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### For Your Information

#### Holiday Closings

The Community Resource Center, Transportation Van and Driver's License Department will be closed Monday, July 5, 1999 in observance of the 4th of July.

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#### Safe Boaters Needed!

About 600,000 boats are registered in Texas. In 1998, 54 fatalities occurred on state waterways, and alcohol played a part in about 50 percent of all boating accidents.

The Texas Parks & Wildlife Dept. offers the following advice when boating:

- Avoid alcohol.
- Always wear a life jacket.
- Don't overload your boat.
- Operate at a safe speed.
- Before you rent or borrow a boat, learn to properly operate the vessel and know the rules of the waterway.
- Have a passenger serve as a lookout.
- Watch out for low water areas or submerged objects.
- Enroll in a boater education class.

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#### On This Date

On this date in 1847 the first adhesive postage stamps went on sale this day. Ben Franklin's likeness adorned the 5¢ stamp while George Washington was pictured on the 10¢ stamp. In 1934 the Federal Communications Commission, was created by act of Congress. In 1951 Bob Feller pitched his third no-hitter for the Cleveland Indians. In 1961 Boise, ID, opened the first community air raid shelter. In 1963 the U.S. Post Office unveiled the Zip Code to speed up mail delivery. In 1987 eleven-year old John Kevin Hill landed at National Airport in Washington, DC to become the youngest aviator to fly across the U.S.

Birthdays of note include: 1899 musician Tommy Dorsey; 1908 cosmetics mogul Estee Lauder; 1916 actress Olivia DeHavilland; 1934 actor Jamie Farr; 1952 comedian Dan Aykroyd; 1961 olympian Carl Lewis.

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#### Did You Know

Most Texans are aware that Sam Houston, hero of San Jacinto was the first president of the Republic of Texas in 1836-38. He served a second term in 1841-44. Houston also served Texas as its governor from 1859 to 1861 when he was removed from office by the legislature. His crime? Opposing Texas' secession from the Union at the beginning of the Civil War.

## Old School Bell welcomes Mias Amigas Club back home

Eldorado's "Old School Bell" rang out again on Saturday, June 27th as generations of Eldorado High School graduates gathered for the 68th annual meeting of the Mias Amigas Club. As usual, the reunion was held on the courthouse lawn and in the Memorial Building.

The 50-year class of 1949 was honored along with the 20-year class of 1979 which was officially inducted into the Mias Amigas club.

Membership in Mias Amigas is limited to those EHS graduates who have been out of school for 20 years or more. So, each year a new class is admitted.

Ceremonies began at 9:30 a.m. with the ringing of the Old School Bell. Frances Williams Kissinger and Kumler Mund represented the class of '49 while Cherie Niblett and Kyle McCormack were on hand for the class of '79 at the ringing ceremony.

The club then entered into its yearly business meeting in the Memorial Building where the

EHS-exes sang the Mias Amigas song. In a touching ceremony, names of club members who died since the last meeting were read aloud as one by one flowers were added to a bouquet in their honor.

Also during the meeting, the Class of 1949 was introduced. The Class of 1979 was also brought before the club and welcomed into membership.

Following the meeting, a barbecue lunch was served on the courthouse lawn. Club officials estimated afterward that more than 450 people attended the barbecue.

Several individual class reunions took place during the afternoon.

Earlier in the meeting, Mias Amigas President Phil McCormick, a member of the SCISD school board, invited club members to tour the school. Many of the EHS-exes accepted McCormick's invitation and were escorted through the school Saturday afternoon by student volunteers who explained many of the new programs currently underway there.



photo by Kathy Mankin

**Do you remember these** — Connie Speck Hansen and Barbara Speck Box looked over a collection of curling irons at the Schleicher County Museum Saturday. They were in town for the 68th annual Mias Amigas

## DPS estimates 31 fatalities during July 4th weekend

The Department of Public Safety estimates that as many as 31 Texas motorists could die in traffic crashes over the 54-hour July 4 weekend, which runs from 6 p.m. Friday to midnight Sunday. Last year, 61 people were reported killed in 48 fatal crashes during the 78-hour holiday. Of those, at least 22 accidents and 29 deaths involved alcohol, according to DPS figures.

"We want to make sure that all our Texans are able to celebrate the next Fourth of July," said Col. Dudley M. Thomas. "Please obey the speed limit, make sure you and all your passengers are buckled up and never drink and drive."

Other traffic safety tips include:

- If you become stranded by the roadside, do not accept a ride from a stranger. Call, or ask someone to call, the DPS stranded motorist line 1-800-525-5555. DPS will send a law

enforcement officer to assist you.

- Make sure your vehicle is roadworthy before starting a trip of any length. Carry extra supplies, including plenty of water, in case you have car problems.

- Make sure the driver of the vehicle is well rested. On long trips, drivers should take a break every two hours.

- Drive with your headlights on during daylight hours so that your vehicle is more visible to other drivers and pedestrians.

- Watch weather conditions all along your intended travel route. Weather, heavy traffic and road construction can affect your travel time, so plan accordingly. The Texas Department of Transportation has a road conditions hotline, 1-800-452-9292.

- Let others know your intended travel plans and notify them if your plans change.

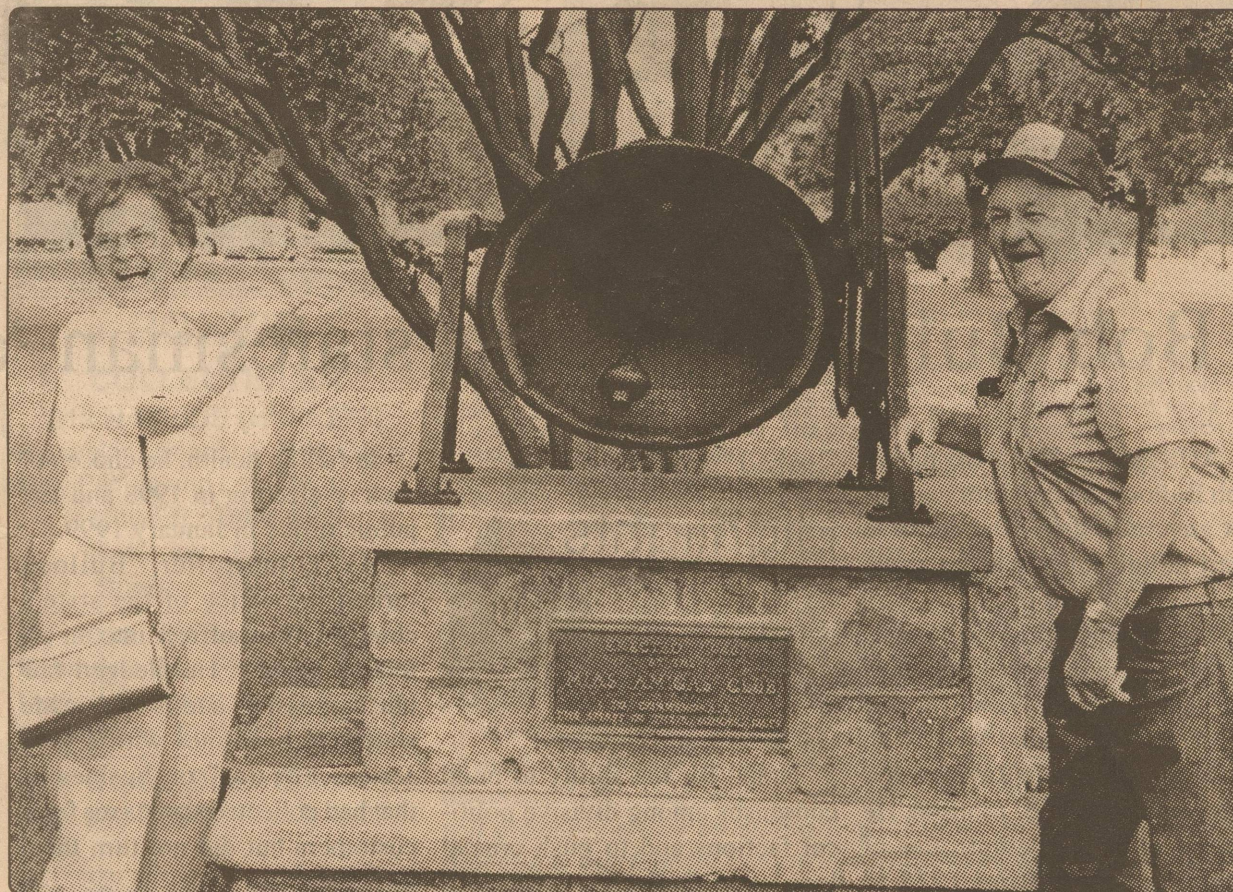


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**Class is in session** — Frances Williams Kissinger and Kumler Mund, EHS Class of 1949 rang the Mias Amigas Club's Old School Bell Saturday morning to officially begin the club's 68th annual meeting.

## Officials urge caution with fireworks on 4th

Independence Day, the most celebrated of America's patriotic holidays, is often identified with backyard barbecues, ice cream, swimming parties, and --- fireworks. Although Schleicher County has received above average rainfall in recent weeks, improper use or inadequately supervised fireworks could turn a Fourth of July celebration into an uncontrolled wildfire.

Since 1950, the City of Eldorado has had an ordinance prohibiting the sale and discharge of fireworks, torpedoes, rockets, etc., within the city limits.

Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran told the Success, "As usual, we will be enforcing the city ordinance and issuing citations to those who choose to discharge fireworks within the city." Doran said that during recent Fourth of July Fourth holidays, there have been several fires started by fireworks. Sheriff's department officers will be stringently enforcing the fireworks ordinance this year in hopes

of preventing further damage.

Unlike some surrounding counties, Schleicher County has chosen not to ban fireworks. Fire Chief Jerry Jones said that he believes there has never been a real problem with fireworks in the county. He noted, however, that it only takes a single burning ember to start a fire.

"If you feel you have to use

fireworks," Jones said, "use your common sense."

So, this fourth of July, enjoy your backyard barbecues, your ice cream, your swimming parties, but when it comes to the fireworks, please be careful. A shimmering firecracker may be breathtaking against the night sky...but a moment's carelessness could result in a major fire.

## "Feed the Children" program gets underway here next week

Do you know a child, ages 4-15, in need of a meal? If so, a new program called Feed the Children can help. Beginning on Tuesday, July 6th and continuing through Friday, August 6th, meals for needy children will be provide on the north side of the Schleicher County Courthouse.

Marian Overstreet announced the program, saying that it is: 1) not for adults; 2) not a picnic; and 3) not a Vacation Bible School.

"We will provide simple meals, from 12:00 noon to 12:30 p.m., on weekdays only, to any children who need them," Overstreet said.

Overstreet noted that children who wishing to add names to the Saturday Meals for the Elderly program may do so.

Donations for the program are being accepted and volunteers are needed. Anyone desiring more information is encouraged to call 853-2147 or 853-3309.

## 4-H honors leaders with Silver Clover Award

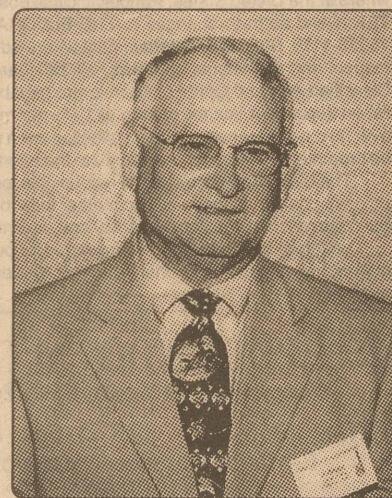
A time-honored West Texas tradition, the Silver Clover Recognition Banquet, marked its 32nd year in San Angelo June 24, 1999 in the Original Zentner's Steak House. Thirty-one adult 4-H supporters from Texas Agricultural Extension Service's District 7 were honored.

The unique annual event recognizes individuals or institutions instrumental in the success of Extension's 4-H youth program. Honorees were nominated and selected by a panel of judges from the district's 23 counties. The banquet is the only 4-H related event of its kind in the state. Since it be-

gan, it has been sponsored by ten rural electric cooperatives serving the area covered by District 7.

Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative is one of the sponsors.

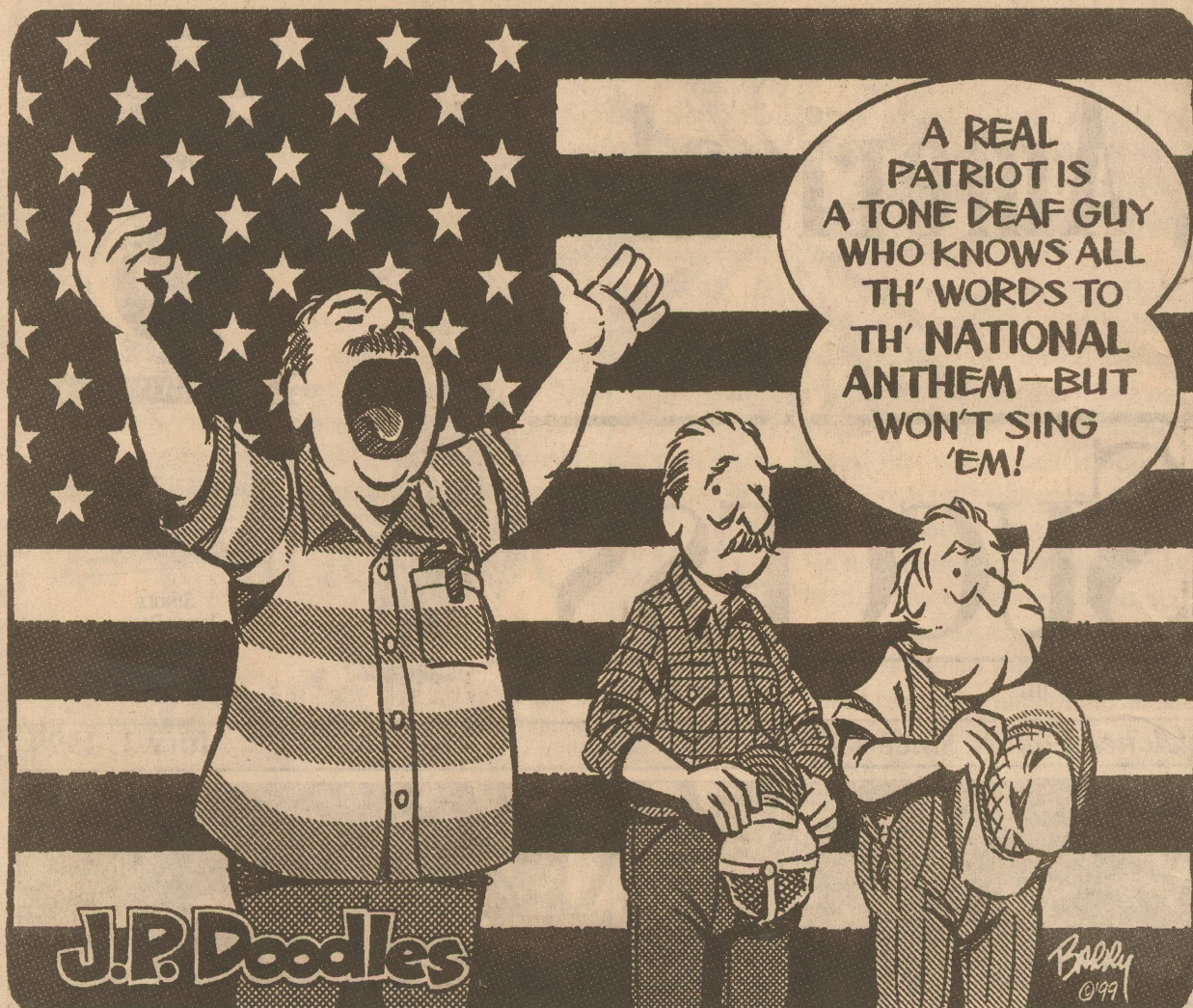
The honorees from Schleicher County are Becky Sterling, Judge Johnny Griffin and Steve Will-



courtesy photos

**4-H Honorees** — (L-R) Judge Johnny Griffin, Becky Sterling and Steve Williams were among thirty-one 4-H Silver Clover Award winners from District 7 announced on Thursday, June 24th at a banquet in San Angelo.





## Bob Bullock, a Texas statesman, dead at 69

AUSTIN — Hillsboro native Bob Bullock, Texas' 38th lieutenant governor, died of congestive heart failure June 18 at his home in Austin. He was 69.

Considered one of the outstanding Texas political leaders of the 20th century, Gov. Bullock often was compared with U.S. House Speaker Sam Rayburn and President Lyndon B. Johnson. He served as Texas comptroller of public accounts from 1975 to 1991, was elected lieutenant governor, and presided over the Texas Senate from January 1991 to January 1999.

He was demanding, compassionate and deeply motivated by his love for Texas. He ended every speech with "God Bless Texas." The same words were printed at the bottom of his official letterhead stationery.

### State Capital Highlights

Compiled by Ed Sterling



cial letterhead stationery.

Noted for his ability to build consensus among divisive political factions and to push crucial legislation, Bullock's 42-year political career began in 1956, the year he was elected as a state representative.

He went on to serve on the Texas Historical Commission and the staff of Gov. Preston Smith. He served as assistant attorney general and secretary of state before serving as state comptroller and finally as lieutenant governor.

In failing health, he chose not seek re-election in 1998 and left public office in January 1999.

As comptroller, Bullock turned the office of the state's chief financial officer into an effective agency. He pledged fair but aggressive audits and made statewide headlines with a long series of "raids" on businesses that had collected state taxes from customers but did not turn them in to the state.

His frequent and increasingly accurate forecasts on state finances allowed the Texas Legislature to do a better job of budgeting for state expenditures.

Bullock overhauled the ethics laws during his first term as lieutenant governor in effort to restore public confidence in state government. He created the Texas Performance Review for the state comptroller to analyze spending at state agencies and recommend cost-saving measures.

Bullock also:

- Developed a taxpayer bill of rights to guarantee that Texas taxpayers were treated with fairness, courtesy and common sense;

- Consolidated all environmental agencies into the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission;

- Pushed through a constitutional amendment requiring voter approval before a state personal income tax could be enacted and required the money be spent on education, if voters were to approve such a tax;

- Led efforts to modernize the state tax system and worked on tort reform, health care and juvenile justice;

- Was instrumental in finding a legislative solution to get Texas out of federal court lawsuits involving prisons and mental health;

...We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness...

2nd Paragraph  
Declaration of Independence  
July 4, 1776

They were criminals...at least, in the eyes of King George.

The British monarch had little regard for the men who gathered on July 3, 1776 in the Pennsylvania Assembly Building in Philadelphia. Traitors, he called them and ordered their imprisonment and immediate

- Led legislative efforts to revamp the state's educational funding system;

- Ushered through a law creating the state's first comprehensive water conservation and management plan;

- Championed the effort to renovate the state cemetery; and

- Promoted the establishing of a state museum in the Capitol Complex. Lawmakers in the just-ended 76th Legislature voted to name the museum after him — a tribute to his work on the project.

Bullock was buried June 20 at the Texas State Cemetery in Austin. Survivors include his wife, Jan Bullock, son, Robert D. "Bobby" Bullock, grandson, Grant Bullock Robinson, and daughter, Lindy Ward, all of Austin; stepdaughter, Kimberly Ader of Houston; and brother, Tom Bullock of Brenham. Two sisters, Sara Read and Louisa Bond, preceded him in death.

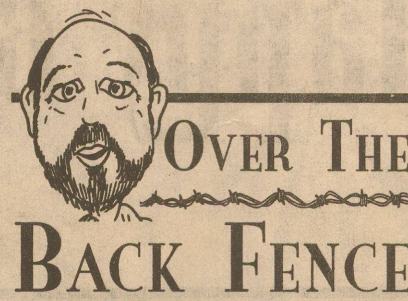
### Announcement Shocks Group

On the morning of June 18, Fred Lowe of the Lampasas Dispatch Record delivered the sad news of Bullock's death to a crowd of nearly 300 Texas newspaper publishers and their families, in Galveston for Texas Press Association's 120th annual summer convention.

Though Bullock's health condition was well known, the announcement of his death was met with gasps and tears. Lowe delivered an impromptu prayer for Bullock and for the Bullock family.

A longtime friend of Texas newspapers, Bullock was a champion of open government and a believer in the public's "right to know." While comptroller, he twice fought off legislation attempting to place a retail tax on newspaper subscriptions.

## Liberty...not for the faint of heart



by Randy Mankin

execution.

But, the men didn't behave much like criminals. Instead of hiding their treason from public view, they went to great lengths to publicize it.

They weren't ordinary men, these signers of the Declaration of Independence...far from it, they were Patriots.

Today we revere them as our nation's Founding Fathers. There are statues and memorials dedicated to them, but little thought is given to the very real danger these men faced.

Had the Revolutionary War failed, and it nearly did, they would have been hung. The British Army carried warrants for the arrest of the fifty-six men. Half were to be executed on American soil, at least one in each of the thirteen colonies. (All the Pennsylvania delegation were to be hung on the grounds of the Assembly Hall where they signed the treasonous document.) The other half were to be taken to London so that their executions could be witnessed by representatives of Britain's other colonies.

King George wanted an example made of these upstarts who dared to challenge his sovereignty.

So, what did the men do? Once the Declaration of Independence was completed, they asked that it be printed for the world to read. They also directed that a formal copy be delivered to King George in London. There would be no turning back.

This week, in honor of Independence Day, I take this opportunity to again recognize the men who, without regard to personal fortune or safety, dared to stand for liberty. They were:

(New Hampshire) Josiah Bartlett, William Whipple, Matthew Thornton; (Massachusetts) John Hancock, Samuel Adams, John Adams, Robert Treat Paine, Elbridge Gerry; (Rhode Island) Stephen Hopkins, William Ellery; (Connecticut) Roger Sherman, Samuel Huntington, William Williams, Oliver Wolcott; (New York) William Floyd, Philip Livingston, Francis Lewis, Lewis Morris; (New Jersey) Richard Stockton, John Witherspoon, Francis Hopkinson, John Hart, Abraham Clark; (Pennsylvania) Robert Morris, Benjamin Rush, Benjamin Franklin, John Morton, George Clymer, James Smith, George Taylor, James Wilson, George Ross; (Delaware) Caesar Rodney, George Read, Thomas McKean; (Maryland) Samuel Chase, William Paca, Thomas Stone, Charles Carroll; (Virginia) George Wythe, Richard Henry Lee, Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Harrison, Thomas Nelson, Jr., Francis Lightfoot Lee, Carter Braxton; (North Carolina) William Hooper, Joseph Hewes, John Penn; (South Carolina) Edward Rutledge, Thomas Heyward, Jr., Thomas Lynch, Jr., Arthur Middleton; (Georgia) Button Gwinnett, Lyman Hall, and George Walton.

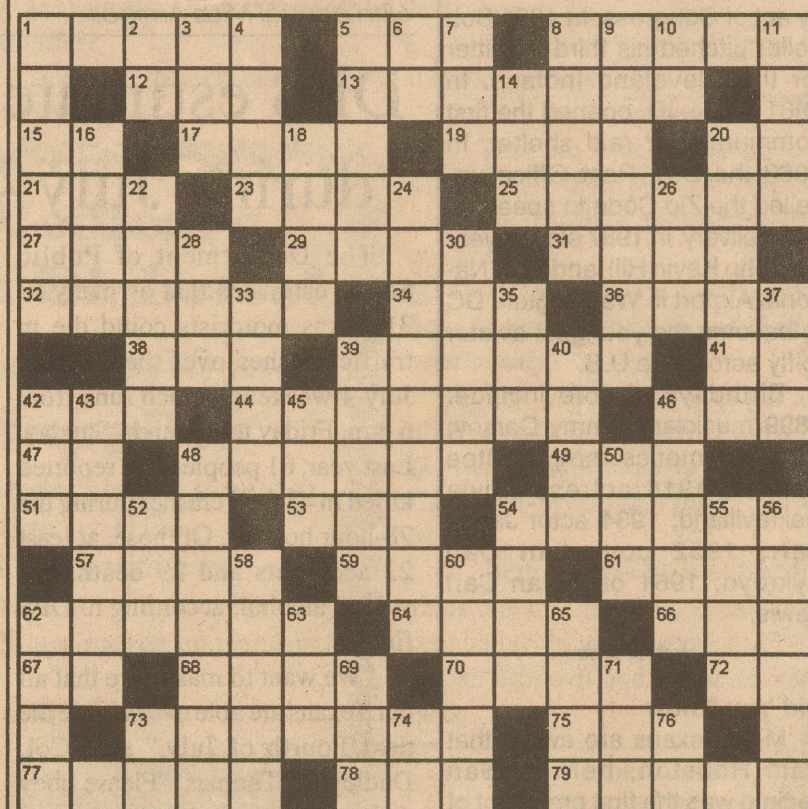
Oh, by the way, when the final vote was made on July 3, 1776, none of the men voted against the declaration...neither did any of them abstain. The men, who identified themselves as the Congress, waited until the Declaration of Independence was printed to formally sign it. That happened on July 4th, which became a national holiday.

And, the red brick building where it was signed...it's now known as Independence Hall. An even more remarkable document, the U.S. Constitution was signed there a few years later.

### CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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|--------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>ACROSS</b>                  | 54. Curiosity          | 22. Prickly shrub        |
| 1. Achievements                | 57. Excluding          | 24. Utopia               |
| 5. Sprout                      | 59. Verve              | 26. Farewell to          |
| 8. Beam                        | 61. Vexed              | Claudius                 |
| 12. Airline                    | 62. Fixed              | 28. Tibetan ox           |
| 13. Attack helicopters         | 64. Of late            | 30. Poetic lament        |
| 15. Within (prefix)            | 66. Div. of time       | 33. Sniggle              |
| 17. Spheres                    | 67. You and I          | 35. Afghan coin          |
| 19. Handle                     | 68. Eddie ____ (actor) | 37. Speckle              |
| 20. Personal pronoun           | 70. King               | 39. Thick soup           |
| 21. Henpeck                    | 72. Inert gas suffix   | 40. Honey beverage       |
| 23. Tennessee state flower     | 73. Axilla             | 42. Panda                |
| 25. Thorny plants              | 75. Name               | 43. Praises              |
| 27. Helen's town               | 77. Cosmetic           | 45. Naught               |
| 29. Long for                   | 78. Shaver             | 46. Parlance             |
| 31. Covetousness               | 79. Revise             | 48. Oater                |
| 32. Gunfire                    | <b>DOWN</b>            | 50. Psyche segments      |
| 34. Mount                      | 1. Swoons              | 52. Afternoon repast     |
| 36. Title                      | 2. Toward prefix       | 54. Singles              |
| 38. Snow glider                | 3. Duet                | 55. Triad                |
| 39. Spirit                     | 4. Persian city        | 56. Pined                |
| 41. Baseball abbrev.           | 5. Rudiment            | 58. Greek letter         |
| 42. Lilliputian                | 6. Vertical direction  | 60. Nervous              |
| 44. Nestle                     | 7. Smudge              | 62. Parallel             |
| 46. Communication conglomerate | 8. Anglo-Saxon county  | 63. Beret                |
| 47. Tomahawk                   | 9. Mrs. Gates          | 65. Ford                 |
| 48. Hurry                      | 10. Bible abbreviation | 69. Beak                 |
| 49. Abet                       | 11. Nights             | 71. Grog                 |
| 51. Animus                     | 14. Hack               | 73. Relating to (suffix) |
| 53. Garland                    | 16. Emporium           | 74. Toward               |
|                                | 18. Glasgow hillside   | 76. Endure               |
|                                | 20. Most sardonic      |                          |

This week's solution on Page 6



This crossword puzzle is sponsored each week by:

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## ROLLING ALONG

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### Those Kids Now Have Cold Milk

Hot. Dusty. Poor. Fields of pulverized earth that look like powder. Too dry to grow even greasewood or cactus. This is Creel, Mexico.

A young hypnotist was performing in a big circus tent. The crowd and the show created so much choking dust inside some people left. The most beautiful thing around Creel today is a refrigerator in a rural school. It was delivered recently by a group of Rotarians who asked me to go down with them.

They have been making the trip the past few years to provide supplies and furniture for some country schools in the Tarahumara Indian territory around Copper Canyon in northwest Mexico. The kids spend most of their days at school, attending on Saturdays as well as weekdays. They eat a couple of meals at school. For the last few months the youngsters have been without hot food because the school officials didn't have enough money to buy eighteen dollars worth of butane for the stove.

People living in the area have been forced to haul water from a creek because the pump Rotarians bought has a broken check valve. When water fills up the reservoir, it all runs back out due to the broken valve, which costs around twenty dollars.

School officials told Rotarians the kids needed milk. There was no way to keep it, so the Rotarians bought a refrigerator for \$800 at Wal-Mart in Chihuahua and hauled

it by pickup truck to the school in the mountains. As soon as it was installed, a teacher put a cup of water inside the freezer section. After awhile, she retrieved it and marveled at the condensation on the outside of the cup and the cool water inside it. She was all smiles.

The only hospital in Creel has an X-ray machine once used in Andrews. The hospital in Andrews was getting a new one, so some Rotarians asked if they could have it for the hospital in Creel. Getting it across the border took some doing and getting it installed in Creel was something unusual in these days of big businesses with small hearts.

General Electric, the manufacturer of the X-ray machine, sent a team of technicians from Mexico City to install it in Creel at no cost. On this trip Rotarians delivered 1800 servings of dehydrated food to the students. To have a hot meal they just add hot water.

I hadn't been to the area for a few years, and was impressed with the superb roads winding through the mountains. They are wide and well marked and maintained.

We spent a morning poking around the edge of the Copper Canyon at Divisadero. At least three large resort hotels are there, some with porches hanging over the canyon.

We spent one night at Guerrero where Rotarians have been holding medical clinics for years. The clinic needs painting. Any volunteers?

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# OBITUARIES

## Susie Faught

ELDORADO - Susie Faught, 80, of San Angelo and formerly of Eldorado, died Friday, June 25, 1999, in a San Angelo nursing home.

Services were held Sunday, June 27, 1999 at the First Baptist Church of Eldorado. Burial followed in Crews Cemetery near Ballinger. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

She was born Nov. 28, 1918, in Hill County and was a longtime resident of Eldorado. She was a homemaker and a Primitive Baptist.

Survivors include two daughters, Barbara Bonnett of San Angelo and Edna Baethge of Doss; a sister, Gertrude Robinson of Dallas; five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

## Rogelio R. Martinez

BOERNE — Reverend Rogelio R. Martinez passed away on Sunday, June 27, 1999. The memorial service was held in Boerne, Texas. The funeral service was held at the First Church he pastored, the Iglesia Bautista Memorial of Waelder, Texas. His body was laid to rest at Cementerio Bautista in Waelder.

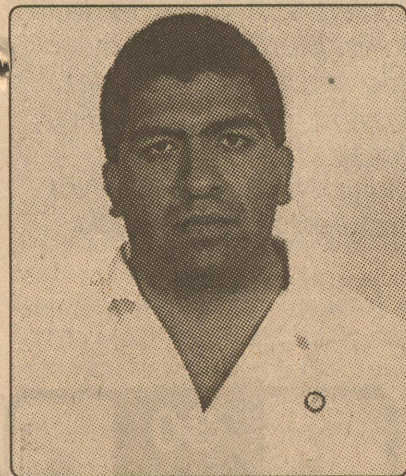
Reverend Martinez was a native of Zaachila, Oaxaca, Mexico. He pastored churches in Texas to include: Waelder, Eldorado, Rockdale, Cameron, Kermit,

Crosbyton, Graham, Pampa, Muleshoe, and DeLeon.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Esperanza M. Martinez of 159 Bluebonnet Circle, Boerne, TX 78006 and his children: Josue, Tabitha, Tito, Robbie and Abigail. A daughter, Febe Ann, preceded him in death.

During his ministry, he traveled on mission trips to South America, Central America, and Spain to spread the Gospel of Christ. He was also involved in the Rio Grande River Ministry.

## Tobias graduates as LVN



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Manuel Tobias

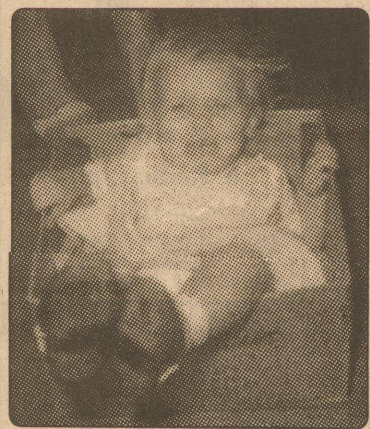
The State of Texas has now licensed Manuel Tobias. He graduated on May 6, 1999 from Howard College Nursing Program. Manuel is now a Licensed Vocational Nurse. Manuel is currently employed by Pool Company. He is the son of Eduardo and Anita Tobias of Eldorado, Texas. Manuel is married to Nelda Tobias. They have three children who are Magdalena, Candelario and Maribel Cipriana.

## Meals for Friends Menu

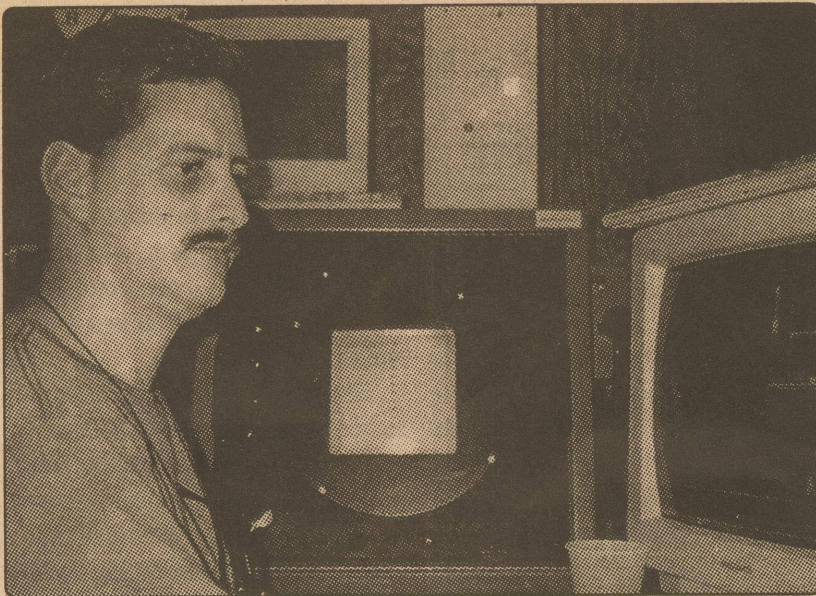


**Monday, July 5th**  
HOLIDAY FOR JULY 4TH  
**Tuesday, July 6th**  
Barbecue Beef Sandwich, Baked French Fries, Baby Carrots (Raw or Cooked), Coleslaw, Peaches w/ Whipped Topping, Milk  
**Wednesday, July 7th**  
Beef Tips w/Gravy, Rice, Mixed Vegetables, Dinner Roll, Tossed Salad, Banana Pudding, Milk  
**Thursday, July 8th**  
Chicken Fajitas w/Onions, G.P., Spanish Rice, Refried Beans Plus Cheese, Flour Tortilla, Lettuce and Tomatoe, Fruited Gelatin  
**Friday, July 9th**  
Oven Baked Chicken, Scalloped Potatoes, Sliced Beets, Dinner Rolls, Strawberry Banana Mix, Bread Pudding, Milk

## 41 and still crying about it!



Happy Birthday!  
Kathy Smith



courtesy photo

**Keepin' an eye on the sky** — Aldis Strautins, Meteorologist for the West Texas Weather Modification Association checks radar for opportunities to enhance precipitation. Flight activity and radar images can be viewed at <http://www.wcc.net/~wtwmal/>. Flight logs are available for examination at the Plateau Underground Water Conservation & Supply District Office, Schleicher County Annex Building.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the Editor express the opinions of their author. They do not necessarily reflect the views or opinions of the staff, management or ownership of the Eldorado Success.

Dear Eldorado Amigas and Amigos,

This past weekend those of us that attended Mias Amigas had the opportunity to see an Eldorado in action! As I approached "Eldorado International Airport" on final, the makings of a sorely needed new runway and taxiway to replace the sadly aged and grass encroached old strip were evident. After deplaning, as I walked toward the Memorial Building, I noticed an expanded golf course alive with activity and a softball game in progress on the "new" (to me) ball diamond. Walking through town I noticed new businesses open, some old ones sadly closed, a relocated library, memorial bricked sidewalks, and the park. Eldorado looked good! The courthouse lawn was green and trimmed, the pecan trees were vibrant and lush with foliage with friends engaged in conversation beneath them. Inside the Memorial Building were a couple of hundred people with at least one thing in common that united them all — all were graduates of Eldorado High School — and because of such, an atmosphere of peace and amiability prevailed.

Several of us took advantage of Phil McCormick's offer to visit the school. What an impressive facility the campus has evolved into! Tax dollars have been well spent under what has to be inspired guidance by the Board of Trustees, the School Administration, and the faculty. While the classrooms are impressive with their vast array of information technology equipment, the auditorium is truly magnificent in its redecorated splendor! The "new new" gym is an athletic facility to behold. The campus truly makes a bold statement to the commitment of the citizens of Schleicher County to the education of its youth.

For those out there who don't

attend the annual Mias Amigas gathering, you really are missing an opportunity to see our hometown thriving, and to see our friends and acquaintances of yesteryear in an unpretentious setting. Try to come next year. I've "been around the block" a time or two, and Mias Amigas is likely my favorite gathering.

While I certainly don't know all the individuals involved in coordinating Mias Amigas, I would like to extend my thanks to Patsy Kellogg, Mary Leigh Dunagan, Dorothy Dacy, and Phil McCormick for their efforts to make it a yearly outstanding event.

With best wishes to all,  
John D. Lawrence  
EHS Class of 1963

Dear Randy,

I had to run out right after the awards ceremony last week and didn't get a chance to congratulate you on winning that big sweepstakes plaque. That's great!

You've got a good paper and it looks like it's appropriately named. I'm glad to see someone from the western half of the state getting top honors. I also enjoyed your column that they reprinted in the Winner's Circle. Good thinking there!

Hope to see you next month at the WTPA convention in Abilene.

Best wishes.  
Russel Skiles  
Lamesa Press-Reporter

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## Eldorado's Minor League All-Stars win Mason tourney

by David Hill

Eldorado Youth Baseball's Minor League All Stars brought home the Championship trophy from Mason this past weekend. Eldorado won 4 straight games for the title. Eldorado defeated Eden 7 to 4; then won a heated battle blasting Sonora 14 to 8; on Saturday the All Stars blew out Comanche 11 to 1 in the semi-final. Comanche then came back through the losers bracket and earned another shot at Eldorado in the final game for first place. Eldorado played excellent defense behind the strong arm of Rance Cathey and scored 2 runs holding Comanche to 1 for the victory. In that championship game Comanche stranded 5 runners at 3rd base.

Eldorado played great defense all week end long allowing only 14

runs the entire tournament. Offensively, Eldorado was held to single digits in only two games as everyone had a good tournament at the plate.

The Minor League All Stars are Rance Cathey, Matthew Hill, Abel Fuentes, Manny Gonzales, Milo Vallejo, Michael Reddish, J. Lynn Barajas, J.P. Joiner, David Tirado, Chris Chavez, Corey Roberts, and Jorge Mata.

All Tournament selections from Eldorado were J.P. Joiner, Manny Gonzales, Matthew Hill, and Rance Cathey. Hill secured the Golden Glove award for his defensive efforts and Cathey was selected the Most Valuable Pitcher.

The Minor Leaguers take the week off this week, then travel to Iraan for their final tournament of the season the week of July 5th.

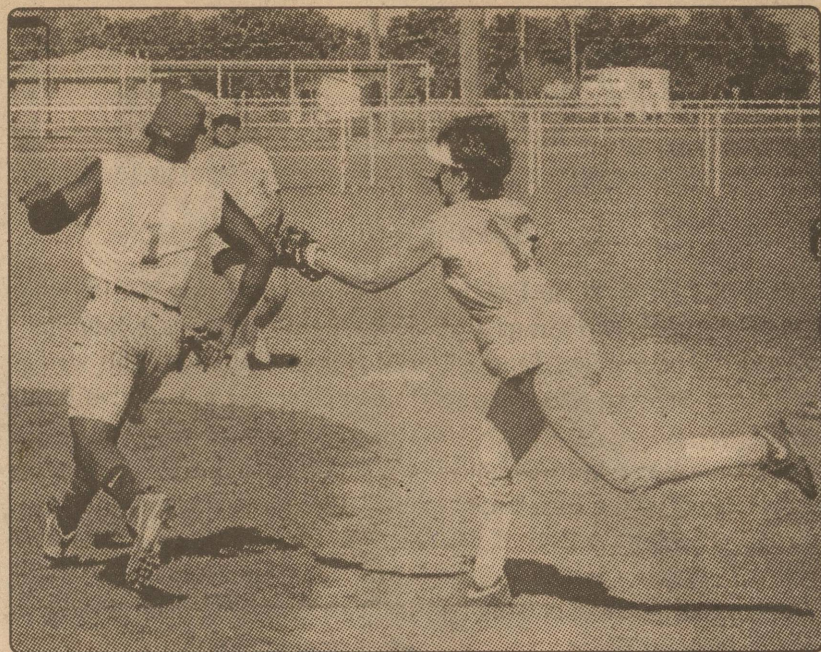


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**He's outta' there** — Eldorado's Nancy Jenkins tagged a Menard base runner out then threw to first to complete a double play as the Eldorado Demons competed in the Knights of Columbus Softball Tournament here last Saturday. Eldorado won the game 11-10 and went on to place 3rd in the tourney.

See team photo below



**They're Demons on the Diamond** — The Eldorado Demons placed 3rd in the Knights of Columbus Softball Tournament held here on June 26th. Team members included Front (L-R) Lesa Martinez, Krystal Nelson, Angela Redish, Martha Montalvo, Lupe Montalvo. Back (L-R) Arthur Adame, Julian Martinez, Johnny Joe Arispe, Fito Gonzalez, Davina Vannett, Floyd Fay, Jorge Arispe, Corina Muniz, Nancy Jenkins. Not pictured Joe Dombroski.

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## County Commissioners accept bid for 5.2 miles of fencing

The Schleicher County Commissioners awarded a bid Monday morning for fencing along 5.2 miles of County Rd. #305, more commonly known as Cedar Lane. In all, six contractors submitted sealed bids and many of them were present when the bids were opened.

Ramond Gonzales of Mertzon was the low bidder, however, with a bid of \$31,574.00. The other bids ranged from \$32,677.00 to \$41,999.06. By a unanimous vote the commissioners awarded the work to Gonzales who indicated he planned to begin the project in the very near future.

The meeting began with County Clerk Peggy Williams reading the minutes of the previous meeting. The commissioners approved the minutes before taking up other business. Present for the meeting were County Judge Johnny Griffin, Commissioners Johnny Mayo, Bill Clark, Steve Minor and Ross Whitten.

It was learned that Sheriff's Dept. dispatcher Mike Hester had submitted his resignation. Sheriff David Doran's request to hire a replacement dispatcher was approved.

Judge Johnny Griffin then informed the commissioners that the county had run into problems collecting money from a Sonora man whose pickup collided with a county tractor on South Divide Street, last year. Griffin explained that the county had an agreement with Harlan Johnson, whose vehicle was uninsured, whereby Johnson would pay out damages to the tractor. Griffin noted that payments were not being received by the county and suggested that legal action might be required to collect from Johnson.

In other business the commissioners agreed to repair or replace a computer in County Attorney Marian Overstreet's office. They also approved travel for any of their number wishing to travel to

the Far West Texas County Judges and Commissioners' Association meeting in Lajitas slated for August.

Before adjourning, the commissioners approved a request by County Treasurer Karen Henderson to transfer \$25,000.00 from the General Fund money market account into the General Fund checking account. \$15,000 was moved from the Farm-to-Market money mar-

ket account into the Farm-to-Market checking account and \$40,000.00 was transferred from the Road and Bridge checking account into the Road and Bridge money market account. The men also heard and denied two indigent requests. It was noted that both of the applicants had received county assistance in the past and that the county normally pays indigent requests only once per applicant.

## McGinnes named to Dean's List

Whitney McGinnes from Eldorado has been named to the Dean's Honor List for the spring 1999 semester at South Plains College.

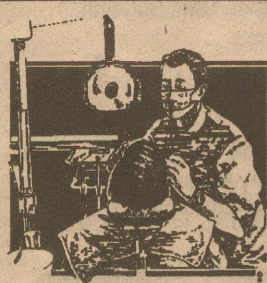
Whitney is the daughter of Wayne and Cindy McGinnes and a 1998 graduate of Eldorado High School.

Student named to the Dean's Honor List maintain a minimum 3.25 GPA while carrying at least 12 semester hours of college-level coursework with no failing grades.



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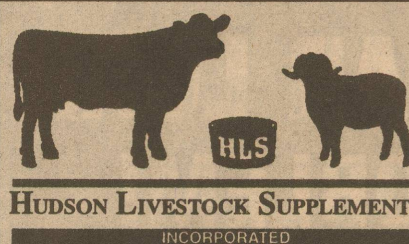
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# SCMC trustees meet, vote to purchase house near hospital

The Schleicher County Hospital District board of trustees met Monday evening, June 28th and voted unanimously to purchase a house, adjacent to the hospital grounds, for the sum of \$40,000.00. To pay for the purchase, the hospital will make use of an anonymous \$20,000.00 donation and fund the remainder of the purchase price from the district's General Fund.

Present for the meeting were trustees Ricky Fuessel, Delia Pina, Judy Christian, Randy Mankin, Tom Enochs, Brian Edmiston and Lanis Mikeska. Also in attendance were Administrator Ann Fagan-Cook and Asst. Administrator Beverly Minor.

The board opened the meeting by going into executive session to discuss personnel, the purchase of real property and the receipt of a gift. When the group emerged into open session the only action taken

on the three items was the vote to purchase the house on East Callender Ave.

The board then reviewed and approved the minutes of four previous meetings held in the past month.

Next, they met with Berta Nicholson, Director of Nursing for the hospital and Donna Aguilar, Director of Nursing for the nursing home, who reviewed Quality Assurance Reports for their two facilities. The board unanimously approved the two reports.

The trustees then looked over the district's financial reports. It was noted that on May 31, 1999, the district had \$1,561,687.36 in cash, certificates of deposit and shares of stock.

Ann Fagan-Cook delivered the Administrator's Report and updated the board on regulatory changes impacting the hospital. She explained that the Senior Crimestoppers Program, recently begun in the nursing home, is getting high marks for nursing home inspectors. She also explained that work on the hospital's asbestos abatement program probably

won't begin until August.

The board then discussed the hospital's laundry service. It was explained that Tartan Services from San Angelo had recently submitted a bid which was lower than the hospital is currently paying Thorp's Laun-Dry in Sonora. The expressed concern that the two prices weren't comparing "apples to apples" and asked Fagan-Cook to call for formal bids for the hospital's laundry service. Those bids are to be received in August.

Before adjourning, the board reviewed and approved the district's policy of charging for copies of medical records.

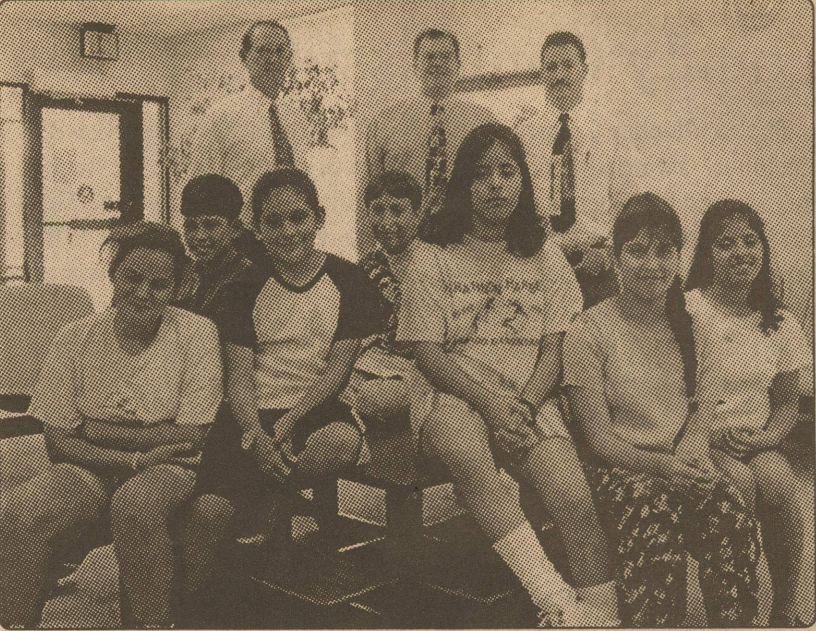


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**Heading to camp** — These youngsters posed for the camera at the Schleicher County Family Clinic recently where Dr. Brian Kingston and Ike Whitten, P.A., offered free physicals for a summer camp near Ft. Worth operated by the Salvation Army. The youngsters were sponsored to the camp by Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran. Pictured above are (Front L-R) Samantha Gonzalez, Luis Huichapa, Samantha Rodriguez, Frankie Ortega, Juanita Huichapa, Blanca Huichapa, Guadalupe Huichapa (Back L-R) Ike Whitten, P.A., Dr. Brian Kingston and Sheriff David Doran.

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## 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. 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**

6/22/99 Ramirez, Elma Duran Arispe, female age 42, arrested SC Officer, charged with Motion To Revoke, Driving While Intoxicated (3 or more).

6/24/99 Wagley, Joe Chad, male age 22, hold for Irion County, charged with Motion To Revoke-Brazos County. Released on \$30,000 Surety Bond.

6/25/99 Watford, Don L., male age 41, hold for Irion County, charged with Assault By Threat. Released on \$500 bond.

6/26/99 Whiddon, Sonia Gunn, female age 25, arrested by SC Officer, charged with Driving While Intoxicated (3 or more).

6/27/99 Brusenhan, Michael F., male age 28, hold for Midland County. Bond Forfeiture.

6/27/99 Villarreal, Lewis, male age 20, arrested by SC Officer, charged with Driving While License Suspended. Released on \$2,000

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**REPORTS**

6/21/99 Complainant stated that their son, had not been seen or heard from since Wednesday, June 16. The reporting officer will put out an attempt to locate notice on this subject.

Domestic - Officer arrived to learn that complainant wanted a male subject to leave their residence and return. Officer told subject to leave and no further action was taken.

6/22/99 Stranded motorist was reported. Officer was dispatched but was unable to locate.

Land owners reported a controlled burn on McIntosh Road.

6/23/99 Attempt to locate a black 4 door pick-up possibly northbound on 277 from Sonora. Vehicle may have a stabbing victim on board as a result of a disturbance in Sonora.

Criminal Mischief on Cottonwood - Complainant reported to Sheriff's Office that someone had broken the windshield of their vehicle. Officer determined that damage was done by a weed eater. Complainant would contact subject believed to be responsible.

Complainant on West Street requested an officer to kill a rattlesnake. Officer responded.

Minor Traffic Accident on Gillis. Small pickup through fence. No apparent injuries on dispatch.

6/24/99 Complainant on Cottonwood reported a snake in their laundry room. Officer responded.

Male complainant reported phone harassment.

6/26/99 Female subject driving while intoxicated on 100 Block of North Street. Vehicle impounded.

Disturbance on S. Main. Complainant requested an officer.

Complainant called needing assistance removing an individual from their property. Officer responded. One party had left and subject was requesting close patrol throughout the night.

6/27/99 Officer arrested one male subject on a Midland County warrant. Request for an ambulance - 3-week old child unable to breathe. EMS1 and officer responded.

6/28/99 Complainant at Eldorado Place Apt. reported kids popping firecrackers and wanted an officer to tell them not to pop around the apartments.

**Focus on the Family**  
by Dr. James Dobson

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**Single Parents Have Tough Row To Hoe**

**QUESTION: What encouragement can you offer to those of us who are single parents? Each day seems more difficult than the one before. Can you help plead our case to those who don't understand what we're facing?**

**DR. DOBSON:** In my view, single parents have the toughest job in the universe! Hercules himself would tremble at the range of responsibilities people like you must handle every day. It's difficult enough for two parents with a solid marriage and stable finances to satisfy the demands of parenting. For a single mother or father to do that task excellently over a period of years is evidence of heroism.

The greatest problem faced by single parents, especially young mothers like yourself, is the overwhelming amount of work to be done. Earning a living, fixing meals, caring for kids, helping with homework, cleaning house, paying bills, repairing the car (if she has one), handling insurance, doing the banking, the income tax, marketing etc., can require 12 hours a day or more. She must continue that schedule seven days per week all year long.

Some single moms have no support from family or anyone else. It's enough to exhaust the strongest and healthiest woman. Then where does she find the time and energy to meet her social and emotional needs — and how does she develop the friendships on which that part of her life depends? This job is no easier for most single fathers, who may find themselves trying to comb their daughters' hair and explain menstruation to them.

There is only one answer to the pressures single parents face. It is for the rest of us to give them a helping hand. They need highly practical assistance, including the friendship of two-parent families who will take their children on occasion to free up some time. Single moms need the help of young men who will play catch with their fatherless boys and take them to the school soccer game. They need men who will fix the brakes on the Chevy and patch the leaky roof. They need an extended family of believers to care for them, lift them up and remind them of their priorities. Perhaps most important, single parents need to know that someone cares about them and is willing to help share their burden.

Thankfully, churches today are becoming more sensitive to the needs of single parents. More congregations are offering programs and ministries geared to the unique concerns of those with special needs. I'd advise every single parent to find such a church or fellowship group and make himself and herself at home there. Fellowship and support can be the key to survival.

Those among my readers who want to help a mother or a father raising kids alone might start by giving them a subscription to the Single Parent Family, from Focus on the Family. Write us in Colorado Springs for information.

**QUESTION: We have always laughed a lot in our family, sometimes at each other. Is that good or bad?**

**DR. DOBSON:** It is healthy to be able to laugh together in a family. We ought to be able to tease and joke with each other without having to worry about getting an angry overreaction in response.

But when the laughter is always at the expense of the most vulnerable member of the family, it can be destructive. Even innocent humor is painful when it's the same child who is the object of ridicule. Unfortunately, that's the way it often happens. When one youngster has an embarrassing characteristic, such as bed-wetting, or thumb-sucking, or stuttering, the other members of the family should be encouraged to tread very softly on the exposed nerves thereabouts. And a child should never be ridiculed for his or her size, whether he's a small boy or a large girl.

This is the guiding principle: It's wise not to tease a child about the features that he or she is also defending outside the home. If that youngster is hearing about some obvious flaw all day long, he or she certainly doesn't need more flak from the family. And when that child asks for a joke to end, the request should be honored.

Being the butt of everyone's ridicule is a formula for lifelong resentment, and there's just nothing funny about that happening.

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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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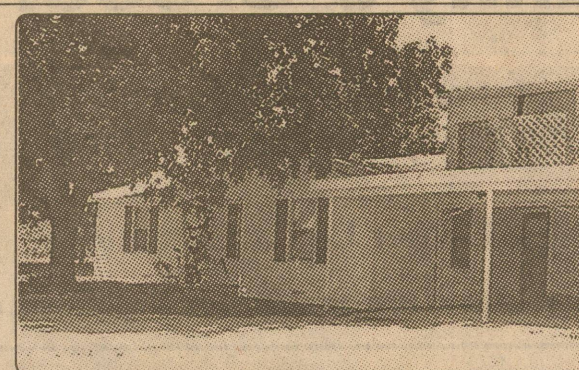
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We would like to thank everyone for all the love and support you have shown us over the last several days. On June 21 our baby was diagnosed with anencephaly, which is a fatal birth defect. He or she will probably either be stillborn or die shortly after birth. We are praying to our faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, for a miracle and have decided to carry this pregnancy to term and to love this baby while we can, even if it is only while in the womb. Your support and prayers mean more to us than you will ever know. Please continue to pray for us over the next months as we go through this difficult time.

Sincerely,  
Walt, Lorna, Torey and Jonah Griggs

There is no place like here at Eldorado where the friends and neighbors are always standing by you in time of sorrow and need.

We thank you all for your love, cards, flowers, food and many other wonderful expressions of sympathy in the loss of our mother, Susie Faught.

May God always bless you.

Barbara Bonnett and Family  
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## BID NOTICE

Bids will be accepted through July 16th, for the following vehicles. One 1993 3/4 ton 4WD Chevrolet pickup with flatbed w/118K miles. One 1996 Diesel 3/4 ton 4WD pickup w/112K miles and one 1994 3/4 ton 4WD pickup w. 115K miles. Also (1) Rawson-Koenig Utility Bed.

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## Legal Notice

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS  
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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Gynn Edmondson were issued on June 25, 1999, under Cause No. 1519, pending in the County Court of Schleicher County, Texas, to Glenna Edmondson Johnson. The residence of the Independent Executrix is Arlington, Texas. The address for the Estate is c/o Raymond C. Loomis, Jr., Attorney at Law, 117 Main Street, Eldorado, Texas 76936.

All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and manner prescribed by law.

DATED: July 1, 1999. Raymond C. Loomis, Jr., Attorney for the Estate (915)853-2600. 26b

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## School board meets, begins budget talks

The Schleicher County I.S.D. board of trustees met Thursday, June 24th in special session. Present for the meeting were Ilse Williams, Phil McCormick, Jo Helen Kotsch and Berta Nicholson. Trustees Steve Sessom, Eddie Albin and Roxanne Adame were absent.

Among other items, the group voted to accept the resignation of

Kristin Montgomery. Supt. Hal Porter explained that Suzanne Johnson would be reassigned to cover Montgomery's duties.

Discussion then turned to the upcoming budget and to the philosophical question of whether teachers should make more than campus principals. It was noted that the \$3,000.00 teacher pay raise approved by the state legis-

lature would push the salaries of some teachers above that of their campus principal. After discussing the matter at length, the board took no action on the matter.

Porter also noted difficulty in finding a qualified high school math teacher to replace Tiffany Harris, who resigned to take a position at Rodgers. Porter told the board that some qualified applicants were only interested if a job could be found for their spouse. He noted one such couple would bring an experienced math teacher and an experienced science teacher to the district. The board seemed reluctant to add an additional teacher to the high school faculty but authorized Porter to discuss the situation with the couple and report back to them.

Before adjourning, the board voted to schedule a surplus material sale for Monday, July 26th.

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## Fagan-Cook named to "Who's Who"

Ann Fagan-Cook, administrator of Schleicher County Medical Center was named recently to Pinnacle Publication's "Who's Who in American Business". She will be included in the upcoming 1999-2000 edition which serves as a guide to business leaders across the nation.

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## Boy Scouts to hold a flag retirement ceremony

We all have our own ideas of what the American Flag symbolizes. To some it may be just a pretty flag, to others it may be a sad reminder of those that have made the supreme sacrifice to protect a way of life that we enjoy today.

But to all of us the flag stands for freedom of one sort or another, such as freedom of speech, free-

dom of religion, and the freedom of lawful assembly. All too often we see the flag being burned and destroyed in an inappropriate manner.

Our local Boy Scouts will be holding a Flag Retirement on July 3, 1999. The ceremony will take place at the Scout Building on Pelt St. (church building by the golf course), at 8:00 pm.

There will also be an Award Ceremony starting at 7:00 pm before the Flag Retirement Ceremony.

So come and join us in disposing of the American Flag properly and respectfully. Everyone is invited to attend. Bring a lawn chair if you wish, there will be seats available.

## QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

By James C. Doyle, Schleicher County Justice Of The Peace

**Q. How is the money collected on fines disposed of?**

A. The State Legislators have set the court cost and we have to collect that money with the fine money and turn it in to the Treasurer. She will keep the fine money in the county and mail the court cost money to Austin. A moving violation court cost is \$49.25, and the fine is \$3.00 per mile over the speed limit. Example (a person driving 80 mph in a 70 mph zone would have

to pay a fine of \$30.00 and \$49.25 court cost for a total of \$79.25).

**Q. Why don't you dismiss tickets?**

A. There is a law that prohibits a judge from dismissing a charge on his own motion. A judge can hear a case and find the defendant Not Guilty, but only a County Attorney can dismiss a ticket for lack of evidence.

**Q. Are your fines higher than other counties?**

A. No, we have checked with all

of the adjoining counties and find that we are much cheaper.

**Q. Is a Common-law marriage legal in Texas?**

A. Yes, a Common-law marriage is just as legal as marriage by ceremony. Both person have to be eighteen years of age or older. There is a three-prong test that can be applied to determine if a couple is common-law married.

1. The couple is in agreement that they are married.

2. They are living together.

3. They are representing themselves, or are "hold out" to other individuals that they are married to one another.

**Q. Do Common-law marriages have to get a divorce to end their relationship?**

A. Yes, you will have to get a divorce granted by a District Judge.

**Q. Where do we go to get our Common-law marriage registered?**

A. Both persons have to be 18 years old or older and you can appear before the county clerk and fill out an affidavit and swear to the facts.

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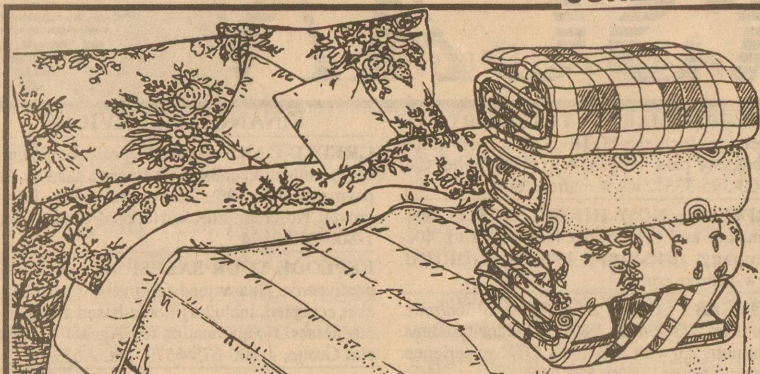
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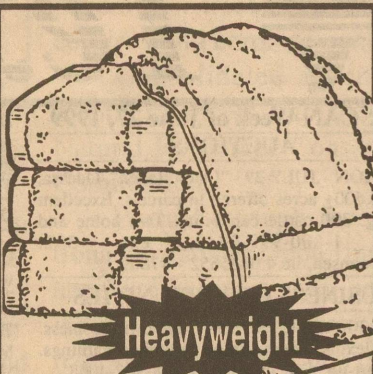


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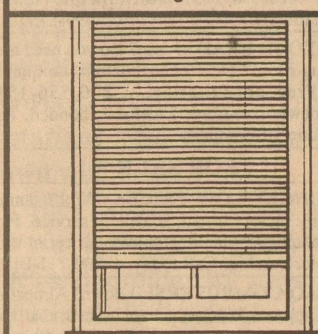
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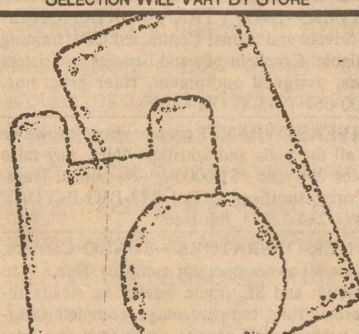
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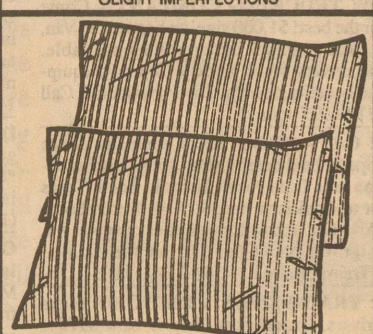
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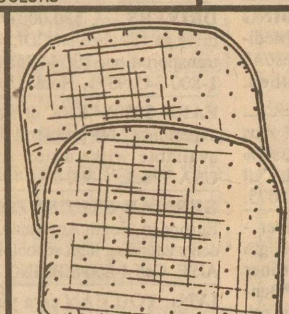
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