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Jessop sentenced to 10 years in state pen

Probation denied, \$8,000 fine assessed

Raymond Merril Jessop, 38, of the YFZ Ranch, was sentenced Tuesday evening to 10 years in state prison and ordered to pay an \$8,000 fine. He was convicted by a Schleicher County jury last Thursday on one count of Sexual Assault of a Child. The jurors who found him guilty were the same ones who set his punishment.

Jessop's sentence falls in the middle of the two to twenty-year range allowed under Texas law. The jury apparently rejected the pleas of Jessop's lawyers that he be given probation.

Neither will Jessop be eligible for bail while his conviction is appealed.

FLDS spokesman Willie Jessop indicated minutes after the sentence was announced that an appeal is coming.

"It's a bittersweet day," Willie Jessop told a group of reporters. "We finally have an opportunity to do what we had to do one other time by this court

to take it to the Court of Appeals and let someone other than the biased judge who issued the search warrant in the first place, to let someone else look at this thing."

"We believe that the Court of Appeals will also find that what happened here in this so-called court was not justified and we look forward to that day," Jessop added.

For his part, Deputy Attorney General Eric Nichols said, "Today justice was served in Texas and Schleicher County in the case of Raymond Merril Jessop.

Nichols served as lead prosecutor in the case that he oversaw from indictment to conviction and sentencing.

"The conviction and sentence resulted from a lengthy trial that included testimony from over 24 witnesses of guilt, innocence and punishment, DNA evidence, and many documents obtained from public sources and from the results of law enforcement activity at the YFZ Ranch here in Schleicher County in April, 2008," Nichols said. "The indictment in this case and the trial resulted from a coordinated effort among state prosecuting agencies and law enforcement

The trial, believed to be the longest in Schleicher County history, dragged on for two weeks as prosecutors systematically built their case.

First, the state detailed the way evidence was gathered and secured during and after the 2008 raid on the YFZ Ranch. Then DNA evidence was introduced and Amy Smuts, a forensic analyst was called to interpret the

evidence for the jury. Her conclusion... that Raymond Jessop was the father of the victim's child with a certainty of 99.999998 percent.

For its part, Jessop's defense team argued that the DNA evidence could not be trusted and tried to cast doubts about how it was gathered, stored and analyzed. But, they never effectively challenged the evidence and they offered no experts to testify in rebuttal.

The state then set out to prove that Jessop and the victim were joined in a polygamous marriage after her first husband, Jessop's brother, Ernie Jessop, fell out of favor with FLDS prophet Warren Jeffs and was kicked off the YFZ Ranch.

Through it all, the defense team fought to prevent the jury from hearing any mention of polygamy or plural

Still, the prosecution managed to

produce a marriage certificate and other documentation to prove Jessop was legally married to another woman. Then, John J. Sampson, a University of Texas law professor, testified that Jessop's marriage to another woman prohibited him from being legally married to the victim.

The state then set out to establish that Jessop and the victim were residing at the YFZ Ranch when their child was conceived. Ranch and church documents were introduced showing Jessop participating on work crews and in attendance at church events on specific

Dr. Stephen Smith of San Angelo

protested outside the courtroom

Tuesday as the penalty phase of

Raymond Jessop's trial continued on

the inside. His sign reads, "Judge not

lest you be not judged Luke 6:37."

Defense attorneys Mark Stephens and Brandon Hudson, challenged the meaning of the documents, but they failed to offer any evidence or call a witness to contradict them.

The state also called Rebecca Musser to testify, one of former FLDS prophet Rulon Jeffs' many young brides. When the aged prophet died in 2002, she refused to be assigned to the new prophet, Warren Jeffs, and she left the FLDS church at age 26.

Musser looked over many of the documents the state offered as evidence and told the jury that they looked the same as FLDS priesthood and family records she had seen during her time in the church and as one of Rulon Jeffs wives. At one point, the state showed Musser a book they found in a vault on the YFZ Ranch. She identified it as her scrapbook or 'Book of Remembrance.'

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Raymond Merril Jessop (center) was escorted by Sheriff David Doran, and deputies Jason Chatham and George Arispe, from the county jail to the courtroom last Friday morning as the penalty phase of his trial got underway. He was convicted the evening before by a Schleicher County jury on a charge of Sexual Assault of a Child. The same jury sentenced him Tuesday evening to 10 years in prison and assessed an \$8,000 fine.

City Council meeting turns into heated debate over anımal

by Kathleen Inman

Eldorado City Council met in regular session on Monday evening, November 9th at Eldorado City Hall where a brief hearing was held for the closeout and final expenditures of the 2008 water project.

Next on the agenda was Fire Chief Jerry Jones, discussed disposing of the department's 1980 pumper truck. It was decided to call for bids on the truck as well as the city's old trash

Jones then explained that city contractors had left debris behind his building on Main Street after water lines had been replaced.

Discussion then turned to the city's animal control ordinance. It was explained that an ordinance prohibiting livestock within the city limits has been on the books since 1929. There have been numerous amendments and revisions over the years, and there is currently and amendment waiting approval. However, there has not been consistent enforcement of the ordinance in recent years.

It was noted that with the addition of Maggie Lloyd as the city's code enforcement officer, several residents have moved livestock out of the city in order to avoid the intervention of the city's animal control officer. Those who didn't comply had their animals impounded with one resident having to pay fines totaling \$100 because of a goat that was impounded for a single day. The resident soon found another place to keep the goat.

Juanita Shurley and her son-inlaw, Ernest Barrera, were in attendance at Monday night's meeting to discuss the ordinance and the 15 goats and chickens she currently keeps at her residence on East Street.

Ms. Shurley questioned why she has to get rid of the goats and chickens. She noted that she has no neighbors who are bothered by the animals and added that she has been directed by her doctor to eat goat meat and eggs from her homegrown chickens.

Maggie Lloyd spoke up and told Ms. Shurley that she had been given ample notice to comply with the verbal notice she had received a month ago from Animal Control Officer Tony Fay. She added that she had also mailed a letter to Ms. Shurley giving her five days to comply with

the ordinance. Mr. Barrera then asked the council to allow Ms. Shurley and additional month so that she could contact an attorney. At that point Mr. Barrera and Mrs. Lloyd got into a heated argument with Barrera telling Lloyd that she was "no one" and had no right to tell him what to do.

As tempers rose, so did the decibel level of the argument, then Shurley and Barrera left abruptly.

Further discussion of the issue followed as the council sought to make sure that the enforcement procedures called for in the ordinance are being followed. It was ultimately decided to seek a legal opinion on the matter.

Not only are fines assessed under the present animal control

ordinance, but there is the possibility utility services could be terminated and court costs accrued if seizure warrants are issued to impound an animal.

Moving on to other business, utility superintendent Floyd Fay gave his report discussing clean up of alleys after the water project finished. He said it may be necessary to put caliche and grade the alleys. Fay also discussed damage to gas meters. He said there has been recurring damage to several specific meters, costing the city hundreds of dollars.

City Secretary Carolyn Mayo then gave her report and proposed an amendment to the 2009-2010 budget. She also reviewed tax reports and updated the council on a proposal from Duncan Disposal for dumping of

trash at the landfill. There was brief discussion on the permit, for the city's old landfill and for a wastewater permit. Gas department statistics were also discussed and it was noted that there have been

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Eldorado City Council members Stacy Haynes, Stan Meador and Dora Bosmans looked over financial reports during Monday night's meeting of the Eldorado City Council.

Annual Elementary Veterans Program slated for tonight

The 20th annual Veteran Day Program entitled "Pictures in the Flag" will be held tonight, Thursday evening, November 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the Eldorado High School Auditorium.

The program is presented by Joella Parker's third and fourth grade music classes of Eldorado Elementary. It is open to the public with no admission charge and everyone is encouraged to attend.

The Eldorado Parent Teacher Organization will be providing refreshments following the program.

13 killed, 30 wounded in mass shooting at Fort Hood

AUSTIN — A Nov. 5 mass shooting at Fort Hood, about 60 miles north of the capital city, resulted in the deaths of one civilian, 12 soldiers and the wounding of 30 others.

Maj. Nidal Malik Hasan, 39, a U.S. Army psychiatrist, was identified as the shooter. Civilian police officers Kimberly Munley and Mark Todd returned fire, stopping Hasan. Hasan received first aid on the spot and was transported to a hospital for treatment. Hasan was on the staff of Darnall Army Medical Center at Fort Hood. He was preparing for deployment to Afghanistan.

Gov. Rick Perry issued this statement on Nov. 5: "The Texas family suffered a significant loss today with the tragedy at Fort Hood. Along with all Texans, Anita and I are keeping those affected by today's incidents in our

thoughts and prayers. ...

"To honor those who lost their lives today, I have ordered that all Texas flags be lowered to half-staff until Sunday, and ask all Texans to pray for the victims, their families and the extended Fort Hood community.'

Perry directed the deployment of a variety of state resources to Fort Hood, including Texas Department of Public Safety troopers, Texas Rangers and helicopters, to assist.

The governor's flag order applied to all United States and Texas flags under the control of the state. Flags were ordered to be lowered to half-staff on the Capitol building, flag displays in the Capitol Complex, and upon all public buildings, grounds and facilities beginning immediately until sunset on Sunday, Nov. 8.

Individuals, businesses,

litical subdivisions were encouraged to fly the flag at half-staff for the same length of time as a sign of respect.

Voters approve all amendments

All 11 proposed amendments to the state constitution passed in the Nov. 3 statewide election.

About 8 percent of Texas' 14 million registered voters voted, reflecting a low level of general interest.

In contrast, nearly 60 percent of registered voters cast a ballot in the general election a year ago. However, over the past two decades, an 8 to 12 percent voter turnout is not unusual for a constitutional amendment

Here is a short version of what each of the 11 amendments does:

Prop. 1: Authorizes municipalities

municipalities, counties and other po- and counties to levy taxes to acquire "buffer zone" land around military installations to build roadways, utilities, or other infrastructure to protect or promote the mission of the military installation.

> Prop. 2: Authorizes the Legislature to amend tax law so a residence homestead is taxed solely on the basis of the property's value as a residence homestead.

Prop. 3: Provides for uniform standards and procedures for the appraisal of property for ad valorem tax

Prop. 4: Establishes the national research university fund to enable emerging research universities in Texas to achieve national prominence as major research universities and transferring the balance of the higher education fund to the national research

university fund. Prop. 5: Gives the Legislature power to authorize

a single board of equalization for two or more adjoining appraisal districts that elect to provide for consolidated equalizations.

Prop. 6: Authorizes the Veterans Land Board to issue general obligation bonds in amounts equal STATE CAPITAL to or less than amounts previous-HIGHLIGHTS ly authorized.

W By Ed Sterling Prop. 7: Allows an officer or enlisted member of the Texas State Guard or other state

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The Bankers and the Bureaucrats

Members of AIG's financial-products unit should take heart. Yes, Obama administration pay czar Kenneth Feinberg is coming down on them with the awesome power of his czardom, dictating that their pay not exceed \$200,000 a year. In Wall Street terms, this is so draconian, they might as well be forced to earn whatever they can get by begging on street corners and finding leftover change in pay phones.



Feinberg's compensation crackdown on the country's seven most bailed-out firms is foolhardy yet understandable. Since all employees of Bank of America and

Chrysler owe their jobs to the government, Feinberg is justified in bending them to his whim. And whim is the right word -- Feinberg is not omniscient enough to know what traders or executives should ideally be paid. The most talented employees in Feinberg's fiefdom will pick up and depart for better-compensated pastures. Banks like JPMorgan Chase and Goldman Sachs, as well as hedge funds, will reap the talent windfall.

Besides placating the aroused gods of anti-Wall Street populism, Feinberg's crackdown is motivated by the belief that out-of-control compensation rewarded recklessness and caused the financial crisis. It'd be nice if this were true. Then we could limit pay and derive not just psychic satisfaction from it -- take that, Masters of the Universe! -- but tell ourselves we're making the system sounder. Alas, it's not so simple.

By and large, executives didn't blow up their firms in the hopes of grabbing world-shaking bonuses and then leaving; they blew up their firms because they got caught up in the bubble mentality and thought their risks weren't as dangerous as they proved. Jeffrey Friedman, the editor of Critical Review, points out that bankers were usually compensated in stock as well as bonuses, and had no interest in seeing their stock wiped out. They managed to flush it

In general, it's not a good idea to run a financial system on the basis of inflamed popular sentiment. For a while, Citigroup was saddled with an employee on track to become America's most-hated man, Andrew J. Hall. A standout in Citigroup's trading division, Hall was due a \$100 million bonus after earning \$2 billion for Citigroup over five years. That's a deal most any firm would want to take, but not TARPed-up Citigroup. In a senseless business decision but shrewd PR move, it simply sold off the entire trading division that had at one point been responsible for 10 percent of its net income.

All that said, it doesn't take Barney Frank to find it unseemly that Goldman Sachs and others are already back to boom-time levels of compensation. Things wouldn't look so cheery at firms like Goldman if it weren't for all the direct and indirect government aid. The Economist writes: "They got public capital (much of it now repaid), short-selling bans on their shares and rescues of counterparties. ... Today they enjoy laxer accounting, loose collateral rules at central banks, explicit debt guarantees and asset-purchasing schemes. And, critically, they can borrow cheaply because they are deemed too big to fail."

If the bankers have a secret plan to spread ill-considered Feinberg-like rules throughout their industry, it's progressing nicely.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2009 by King Features Synd., Inc.



The truth about horseback riding

I always wanted a horse. When I was a little girl, my Christmas list always included a horse. However, Santa never brought me a horse. I always thought it was because I stuck my tongue out at my brother or tweaked my sister's nose one too many times. He would've seen that in his magic snowball or whatever he used to spy on little kids. More likely, however, it was because a horse would have seriously annoyed the other presents in his big red bag... or possibly it was because he knew that my parent's half-acre lot was not big enough to host a

I forgave Santa, but I never stopped wishing I had a horse. I went horse-back riding every chance I had after I started making my own money, but after I married and had children, I realized that you really can't take a baby horseback riding, even if you wear the baby on your chest in a little snuggly bag. Babies

That is why, for the last 26 years, my backside had not been introduced to a saddle. For 26 years I have allowed myself to fantasize about galloping down a sandy beach, my hair flowing out behind me, the wind stinging my cheeks... until yesterday.

Yesterday, my daughter and I had an opportunity to go horseback riding. It was an all-day horse camp. My daughter has the same love for horses that I had and we were both thrilled at the prospect of being able to

Laura



by Laura Snyder

seen the sun.

spend the day learning how to take care of horses and trailriding.

That was yesterday. Today, every bone in my body is screaming for mercy. I have brush burns on my thighs, bruises on my bum, and I'm almost certain there are blisters on parts of my body that have never

Today, I can't remember exactly what it was that I enjoyed about bouncing around on the back of a bull-headed beastie.

The one I picked out was named Sunny. It was lightcolored and had kind eyes. I thought she would be a good horse to start with after so many years. She turned out to be a he, however, and contrary to his appellation, Sunny was decidedly not Sunny. The kind eyes were hiding a stubborn, or-

nery soul. Not to be sexist, but if I had known it was a male, I could've predicted that the only thing he'd be interested in, after he had been liberated from his testicles, is food.

At first, I spend nearly all my time trying to keep his head out of the grass. He seemed to take

perverse pleasure in stopping on the way down a hill to have a little snack. I hung onto the back of my saddle for fear of sliding down his neck. After a while I realized that if I let him eat, preferably on flat areas, he would trot to catch up while he was chewing. He was a multitasker. Unfortunately, I didn't employ that wisdom until my arm muscles had sustained considerable damage from trying to pull up his head.

Sunny the horse was definitely mad at the world and couldn't care less what I wanted to do. And who could blame him? He'd been imprisoned in a barn that stunk to high heaven. When he was taken out, a human of significant weight would fling themselves on his back and he wasn't allowed to dine until he got back to the barn. That's not even mentioning the fact that certain integral parts of his anatomy had been stolen from him before he even had a chance to enjoy them.

I felt a little sorry for him. That's one of the reasons I allowed him to snack between trotting yesterday.

That was yesterday. Today, I would cheerfully castrate that horse with a dull butter knife if my sore, aching body would let me.

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A father and son's underwater reunion

Tommy Doyle grew up in Lamesa and later had a career as a football coach in Snyder. He was fifteen months old the last time he saw his father, who was in the Army Air Corps during World War Two. "He was a gunner on a B-24 that was shot down in 1944 during a bombing mission," says Tommy. "The plane went down at Palau, a small island nation in the Pacific about 500 miles east of the Philippines." When military authorities reported the plane missing, they said three members of the eleven-man crew



had parachuted and were captured by the Japanese. Tommy's mother always thought maybe her husband would come home.

She never remarried, even though she had opportunities to do so.

In the year 2000, Tommy read a magazine article about an organization called Bent Prop, a group of individuals who voluntarily go to Palau and look for planes with possible military personnel carried as Missing In Action. They spend time looking in national archives and doing extensive research. Tommy contacted Bent Prop and told them about his father, a member of the 307th Bomber Group. In 2004, after a tenyear search, Bent Prop found the plane carrying Tommy's father. The following year, Tommy got certified as a scuba diver and went to Palau to find his dad. The plane was in seventy feet of water.

"I got to put my hands on the plane where eight men were still there," says Tommy. "And one of them was my dad. I don't know how to describe this except that I felt like I made contact with my dad. I said things to him that I had never been able to before. You go down and put your hands on the plane and you know your father is in there somewhere. It's a pretty emotional time."

On April 25th of this year, after months of DNA identification processing, Tommy's Marine Son escorted his grandfather's remains home and had a service for him in Lamesa. He was buried next to his wife 65 years after his plane went down. Some of the Bent Prop people came in and there was a big crowd.

Tommy's dad was the last of the remaining crewmen to be recovered. He was in the nose turret that had come loose and was under the cockpit. A fisherman helped locate the plane. "He told the Bent Prop people that there was an engine not far from where they were looking about forty feet down. They went over there and dropped down right on top of the engine. The rest of the plane was just down below.'

The military recovery team found some personal items. "They found my dad's dog tags, a wedding ring, a pair of glasses, a billfold and some other odds and ends. One of the greatest things about this entire happening to us is how many people it has touched. We have gotten phone calls, letters and cards from people we don't even know, many of them pilots and plane crews that served in World War Two."

Tommy's Dad was 25 years old when his plane went down in Palau. "He was considered an old man. Other crewmen were 18, 19 and 20 years old."

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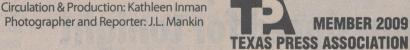
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DEATH NOTICES

Dr. Joe R. Andrews

JUNCTION Longtime educator, Dr. Joe R. Andrews, 86, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2009. Mr. Andrews was principal in Eldorado for 2-3 years. He is well remembered by many Eldorado folks and attended Mias Amigas for a number of years, (including 2009) to visit with ex-students and friends. He is survived by his two sons and his daughters-in-law, Joe III and his wife, Janet, of Sonora, Steve and his wife, Nancy, of Mason; and three grandchildren, Joe IV, Scott and Audrey. Joe's service was held Friday, Oct. 30, at First Baptist Church in Junction, Texas.

Girl Scouts accepting nominations for Women of Distinction events

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ties, and Girl Scouting.

AUSTIN — The Girl Scouts of Central Texas is now accepting nominations for their Women of Distinction events in Austin, Brownwood, Killeen and San Angelo. The deadline for submitting nominations is January 11, 2010.

The coveted award honors women who have distinguished completed online at www.gsctx. themselves as outstanding members of their community and who can serve as role models to all Girl Scouts, girls and adults alike.

"Women of Distinction events allow Girl Scouts to formally recognize women who illustrate the values of Girl Scouting: courage, confidence and character," says Ettà Moore, CEO for the Girl Scouts of Central Texas. "Their accomplishments motivate volunteers to remain committed to our girls'

and achieve ambitious goals. Together this is how we build strong communities."

> Central Texans are strongly encouraged to nominate women

futures and inspire girls to set

Fall Fun Fest slated Nov. 21 in Ft. McKavett

The Fort McKavett Volunteer educational programs focus-Fire Department will be hosting ing on fine arts, science and its annual Fall Fun Fest on No-technology, math, the environvember 21st at the Fort McKavett ment, community service and Volunteer Fire Department in life skills. Girl Scouts lead with Ft. McKavett, Texas.

For \$10 you will get one Tex-Mex meal, dessert, drink and one ticket for the door prizes.

For more information contact Donna Harbour at 325-396-4321 or Peggy Whiten at 325-396-4342. Meal will be served at 6 pm.



MONDAY November 16th Chicken Strips w/Cream Gravy, Pinto Beans, Mustard Greens, Corn bread, Cherry Cobbler, Juice, Milk.

TUESDAY November 17th Hamburger Steak, Oven Fried Potato, Lettuce, Tomato & Onions Slices, Bun, Carrot Salad, Fruit Cocktail, Milk.

WEDNESDAY November 18th Cheese Enchiladas, Spanish Rice, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad, Wheat Bread, Mandarin Orange, Milk.

THURSDAY November 19th Meat Loaf w/Tomato Sauce, Blackeyed Peas, Okra, Corn Bread, Banana Pudding, Milk.

FRIDAY November 20th Turkey with Giblet Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Corn Bread Dressing, Broccoli, Dinner Roll, Cabbage Salad, Pumpkin

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Sauer/Wilkerson Wedding

SAN ANGELO — Courtney Rene Sauer and Robert Mitchell Wilkerson were united in marriage on Saturday, August 22, 2009, in San Angelo, Texas at Johnson Street Church of Christ. The ceremony was officiated by Glen MacDonald of Hillsboro, Texas. A reception followed at the Historic Fort Concho Commissary.

The bride is the daughter of Hyman D. and Gina Sauer of Eldorado, Texas. She is the granddaughter of the late Jack and Ruth Hardgrave of Fort Stockton, Texas and Louella Sauer and the late Edgar Sauer of Eldorado, Texas.

The bridegroom is the son of Shannon and Janis Wilkerson of Eldorado, Texas. He is the grandson of Wayne and Daisy Mikeska of Eldorado, Texas and Robert and Jannette Wilkerson of Gardendale, Texas.

Maid of honor was Courtney Brown of Dallas, Texas. Matron of honor was Carla Sauer, sisterin-law of the bride, of Colorado City, Texas. Bridesmaids included Blake Hamm of San Angelo, Texas; Christina Gerhardt of San Antonio, Texas: Mayci Herrera of Three Rivers, Texas and Lauren Day of San Antonio, Texas. Flower girls were Madison and Olivia Rutherford, of San Angelo, Texas. Members of the house party included Kelsey Jones of Abilene, Texas, Hallie Sosolik of Austin, Texas and Jennifer Chalmers of Houston, Texas.

Best man was Cole Wilkerson, brother of the groom, of Eldorado, Texas. Groomsmen included Chad Williams of Eldorado, Texas; Lance Mitchel of Granbury,

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Texas; Anthony Pina and Jamin Burke, both of Weatherford, Texas and Andrew Sauer, brother of the bride, of Colorado City, Texas. Ring bearer was Eli Sauer, nephew of the bride, of Colorado City,

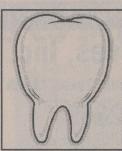
Ushers were Remy Angel, cousin of the groom, of Gardendale, Texas and Jeremy Jones of Weatherford, Texas.

Music for the ceremony was provided by pianist Janet Pullen and flautist Justina Saunders, cousin of the bride, of Ozona,

Courtney is a 2003 graduate of Eldorado High School and a 2007 graduate of Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nutritional Sciences and a minor in Spanish. She is a candidate for December 2009 graduation from Hardin Simmons University with a Doctorate of Physical Therapy.

Mitch is a 2000 graduate of Eldorado High School. He is the West Texas Area Supervisor for Lufkin Industries, Inc.

After a honeymoon trip to Lake Tahoe, the couple is making their home in San Angelo.



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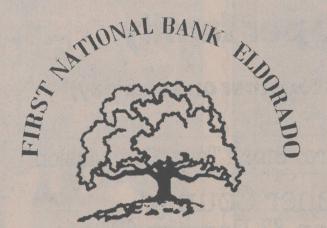
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Eagles season ends in Rocksprings.

by Sylas Politte

The look on the faces of Eagle players and fans Friday night somewhat told the story of the entire game. Hurt, dismay and frustration could be seen all the way back in Eldorado after the Eldorado Eagles lost their final game of the 2009 season 14-7 against the Rocksprings Angoras. The fact that the game was in Rocksprings may have been more of a disadvantage than anyone would have thought.

Neither team's offense was able to dominate drives through out the game. Statistically the Eagles and Angoras offensive units were almost even in every category.

The one edge the Angoras had was in the turnover column as Rocksprings ended up +3 in that column.

Two of the turnovers came late in the 4th quarter and sealed the deal for the Angoras.

But the Eagles found themselves battling more than a determined Angora team. They also had to try to fend off what appeared to be five wild zebras with yellow flags.

I have never seen a more poorly officiated game than the one I saw Friday night. On more than one occasion, the officiating crew from the San Antonio Chapter of Football Officials waved off obvious penalties against the home team.

There were also several big plays negated by the Eagles due to phantom calls. And, there was a measurement where team captains were asked to look at the chain stretched beside the football and debate the outcome. In fact, that may have been the only call that went the Eagles way.

The Angoras were a good, physical team, but the most devastating blows came from the

Eldorado got out to a 7-0 lead in the first quarter on a 29 yard



Josh Jurecek met this Rocksprings runner head on Friday night as the Eagles and the Angoras battled for the final playoff spot. Rocksprings out on the winning end of a 14-7 score.

touchdown pass from Garrett Lux to Dustin Ramos. That lead would not last very long.

With 10 minutes left in the half Rocksprings came up with their own touchdown pass to tie the game. The touchdown by the Angoras was one of the many disputed plays of the game, but it still counted.

Each team would attempt a field goal before half time with neither team success. Rocksprings was on the doorstep of a score late in the first half, but the Eagle defense shut them down.

Both teams would trade drives through out the 3rd quarter with neither of them being able to penetrate to the opponents red zone.

With six minutes left in the 4th quarter Rocksprings scored the go ahead touchdown. The Angoras had their first lead of

the game 14-7.

The final six minutes were full of drama. Eldorado fought hard to move the ball down the field and plays were halted on penalties.

The Eagles turned the ball over late in the final stanza and looked to be in trouble. Rocksprings moved the ball, but ended up punting the ball away to Eldorado.

The Eagles had one final chance to force overtime with a late score. The first three plays of the drive did not go well.

Eldorado would run a trick play on 4th down to pick up a much needed first down. Lux found Ivany Sanchez for a big gain and kept the season alive.

On the next play, the Eagles fumbled the ball and it was recovered by Rocksprings. The Angoras ended up with the victory and the final playoff spot.

'Our kids fought hard all season and to lose like this is real tough," said Head Coach Danny Wilhelm. "Every time we would build momentum it would be squashed by a penalty."

Eldorado ended the game with 10 penalties for 110 yards. Rocksprings ended the game with 5 penalties for 45 yards.

It doesn't take a math scientist or a football genius to see how lopsided those numbers

The Eagles end the season 5-5. The record is better than it was a year ago, but the outcome is still hard to swallow.

The seniors go out leaving a legacy for many kids to follow. They weren't able to establish a playoff tradition, but they leave several other things. They leave a character trait to overcome at all times.

When you are injured in 7 on 7 and not expected to play the rest of the season - overcome.

Dustin Ramos caught three passes for 52 yards, including this one and another When your coach is changed for Eldorado's only TD as the Eagles took on the Rocksprings Angoras in the half way through the season final game of the season. Rocksprings won the game 14-7 to claim the district's - overcome.

> When everyone starts to doubt your abilities and desire to win-overcome.

They leave behind a heart that plays bigger than you really appear. They leave behind a Built Ford Touch Player of the Week trophy that every younger player should aspire to win.

They didn't get to the playoffs. They weren't able to reach their goals, but they went out trying as hard as they could.



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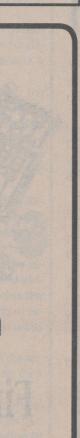
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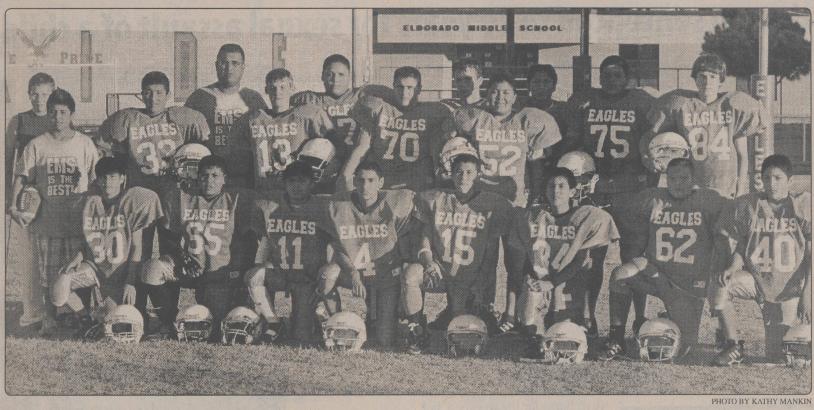
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2009 Middle School Grade Football Team: Front Row (L to R): Lucus Santellano, Jr. Garcia, Jacob Sanchez, Bailey Espinosa, Bobby Martinez, West Ramon, Julian Garcia, Dominque Ochoa. Standing (L to R): Jackson O'Harrow, Adrian Garcia, Gabriel Villarreal, Coach Jesse Rubio, Tres Whitten, Carlos Guzman, Tyler Martinez, Michael Bilbrey, Marc Anthony Martinez, Justin Estrada, Emilio Garza, and Reed Harriman.

EMS Eagles wrap up successful football season

The Eldorado Middle School Eagles closed out a successful football season Thursday, November 5th, 2009. The EMS Eagles played host to the visiting Rocksprings Angoras who only had one loss entering the contest with Eldorado.

The contest began with Eldorado receiving the opening kickoff and methodically marching down the field to reach the redzone.

The EMS Eagles behind the blocking of Tyler Martinez, Junior Garcia, Carlos Guzman, Marc Anthony Martinez, and Emilio Garza would see Justin Estrada and Bobby Martinez driving the ball down the field. Bailey Espinosa found the endzone on a short quarterback sneak up the middle for a 3 yard score. Eldorado was unsuccessful on their two point conversion

The Eagles defense attempted to limit the yardage and appeared to headed to a three and out series but a personal foul on a 3rd down play helped the Angoras retain control of the ball. Rocksprings responded with a scoring drive. They hit paydirt with a sweep around the right side. Rocksprings utilized the same formation and scored the two-point conversion to take an 8-6 lead over the Eagles.

Eldorado's offense was not to be

own 40 yard line. Two plays later the Eagles scored when Michael Bilbrey caught a perfectly timed 40yard TD pass from Bailey Espinosa. During the course of the season the "tight end go" play was successfully converted with this same duo connecting 5 times throughout the year. Eldorado would fail on the two point conversion attempt but the tone of the game was set with Eldorado offensive output and the

Eagles took a 12-8 halftime lead.

Rocksprings tried to catch the Eagles off guard with an onside kick to start the second half but the ball tumbled to Julian Garcia on the front line and the ball squirted through his hands and into Tres Whitten's open arms. Whitten then raced around the right side of the oncoming Angoras for a 50 yard score. Whitten's return was aided by two key blocks from Bobby Martinez and Michael Bilbrey. Bobby Martinez added the two point conversion on a dive play to the left side from three yards out.

That made the score 20-6 in Eldorado's favor with only 14 seconds elapsed in the third quarter.

Eldorado was set up on the next drive when Rocksprings fumbled and turned the ball over on the Eagles 45 yard line. The young Warbirds needed only two plays before Justin Estrada raced to the

outdone and started a drive at their endzone from 45 yards out to give

Eldorado a 26-6 lead. Rocksprings would not go quietly, however, and responded with a nice drive of their own, The Angoras reached the endzone late in the 3rd quarter for their final points of the contest and Eldorado led 20-14.

Eldorado scored one more time on a run of 50 yards by Justin Estrada. Eldorado's two-point conversion attempt failed and that would be final outcome of the contest. Eldorado 32 and Rocksprings 14 would burn brightly on the scoreboard to close out the 2009 season as the EMS Eagles captured their fifth win of the year and their third win in district. The team lost only two games, to Christoval and Iraan, early in the season by a total of four points. They tied another

Coach Jesse Rubio commended the young Eagles and their drive to get better during the year. GO

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School board reviews yearly financial audit

The Schleicher County ISD board of trustees met Monday evening, November 9, 2009 to review the district's annual financial audit. Accountant Don McKee, representing the firm of Reed McKee & Company, went over the audit report with the board. He told them the district's books were in good order and that they were in the enviable position of not having any debt.

McKee further stated that the district's audit represented what is known as a "clean opinion" and was conducted in accordance with governmental accounting standards.

The trustees next voted to nominate five men to serve on the Schleicher County Appraisal District board of directors. They include trustees Kurtis Homer and Kirk Jones as well as John Nikolauk, Matt Brown and Phil McCormick. They are the same five who currently serve on the appraisal board.

In other business the trustees held a public hearing on the district's Financial Integrity System of Texas report. There was no public comment on the report but Superintendent Billy Collins explained for those in attendance that the district received Superior Achievement rating and a score of 85. A score of 55 is considered passing.

Collins then announced that enrollment is holding steady. The district currently has a total of 634 students. He then recognized the Mighty Eagle Band for claiming its 26th division "1" rating at the Region VII marching contest in Brady. The band then advanced to the Area competition in Groesbeck and reached the finals before being eliminated.

'We are extremely proud of our band and all they have accomplished," Collins said.

It was then announced that the Elementary School will hold its annual Veteran's Day program at 7 pm on Thursday evening, November 12, 2009, in the

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High School auditorium.

Collins also announced that a Winter Governance Seminar sponsored by the Texas Association of School Boards will be held February 11-13, 2010 in Corpus Christi.

The council also heard from finance director Ray Ballew who went over the district's financial reports. He noted that the district has received just under 60 percent of its property tax revenue so far.

The board then approved the minutes of their October 12th meeting. They also approved the TASB Update 86. The legal update includes several changes including one that requires all metal platforms, steps and slides on a playground to be protected from direct sunlight. Also, a safety course is required by for students participating in school sanctioned rodeos.

The trustees were then updated on the middle school gym renovation project and learned that a sewage lift station may need to be installed since the city's sewer lines in that area are so shallow.

Before adjourning, the trustees went behind closed doors for an executive session to discuss coaches, principals, athletic director, maintenance staff and administrative staff. The board returned to open session at 8:15 pm and adjourned without taking any personnel action.

Monday night's meeting was presided over by board president Kurtis Homer with trustees Kirk Jones, Robert Jay, Lupe Sanchez, Leanne Higgins, Berta Nicholson and Kriss Griffin in attendance.

Also present were Superintendent Billy Collins, campus principals Robert Gibson, Kara Garlitz and Chad Wright and finance director Ray Ballew.

The next meeting of the SCISD board of trustees is slated for 6 pm on Monday, December 14, 2009 in the high school

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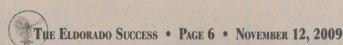
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Jessop sentenced to 10 years for sexual assault of a child

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Jurors were then given their instructions by Judge Walther and gathered in the jury room. However, even before deliberations began, one of the jurors was removed and replaced by an alternate.

THE ELDORADO SUCCESS has learned that the defense asked that the juror be removed and the prosecution agreed after reports surfaced on the internet that the original juror had been married to a member of the grand jury that indicted Jessop. THE SUCCESS also learned that the defense and prosecution teams were both aware of the marriage when the juror was seated on the panel more than a

Following a break for lunch, the jury got down to deliberations and promptly returned a guilty verdict, just over two hours after they left the courtroom.

Shortly after Judge Barbara Walther read the verdict, Jessop was placed in handcuffs and led across the courthouse square to the Schleicher County Jail.

"God bless Texas!" said former FLDS member Flora Jessop, the anti-polygamy activist who first raised alarms in 2004 that a polygamous group had moved to Schleicher County from the Utah/Arizona border area.

At the defendant's request, the jury then took up the question of punishment. Judge Walther initially told the jurors to go home for the weekend, but the panel reportedly signaled their desire to finish the job. So, the court reconvened on Friday of last week as both legal teams questioned Dr. Larry Beall, a Utah psychologist, outside the hearing of the jury. Judge Barbara Walther eventually certified Beall as an expert witness, but he wouldn't testify until

Carolyn Jessop, best-selling judge but it was decided that she witness, but as a general witness penalty phase.

Dr. Stephen Smith and Albert Myers, both of San Angelo, carried signs. One of them saying, 'Judge not lest ye be not judged Luke 6:37" and the other saying, 'I wish Jesus hadn't said that."

Meanwhile, inside the courtroom the jury heard again from Rebecca Musser. They also heard from Carolyn Jessop. The women told of life and practices inside the FLDS church and FLDS households.

showing that Raymond Jessop has a total of nine polygamous

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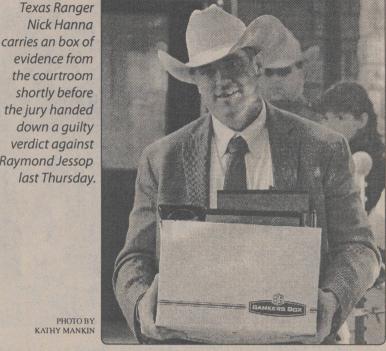
author and former wife of YFZ Ranch overseer Merril Jessop, the father of the defendant Raymond Jessop, was prepared to meet with the lawyers and the would be called, not an expert of fact, and testify during the

The penalty phase resumed on Monday. And, as jurors weighed evidence and heard testimony in the courtroom, two protestors made their feelings known on the outside.

Smith told reporters that the trial represented religious persecution. He also suggested that laws prohibiting sex with minors should be changed because girls are designed to have children at a younger age.

Evidence was also entered

the courtroom shortly before the jury handed down a guilty verdict against Raymond Jessop last Thursday.



wives, including the victim and two of her sisters that were also assigned to Jessop when his brother Ernie was excommunicated. The state also entered evidence showing that the victim was not the last of Raymond Jessop's young brides but that he later entered into a polygamous marriage with a 15-year-old daughter of Warren Jeffs.

The prosecution also introduced a photo of Raymond Jessop when he was age 15 with a caption that said, "Never been Kissed." A photo of the victim at age 15 was on the same page. It had a caption saying, ""Never been kissed enough.'

For their part, the defense team called four witnesses to the where he will begin serving his stand, including Cody Engdahl of Eldorado. All of them said they met Jessop when he worked on homes they hired his brother Richard Jessop to build. They each spoke well of Jessop and said he seemed like a good man.

During closing arguments Tuesday morning, the defense argued that Jessop is a good and decent man and called him dutiful and a man of faith.

Prosecutor Eric Nichols told jurors that they should not blame the witnesses who spoke on behalf of Raymond Jessop. "They don't know what you know," he said.

Nichols then told the jurors that they had been allowed a look behind the walls of the YFZ Ranch and challenged them not to avert their eyes.

"This is a higher calling," he said. "This is one of those moments."

The jury deliberated about six hours before handing down a sentence of 10 years in prison and an \$8,000 fine.

Jessop was again taken from the courtroom and placed in the Schleicher County Jail.

"Let's roll," he said when asked how he felt about the conviction.

Jessop still faces prosecution on a charge of bigamy. A trial on that charge has yet to be scheduled.

Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran says that Jessop will be kept in the local jail until he can be taken to San Angelo and placed on a Texas Department of Corrections bus. Following processing at a TDC facility in Huntsville, Jessop will be assigned to a prison

sentence. Under Texas law he must complete at least half of his 10 year sentence before he is eligible for parole.

The legal focus now turns to the case of Allen Eugene Keate, 57, who is also charged with sexual assault of a child. Keate's trial is slated to begin here in Eldorado in December, however, THE SUCCESS has learned that his defense lawyers have filed a motion to move the trial, presumably to San Angelo.

discrepancies in gas usage and gas sales and those issues are

being investigated. The council then reviewed and approved payment of the city's regular bills. They also reviewed a city-county interlocal

agreement. Stacy Haynes recommended a change to a portion of the personnel policy pertaining to the use of personal cell phones during work hours. She suggested that the policy should also ban texting while operating a city

vehicle on city time. The proposed change to the animal control ordinance regarding large animal fines and impounding fees is still being reviewed.

Ms. Mayo then read a letter concerning a claim filed by Juan and Marleny Chavez. The council did not discuss the matter and took on action.

Before adjourning, the council nominated Mayor John Nikolauk to serve on the Schleicher County Appraisal District board of directors.

The meeting adjourned and members enjoyed refreshments.

Monday night's meeting was presided over by Mayor Nikolauk with council members Stacy Haynes, Stan Meador, Dora Bosmans, Jon Cartwright and Dorothy Dacy in attendance. Council member Richard Mendez was absent.

The next meeting of the Eldorado City Council is slated for 6 p.m. on Monday, December 7, 2009 in the council chambers at City Hall.



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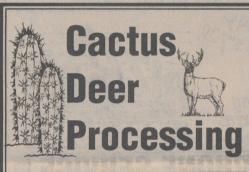
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23rd annual Game Dinner welcomes hunters to Schleicher County

Eldoradoan Bob Wanoreck won the grand prize of the KUBOTA RTV at the 23rd Annual Game Dinner sponsored by the Eldorado Game Association on the opening day of deer season Saturday, November 7, 2009. Other main prizes were drawn by Mr. Blaylock who won the 110CC Camo Youth 4 Wheeler; Mason Vaughn won the G&G Fiberglass Pot Belly Blind and Harold Pack won the Red 125CC Youth 4

Other prizes and gift cards were won by the following:

1. George Spinks, \$350 Gift Card; 2. Floyd West, Chest/2 \$25 Gift Cards/Mug/Cap; 3. Daryl Snell, \$300 Gift Card; 4. Elpidio Torres (1) Basic Deer Processing; 5. Robert Spindle \$150 Gift Card; 6. Dana Ledbetter, Moore Folding Knife; 7. Shane Shelton, \$150 Gift Card; 8. Sherry Gibson, Visit & Treatment/\$25 Shell GC; 9.

Howard Ledbetter, \$300 Gift Card; Gift Basket, 33. Nicole Muse, \$200 \$350 Gift Card; 54. Dona Whitt, 12 10. Willie Jacoby, Fajitas for 2/ Qbeam Spotlight; 11. Floyd West. \$300 Gift Card; 12. Andrew Sauer, Nikon Binoculars/Holt Camo Shirt; 13. Michael Cobb, \$350 Gift Card; 14. Pamela Hernandez, Large 10 person tent; 15. Mikel Doyle, \$300 Gift Card; 16. Doug Farr, Video/Mag Light/2 Free #15's; 17. Larry Tresnicky, \$200 Gift Card:

18. Weldon Riley, \$50 Store; 21. Milton Hubbard, \$200 Gift Card; 22. Bill Burton, Tailgate Feeder; 23. Garrett Voegeli, \$500 Gift Card; 24. Tim McAngus, Cert. for Fajitas (2)/Spotlight; 25. Kerry Joy, \$200 Gift Card; 26. David Abernathy, 1 Basic Deer Processing; 27. Michael Neal, \$150 Gift Card; 28. Mark Bunte, Game Camera; 29. Bob Bratcher, \$350 Gift Card; 30. Dennis Higgins, 12 Game Blocks; 31. Joe Little, \$300 Gift Card; 32. Andrew Sauer, Hunter's light & 2 Radios; 53. Clay Atkins,

Gift Card; 34. Byron Beal, Barrell Feeder

35. Bill Clark, \$150 Gift Card; 36. Richard Green, Ruidosa Vacation 4 nights; 37. Alvin Ciaddock, \$600 Gift Card; 38. Bob Bratcher, 2 #15 Combo's/Wrench Set/Pecans; 39. Charlyn Doyle, \$300 Gift Card; 40. Gordon Voegeli, Visit & Treatment/\$25 Shell GC; 41. Jerry Felver, \$350 Gift Card; 42. Jim Lucas, 1 Basic Deer Process-43. Gerald Overbo, \$200 Gift Card; 44. LEI, Dry Box/Binoculars/Hatchet Set; 45. Mike Lux, \$300 Gift Card; 46. Lynn Stoever, Mag Light & Gerber Knife/ Pecans; 47. Sherry Gibson, \$500 Gift Card 48. Jason Adcock, Tripod Hunting Stand; 49. Bill Burton, \$350 Gift Card; 50. Kenneth Barrows, 20 lbs Shelled Pecans; 51. Quinton Ellis, \$300 Gift Card; 52. John N., Bag w/FlashDeer Blocks; 55. Earl Wooten, \$300 Gift Card;

56. JW Massey, \$25 Shell GC/ Off. Visit w/Treatment; 57. Betty Robles, \$200 Gift Card; 58. Steve Williams, Stacked Tins of Sugared Pecans; 59. Tommy Reeh, \$350 Gift Card; 60. Rocky Spacer, Cast Iron Cookware; 61.Kenneth Barrows, \$150 Gift Card; 62. Justin Justice, Shell GC/Gerber Knife/Pecans; 63. Billy Frazier, \$500 Gift Card; 64. Don Young, 1 Basic Deer Processing;

65. Billy Bob Harlin, \$150 Gift Card; 66.Bliss Long, Nikon Binoculars; 67. Robert Nutt, \$350 Gift Card; 68. Brett Nikolauk, Game Call/Video/Pecans; 69. Robert Perez, \$200 Gift Card; 70. Ricky Gibson, Water Can & Gerber Knife; 71. Kent Marze, \$300 Gift Card; 72. JB Hoffman, \$100 Gift Card;

73. Jason Adcock, \$300 Gift Card; 74. Weldon Riley, Dry Box/ Binoculars/Hatchet Set; 75. Riley Jones, \$350 Gift Card; 76. Dana Ledbetter, Water Can/Gatorade/ Mag Light; 77. Brandon Robinson, \$350 Gift Card; 78. Lynn Stoever, Large Ice Chest/Cert for one #15; 79. Johnny Shelton, \$350 Gift Card; 80. John Wilson, Camo Bag & Fire Ext./2 Free #15's; 81. Mike Rieken, \$300 Gift Card; 82. Craig Vanderschoor, Bag w/Flashlight & 2 Radios; 83. Trey Barrera, \$300 Gift Card; 84. Larry Harwell, Feeder Motor/1 Free #15 Combo;

85. Jason Adcock, \$400 Gift Card; 86. Wayne McGinnes, Game Camera; 87. Connie Andrews, \$600 Gift Card; 88. Tico Robles, Nikon Binoculars; 89. Sherry Gibson, \$300 Gift Card; 90. Jessie Guadarrama, Knife Set & Binocular; 91. Larry Kelly, \$350 Gift Card; 92. Don Young, Locking Gun Case; 93. Josh Rogers, \$350 Gift Card; 94. Billy Chitty, Leatherman & 2 Radios; 95. Powers, \$600 Gift Card; 96. Craig Bates, \$300 Gift Card;



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Joella Parker (L) and Mike Calcote (R) divided their raffle tickets into different buckets to go in the big hopper at the Schleicher County Game

Comptroller sends \$500 million in sales tax revenue to local governments

Combs says the state collected ceived last year. \$1.52 billion in sales tax revenue in October, down 12.8 percent ing districts around the state re- tax payments to individual cities, compared to October 2008.

sectors of the economy, includ- year ago. ing retail trade, oil and natural gas and construction."

purpose taxing districts. Local sales tax allocations are down 8.7 percent compared to November 2008.

Combs sent Texas cities \$342.6 million in sales tax allocations, down 8.3 percent compared to November 2008. So far this calendar year, city sales tax allocations are down 4.2 percent compared to the same time period last year. Texas counties received November sales tax allocations of \$28.2 million, down 14.5 percent compared to one year ago. For the calendar yearto-date, county sales tax allocations are running 3.7 percent below 2008 revenues.

Included in that amount was \$11,375.39 sent to the City of Eldorado. That's down some 23.6 percent from last November's allocation of \$14,889.37. The city's year-to-date allocation is down by 33.99 percent from \$189,323.92 last year to \$124,972.54 this year.

Meanwhile, Schleicher County's rebate declined by 67.73 percent from \$33,946.82 last November to \$10,946.70 this month. The county's year-to-date allofrom \$279,643.78 last year to \$141,910.20 this year.

The county's Health Services Sales Tax recepits were down 67.73 percent this month from \$33,293.83 to \$10,742.78. Yearto-date the rebate in that fund stands at \$139,510.43, down 49.34

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November sales tax alloca- sum.html. tions to local governments repties, transit systems and special August and September sales The Eldorado Success.

October by quarterly tax filers.

For details of November sales tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/comp-

The Comptroller's next local Combs last week distribut- resent September sales report- sales tax allocation will be made ed \$500.7 million in November ed to the Comptroller in October on Friday, Dec. 11 and will be sales tax rebates to cities, coun- by monthly tax filers and July, reported the following week in Dinner held November 7, 2009. arkinson's Like Symptoms **Tongue Protrusions** Frowning, Facial Twitching WILLIS LAW FIRM face or mouth, lip smacking, shakes, NMS, Dystor Akathisia and other Parkinson's-like symptoms. BOARD CERTIFIED

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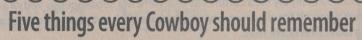
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PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN cation was down 49.25 percent Eldorado Varsity and JV Cheerleaders where given vases of roses from the Eldorado Football Teams in appreciation for all their hard work and support during football season during the last pep rally. Front (L-R): Kiki Rodriguez, Mary Lou Martinez, Adrianna Hernandez, Marci Minor and Emily Espinosa; Back (L-R) Melisssa Gonzales, Abby Ussery, Ashley Paulson, Ashby Ragsdale, Kadie Niblett and Eagle Tanja Hibbs.



2009 Middle School Cheerleaders: Front: Evelyn Martinez; Middle (L-R) Esme Ruezga, Taylor Curtis, Jessica Gonzalez, Tori Guerrero, Whitney Perez, Jessica Gandar, Estephanie Estrada; Back (L-R) Bre Crofoot, Ivie Kate Mynatt, Kiarra Trevino, Mika Key, McKenzie McAngus, Arden Mertz







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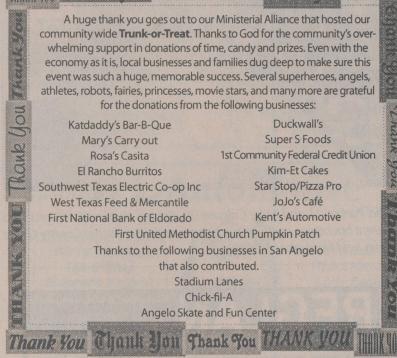
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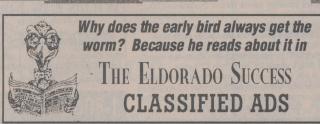
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County Commissioners meet again at Civic Center

missioner's Court met Monday, November 9, 2009 at the

Schleicher County Civic Center. Deputy Clerk Jennifer Porter read the minutes for the October 26, 2009 meeting.

First, Judge Charlie Bradlev informed the court retired Verizon employee Jerry Felver looked at the phone lines at the County Extension Office. Bradley said Felver located one broken phone line and repaired it. He then inspected the other lines and found them to be

adequate. Judge Bradley then informed the court that a used 14-passenger van was purchased for \$8,300 for transportation of prisoners.

There was no call for bids or services.

County Clerk Peggy Williams briefly visited with the court about the expenses for the Raymond Jessop trial. She said she has kept the cost down on food. Williams said a motion has been filed for the next case to be moved and it will probably incur more expenses.

Williams mentioned to the court about a Letter to the Editor in the Eldorado Success about the jury selection process. She told the court this process was out of her hands.

Fire Chief Jerry Jones was next and gave a report on the new fire truck. He told the court

The Schleicher County Com- the county can drop the insurance on the 1996 F-350 Ford and put it up for sale. Jones said the annual payments for the new truck will be \$27,000 a year. He reported the fish fry fund raiser for the new truck brought in

Judge Bradley informed the court about repairs needed at the courthouse. Also that a repair would need to be made to fix a gas leak at the Memorial Building. The judge said the leak was repaired but the pipe needed to be repaired after the trial. Also the boiler might need repair or replacement at a later date.

Road Superintendent Mark Graves gave the court a rundown of material used by the City of Eldorado in October. Material used by the City of Eldorado came to 116 yards of road base, 50 yards caliche, 51 yards of chat and 2 yards for patching material for paved streets. Graves informed the court he had a

County Road 312. The cattle guard has not been set yet. The road crew was working on south end of Country Road 316 and hauling caliche on Cedar Lane. Graves was hopeful the road crew would move out east to do some patching. County Road 300 was bladed and trees cut down on County Road 320 and curve on Country Road 312. Graves told the court the distributor truck came in last Tuesday and spreader box is coming soon.

Graves advised that he lost an employee who moved to New Mexico, but he was going to take time rehiring a driver. He also reported the 963 track loader had broke down and is waiting on a part.

Bradley briefly mentioned to the court he has visited with Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) about updating the county's Airport Storm Water Discharge Plan.

Graves said he approached a builder about building a shed cattle guard built for \$2,600 for for the road paving equipment.

He presented the court with a drawing of a three sided building. No other action was taken.

The court then took time out to look at the new fire truck that the county recently purchase.

The court voted to accept a Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Solution. This resolution is the first step the county has to take to get the \$20,000 grant money allotted for making the courthouse more energy efficient.

Also the court accepted a resolution for the Texas Association for Home Care in honor of hospice and home care of patients.

Commissioners present were Matt Brown, Lynn Meador and Kirk Griffin. Commissioner Johnny Mayo was absent. Also present was Treasurer Karen Henderson.

The next meeting of the Schleicher County Commissioners Court is slated for 9 a.m. on Monday, November 23, 2009 in the first-floor meeting room of the county courthouse.



TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR TPDES PERMIT FOR

MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. WQ0010165001

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. City of Eldorado, P.O. Box 713, Eldorado, Texas 76936-0713, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of TPDES Permit No. WQ0010165001, which authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 385,000 gallons per day. TCEQ received this application on May 15, 2009.

The facility is located approximately 5000 feet northeast of the intersection of U.S. Highway 277 and U.S. Highway 915 in Schleicher County, Texas 76936. The treated effluent is discharged to an unnamed tributary; thence to an unclassified portion of the South Concho River; thence to Middle Concho/ South Concho River in Segment No. 1424 of the Colorado River Basin. The unclassified receiving water uses are no significant aquatic life use for unnamed tributary and unclassified portion of South Concho River. The designated uses for Segment No. 1424 are high aquatic life use, public water supply, and contact recreation. All determinations are preliminary and subject to additional re-

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Eldorado City Hall, 6 South Cottonwood Street, Eldorado, Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR RE-QUEST: your name; address, phone; applicant's name and permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are germane to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.state.tx.us/about/comments.html within 30 days from the date of newspaper pub-

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.TCEQ.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from City of Eldorado at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Floyd Fay, City of Eldorado at 325-853-2691.

Issuance Date: October 29, 2009

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

proven guilty in a court of law. **ARRESTS**

NOVEMBER 5 • Jessop, Raymond Merril, male age 38. DOB 09/ 01/71. Offense sexual assault of a child. Still in Custody. Sentenced to 10 years in state prison with no probation and \$8,000. fine.

NOVEMBER 7 • Zartagoza, Efrain Vazquez, male age 49. DOB 8/12/60. Offense 3rd DWI. Released on 11/8/09 \$2,000. surety bond.

DWI. Released 11/9/09 on \$1,000. fied.

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Prop. 9: Grants the public un-

Administration toward build-

the Rio Grande Valley.

Prop. 8: Requires the Texas

Capital Highlights

surety bond.

INCIDENTS NOVEMBER 3 - 7:08 PM • Complain- tank of gas left from a full tank.

ant reported a car swerving to avoid

NOVEMBER 4 - 12:21 AM · Burglar alarm company reported alarm sounding at convenience store. Manager contacted and met police to re- NOVEMBER 7 - 8:21 AM • Complainset alarm. All OK.

12:43 AM • Trouble again with alarm control called. at convenience store and again at 12:53 AM • Manager was having dif- Tom Green S.O. Wrecker dispatched. ficulty resetting alarm. Intended to 12:08 PM • Complainant reported a leave it unset, until problem could be resolved. Manager called at 4:45 am his authorization. to state alarm was set and OK.

ing noises outside their home and porch. Officers responded.

9:51 PM • Complainant reported fire- dence. Trying to locate owner. responded.

Jury convicts YFZ defendant

Nov. 5 convicted Raymond M.

Jessop of the Yearning For Zion

ranch near Eldorado on charges

faces a 20-year prison sentence.

A state and federal raid on

the removal and temporary pro-

400 women and children who re-

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of Latter-day Saints beginning

Day Saints, which broke away

The ranch is owned by a reli-

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A Schleicher County jury on

6:55 AM • Caller advised gas cap was off her car this morning and only 1/2

NOVEMBER 6 - 4:33 PM • Complainhitting a man wearing dark clothing ant reported an accident on HWY 277 walking on HWY 277 N. near pave- near CR 2129. Officer responded subiect OK.

> 8:22 PM · Complainant reported a horse had been repossessed. Officer responded.

ant reported skunk in trap. Animal

8:46 AM • Vehicle accident called in by known subject took his horse without

6:07 PM • Complainant reported los-9:33 PM • Complainant reported hear- ing her keys at the game dinner. Officer notified.

found all their pumpkins smashed on 6:22 PM • Complainant reported finding a basset hound dog at his resi-

wood had been stolen from yard and 7:02 PM • Caller reported spotlightasked to speak to an officer. Officer ing 12 miles NW of Eldorado for about an hour.

NOVEMBER 5 - 6:11 AM • Caller re- 7:45 PM • Complainant reported susported a suspicious smell near the picious activity from Val Verde EMS NOVEMBER 8 • James, Chase Tanner, Memorial building. Possible gas or ambulance at local church. Two men male age 20. DOB 12/3/88. Offense sewer. Officer notified and City noti- wearing black were looking around church and into trees. Upon calling

> Val Verde, there was no record of Val Verde being in Schleicher County today. Officer notified. NOVEMBER 8 - 6:56 PM • Motorist complained of trailer behind pickup emitting sparks, southbound on HWY

> NOVEMBER 9 - 10:29 AM • Caller reported having a controlled burn. 11:31 AM • Caller found male Border Collie. Thinks the dog may have fallen

4:21 PM • Caller reported cattle on of sexual assault of a child. He CR 412. Efforts were made to contact

7:18 PM • 911 call received. No rethe ranch last spring resulted in sponse from number when recalled. 9:02 PM • Caller reported skunk in yard. Deputy called.

> NOVEMBER 10 - 8:49 AM • Complainant reported a dog chasing goats. Owner notified. 9:00 AM • Caller advised they would

be having a small controlled burn. 10:47 AM · Caller reported a counterfeit check. Officer responded and bank notified.

11:15 AM · Complainant reported a reckless driver on Highland street. Officer notified.

2:17 PM • Complainant requested to speak to an officer concerning spouses car being vandalized. Bullet holes in windshield. Officer notified.

3:51 PM • 911 call concerning abandonment.

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"We established our ornament program in 2004, with the idea of giving Texans a fun, practical way to show pride in their state," said Cathie Gail, executive director of KTB. "That's an ideal by which we still stand. Our 6th edition piece highlights our long history of multiculturalism and helps us raise funds to support community improvement projects across the entire state. When you buy a KTB ornament, you contribute to our goal of making Texas the cleanest and greenest state in the country."

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Eldorado Woman's club takes field trip to San Angelo to hear Kathryn Childers

by Noweita Briggs

Twelve active members and one inactive member, Ester Bunton, of the Eldorado Woman's Club met at 10 am Thursday, November 5, 2009 at the Methodist Church Memorial hall. We travelled to San Angelo to the San Angelo McNease Convention Center to hear Kathryn Childers, public speaker. One of the things she told us is she was one of the first five woman hired by the United States Secret Service in 1970. Her assignments included protection of the Queen of Spain; Indira Ghandi, and the Kennedy Protective detail of John F. Kennedy Jr. and Caroline Kennedy. She worked several presidential campaign details.

Childers left the Secret Service to marry a psychiatrist and moved to Corpus Christi, Texas. She began 18 years in broadcasting as a television production person, local morning talk show host of ABC's "Take Two." Through out her career Childers has remained dedicated Children's Miracle Network for any given week, you can find her alter ego, "Sasy the Sheriff" bringing miles of smiles to the faces of young patients.

Kathryn Childers was the featured speaker at the Veterans Program held Nov. 5 at the San Angelo McNease Convention Center.

Childers, and illustrated by renowned ceramic artist William Wihlelmi. To date more than 140,000 books are in print and have grossed more than half a million in sales.

Today, Childers speaks to organizations of all sizes all over the country sharing her personal mantra of "Do it Scared"

opportunities. The program we attended began with a welcome by Jay Michaels, Foster Communications, followed by the presentation of the colors of the armed forces by the joint Service Guard of Goodfellow Air Force Base, then was followed by Lorrie Keating, U.S. Army (Ret.) who is mother of

USAF Captain Keating. Our pledge of allegiance was given by Susanne Conaway, wife of U.S. Congressman and U.S. Army Veteran Mike Conaway. Invocation was by Rev. Denise Pilot during WWII and Korea, followed by lunch being served. Next Lorrie Keating sang a Patriotic medley of Glory Hallelujah - His

truth Marches on and "I'm Proud to be an American."

Key note speaker Kathryn Childers gave us a stirring talk about her time in the military. She told us about her lifetime heroes and what a beautiful day it was to "Let Freedom Ring."

Lorrie closed the meeting with singing "God Bless America" and she invited guest to sing with her which honors past, present, and future supporters of our American Warriors.

We were told we could purchase a lifetime Heroes pin. The pin design include eight elements, each with its own meaning that represents a specific part of our theme.

Next the color guard from Goodfellow base presented the colors of the Marines, Navy, Army and Air Force and our American flag.

Next the group sang the "Star Spangled Banner" followed by the invocation given by Denise Bloomquick.

Our table centerpieces had a bowl of daisies with the American flag and flags of each branch of the Armed Services. There were four honor guards plus two military escorts who presented our colors at the beginning of the

Lorrie Ketting, wife of Veteran Keating also shared the stage. Mary Lewis told us about this special gathering in San Angelo. Mary Lewis was a speaker at one of our Woman's Club meetings here in Eldorado. Her being our guest speaker inspired her to invite our club to talk in San Angelo. To honor women that support our military and especially the troops in honor of the ones who love the ones that serve - Our local club always has a spe-Bloomquick, daughter of U.S. Navy cial Honor the Veterans meeting at our November meeting and we thank Mary for inviting us to the meeting. It was not part of our regular speakers talks.

to public service. She hosted the Driscoll Childrens Hospital for a crafted after years of embracdecade and is the founding mem- ing and more importantly servber of "Clowns Who Care," which ing unique and unexpected is a charitable clown troupe. On Tickets: \$10/child & \$5/adult Every child must be accompanied Most recently, children founded Red Cab Production, a public by an adult. relations and media production firm. Red Cab's publishing division produced and sold a series of popular coffee table books, a childrens book, and a commemorative CD, chronicling the first significant snowfall in South Texas in 100 years, an event that We are also collecting occurred on Christmas Eve 2004. **Toys for Tots** The overwhelming success of the first volume in 2005 led to a **Donations!** Entrance is free and will be companion book, "More Snow," as well as "More Snow for Kids" alongside Breakfast with Santa. written by Childer's son, Clark

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