice would restore parents educational role

QUESTION: A great deal is being made about something called "school choice" these days. Could you explain this concept and tell me whether or not you are in favor of it?

DR. DOBSON: School choice is an idea whose time has come. It would give parents the right to decide whether to send their children to a public, private or religious institution, and even to select a specific school to which they would be sent.

I favor this idea for several reasons. First, giving parents a choice would improve the quality of education because it would force school personnel to compete for students. That would make them more responsive to parents. Competition always improves the performance of human beings, whether one is selling hamburgers or automobiles. It encourages people to serve more willingly, to operate more efficiently and to do a good job. That is the heart of the free-enterprise system. It provides incentives to those who work hard and think creatively.

Monopolies, by contrast, become unresponsive and stilted. We've seen that lethargy in the U.S. Postal Service, in the various departments of motor vehicles, in AMTRAK — and in the present educational system. I believe test scores will rise and parents will be more satisfied when schools that do a great job are allowed to grow. Their budgets will expand and their teachers will be proud, while disorganized and unresponsive schools with poor teachers and half-hearted administrators will wither on the vine.

That prospect of competition makes educators nervous — but it makes many of us excited.

The second reason I favor school choice is related to the first: It would put power in the hands of parents. If Dad or Mom became dissatisfied with a particular school, he or she could take a child to a nearby school that better serves that child's needs. With that youngster would go the voucher and the money it represents. As a bad school began to dwindle under this system, you can bet there would be a new motivation among administrators to listen to parents and accommodate their concerns.

As it stands today, parents are virtually powerless unless they organize and storm a school board meeting. There has to be a better way to encourage cooperation between the home and professional educators.

The third benefit of school choice is that it would grant poor people the same options now held by the affluent. Today, if an upper-class family is dissatisfied with their local public schools — or if they prefer Christian education or a first-class prep school — they have the resources to send their children where they wish. An underprivileged family has no such alternative. They are stuck with the school in their neighborhood, even if it is rife with violence and rebellion.

President Bill Clinton, who campaigned against school choice in California, sent his daughter to an excellent private school in Washington, D.C. I would like to see everyone have the opportunity he had.

Statistics recently released by the U.S. Department of Education

itself indicated that nearly half of our nation's adult population is functionally illiterate. The future looks even dimmer. It's forecast that three out of every five of our current school-age population will either drop out or "graduate" with an education below the seventh-grade level!

Given that dismal track record, small wonder the movement to place accountability squarely in the hands of the people to whom it belongs — the staff, parents and students at each individual school — is gaining ground. Until we rediscover the time-tested axiom that families who care about and are allowed to participate in their children's education is the crucial contributing factor to classroom success, I'm convinced school choice is the wave of the future.

Dr. Dobson is president of the non-profit organization Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, Colo. 80903; or www.fof.org. Questions and answers are excerpted from "Solid Answers," published by Tyndale House. Copyright 1998 James Dobson, Inc. Distributed by Universal Press Syndicate 4520 Main St., Kansas City, Mo. 64111; (816) 932-6600

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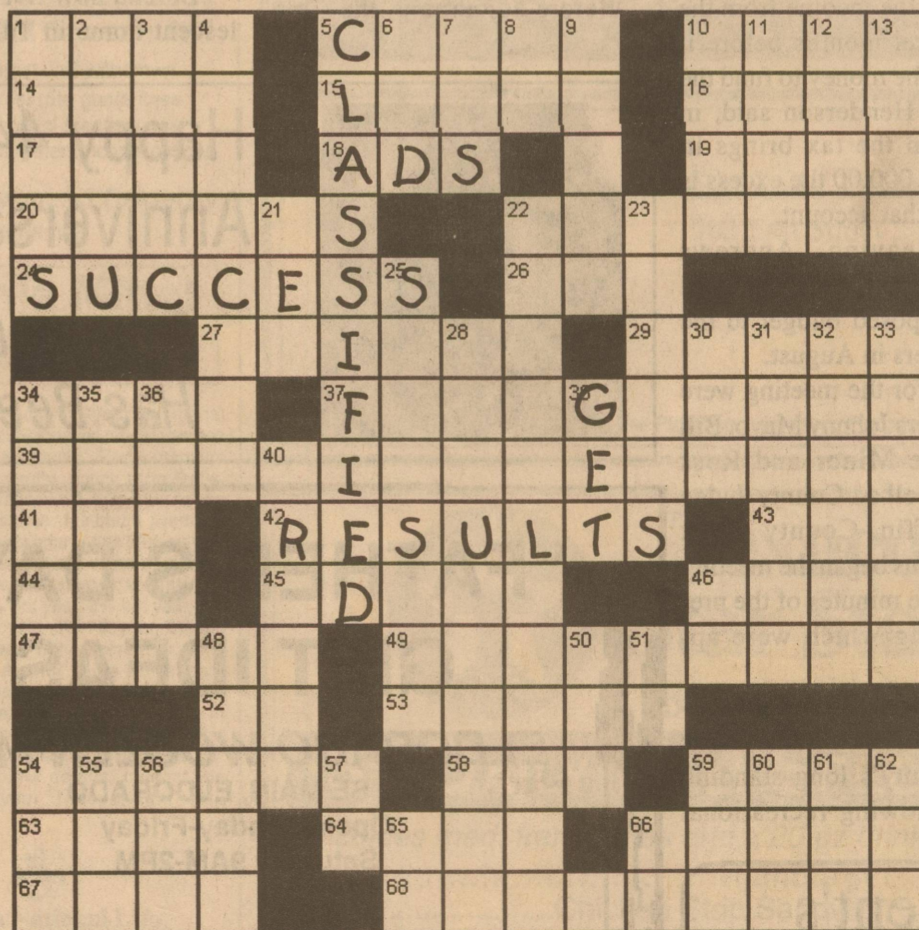
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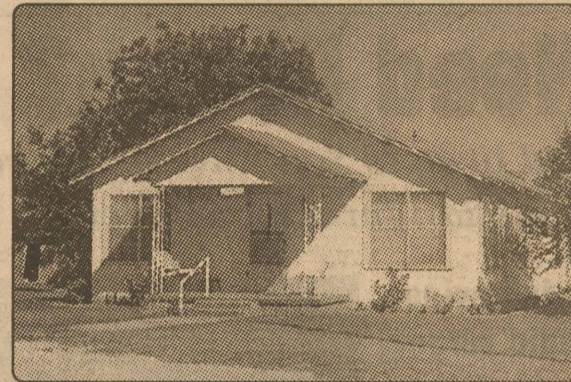
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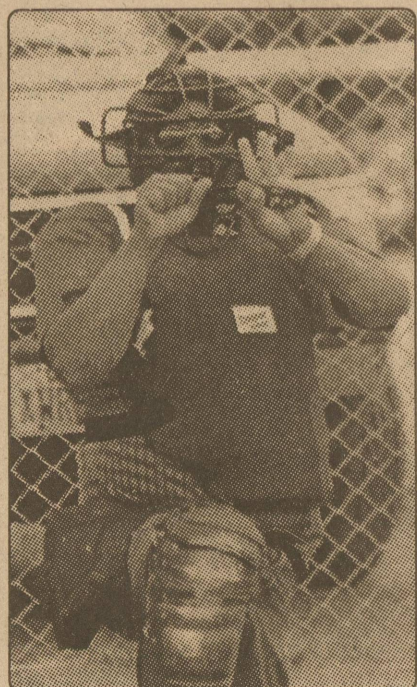
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Rep. Turner declares session successful for rural Texas

State Representative Bob Turner, announced that most legislative initiatives for rural Texas were successful this session of the legislature. Legislation assisting agriculture, rural economic development, fire protection, county government and prosecuting criminals all passed the legislature. Early estimates place the increase in state funding for rural programs at about \$203 million.

"The 1999 legislative session did more for rural Texas than any other since I began my tenure in the Texas House of Representatives," Turner said. The recessed state of rural Texas' main two industries—agriculture and oil/gas—pushed the needs of rural areas to the forefront according to Rep. Turner. At one point during the session, the number of rural initiatives passed by the Texas House was met by a backlash from inner-city representatives who felt too much was being done to help rural Texas while no legislation to help low income inner-city areas was a priority.

The legislature began the session by providing \$45 million in emergency severance tax relief to oil and gas producers to help off-

set record low prices. Many counties and school districts are bracing for significant losses in tax revenues and state funding due to the recession in the industry earlier this year. Some provisions of S.B. 4, which is best known for providing teachers with a \$3,000 a year pay-raise, contain financial help for school districts adversely affected by the low oil and gas prices.

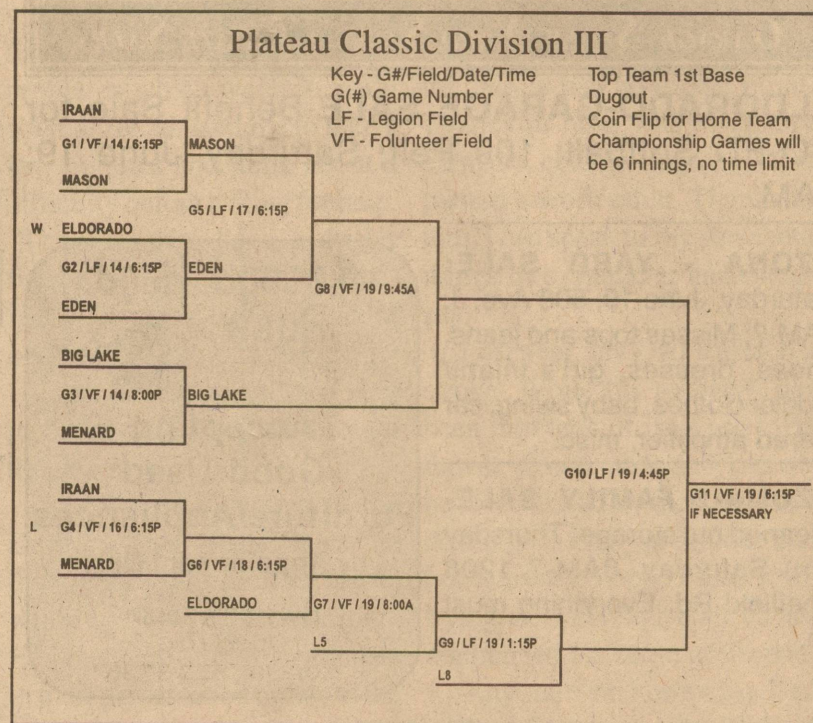
Three main initiatives were adopted for the Texas agricultural industry this session. The legislature provided an increase in funding for the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority (TAF) to make more money available for low interest loans to cover the cost of boll weevil eradication, starting a value-added agricultural processing business, and the Young Farmer Program. S.B. 441 was amended by Rep. Turner to provide franchise tax credits for Ag processing facilities expanding or locating in rural counties. And finally, the legislature adopted H.B. 2 to outline the development of the state's agriculture policy. Rep. Turner was a joint author of this legislation.

Rural fire protection received

a big boost this session by receiving \$38.6 million in funding for the next two years. Texas Forest Service will be able to post more employees in west Texas to coordinate fire fighting activities, and provide assistance to local and volunteer fire departments.

Legislation authored by Rep. Bob Turner to assist rural counties with the cost of prosecuting capital murder cases was finally ap-

proved after Turner filed this legislation for the second consecutive session. "Sometimes it takes two or three legislative sessions to pass a bill," Turner continued jokingly. "It takes that long either to educate the members or wear them down." Rep. Turner was also able to secure \$2.4 million in state appropriations to fund the bill. H.B. 424 is currently awaiting the governor's signature.



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You shoulda' seen the one that got away — The hybrids were biting at Lake Coleman last week. (L-R) Leslie Bassinger of Eldorado, his grandson Seth Halton of Holton, Kansas, Leon Stricklan of Eldorado and fishing guide Mike Stuard show off some of the hybrid striped bass they caught on Lake Coleman last week.



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