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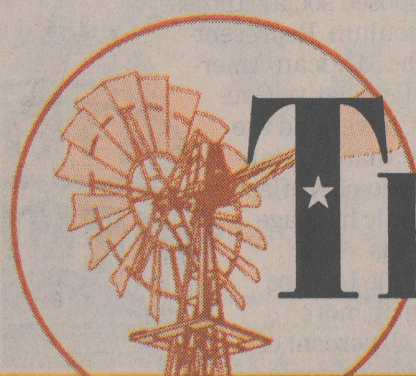
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Eldorado youths bag deer on outing with their Dads

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"THE VOICE OF ELDORADO AND SCHLEICHER COUNTY SINCE 1901"

Judge orders Keate trial to be held in Eldorado

51st District Judge Barbara Walther ruled last Friday that the trial of Eugene Allan Keate will be held in Eldorado with jury selection slated to begin on Monday, December 7, 2009.

Keate was indicted earlier this year by a Schleicher County jury on a charge of Sexual Assault of a Child, a first degree felony. If convicted of the charge, he could face life in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

Also, if Keate is found guilty, the jury will be asked to set his punishment. And, should a sentence of 11 years or more be ordered, probation will not be a possibility.

It was noted that 300 potential jurors have already been summoned, however, five of them served on the grand jury that indicted Keate, and they were excused. Five others were in the jury pool for the recently completed Raymond Jessop trial but none of them were chosen to serve on that jury, so they were left in the pool for the Keate trial.

Much of last Friday's hearing was spent debating the benefits of moving Keate's trial to Eldorado. Defense attorney Randy Wilson originally asked for the trial to be moved, but retracted his request after the prosecution agreed.

Deputy Attorney General Eric Nichols stuck to his guns, however and continued to argue that the trial should be moved and noted the difficulty that could be faced in selecting another jury in Schleicher County.

But the defense insisted that the trial remain in the county where the offense is alleged.

News coverage came up during the debate and the prosecution referred to the Eldorado Success' post-trial account of the Raymond Jessop trial was the best and most thorough of all the news outlets.

Still, the defense argued that an unbiased jury could be seated in Eldorado and Judge Walther agreed to hold the trial here.

But, the judge seemed to be hedging her bets when it was announced that a jury pool has been called in Tom Green County, just in case. Jury selection will begin there on Wednesday, December 9th if a jury cannot be empaneled in Eldorado.

A portion of last Friday's hearing was spent coming up with a questionaire that would be sent to all prospective jurors, both in Eldorado and in Tom Green County. The Success has learned that one of the questions involves the religious beliefs of the prospective jurors.

JESSOP TRANSFERRED

Tom Green County jail records indicate that Raymond Merrill Jessop as moved to that facility last Friday to await transfer to the Texas Department of Corrections. Jessop was sentenced to ten years in prison after a Schleicher County jury convicted him of Sexual Assault of a Child.

Commissioners meet, award bid for new county barn

The Schleicher County Commissioner's Court gathered Monday, November 23, 2009 for their regularly scheduled meeting where they approved advertising for bids for a transport load of diesel fuel.

Road Superintendent Mark Graves then presented to the commissioners with three bids for construction of a 30-ft x 75-ft. barn for the storage of county equipment. The low bid of \$15,491.20 from Creek Construction was accepted. The other two bids ranged up to a high of \$20,000. The building will be located at the county yard on Hwy 190 East.

Graves then updated the men on repairs his crews are making to county roads.

County Attorney Clint Griffin then visited with the commissioners concerning a bank account left by previous county attorney Raymond Loomis.

Griffin advised that he had matched up most of the fees to cases, but said there is \$702 in fees he cannot match. He asked if he could close the account and transfer the \$702.00 to

the General Fund. The commissioners agreed to the request and County Treasurer Karen Henderson explained that she would place the money in the attorney fee category in the county's General Fund.

Brian Dowell of 7L Energy then asked the commissioners to let his firm manage the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant the county is expected to receive. Dowell told the court his firm would do an energy audit for free and make suggestions on how to spend the grant money. He said the biggest savings would probably come from updating the fluorescent lighting throughout the courthouse.

Following a brief discussion, the men voted to let 7L Energy do an energy audit and to assist in acquiring grant funds of more than \$20,000. The company will also monitor any work done under the grant.

Brian Stallomen with Anco Insurance then asked for permission to meet with county employees concerning

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By the President of the United States of America, a Proclamation.

Whereas it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor-- and whereas both Houses of Congress have by their joint Committee requested me to recommend to the People of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness.

Now therefore I do recommend and assign Thursday the 26th day of November next to be devoted by the People of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be-- That we may then all unite in rendering unto him our sincere and humble thanks--for his kind care and protection of the People of this Country previous to their becoming a Nation--for the signal and manifold mercies, and the favorable interpositions of his Providence which we experienced in the course and conclusion of the late war--for the great degree of tranquility, union, and plenty, which we have since enjoyed--for the peaceable and rational manner, in which we have been enabled to establish constitutions of government for our safety and happiness, and particularly the national One now lately instituted--for the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed; and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge; and in general for all the great and various favors which he hath been pleased to confer upon us.

And also, that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations and beseech him to pardon our national and other transgressions--to enable us all, whether in public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually--to render our national government a blessing to all the people, by constantly being a Government of wise, just, and constitutional laws, discreetly and faithfully executed and obeyed--to protect and guide all Sovereigns and Nations (especially such as have shown kindness unto us) and to bless them with good government, peace, and concord--To promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the encrease of science among them and us--and generally to grant unto all Mankind such a degree of temporal prosperity as he alone knows to be best.

Given under my hand at the City of New York the third day of October in the year of our Lord 1789.

Geo. Washington

Give Thanks to George Washington for Thanksgiving 1789 Newspaper reveals Washington is Father of Thanksgiving

Americans don't know it and children aren't taught it, but George Washington is responsible for our Thanksgiving holiday. It was our first president, not the Pilgrims and not Abraham Lincoln, who led the charge to make this day of thanks a truly national event. On October 3, 1789, George Washington issued his Thanksgiving proclamation, designating for "the People of the United States a day of public thanks-giving" to be held on "Thursday the 26th day of November," 1789, marking the first national celebration of a holiday that has become commonplace in today's households. While subsequent presidents failed to maintain this tradition, it was Washington's original proclamation that guided Abraham Lincoln's 1863 Thanksgiving Proclamation. In fact, Lincoln issued his proclamation on the same day, October 3, and marked the same Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26, as Washington, setting Thanksgiving as the last Thursday of November after our first president's example.

The proclamation was printed in newspapers, including the October 9, 1789 issue of the Pennsylvania Packet and Daily Advertiser.

George Washington first mentioned the possibility of a national Thanksgiving Day in a confidential letter to James Madison in August 1789 (just months after taking office), asking for his advice on approaching the Senate for their opinion on "a day of thanksgiving." By the end of September 1789, a resolution had been introduced to the House of Representatives requesting that "a joint committee of both Houses be directed to wait upon the President of the United States, to request that he would recommend to the people of the United States a day of public thanksgiving." The committee put the resolution before the president and George Washington issued the first national Thanksgiving Proclamation within days.

Washington knew the value of a thanksgiving day long before becoming our first president. During the

Revolutionary War, he would order special thanksgiving services for his troops after successful battles, as well as publicly endorse efforts by the Continental Congress to proclaim days of thanks, usually in recognition of military victories and alliances. The concept of thanksgiving was not new to the citizens of the new United States. Colonists even before the Pilgrims often established Thank Days to mark certain occasions. These one-time events could occur at any time of the year and were usually more solemn than the Thanksgiving we observe today, emphasizing prayer and spiritual reflection.

Thanksgiving was not made a legal holiday until 1941 when Congress named the fourth Thursday in November as our national day of thanks in answer to public outcry over President Roosevelt's attempt to prolong the Christmas shopping season by moving Thanksgiving from the traditional last Thursday to the third Thursday of November.

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Attorney General Abbott defends Texas' malpractice law

AUSTIN – Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott has filed a brief with the Texas Supreme Court defending the state's medical malpractice reform law. Abbott filed his brief in a case involving the Methodist Healthcare System of San Antonio. Plaintiff Emmalene Rankin sued two physicians and the Methodist Healthcare System, alleging that a surgical sponge was left in her body after an operation more than 11 years ago.

In 2003, the Texas Legislature passed a bill prohibiting medical malpractice suits filed more than 10 years after the alleged act of malpractice. Lawmakers passed the bill in response to a shortage of doctors and the increasing costs of medical malpractice insurance.

The brief explains that Texas sets limits on the time for lawsuits to be

filed "because our legal system does not remedy injuries in perpetuity." The time limit is fair to plaintiffs and to health care providers, the brief states.

Rankin, the plaintiff, argues that the statute violates Texas' Open Courts provision in the state Constitution. That provision puts no limits on a person's right to sue for redress. A trial court upheld the state's limiting law, but the Fourth Court of Appeals reversed that decision and struck down the statute.

Insurer slapped for \$310 million

Texas Insurance Commissioner Mike Geeslin ordered State Farm Insurance to refund \$310 million to its Texas home insurance customers for overcharges. Geeslin said State Farm overcharged its customers for several years dating back to 2003. State Farm

has fought state regulators for years, arguing that it owes nothing to its customers.

"The commissioner found State Farm Lloyds' rates were excessive and is ordering State Farm Lloyds to pay refunds," Geeslin said. State Farm can appeal the order, which would delay any repayments.

Texans may get Powerball game

The Texas Lottery Commission has taken steps to bring the Powerball lottery game to the state. Meeting in Houston, the commission voted to publish its intent in the Texas Register and solicit comments on the plan.

Powerball is available in many states, and its highest payout was \$365 million. Commissioners said that adding Powerball to the Texas lottery's offerings could add \$35 million a year to

the state's school fund.

Comments on the proposed rule can be submitted to Pete Wassdorf, Assistant General Counsel, by mail at Texas Lottery Commission, P.O. Box 16630, Austin, Tx., 78761-6630; by fax at (512) 344-5189; by e-mail at legal.input@lottery.state.tx.us This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it; or by visiting the Texas Lottery Web site at www.txlottery.org.

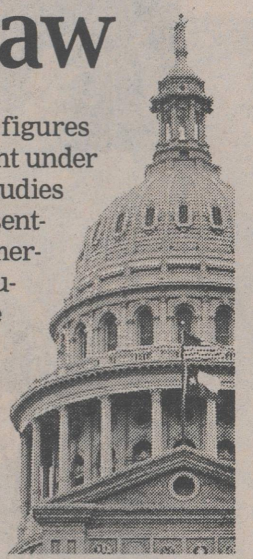
The commission will hold a public hearing and accept comments on this proposal at 1 p.m. Dec. 14, at 333 Guadalupe St., room 102, Tower III, Austin, Tx., 78701.

Few Latinos in school standards

At a meeting of the State Board of Education, state Rep. Norma Chavez, D-El Paso, objected to the lack of

Hispanic historical figures required to be taught under a proposed social studies curriculum. Representing the Mexican American Legislative Caucus, Chavez told the board that the standards do not reflect Hispanic heritage in Texas.

While Latinos make up more than 40 percent of the state's population, only 16 Hispanic historical figures are among the 160 mentioned in the required standards to be adopted for all grades. Earlier this year,



STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS
By Ed Sterling

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Stronger education is the pathway to better jobs

As the private sector works to create jobs and expand our economy in the short term, state and federal officials must strengthen the long-term foundation of our prosperity: our education system.

In a highly competitive global economy, the skills of today's students will be the prime engine for our state's growth tomorrow. In particular, Texas needs more young scientists and engineers because they will design and develop the technologies of the future.



COMMENTARY
by U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

When I was growing up in the 1950's and '60s, Texas was an industrial economy. Our workers manufactured products (such as TVs and clothes) or were the servicing the oil and gas business. But in the 21st Century, Texas has a truly global, high-tech economy in fields as diverse as manufacturing, agriculture, medical sciences, and electronics.

Our workers create "intellectual property" with "knowledge" and "ideas," and thanks to the transformational power of the Internet, we can share our knowledge and ideas in real time with people all across the world.

According to TechAmerica's annual Cyberstates report, high-tech jobs often pay double the average private sector wage and are much less vulnerable to the inevitable swings of the economic cycle.

The U.S. Labor Department recently announced that employment in the I.T. marketplace is holding up better than in other parts of the economy. While there was a 1.8% decline in all private sector jobs in the second quarter of 2009, there was only a 1.2% dip in technology employment.

The tech industry has weathered the economic storm better than most sectors and is clearly positioned to help lead America's recovery. That's why Texas should aspire to have the largest technology-trained workforce in the United States.

Unfortunately, Texas students (and indeed, most American students) are underperforming in the vitally important fields of science, technology, engineering, and math (better known as STEM). Meanwhile, countries like China and India are making major investments in STEM education to challenge America economically. Today, U.S. companies are recruiting heavily from overseas to fill job positions in highly technical fields such as computer engineering and medical science. Some American firms simply move overseas to find the necessary workers. This "outsourcing" is one of the key reasons China has displaced the U.S. as the world's largest exporter of IT products (while the U.S. has become a net importer of those products). We must work to reverse this trend and it starts with strong math and science education.

Dr. William Brinkley, a Dean at the Baylor College of Medicine, has worked to raise awareness of this issue. In 2007, he said, "The United States is being left behind... In China today, over 40 percent of college undergraduates earn engineering and science degrees, while in the U.S., only 5 percent of

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Still thankful, after all these years

They came in tiny wooden ships, across the perilous North Atlantic, in hopes of finding a home on this continent. Centuries of warfare, fueled by hatred, religious intolerance, greed and dreams of conquest pushed them westward and into the unknown.

America's first European immigrants survived a desperate winter and sweltering summer with the help of a handful of Native Americans who shared with them their rudimentary agricultural skills and taught them how to hunt wild game.

Although the first crop in the "New World" was far from bountiful, it was enough to ensure survival for another year, and gave cause for thanksgiving.

That's the traditional Thanksgiving story and for many Americans it is sufficient. But, it is far from the only one.

Spanish explorers had crossed into what would become the United States many years before near present day El Paso where they celebrated what many call the first Thanksgiving service on American soil.

A funny thing about history...it generally focuses on the culture of the ones charged with writing it.



by Randy Mankin

Norsemen are now widely believed to have landed on the shores of Newfoundland a few years before Columbus waded ashore on Hispaniola island. But, the Vikings kept few written records making their earliest voyages difficult to document.

Consider for a moment the open long boats in which the Vikings sailed. Can there be any doubt that they dropped to their knees and gave thanks once they were safely ashore.

I had the opportunity a few years ago to tour a replica of "The Pinta," one of Christopher Columbus' three small ships. The deck was rounded like a barrel and must have been very difficult to get around on. I'm certain I would have been praying for deliverance after a few hours on such a vessel.

Columbus recorded that he personally offered his thanks to his "beneficent God" as he laid claim to what he thought was India for the King and Queen of Spain.

Today, Americans gather in small groups and large congregations to offer their thanks on the nation's official Thanksgiving holiday.

The fourth Thursday of November was first proclaimed a day of thanks-giving by George Washington way back in 1789. Abraham Lincoln followed suit in 1863 and the U.S. Congress finally made it official in 1941.

But they were only following the model set by the Norse, the Spanish and the English years and years before.

Americans today still have much to be thankful for. Even with all its problems, this country represents the world's best hope for freedom and prosperity.

Sure, we fight among ourselves and we bicker constantly about the best way to run this democracy, and maybe that's the way it should be. However, today, we should all take the time to stop and say, thank you, to our beneficent God for the privilege of living here.

CAPITOL SOUTH by William Warren



Some Words About Autumn

Autumn is the time between equinox and solstice. It is Indian Summer, when the sky turns a deeper blue and the sunlight turns softer, heightening the grace and beauty of this mellow time of year.



by Tumbleweed Smith

Rolling Along

It is the culmination of what the year has produced. It's good movies, the World Series, caramel apples and a time for celebration.

It is a time of harvest and cooler weather, football and festivals. Mums burst into bloom.

It is a season of reflection and anticipation. It's physical exhilaration and mental stimulation, mixed in with a sense of sadness and departure that only a mature year can provide.

It's school buses and crossing guards and homework, Friday night lights and homecoming queens.

It's colors of crimson and copper, yellow and gold. Leaves drift softly in the autumn breeze and the ground is covered with acorns and pecans.

It's corduroy and cashmere, wool and suede, boots and scarves, sweaters and gloves.

It's scarecrows and trick or treat, costumes and jack-o-lanterns.

It's fields of white ready for picking. It's small country roads full of giant farm machines with flashing lights. It's cotton trailers going to the gin.

It's the first frost and a few snowflakes fall. It's an electrifying feeling in the air.

It's when crickets sing and sandhill cranes honk.

It's when basketballs bounce in the gym. It's when we put up the lawnmower and the grass loses its green.

It's when we get the fireplace ready for enchanting evenings filled with good conversation amidst the aromas of cinnamon and burning wood.

It's when the moon looms large on the horizon and the stars sparkle in the long, dark night.

It's when we contact old friends and think about turkey and cranberries, cookies and pies.

It is a season of introspection. In the stillness and quiet, we think about what has gone before and what is ahead.

Strange BUT TRUE

by Samantha Weaver

• An experienced florist will never put daffodils in a bouquet; the flower is toxic to other blooms.

• If you happen to own a Rolls Royce and want to swank it up a little bit, a mink jacket to fit the hood ornament is available for purchase.

• San Francisco's iconic cable cars are the only mobile national monument in the United States.

• Those who study such things say that lightning travels at one-third the speed of light.

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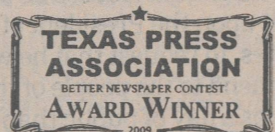
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Trish Rowe of First United Methodist Church guided this group of novice bell ringers through a song at the annual Community-wide Thanksgiving Program held Sunday evening at the Schleicher County Civic Center.

Elementary Dad's Breakfast slated December 1st

Eldorado Elementary will be having a Dad's Breakfast again this year on Tuesday, December 1st.

Breakfast will be served from 6:30 a.m. until 7:30 a.m. in the elementary kitchen. Make sure and bring your son or daughter with you! We hope to have the students take this opportunity to show their dads where their classroom is and tell them about how they spend their day.

This activity is being held to encourage dads (or a

representative for a student: grandfather, step-dad, uncle, or etc.) to visit the elementary school and to acquaint themselves with other dads in the school system. Your participation in this event will deliver a message to your child that you are interested in them and what they do at school.

This will be a time of visitation for the dads, and we will also have the classrooms open for you to look around. Feel free to come any time between 6:30 and 7:30.

Hitting the road for Thanksgiving? Drive safely

Many travelers are expected to hit the road for Thanksgiving, so all available DPS troopers will be patrolling Texas highways looking for speeders, drunk drivers and those not properly secured by safety restraints.

When you're packing the car for your annual Thanksgiving trip, be sure to pack your patience and drive safely by obeying all traffic laws.

"Please drive carefully. Crashes can happen in just a second, so pay attention," said David Baker, assistant director for the Texas Highway Patrol. "We want everyone to arrive safely this weekend. Be patient, slow down and drive sober."

During the Wednesday through Sunday Thanksgiving period last year, DPS troopers wrote 5,322 citations for speeding and made 252 arrests for driving while intoxicated. They wrote 562 citations for seatbelt violations and 257 for child restraint violations.

Troopers are participating in Operation CARE—Combined Accident Reduction Effort—a nationwide effort by police agencies to reduce fatalities on major interstate highways during holiday weekends.

DPS expects a large number of travelers on the road and encourages drivers to leave themselves plenty of time to get where they're going. Avoid bad driving habits that lead to road rage, such as:

- Not using turn signals
- Driving in the passing lane
- Tailgating, flashing lights or honking

- Using high beams in traffic
- Not allowing adequate time for a given trip.

When confronted with aggressive drivers, the DPS recommends that you:

1. Put your pride in the back seat and move aside.
2. Do not speed up, block lanes, slam or tap on brakes.
3. Report extreme cases of reckless driving to the appropriate authorities when the incident occurs.
4. Do not retaliate, gesture or make eye contact.
5. Make sure everyone is buckled up.

Glyn Hutto Livestock

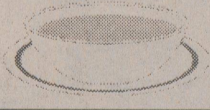
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Turkey Tetrazzini, Broccoli, Tossed Salad, Dinner Roll, Raspberry Pears, Milk.

THURSDAY December 3rd

Pork Chop w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Dinner roll, Coleslaw, Fruit cocktail, Milk.

FRIDAY December 4th

BBQ Chicken Breast, Pinto Beans, Mustard Greens, Corn Bread, Sliced Tomato, Canned Peaches.

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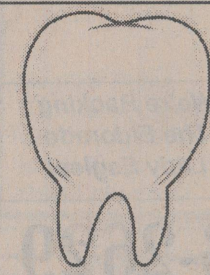
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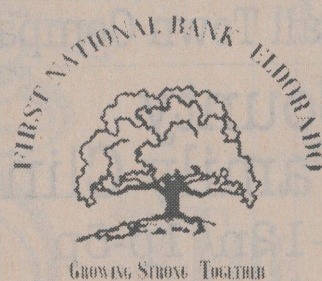


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—John Fitzgerald Kennedy



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Eagles boys struggle in first two basketball games

The Eagles faced two talented 2A teams, the Eula Pirates and the Wall Hawks in their first two games of the season.

Eldorado's Mason Baker came alive in the second half against the Eula Pirates on Friday, November 20th. Baker scored 12 of his 14 points after the intermission as he sank four of six from the charity stripe.

The Eagles next high scorer was Michael Rubio who sank a pair of 3-pointers on the way to

a 10-point night.

Eloy Bustos drained a 3-pointer goal in the second quarter and scored a total of nine points before the game was over.

Dustin Ramos added another nine with his points coming in the first half.

Dylan Dombroski scored 2, Joseph Rubio 2, Nathan Jimenez 2 and Ryan Castillo 1.

Eula scored 37 points to Eldorado's 29 points in the first half as the Eagles could not keep pace with the hard charging Pirates who went on to a 17-point win.

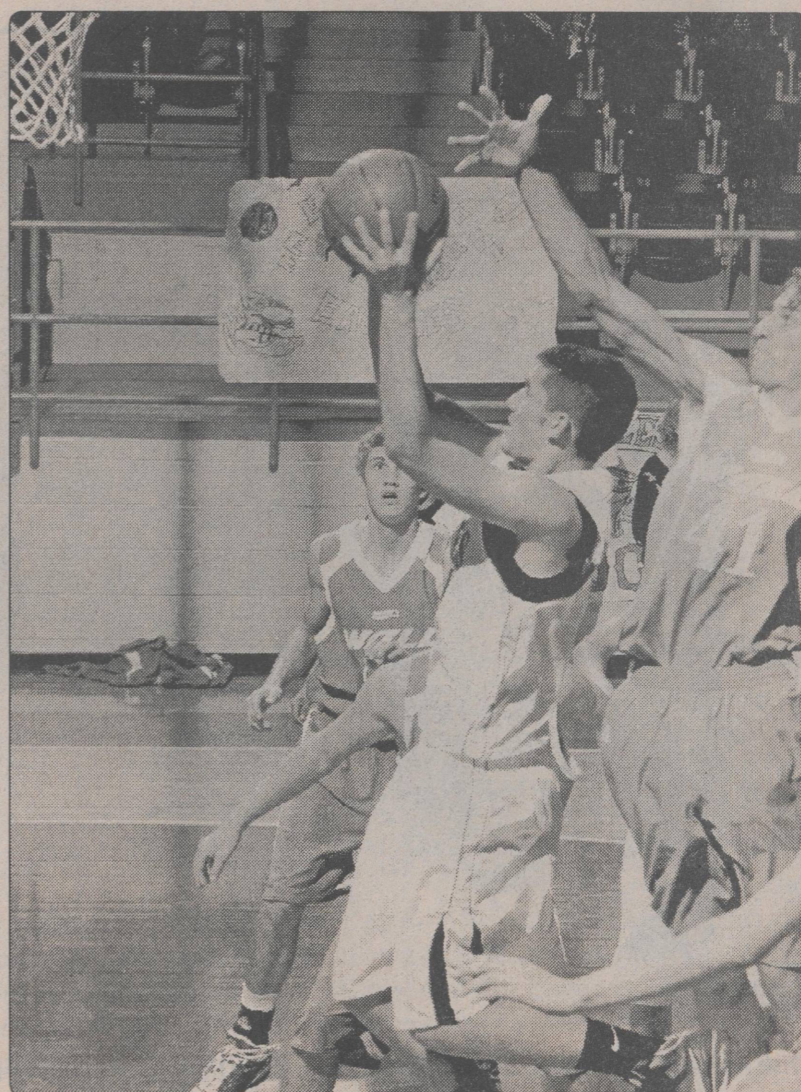
Eldorado saw its first action of the season on Tuesday, November 17, 2009 when they took on the Wall Hawks.

Dustin Ramos hit for a couple of 3-pointers in the first half and scored a total of 17 on the night.

Mason Baker added 9 points, Ryan Castillo scored 7, and Joseph Rubio put 6 on the board.

Also contributing to the game were Dylan Dombroski 4, Michael Rubio 2, Eloy Bustos 2, and Anthony Mata 4.

The Eagles fell to the Hawks by a score of 86-51.



Dustin Ramos with the Eldorado Eagles was the top score in the game against the Wall Hawks on Tuesday, November 22. The Eagles lost to Wall 51 to 86.

SCISD School Lunch Menu

MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

BREAKFAST MENU
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Monday November 30, 2009

Blueberry Muffin, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk

Tuesday December 1st

Biscuits/Sausage, Jelly, Choice of Juice, Milk

Wednesday December 2nd

Cinnamon Toast, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk

Thursday December 3rd

French Toast/Syrup, Choice Of Juice, Milk

Friday December 4th

Breakfast Pizza, Choice of Juice, Milk

CAFETERIA LINE
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Monday November 30, 2009

Pork Choppert /Gravy, Creamed Potatoes/Hot Rolls, Green Peas, Pineapple Slices

Tuesday December 1st

Chili Dogs/Cheese Cup, Fritos, Pork-n-Beans, Jello/Topping

Wednesday December 2nd

Pepperoni Hot Pockets, Tossed Salad, Applesauce

Thursday December 3rd

Chicken Spaghetti/ Bread Stix, Tossed Salad/Dressing, Carrots, Sugar Cookies

Friday December 4th

Bar B Q on a Bun, Pickles/Baked Chips, Orange Halves

BASKET LINE
Milk & Bread offered with each Meal

LUNCH IS \$1.75 FOR STUDENTS

Monday November 30, 2009

Hero Sandwich(Ham/Cheese), Baked Chips, Pickle Slices/Lettuce/Tomato, Pineapple Slices

Tuesday December 1st

Chili Dogs/Cheese Cup, Fritos, Pork-n-Beans, Jello/Topping

Wednesday December 2nd

Crisptos/Cheese Sauce, Ranch Style Beans, Carrot Stix/Dip, Applesauce

Thursday December 3rd

Chef Salad/Dressing, Diced Ham/Cheese Cup, Crackers(8), Sugar Cookies

Friday December 4th

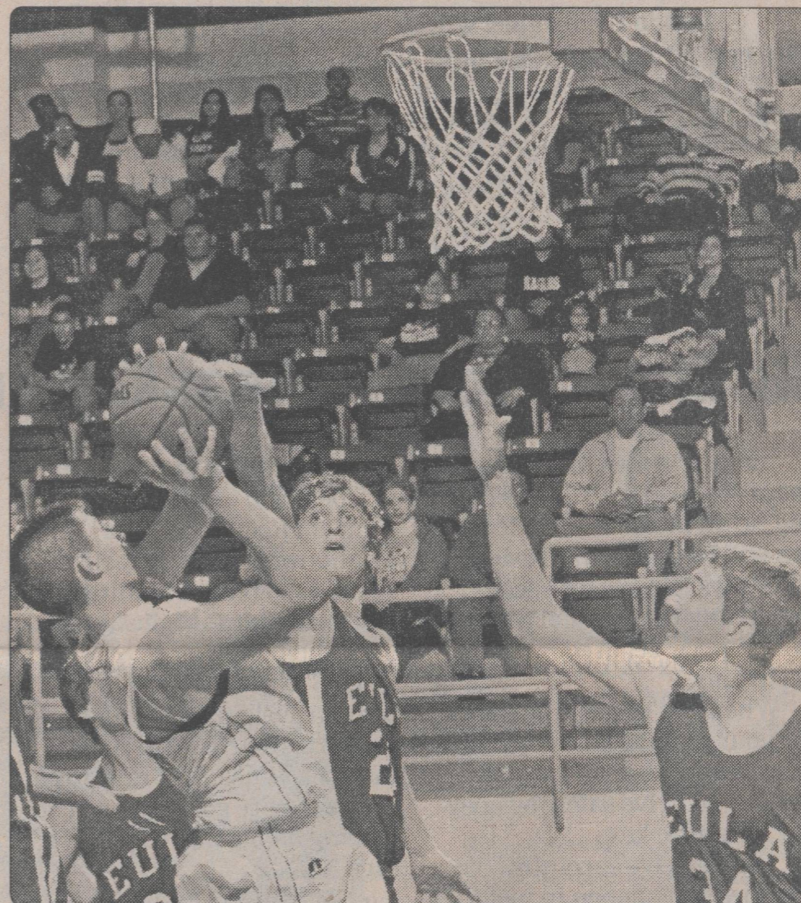
Bar B Q on a Bun, Pickles/Baked Chips, Orange Halves

Lady Eagles lose to Eula

The Lady Eagles had their wings clipped Friday night by the Eula Lady Pirates who notched up a 43-point win.

Kadie Niblett led the Lady Eagles with 14 points which included a pair of free throws. Lauren Rubio scored 4 and her sister Audrey Rubio scored 3. Brianah Creek, Ashley Paulson and Audrey Paulsen all put 2 points on the board.

The Lady Eagles scored 8 points in the first half to Eula's 36. Eula scored another 34 points in the second half to Eldorado's 19. The final score was Eldorado 27, Eula 70.



Varsity player Ryan Castillo try to rebound the ball in the first half. The Eagles lost to Eula 40-66.

SCMC OFFERS TIPS TO LIVING A HEALTHY LIFE WITH DIABETES

November is American Diabetes Month

What do one out of every three children born in the United States have in common? Unfortunately, it is the number of children who will face a future with diabetes, if current trends continue. This month, in observance of American Diabetes Month, Schleicher County Medical Center (SCMC) wants to help keep you informed about diabetes and ways to manage the illness.

According to the American Diabetes Association there are 24 million children and adults living with diabetes in the United States. Diabetes occurs when the body does not produce or properly use insulin, a hormone that is needed to convert sugar, starches and other food into energy needed for daily life. In addition to lowering a person's energy levels, if untreated, diabetes can lead to kidney damage, blindness, serious circulation problems and even result in death.

The cause of diabetes is still unknown, but there are several factors that can increase a person's chances of developing diabetes, such as obesity, lack of exercise and a family history. Fortunately, with a healthy diet, a few lifestyle changes and the right medication (if needed), most people with diabetes can live a long, healthy life.

"If you feel that you are at risk for diabetes, it is important to talk with your doctor or visit Schleicher County Family Clinic to be screened," said Bobby Romatowski, physician's assistant with Schleicher County Family Clinic. "Diabetes can be a deadly disease, if not controlled. The key to living with diabetes is early detection and creating a plan that not only manages your diabetes, but improves your overall health."

For those at trying to manage diabetes, making a plan is the first and most crucial step to a healthy lifestyle. For example, a plan focused on making better food choices might be to skip second helpings, drink water rather than soda or fruit juice and choose fruits or vegetables as a snack. Regular exercise, such as 30 minutes of walking per day, can decrease the effects of diabetes.

For more information about diabetes or to visit with us about your management or risk, call the Family Clinic at (325) 853-3137.

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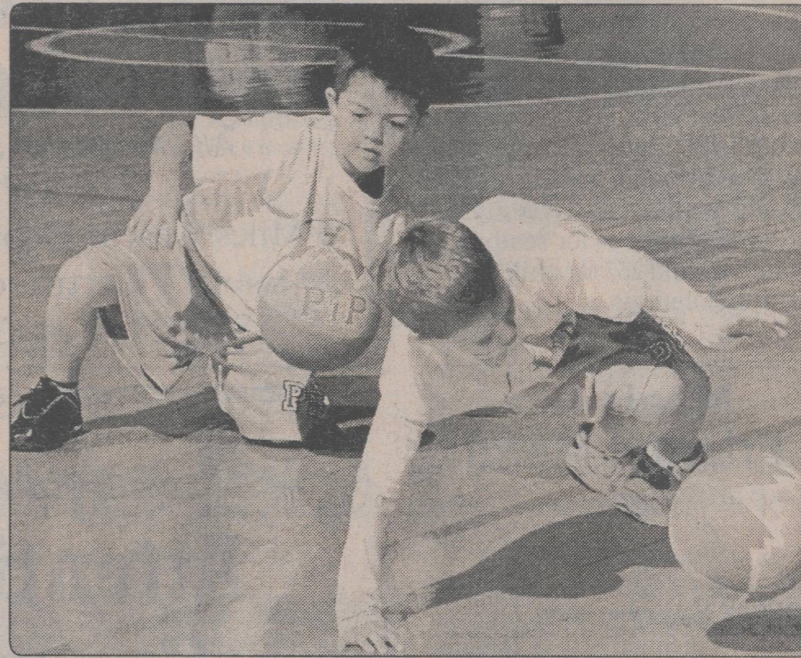
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Players In Progress Jacob Politte and Michael Creek showed off their B-Ball moves at half time at the varsity boy's game Friday, November 20, 2009.

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Brushy Top Cowboy Church to host Team Roping on Saturday

Brushy Top Cowboy Church will be having a Team Roping Saturday, November 28. The books open at 10:00 am and the roping will begin at 11:00 am at BTCC arena located midway between Eldorado and Sonora. Negative Coggins test is required. The fee is \$40 per team - cap 1.5. There will also have activities for the kids.

Local producers note Livestock Disaster Assistance deadlines

ELDORADO — Schleicher-Sutton/Val Verde County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Jan Wanoreck, reminds eligible ranchers and livestock producers of the Dec. 10 deadline for applying for benefits under the provisions of the Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP) for losses incurred during calendar year 2008. For losses incurred during the 2009 calendar year, the deadline to apply for benefits is Jan. 30, 2010.

LFP provides payments to eligible livestock producers that have suffered livestock grazing losses due to qualifying drought or fire. Fire losses apply only to federally managed rangeland. Eligible livestock under LFP include beef cattle, alpacas, buffalo, beefalo, dairy cattle, deer, elk, emus, equine, goats, llamas, poultry, reindeer, sheep and swine. For losses due to drought, qualifying drought ratings are determined using the U.S. Drought Monitor located at <http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html>.

"It is imperative that livestock producers meet these deadlines for disaster assistance as there are no late file provisions for LFP," said Wanoreck. "To insure a smooth application process, producers should have all required supporting documentation with them at the time they visit our

office to apply for benefits." In order for an LFP applicant to qualify for program benefits, the applicant must have purchased insurance coverage through FSA's Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) or the Pasture, Rangeland and Forage Insurance (PRF) program offered through the Risk Management Agency (RMA).

Producers who meet the requirements of a socially disadvantaged, limited resource, or beginning farmers or ranchers, as defined in the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990, Section 2501 (e) (7 U.S.C. 2279(e)), do not have to meet this Risk Management Purchase Requirement (RMPR) and, therefore, are not required to have paid the buy-in fee.

LFP program applicants should note that in addition to risk management provisions, certain payment limitation and adjusted gross income eligibility requirements must be met in order to qualify for livestock disaster program benefits.

For more information or to apply for LFP and other USDA Farm Service Agency disaster assistance programs, please contact the Name County FSA office at Phone. Information can also be obtained on line at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.



COURTESY PHOTO

These young hunters had a fun day hunting on the Mertz Ranch in Arden, Texas on November 14, 2009. Wyatt Mertz (L) brought down this 8 point, 21 inch buck. Jack Griffin (R) brought down this 10 point, 20 inch buck. The boys went hunting with their fathers, Michael Mertz and Clint Griffin.

District 7 Food Show Results

All the participants work very hard and had a wonderful time at the District 7 Food Show held on November 21st at the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene, Texas. There were wonderful recipes that were being introduced from all counties with a total of 148 participants at this year's District Food

Show. If you are interested in a District 7 Food Show Cookbook, contact Courtney at the extension office.

Danielle Clark - 4th Place - Intermediate Fruits & Vegetables

Rylea Self - 3rd Place - Intermediate Breads & Cereals

Kaitlyn Lindsey - Participant - Intermediate Nutritious Snacks & Desserts

Clayton Arendt - Participant - Intermediate Main Dish

Jayton West - Participant - Junior Breads & Cereals

Christine Lindsey - Participant - Junior Main Dish

Colton Arendt - Participant - Junior Fruit & Vegetables

Jacquelynn Lozano - Participant - Junior Nutritious Snacks.

BIRTHDAY LIST NOVEMBER

26th Jeremy Wayne Estep, Victor Saldivar Jr., Chris Jenkins, Paul Rebeck, Gerald Huichapa, Mary Ann Gonzalez, Chad Montgomery, Jesse Rodriguez, Ashley Moore
27th Jose Venegas, Virginia Fuentes, Rosa Cardenas, Misty Brown, Colton Arendt, Aislin Nixon, Tyler Dombroski, Tiffany Hernandez
28th Kimery Garcia, Dora Beach, Pat Martin, Jeff Conn, Van Cammack
29th Charles Kellogg, Abbie McCormick, Marie Spinks, Asa Nixon, Pat Martin, Yolanda Adame
30th Mary Buchholz, Victoria Fuentes, Chris Mathis, Abbey Hartgrove, Kriste Giles, Noelle Henry, Holly Ford, Toni Sudduth, Jerry Etheredge, Simon P. Duran, Saul Chavez, Jesus Chavez, Jose Figueroa III, Addie Walling

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County Commissioners ...

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their dental and optical insurance. The commissioners agreed to let Stallomen talk to the employees about the insurance his firm has to offer.

The commissioners then cast the county's 1,775 votes for Commissioner Matt Brown to represent them on the board of directors for the Schleicher County Appraisal District for the 2010-2011 term.

The court then approved an order regulating certain fireworks such as sky rockets in the unincorporated area of Schleicher County.

Before adjourning, the commissioners voted to select First National Bank as the county's depository for the 2010 budget year. Commissioner Lynn

Meador abstained and Judge Bradley voted in favor along with Commissioners Matt Brown and Johnny Mayo.

The court then concluded by approving the bills.

Monday's meeting was presided over by County Judge Charlie Bradley with Commissioners Matt Brown, Johnny Mayo and Lynn Meador in attendance. Commissioner Kirk Griffin was absent.

The next meeting of the Schleicher County Commissioners Court is slated for 9 a.m. on Monday, December 14, 2009. If the Eugene Keate trial is in session, the meeting will be held at the Schleicher County Civic Center. Otherwise, the men will meet in the first-floor meeting room of the county courthouse.

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Sabino D'Agostino, D.O.
Neurosurgery

Second Thursday of each month
 Beginning December 10

After graduating with a bachelor's degree from Pennsylvania State University in University Park, Pennsylvania, Dr. D'Agostino received his medical degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in Philadelphia. He completed his Residency in Neurological Surgery at the Medical University of South Carolina in Neurological Surgery in Charleston.

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MRS. MEADOR'S CLASS
 This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is my mom she take me to the park and to the swimming pool. In lets me play games and have fun. Another thing I am thankful for is my Dad he takes me to the store on Saturday and Sunday. Every day during week and he also buys me and my sister toys. Last thing that I am thankful for is my sisters they are kind to me and they let me play with them.

Angela Alegria

This Thanksgiving I am tankful for many things. One thing is that I can carve The chicken bec like to Poi. another ting I am thankfyl for is heling Mom because she tals me to. Last I am thanfyl for is my mom and bobbers. thay take good care of me.

Joe alex Belman

this thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. one thing is Jesus because he made the world. An other thing I am thankful for is my mom because she feeds me. Last thing I am thankful is my dad because he takes me to the park.

Naomi Borrego

On Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things One thing is my family because they take care of me. Another thing that I am thankful fore is the world because I love it the last thing I'm thankful for is our town because my live in Iowa.

Kevin Covarrubiaz

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Eldorado's Second Graders Give Thanks



This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is the soldiers because they fight for our country. Another thing I am thankful for is my brother because he keeps me safe at home The last thing is my family because they keep me good and safe.

Esmeralda Hill

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is my mom because she feeds me and takes care of me. and I'm thankful for my freinds because they aways play with me. the Last thing I'm thankful for is my brother's because they take care of me also.

Esmeralda Cruz

This thanksgiving I am thankful for many things one thing is I am thankful for my Dad and my mom and my sisters & brother And my ant. but mose of all I am thankful for God, and the last thing is my family.

Austin Daniels

This Thaksgiving I am thankful for many things is eating whith my family. I am thankful because we are a family. Another thing I am thankful for is the holiday, because we can have fun. My borther and I play. Last thing I am thankful for is the food that I eat.

Cesar Garcia

This thanksgiving I am thankful for many things one thing is the school taes care of me Because they don't let me get Hurt. Another thing I am thankful for is my mom she takes me to the store to buy me nen clothes. Last I am thankful for is my dad because He take me to cowboy church I learn about God.

Ethan Hocutt

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things One thing is the world, because it holdss all the people. Another thing is my mom. I am thankful for her because she feeds me. The last thing I am thankful for God because he made all the people.

Kreek James

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things one thing is I am am thankful for my famly because ther nice tome and the help me do my home work. Another thing I am thankful for form step dad because he is fun to play games with. Last thing I am thankful for is for my mom and sister because they help me do things. I an thankful for my mom bec us she cook for me. Another thing I am thakful for my gramo bec y she buys toys The last thang I am thankful for is my step mom, she came back.

Gissella Lowe

this thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is my family. I Love my family we like to ride the ranger a lot, and we lik to go play games at Cici's pizza also we lik to sit as a family at the table. Anouther thing is my teachers. I love my teachers they help me. they teach me and they fill you with work. Last thing I am thankful for is water water gives you strenght and courage.

Kami Lux

This Thanksgiving I am tankful for many thing is God because he makes holidays and kids can have fun. another thing I am thankful for is for my mom that she is ok because then no one will driv me home. Last thing I am Thankful for is that my Grandma becuse she is th one that cook for us.

Edgar Muniz

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is my family becua they love me and take care of me. Another thing I am thankful for is being able to live on a ranch becua i get to do cool things. The last thing I am thankful for is my life becua I am autive and being healthy.

Emmie Grace Mynatt

This Thanksgiving I am Thankful for many things One thing is for my family because they help me do thing I am Thankful for food if we didn't have food we wold die. And the last thing I am thankful is fo School we we can learn.

Myra Sierra

This thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is about having fun and playing with my dog. Another thing I am thankful for is watching Patriots and cowboys. Last thing that I am thankful because praising the Lord.

Malachi Vasquez

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is that I love God and God made us I'm thankful for that. Another thing is that I love my family and on Friday we play board games. Last thing is I'm thakful for is the food my famly cooks. I love thanksgiving.

Justin Lee Yant

MRS. O'HARROW'S CLASS
 This Thanksgiving I am thank is The soldiers because They protect The USA. An other thing God because he created us and encouraged the Pilgrims to make America. The last thing is my family because they are always there for me and I love them.

Patrick Self

This Thanksgiving I am thakful for many thing one thing is brother and sister because they are really helpful and lisiin to My mom, anoter thing is My parents because they feed my family the last thing is my grand parents becuse they care about Me and call us.

Alya Cardona

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is my Grandma bec because she takes care of me and loves me. Another thing is my family to take care of us. The last thing is Mrs. O'Harrow because she helps us learn.

Natalie Castro

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One ting is my brother because he is hurt really bad and I am thanful he is ok. Another thing is my sister because she is not hurt. The last Thing is the Doctors that are taking care of Byron.

Jessi Taylor

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is it is the soldiers because they protect our country. Another thing is my family because they feed and protect me. The last thing is God because he protets everything.

Eric Reyes

This thankiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is God, Jesus, and my church because you ca eat and hang out with your family, play and dance with your cousins. Another thing is eating turkey because it's so good for your tummy. The last thing is love of my parents because they care for me when I get hurt.

Ariela Zamora

This Thanksgiving I am Thankful for many things. One thing is the army because they fight for our country to have freedom. Another thing is my mom and Dad the y make food for me. The last thing is God because he gave us a home it is planet Earth.

Camron Heard

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is my family because I love them. Another thing is God and Jesus because they take care of us. And the last thing is my brothers and sisters because they take care of me when I'm sick.

Savannah Torres

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is my family because they love me a lot and because they are my Mom and Dad. Another thing is God because he takes care of me. The last thing is my friends because we like to Play a lot.

Maria Gallegos

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Weekly Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Scaled back
- Brat's talk
- "The Purple Cow" rhyme scheme
- "Butterfield 8" author John
- Cocoon's content
- Repetitive routine
- Some denims
- Genesis locale
- Petri dish filler
- Ride in a country bar
- Bring to a halt
- Seating option
- Reroute, as traffic
- Mell Lazarus comic strip
- Blue-pencil
- First Lady after Bess
- PC's "brain"
- Lightning producer
- Plaines, Ill.
- Shoot-'em-up 43. On the peak of
- Fictional champ Apollo
- Cause of burnout
- Back forty's forty
- Gulped down
- Fe, for iron
- Home with hexagonal cells

DOWN

- Campaign pro
- "Beg pardon ..."
- Talk like a psycho
- Hoss Cartwright's given first name
- One of Santa's team
- Act the high roller
- Car with a four-ring logo
- On ___ (with no guarantee)
- Yemen's capital
- Yemen's peninsula
- Like a \$3 bill
- "Any Time ___" (Beatles tune)
- Early TV's "Uncle Millie"
- Carpenter ___
- Glittery fabrics
- Scout's action
- Off the job
- Is in contention
- "Yada yada yada"
- Sprayed, or clubbed, in a way
- General Bradley
- "Cool" sum of money
- Dust critter
- Dove's home
- Thumbs-up voters
- Mgr. ejectors, at times
- Upper bodies
- Northwest Passage seeker John ___
- Feathers adhesive
- Dental adhesive
- Porker's place
- It's easily lost when short
- Had a yen
- Potato skin garnish
- Party hearty
- Out of whack
- Vintner's barrel
- Despot played by Whitaker
- Passed-on tales
- Barn bundle
- Like much testimony
- Lo-cal
- "I told you!"

Corps of Engineers

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- 5th Grade**
- "A" Honor Roll:** Clayton Arendt, Franklin Buchholz, Mathias Buitron, Sydney Covarrubiaz, Kade Creek, Jess Gonzales, Davis Hutto, Joe David Marquez, Chase Mertz, Michael Mungia, Will Mynatt, Emily Nixon, Noah Sorrells.
- "A-B" Honor Roll:** Branda Gail Arispe, Marisa Arispe, Victor Castro, Paige Corrales, Bernardo Cruz, Star Foley, Priscilla Gandar, Miriam Garcia, Elizabeth Griffin, Trace Hariman, Gisselle Hernandez, Keanu Hernandez, Hudson Martin, Ana Martinez, Luis Miguel Martinez, Branda Minor, Raymond Parsons, Jesse Ramon, Marcos Ramon, Arantza Sanchez, Jordan Stanford, Kaylee Swindall, Leroy Torres, Makayla Treviño, Riley Umphress, Zelenia Vasquez.
- 6th Grade**
- "A" Honor Roll:** Jaime Chancellor, Danielle Clark, Garret Emmons, Grant Emmons, Abigail Narvaez, Jose Luis Olivares, Strait Pridemore, Yesenia Sias.
- "A-B" Honor Roll:** Lucy Adwell, Caitlin Dumas, Deonn Fuentes, T. J. Hudson, Cade Ledbetter, Kaitlyn Lindsey, Christian Martinez, Johnathan Martinez, Julissa
- 7th Grade**
- "A" Honor Roll:** Esmeralda Ruezga, Tres Whitten. **"A-B" Honor Roll:** Dalton Buchholz, Jaqueline Castro, Breana Crofoot, Estephanie Estrada, Jessica Gandar, Alexis Garcia, Julian Garcia, Jessica Gonzalez, Evelyn Martinez, McKenzie McAngus, Brittney McCulloch, Arden Mertz, Ivie Kate Mynatt, Dominique Ochoa, Whitney Perez, West Ramon, Stormi Rinehart, Garet Swinford.
- 8th Grade**
- "A" Honor Roll:** Madison Albin, Jordan McCulloch. **"A-B" Honor Roll:** Jose Aranda, Michael Billbrey, Bailey Espinosa, Elizabeth Estrada, Adrian Garcia, Reed Hariman, Abriana Islas, Bobby Martinez, Macy Mikeska, Jackson O'Harrow, Valeria Ortiz, Lupe Pasillas, Yesenia Ramirez, Maria Reyes, Adriana Rios.

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is my sisters because they help me with my homework. Another thing is my friends Jaylynn, Maria and Natalie, because when I am hurt they will help me up, the last thing is my dog because he is fun to play with him but if he wasn't my dog it wouldn't be fun at all.

Jackie Covarrubiaz

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is for God and Jesus because they made us. Another thing is friends and sisters because I am proud of them. The last thing is my Parents because when I am sick my parents take care of me.

Roberto David Perez

this thanksgiving I am thankful for many things One thing is my family because they love me. Another thing is my grandma and granpa because every time I go they give me presents. The last thing is Mrs. O'Harrow because she teaches us 123's and ABC's

Codee E. Meador

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is My mom and dad because they help me and feed me. Another thing is God because he takes care of us. The last thing is Jesus because he takes care of us too.

Frankie Villanueva

This Thanksgiving I am Thankful for many things One Thing is mom and Dad because I love them. Another is my family because they Take care of me. The last thing is Mrs. O'Harrow the best teacher

Laura Suarez.

This Thanksgiving I am Thankful for many things. One thing is I am thankful for is my mom and dad because they take care of me. Another thing is my brother because he helps with my homework and because he is very smart. The last thing is my friends they are like brother because I play with them every day.

Jankan Jurecek

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One of the things is the pilgrims because they come to the U.S.A. Another is God, Soldiers and Mrs. O'Harrow because one teaches us. Another fights for are freedom, the last one loves us and always did. The last thing is friends because they're like bro brothers.

Happy Thank

Isaac Sorrells

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is my family because they love me. an other thing is the soldiers because they fight for our country. The last thing is my friends because they play with me

Jaylynn Estep

Eldorado's Second Graders Give Thanks



This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is my family because they take good care of us. Another thing is soldiers because they protect our country. One last thing is God because he takes good care of us.

Joseph Rodriguez

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is my parents because they keep me safe and they feed me. Another thing is my grandma because she loves me and she is nice to me. The last thing is my teacher because she is nice and she is the best teacher ever.

Marcio Martinez

MRS. SESSOM'S CLASS
This Thank giving I am thankful for God And all the angels, Mary, and Jesus because he take care of me. And my mom makes a good pecan pie I Love Thanksgiving because I Love Thanksgiving because wen my famlee gets together.

Tomez Jo Figueroa

This Thanksgiving I am Thankful for many things. One thing is food because it keeps me healthy. Another thing is family because they give me food. Also, I am thankful for God because He takes care of us.

Jose Trevino

This Thanksgiving We are going to celebrate my family and I because every yere we celebrate. We probably We will go to San Antonio because We are going to Celebrate in San Antonio.

Happy Thanksgiving

Mariana Romo

This Thanksgiving I am tankful for many things One thing is my family because they keep me safe. another thing is my teacher because she teaches me. the last thing is my friends because they play with me.

Happy Thanksgiving.

Lesette Escobar

This Thanksgiving I a thankful for many things. One thing is Jesus because I love Him and God because He made us. Family because they belong to me. Eldorado because I like living here.

Happy Thanksgiving

Moises Hill

This Thanksgiving I'm thankful for friends because my friends like to play with me. Another thing is my family because it is a great big family. They love me a lot like a Mom and Dad. I'm thankful for My Teacher Mrs. Sessom. She's nice to me like God is to her.

Happy Thanksgiving.

Mikayla Rodriguez

This Thanksgiving I am Thankful for many things. One thing is I am thakful for Jesus because he died on the cross to save our sins. Second, I am also thankful for the United States of America because it is Special. Another thing I'm thankful for is doctors to keep us healthy.

Happy Thanksgiving

Samantha Lozano

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is Christmas because we can celebrate Jesus' birthday. Second is planters because they plant trees which have food so we can eat it to be healthy. Third is God because we can learn by Mrs. Sessom in school and by others teachers.

Happy Thanks giving

Garrett Hairma

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things One thing is plants because they give us oxygen. I'm also thankful for bees because they give us honey. Another thing is scientist because they disc over everything.

Happy Thanksgiving.

Taner Swindord

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One Thing is I am thankful for god because he made me alive. I like Mrs. Sessom because she teaches us. I am glad to have Christmas because it is on Jesu's birthday.

Happy Thanksgiving

Slone Stultz

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is for my family because they take care of me. Another thing I'm thankful fro is God because he created us. another thing I'm thankful for our Teachers because they keep us safe and smart.

Happy Thankgiving

Emiliano Hernandez

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. one thing is I am thankful for Jesus because he gives us what we need. I am thankful for all the soldiers because they're fighting to keep us alive. I am thankful for all my family because they love me and they take care of me.

Happy Thanksgiving

Linda Sanchez

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for my Dad becuse he takes care of me I'm thankful for my mom because she, feeds me. I'm thankful for my freinds because there good to me. I'm thankful for my pets because I like them.

Happy Thanksgiving

Jesse Gonzales

This Thanksgiving I'm thankful for many things. One thing is my family because I love them and they love me. Next I'm thankful for God and what he does for us every day. Last I'm thankful for Eldorado because I love living in a small town.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Andrea Meador

This Thanksgiving I am thakful for many things. One thing is Jesus because he was sent to earth by God to die for us. Another one is our family, they are very special because our mothers feed us and if something is broken our fathers fix it And one last thing and probably the most important thing in the world, we got to go to church where we want to because of the people that fought for our freedom.

Happy Thanksgiving

Kathryn Shipman

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is my Mom and Dad because I would not be here. Another thing is God and Jesus because they protect me through every thing. The last thing that I am thankful for is my pets because they play with me.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

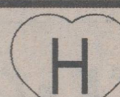
Dustin Shriver

This Thanksgiving I am Thankulf I have frends that we named Jaylyn, Preston and amar. I'm Thankful my dog named Mindy because she barks at a stranger and takes care of us. I am Thankful for my family because my mom takes me to my grandma's house.. I am Thankful That god give us rain for my plants

Happy Thanksgiving

Michael Mata

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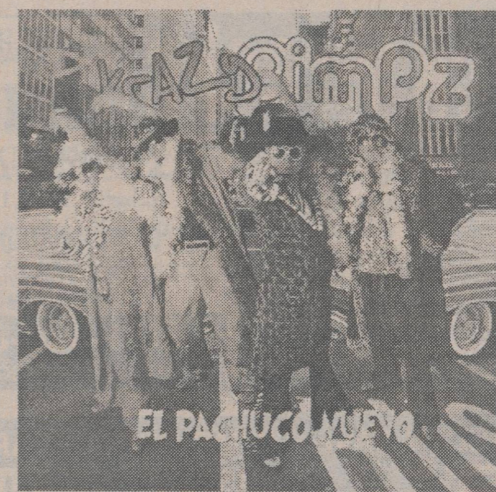
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Workers erected a tower last week on the Elementary School campus. The tower will support a microwave antenna that will provide the school with a wireless connection to the Region XV offices in San Angelo. The connection will also provide the school with a boost in speed for its Internet service.

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Funniest Thanksgiving
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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. 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 17 • Brito, Luis, male

age 39, DOB 04/18/70. Offense taking wildlife resources w/o Consent. Released 11/18/09.

• Brito, Felipe, male age 63. DOB 01/04/46. Offense Taking wildlife resources w/o consent. Released 11/18/09

NOVEMBER 22 • Mata, Victor, Male age 29. DOB 07/28/80. Offense Motion to revoke

NOVEMBER 21 • Vasquez, Jesus, male age 20. DOB 11/21/89. Offense Public Intoxication.

INCIDENTS

NOVEMBER 17 - 5:23 PM • Call from funeral home requesting escort in the AM.

NOVEMBER 18 - 8:29 AM • Caller reported a cotton module on fire.

8:30 AM • Caller reported cotton module on fire. Units dispatched.

8:41 • Caller reported unknown person broke lock on north gate next to feed barn. Incident happened between 8:45 pm and 8:15 am on 11/15/09. Officer responded and took complaint.

9:01 • Caller reported having a controlled burn.

12:34 PM • Caller reported a white truck traveling south of Eldorado and nearly caused a head on collision.

2:25 PM • Test of the fire alarm system.

4:38 PM • Caller reported accident at Super S. Officer responded.

6:44 PM • Caller reported an injured deer on side of the road.

7:39 PM • caller reported party not willing to leave premises.

NOVEMBER 19 - 3:26 PM • Caller requested verification of aircraft.

4:55 PM • Caller called 911 to report a man needed medical attention. Units responded.

NOVEMBER 20 - 11:31 AM • Caller reported injured deer.

12:07 PM • Caller reported disturbance. Domestic dispute.

2:45 PM • Caller reported domestic dispute. Verbal only. Officers responded.

NOVEMBER 21 - 9:10 AM • Caller reported two small burns.

10:32 AM • Caller reported a gas drive off. Officer responded and unable to locate.

12:17 PM • 5th wheel parked in North courthouse parking lot. White truck with 5th wheel. Stated mother in critical condition in hospital.

7:12 PM • Caller reported dumpster fire in alley. Officer responded and fire department followed up.

NOVEMBER 22 - 9:12 AM • Alarm company called to report alarm sounding. Officer responded.

9:25 AM • Caller reported vehicle accident. Units dispatched.

12:13 PM • Complainant brought in a wallet. Owner of wallet came in to pick up wallet at 12:51 pm.

6:08 PM • Caller reported seeing a red emergency light flashing on one of the housing apartments. Officers investigated. It was accidental.

NOVEMBER 23 - 2:06 AM • Caller reported loud music. Music subsided. Restarted at 2:13. Officer responded. Music was discontinued for the remainder of the night.

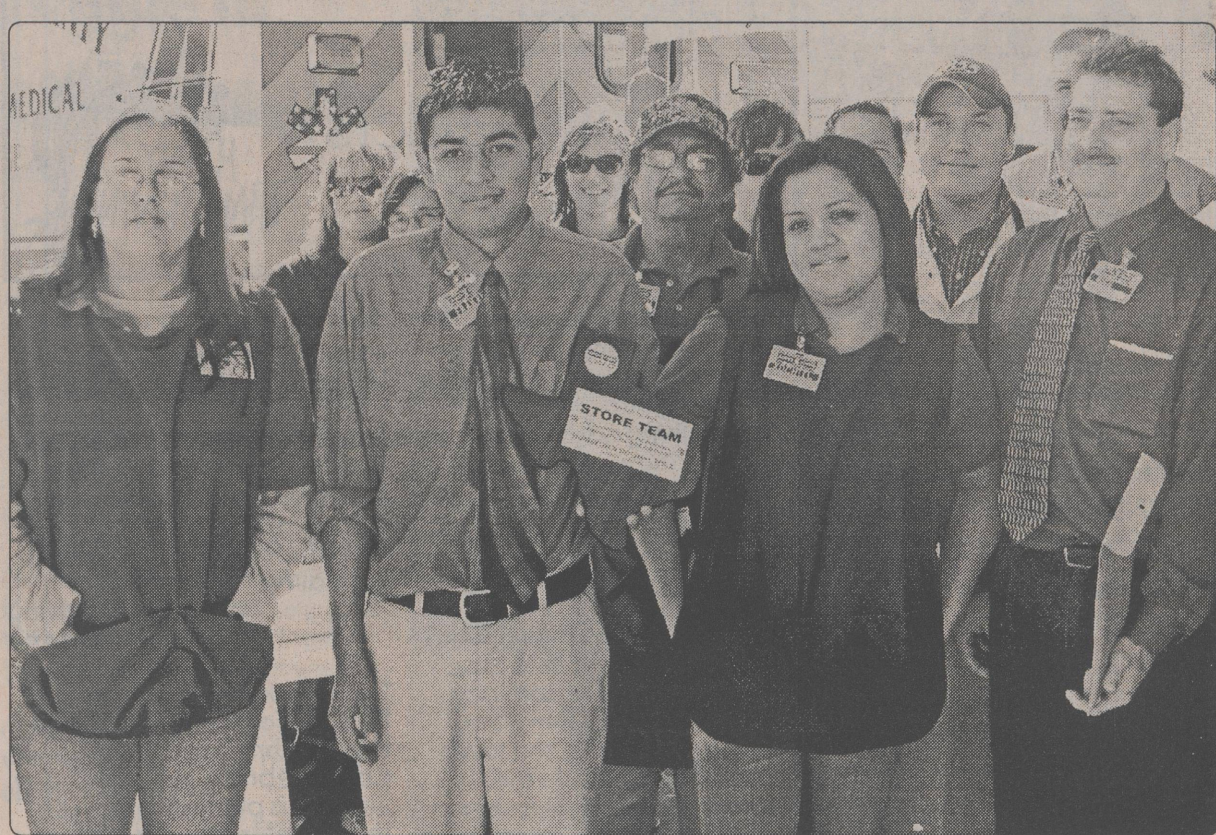


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Super S Foods management arrived in Eldorado Thursday morning on their Holiday Tour our local Super S Food Store. To show their appreciation to local employees, they presented them with a plaque of recognition. Eldorado Super S employees are (L-R) Jamie Samaniego, Frank Martinez, Xochitl Guerrero, Manager Rich Harrington; (Middle L-R) Juaquin Rojas and Matt McCullohy. (Back L-R) Eldorado EMS members Melissa Rodriguez, Mondee Edwards, Kristina Prater and Tammy Fish were present for the EMS Bake Sale and Food Drive.

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Kay Bailey Hutchison ...

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students do, and Texas is in the bottom half among the states - our students consistently score lower than the national average on math and science proficiency tests. This is simply unacceptable."

I agree. If we want America to compete and succeed in the 21st Century, we must train more young men and women to study science and engineering. That's why I cosponsored and helped pass the America COMPETES Act, which dramatically increases our nation's investment in STEM education. It expands A.P. courses which bolster the quality of the curriculum in math,

science, and foreign languages.

A math and science partnerships program was established to improve the performance of teachers in the areas of math and science. Math and science teachers in elementary and secondary schools are brought together with scientists, mathematicians, and engineers to increase the teachers' subject-matter knowledge and improve their teaching skills.

I've also been a strong advocate for Teachers for a Competitive Tomorrow, a project in which colleges and universities encourage undergraduate students to gain degrees in their STEM fields of study with teacher

certification obtained through required electives.

This grant program is modeled after the UTeach program at the University of Texas at Austin. While only 50 percent of new teachers are still teaching after 3 years nationwide, 80 percent of UTeach graduates are still teaching after five years. UTeach is now being replicated as a national standard for science and math teacher preparation by the National Math and Science Initiative.

Last but not least, I encourage all Texas families to help their children and grandchildren become proficient in math and science, and see how careers in those fields are portals to discovery and opportunity. Together, we can inspire a new generation of Texans to pursue careers in math, science, and engineering. And if we achieve that goal, we will secure Texas' economic future for decades to come.

Kay Bailey Hutchison is the senior U.S. Senator from Texas and is the Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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Capital Highlights

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the board considered a recommendation to remove the late farm labor leader Cesar Chavez from the required curriculum for fifth grade social studies. Chavez is still among the Hispanic figures required in the curriculum.

The board is set to vote on the new curriculum standards in January and give its final approval in March.

Mansion expansion criticized

A proposal to add a two-story addition to the Governor's Mansion has lost the support of the Heritage Society of Austin. The society has led efforts to rebuild the 153-year-old structure damaged in an arson fire in June 2008.

Dealey Herndon, project manager for the restoration, said the addition is needed because the mansion is too small and will lose space in the restoration to comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act.

The Heritage Society said altering the building by adding two stories would endanger the historical integrity of the only home in Austin on the list of National Historic Landmarks. The proposed addition would add 2,000 square feet of living space to the building.

"We would like not to see the exterior altered," said Mandy Dealey, president of the society.

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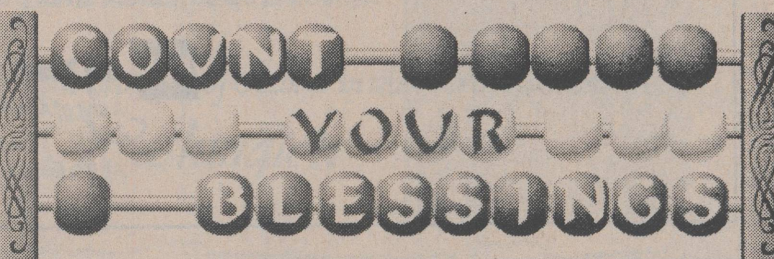
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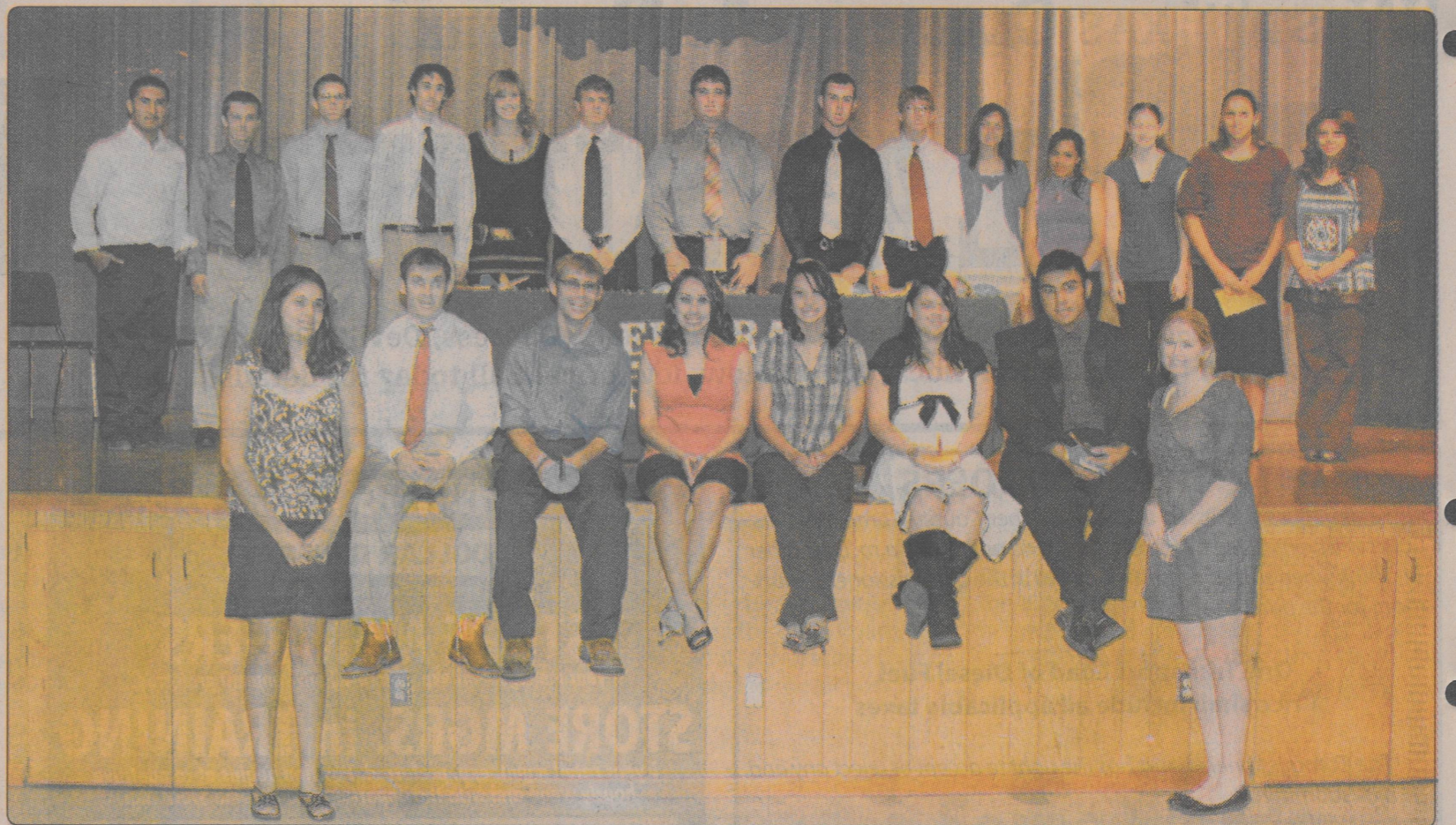


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2009-10 National Honor Society Inductees (back L-R) Ivany Sanchez, Morgan Barker, Hunter Alvizo, Bailey Minor, Ashley Paulson, Jaymie O'Harrow, Ben Wipff, Miles Mikeska, Zack Brame, Kaitlyn Bluford, Lourdes Pasillas, Amy Alvizo, Lauren Rubio, and Krista Galindo; 2008-2010 National Society Members: (Front L-R) Audrey Rubio, Wes Brown, Dylan Dombroski, Emily Espinosa, Adrianna Hernandez, Tanja Hibbs, Timothy Cuevas and Kadie Niblett. On November 19, 2009, in the high school auditorium these fourteen inductees said their pledges and were certified after the Candle Ceremony. The new officers for the upcoming year are Audry Rubio, Dylan Dombroski, Tanja Hibbs and Timothy Cuevas.

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Elementary PTO unveils Box Tops fundraiser

Eldorado Elementary has launched their 2009-2010 Box Tops for Education fund-raising campaign. This year the school has set a goal of earning \$500 through Box Tops.

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• Sign up to support Eldorado Elementary on the Box Tops website at btfe.com

The Eldorado Elementary Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) is helping by sponsoring a collection contest. The class that collects the most Box Tops by Friday, December 11th will win a Christmas cookie party to be held before the Christmas break. In the spring the PTO plans to host other incentive contests and an end of the year collection prize.

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HONOR ROLL

Eldorado High School Honor Roll 2nd Six Weeks

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9th Grade
"A" Honor Roll: Miranda Arispe, Ryan Espinosa, Lane Griffin, Mary Lou Martinez, Blaine Mitchell, Jessica Pasillas, Austin Stapp, Ashleigh Wright
"A/B" Honor Roll: Cameron Capps, Lori Escobar, Nicholas Gonzales, Edward Hernandez, Brian Parsley, Hector Reyes, Diego Sanchez.

11th Grade
"A" Honor Roll: Amy Alvizo, Kaitlyn Bluford, Ashley Paulson, Ben Wipff.
"A/B" Honor Roll: Zack Brame, Miles Mikeska, Jaymie O'Harrow, Lourdes Pasillas, Lauren Rubio, Yadria Zambrano.
12th Grade
"A" Honor Roll: Hunter Alvizo, Wes Brown, Emily Espinosa, Adriana Hernandez, Patricia Hernandez.
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