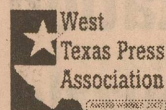


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## FLDS men surrender on bigamy charges

ELDORADO — Michael George Emack, 57, and Raymond Merrill Jessop, 36, both residents of the YFZ Ranch, surrendered to Schleicher County authorities on Friday, August 22, 2008 following their indictments a day earlier on Bigamy charges. Warren Steed Jeffs, 52, was also indicted on a Bigamy charge, but he is in jail in Kingman, AZ where he awaits trial on charges that he arranged and performed underage marriages. Jeffs is being held on a writ of detainer for the State of Texas.

Both Emack and Jessop quickly bonded out of jail on a \$10,000.00 surety bond.

The two men, along with Warren Jeffs, were previously indicted on charges of Sexual Assault of a Child. And, each had already posted a \$100,000.00 surety bond prior to their indictments last week.

Court documents show that Emack's most recent Bigamy indictment is for a third degree felony. The indictment alleges that Emack "did then and there, while being legally married to Sarah Hammon, intentionally or knowingly live with R. Jessop, a person other than his spouse, in the State of Texas under the appearance of marriage."

Evidence seized during the April 3rd raid at the YFZ Ranch identified as the Bishop's Record, lists a total of four wives for Emack.

The latest charge facing Raymond Merrill Jessop is more serious, a first degree felony. The indictment alleges that Jessop "on or before July 27, 2006... did then and there, while being legally married to Mary J. Musser, intentionally or knowingly purport to marry T. Jeffs, a person other than his spouse, said purported marriage occurring in the State of Texas under circumstances that would, but for the defendant's prior marriage, constitute a marriage, and the said T. Jeffs was then and there younger than 16 years of age."

T. Jeffs and her family have come forward in the media to identify her as Teresa Jeffs, daughter of FLDS prophet Warren Jeffs.

The latest bigamy indictment of Warren Jeffs has not been released by the court. It is said, however, to be a third degree felony indictment.

## Arizona judge nixes Jeffs bid for remand to grand jury

KINGMAN, AZ — Mohave County Arizona judge Steven Conn denied a request by Warren Jeffs attorney Michael Piccaretta that the charges pending against Jeffs in Arizona be remanded by to the grand jury for more consideration.

Piccaretta argued that the jury was not fair and unbiased. He further noted that he intends to oppose the introduction of any evidence seized during the April raid at the YFZ Ranch in Texas. The lawyer says the evidence was obtained without a valid search warrant.

For his part, Mohave County Attorney Matt Smith says he believes Texas authorities acted appropriately and will actively defend the use of Texas evidence in Jeffs' upcoming trial.

## First Day of School



Dana Shriver comforts her son Dustin on Monday prior to his first day as a 1st Grader at Eldorado Elementary. The scene was repeated numbers of times as Moms and Dads brought their youngsters to school for the beginning of the 2008-09 school year.

PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

## SCISD making way for wind turbines

It is budget time again at Schleicher County ISD and as usual the school district is at the mercy of the Texas Education Agency and local property tax evaluations.

The district was recently informed by the Texas Education Agency it is a Chapter 41 district for 2008-2009 school year. The designation means there is a significant increase in property values due to oil and gas. Schleicher County ISD will have to share local tax revenue with other school districts in the amount of \$32,000 according to Superintendent Billy Collins at Monday School Board meeting.

To curb this loss the school district voted to allow Superintendent Billy Collins, with the assistance of SCISD's attorneys to prepare an application for a Chapter 313 property tax limitation agreement with Langford Wind Power LLC. Ben Thompson of Andrews & Company, a property tax consulting firm and a representative of Langford Wind Power LLC spoke to the board about the process involved implementing the application.

Langford Wind Power LLC is the applicant requesting the limitation on qualifying property in excess of three hundred million dollars and will pay the district \$65,000 help pay the legal fees attached to the process.

The law firm of Moak, Casey & Associates were hired to prepare the legal documents involving the property value limitation agreement. The law firm's fee is \$50,000, and will be covered by the \$65,000 received from the wind power company.

The school board also approved a change to one of its local policies to allow the limitation of appraised values on qualified property.

It was noted that upon receipt of the application from the lawyers, and following board approval, Superintendent Collins would process the application with Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. The state will then provide a impact evaluation of the application to the school district.

The Chapter 313 agreement process was created by the state as a way of spurring development of wind energy in the state. Part of the package calls for jobs creations within participating areas, but local school districts may waive the jobs creation requirement.

If and when a Chapter 313 application is completed and approved, SCISD could receive up to \$400,000 over the span of the eight year agreement. The payment would be made in lieu of property taxes and would not be subject to recapture under the state's Robin Hood plan.

Superintendent Collins explained that the school would receive more revenue from the 11-12 windmills proposed by Langford under Chapter 313 than under the conventional property tax formula, especially when you consider the funds

aren't subject to recapture under the Robin Hood plan.

Following the decision to pursue the Chapter 313 program, the trustees took up discussion of the 2008-09 budget with the board voting to approve the budget and adopt a tax rate of \$1.17 per \$100 valuation.

It was noted that the tax rate represents a zero-dollar increase in the tax on a home appraised at \$100,000.

The new budget totals \$6,823,665.00 for the 2008-09 school year.

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## Beware: DPS will be out in force Labor Day weekend

DPS is stepping up enforcement Labor Day weekend in an effort to make the roads of Texas safer.

All available troopers will be on duty Friday, August 29 through Monday, September 1 looking for drunk drivers, speeders and seat belt violators.

"Alcohol is a big concern this time of year, because this is the last big recreational weekend of the summer," said DPS Director Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr. "Simply put, drunk drivers are a menace on our roadways."

DPS supports the "Drink. Drive. Go to Jail." campaign and is also a participant in Operation CARE—Combined Accident Reduction Effort—a nationwide effort by police agencies to reduce fatalities on major interstate highways during holiday weekends.

A DWI conviction stays on an offender's criminal and driving record forever. For the first offense, the law allows a maximum of six months in jail, a \$2,000 fine and a one-year driver license suspension. A DWI conviction also carries a \$1,000 surcharge for three years, in addition to any other fines or costs associated with the arrest.

During Labor Day last year, DPS troopers arrested 912 people for driving while intoxicated and issued nearly 16,000 speeding citations and more than 3,000 seat belt and child restraint tickets. In all, troopers wrote almost 34,000 tickets and 12,000 warnings in an effort to make driving safer during the Labor Day holiday last year.

"With extra enforcement from DPS and other law enforcement agencies, drivers who disregard traffic laws should expect their chances of getting a ticket or getting arrested for DWI to increase dramatically this weekend," said Col. Davis.



PHOTO BY J.L. MANKIN

## Converge on the Ball!

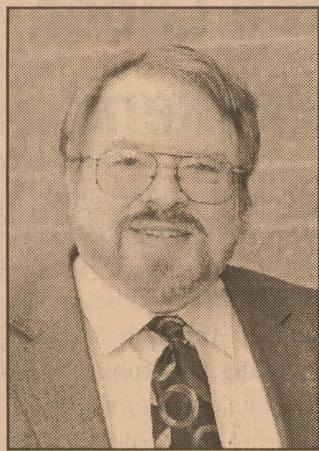
Eagles defenders Garrett Lux and Anthony Mata converge in the back field Friday to tackle a Miles Bulldog ball carrier during a scrimmage last Friday. The scrimmage was the final warm-up for both teams as they open their 2008 season this Friday. The Eagles will host the Forsan Buffaloes at Eagle Stadium in what promises to be a hard fought contest. For more details on the scrimmage with Miles see the story on Page 4.

## Russians leaders understand the Kosovo precedent

by Ted Galen Carpenter

When the United States and its key European allies ignored Russia's protests and recognized Kosovo's declaration of independence from Serbia in February, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice blithely insisted that the Kosovo situation was unique and set no international precedent whatsoever. Prominent members of the foreign policy communities in Europe and the United States echoed her argument.

Moscow's August 26 decision to recognize the independence of Georgia's separatist enclaves of



### Commentary by Ted Galen Carpenter

South Ossetia and Abkhazia demonstrates the arrogant folly of that position. In just a matter of months, the Kosovo precedent has backfired on the United States and generated dangerous tensions between Russia and the West.

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It is difficult to imagine how Washington and its NATO allies could have more egregiously mis-

handled the Kosovo situation. Western policy has been a debacle from its beginnings in the early 1990s. When Belgrade attempted to suppress the secessionist campaign by the Albanian majority in Kosovo, NATO intervened with air strikes to compel Serbia to relinquish control of the province to an international occupation force. NATO's actions ignored Moscow's vehement objections and showed contempt for Russia's long-standing interests in the Balkans. The Clinton administration also bypassed the UN Security Council (and, hence, Russia's veto) to launch that military operation, exhibiting further disdain for Russia's prerogatives as a permanent member of the Council and a major power in the international system.

Russian leaders fumed, but Moscow was too weak to do anything but issue futile protests. Ultimately, the NATO powers offered Moscow the sop of a belated UN resolution that professed to recognize Serbia's territorial integrity, which included Kosovo, even though that province had been put under international control. How much that resolution was worth became apparent in 2007 and early 2008 when the United States and the major European Union governments pressed for Kosovo's independence without Belgrade's consent and—once again—without UN Security Council authorization. Moscow warned at the time that such action would set a dangerous international precedent; countries as diverse as China, India, Indonesia, Spain and Greece expressed the same concern. Most ominously, Russian officials specifically cited Abkhazia and South Ossetia as places where the Kosovo precedent could apply.

Russia has now demonstrated that two can play the game of using military force against another country to detach discontented ethnic enclaves. And the United States and NATO are not able to do much about it.

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## Where there's not a lot going on

They certainly don't make TV shows like they used to, at least not in Hollywood. The Canadians, however, have taken up the challenge.

"Corner Gas" a 30-minute situation comedy set in and around a gas station in rural Saskatchewan is one of the best television programs to come along in years.

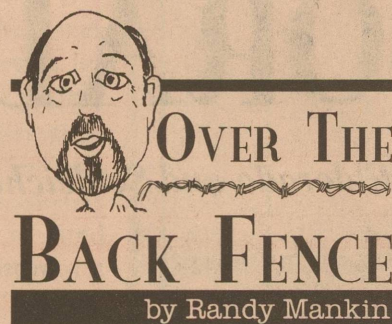
This isn't news to Canadians, of course. The show aired there for five years and closed its run as the highest rated show in the history of Canadian TV.

It has only now started running in syndication here in the U.S., but already millions of Americans have discovered the show and its popularity is booming.

The show was created by Brent Butt, a Canadian stand-up comic whose dry wit and laid back style are revealed in virtually every scene. Butt stars in the show, too. He plays Brent LeRoy, the owner and operator of Corner Gas, the only gas station in the fictional town of Dog River, Saskatchewan.

I was flipping channels one night, and happened across the show on WGN in Chicago. I don't know what prompted me to stop, but I did and two minutes later I was hooked.

Now, my entire family is



hooked and so is everyone else I know who has seen the show.

Brent Butt says he wanted to prove that comedy is comedy, whether it is set in metropolitan Toronto, or the windswept plains of his native Saskatchewan.

And, he is right. The show could be set anywhere. Corner Gas would be just as funny if it had been set in Nebraska, Mississippi or Texas.

Corner Gas is very reminiscent of the Andy Griffith Show in that it features a cast of local characters, any one of whom could carry their own show.

As I said, Brent LeRoy is owner and operator of Corner Gas, but his father, Oscar Leroy, from whom he inherited the business isn't always willing to admit that Brent is in charge. Oscar is a crotchety senior citizen whose favorite word is Jackass. He is played by another Saskatchewan native, Eric Peterson.

An old-fashioned diner called

The Ruby is attached to the side of Corner Gas. It is operated by Lacy Burrows, a big city girl from Toronto who moved to the middle of nowhere to take over the cafe left to her by her aunt Ruby, hence the name. Lacy is played by Gabrielle Miller, yet another star in Canada.

The interaction between Brent, the small town guy, and Lacy, the uptown girl, serves as the anchor around which most of Corner Gas' subtle humor revolves.

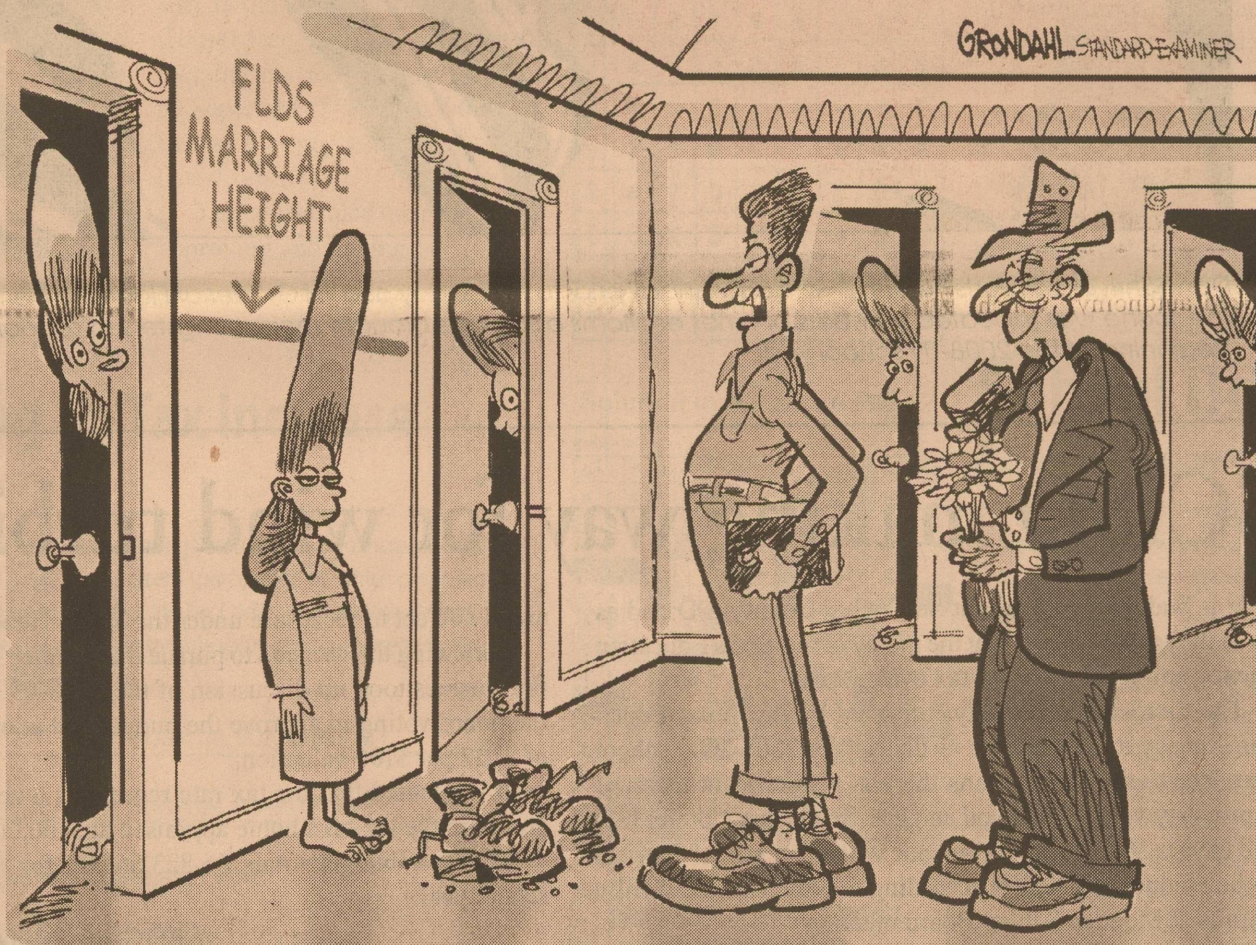
The remainder of the regular cast consists of Hank Yarbo, one of Brent's boyhood friends who really never grew up, and Wanda, a single mom who works for Brent at Corner Gas. She is the quite possibly the smartest person in Dog River, but it seldom, if ever, gets her anywhere.

The town's two cops, Karen and Davis, are funny, too. So is Brent's mom, Emma LeRoy, played by Janet Wright.

The show's theme song includes a line, "Where there's not a lot going on."

Brent Butt says that the line points out the fact that people's lives are full, even in small towns like Dog River in an out-of-the-way corner of Saskatchewan.

Watch Corner Gas if you get a chance. You'll be glad you did.



"Yep, she's grown enough."

## Sunrise at Machu Picchu lives up to its billing

On the last day of our trip we stayed in our hotel room in Lima as long as we could because we didn't want to leave. We experienced the city's convenience, its welcoming atmosphere and the friendliness of the city's residents. English is spoken everywhere and dollars are accepted right along with Peruvian Soles. The attractive city is just a 6-hour flight from Houston and in the summer (winter there) it has the same time. Lima is in the Eastern Time zone, but Peru doesn't observe Daylight Saving Time. There is no jet lag going or coming.

I don't understand why we don't hear more about Lima. It's so dynamic and is the fourth largest city in South America behind Sao Paulo, Rio and Buenos Aires. Nearly nine million people call Lima home. Our hotel was the Casa Andina Private Collection in the Miraflores section of town. Plazas, parks and stores are all within easy walking distance.

Peru celebrates its independence from Spain on July 28. We were there a couple of weeks before the holiday and nearly ev-



by  
Tumbleweed  
Smith

everyone was wearing pins showing colors of the Peruvian flag. When I asked a waiter in a restaurant about the pin and where I could buy it, he gave me one. That happened the first few hours we were in the city and set the tone for the entire trip. Needless to say I wore the pin all the time we were in Peru.

The purpose of our trip was to visit Machu Picchu, the mysterious ruins high in the Andes. It is mostly associated with the Incas, but more than eighty civilizations lived there before the Incas.

We took a plane to from Lima to Cuzco, the largest city near Machu Picchu. The flight lasted slightly more than an hour and on the way we saw the snowy peaks of the Andes poking through the clouds. A three-hour ride on the Hiram Bingham train took us to Machu Picchu. We were fortunate

to spend the night just a stone's throw from the ruins. The hotel is the Sanctuary Lodge, a perfect name for the place. Most people visit Machu Picchu for just one day, arriving early and spending a few hours there. We got to see both the sunset and sunrise in the midst of the architectural wonder. We could have watched the sunrise from our hotel window, but preferred to see the first rays of daylight illumine the Temple of the Sun. Machu Picchu is one of the new Seven Wonders of the World and a popular destination. Thousands of college-age people were there, mindful of the spiritual nature of the place.

We expected the temperature to be cool, since it was winter season in Peru, but we quickly shed our coats as the days warmed up. Many young people were wearing shorts and thin t-shirts. We hiked to the Gate of the Sun, the place where the sunrise first hits during the December solstice. Machu Picchu has been high on our list of places to visit. I'm glad we got to experience it. You should go.

## Heads of state submit ideas to solve transportation funding puzzle

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — Their goal, they said, is to finance a "world-class transportation system."

Texas' top three elected officeholders co-signed an Aug. 19 letter to Texas

Transportation Commission Chair Dierdre Delisi expressing their collective wishes for a plan to fund transportation projects over the next biennium.



Gov. Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Tom Craddick told Delisi to prepare for an Aug. 29 bond review board meeting with certain goals in mind:

- End the practice of funding the Texas Department of Public Safety with gas taxes that are needed for road construction. Use general revenue to fund the DPS.
- Create a finance entity that will allow the state's public investment fund managers to put money directly into state transportation projects that offer a "potential solid long-term return."
- Pass enabling legislation and appropriations for the Prop. 12 bonds approved by voters.

In November 2007, voters approved Prop. 12, amending the state constitution to authorize \$5 billion in general obligation bonds for transportation projects.

In September 2003, voters approved Prop. 14, allowing short-term borrowing by the Texas Department of Transportation. Perry, Dewhurst and Craddick instructed Delisi to prepare to begin selling \$1.5 billion in Prop. 14 bonds in September.

### Executive order begins Blue Alert

An executive order signed by Gov. Rick Perry on Aug. 18 launched Blue Alert, a communications network to help track down suspects who flee after killing or seriously injuring federal, state or local law enforcement officers in the line of duty.

Blue Alert, based on the AMBER and Silver Alert programs, combines efforts of the DPS, the Governor's Division of Emergency Management and TxDOT.

When Blue Alert is activated, the suspect's vehicle information will be displayed across the state primarily via TxDOT dynamic message signs and media broadcasts. Alerts instruct the public to contact local law enforcement via 911 if they have information related to the offense.

### Immigration policies in question

Two Republican state lawmakers have asked Attorney General Greg Abbott if the Texas Legislature has the authority to deter local governments from adopting policies, or invalidate existing policies that hinder state enforcement of federal immigration laws.

In the request for an opinion, Rep. Frank Corte of San Antonio and Sen. Dan Patrick of Houston wrote that "sanctuary cities" advocate policies that are favorable to illegal immigrants.

To support their views, the lawmakers cited the Oklahoma Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act of 2007, which prohibits sanctuary cities and bars local governmental bodies from creating policies to limit or prevent local law enforcement officers from communicating or cooperating with federal officials on the immigration status of a person.

### Online certification testing grows

Applicants took more than 50,000

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# OBITUARIES

## Herbert Hiram Emmons, Jr.

ELDORADO — Herbert Hiram Emmons, Jr., born August 28, 1930 in Ector County (Odessa), died August 25, 2008 at Schleicher County Hospital, after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services will be Saturday, August 30, at 11:00 a.m. in Eldorado Cemetery Chapel in Eldorado. Burial will follow in Eldorado Cemetery.

He is survived by his wife Ruth, three children, daughter Linda Emmons of Odessa, sons Jonny Emmons and wife Kathy of Odessa, and Danny Emmons and wife Ginger of California. He is

also survived by 10 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and is survived in Schleicher County by four brothers, Gordon, Buck, Richard, and David Emmons, and one brother in Sterling County, Jimmy Emmons, and one sister in Tom Green County, Martha Emmons.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Herbert Hiram Emmons, Sr. and Grace Lee Emmons, one brother Gary Emmons from Savannah, Tx. and sister Doris Doty of Eldorado. He loved life and he loved his family. We will all miss him.

# DEATH NOTICES

## Jeanette Lyckman Andrews

Jeanette Lyckman Andrews passed away August 19, 2008. She was the youngest daughter of John and Jenny Lyckman. Her husband is Joe Andrews. They have two sons and daughters-in-law: Joe III, and his wife Janet, of Sonora and Steve and his wife Nancy, of Mason. They also

have three grandchildren: Joe IV, Scott, and Audrey. She taught in the grade schools of Eldorado, Mertzon, and Sonora. A service was held at First Baptist Church in Junction, TX, on Thursday, August 21, 2008, at 10:30 AM. Services are entrusted to Gentry-Fife Funeral Home.

## Agape Assembly welcomes pastor

Agape Assembly of God is happy to welcome its new pastor, Bob Godwin and his wife, Vee.

Godwin will be preaching Sunday morning, August 31, 2008 and the community is invited to come and meet him.

Agape Assembly holds services at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Sundays and on Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

Agape Assembly of God is located at 502 E. Warner in Eldorado. For more information, call 325-234-8059.

## Russia's Kosovo Lesson

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dangerous tensions between Russia and the West.

Rather than escalate the already alarming tensions with Russia, Washington needs to walk back its policy on Kosovo and seek a deal with Moscow. The U.S.-EU position on Kosovo is untenable from the standpoint of both wise diplomacy and basic logic. American officials have put themselves in the awkward position of arguing that quasi-democratic Georgia's territorial integrity is sacrosanct while fully democratic Serbia's is not. Moreover, despite the expectation of leaders in Washington and Pristina that the vast majority of countries would quickly recognize Kosovo's independence, only a meager forty-seven have done so—and most of them are long-standing American allies and clients. The rest of the world still worries about the broader implications of the Kosovo precedent and withholds recognition.

Washington should propose a mutual diplomatic retreat to Moscow, in which the United States would rescind its recognition of Kosovo's independence and urge the Kosovars to accept Belgrade's proposal for a negotiated status

of "enhanced autonomy," which comes very close to de facto independence. Russia would be expected to adopt a similar policy with regard to Abkhazia and South Ossetia.

If U.S. leaders do not suggest this course, they will face the unpleasant prospect of further demonstrating NATO's inability to do anything effective to reverse Russia's conduct in Georgia. American miscalculations have already underscored the alliance's impotence; it is not a lesson that officials should want to reinforce. Moreover, if Washington and Moscow do not back off from their tenacious positions, relations between the two countries—already in bad shape—may degenerate into a new cold war. Conversely, some common sense and flexibility on the twin secessionist issues could be a catalyst for repairing that important relationship.

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## Goat Hungry? Brady's Got Your Goat!

BRADY — Though barbeque connoisseurs from across the state come to test their goat cooking abilities at the

World Championship Barbeque Goat Cook-Off, Hard Eight Barbeque has taken the work out of it and brings the delicious barbeque goat right to you. At the 35th Annual Goat Cook-Off in Brady, Texas they not only cook goat, but they serve goat as well.

Hard Eight Barbeque, a local restaurant in Brady, provides a goat barbeque lunch with all the trimmings from 11:00 am

to 2:00 pm under the pavilion at Richards Park. Meal tickets can be purchased in advance for \$8 at Hard Eight Barbeque or at the Brady/McCulloch County Chamber of Commerce office or you may purchase tickets at the door for \$9.00. This year after 2:00 pm any left over goat will be sold at \$10/pound.

For more information or questions please contact the Brady/McCulloch County Chamber of Commerce at 325-597-3491 or chamber@bradytx.us or Hard 8 Bar-B-Que at 325-597-1936.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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### Questions need to air condition gym

Dear Editor,

In light of the recent academic evaluation by the State, it troubles me that the School Board is considering spending around \$200,000 to air condition a gym. In their evaluation report for Texas schools, the Texas Education Agency stated that only 2.3% of all schools in Texas received the low rating of Academically Unacceptable. One would think the board would be spending the District's money on hiring, and keeping excellent teachers. The

money could certainly be better spent in making sure our teachers get the advanced training, appropriate materials and equipment needed to assure that ALL our students are receiving the highest quality EDUCATION.

Our Board needs to set high academic standards and see that the administrators and community deserve to have a quality education system. Our students and teachers need to have the tax dollars generated by this community spent to improve and further the standards of education for our children.

Julie Griffin  
August 26, 2008

### EHS Band parent meeting

There will be a High School Band parent meeting on Tuesday, September 2, at 7 p.m. in the Band Hall.



Micah Naomi McGee

### It's A Girl!

Rev. Joe and Diana McGee would like to announce the birth of their little girl. Micah Naomi was born August 18, 2008 @ 3:13 a.m. She weighed in at 6 lbs. 9 oz. and is 19" long. She is welcomed home by her big brothers Benjamin, Jonathan and Andrew.

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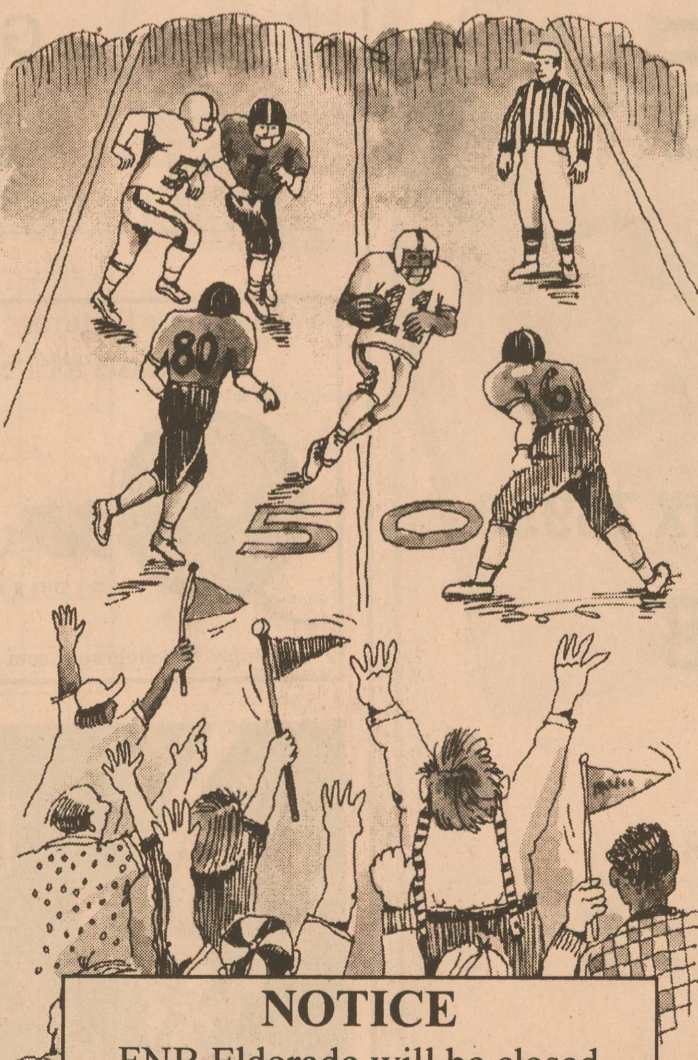
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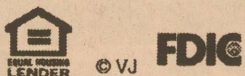
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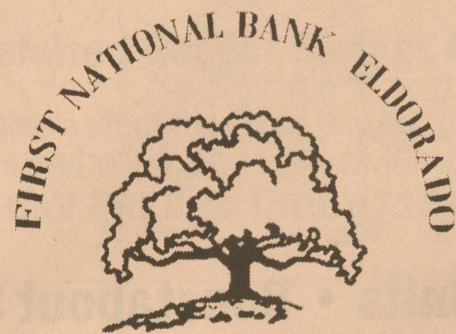


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by Linda Thiele

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# Warbirds successful in scrimmage with Miles

by Syllas Politte

The Eldorado Varsity and Junior Varsity football teams visited a familiar field on Friday August 22, 2008 for their second and final scrimmage for season play. The Eagles were hosted by the Miles Bulldogs.

The varsity exchanged 20 play series and 15 play series respectively, the JV exchanged a 15 play series and then both varsity teams played a live quarter. The Eagles first offense started out the game slow, but managed to put together several successful plays. Head Football Coach Johnny Burleson said, "We got good play out of our quarterback and offensively we were pleased with what we saw." Whether it was running or passing the Eagles had little problems moving the ball against an improved Bulldog defense.

Senior QB Rance Cathey attributes that to good team play. "We showed a lot of effort," says Cathey "and tried to set a good temp early."

That tempo carried over when the first team defense took the field. The Eagles managed to keep Miles out of the end zone during the first twenty plays. Their were a few big plays, but the Warbirds were swarming to the ball and stopping the Bulldogs from advancing any further.

The next 15 plays of offense went to the Eagles 2nd team ofense. They may be labeled the 2nd team, but according to Burleson all the kids can play at any time.

"We are pretty balanced all over the field, we can run or pass and use several players and it's nice to be able to do that," explained Burleson with a slight grin.

Back-up quarterback Garrett Lux had some nice runs and managed to lob a pass over some defenders to Paul Martinez for 1 of 2 scores during the drive. Sophomore running backs Rudy Sanchez and Miles Mikeska were also instrumental in moving the ball for Eldorado.

The 2nd team defense was almost as good as the 1st minus tipped ball that fell into the arms of an open Bulldog receiver who easily ran in for a touchdown. That was the only blemish on a night that saw several eagle defenders stand out like linebackers Rolie Gonzales, Anthony Mata and Ryan Castillo.



PHOTO BY J.L. MANKIN

Eagles running back Wes Brown followed the block of tight end Dustin Gauna last Friday as Eldorado took on the Miles Bulldogs in their second and final scrimmage of the season. Eldorado moved the ball at will during the scrimmage. The defense played well, too, in the final tune-up before opening this weekend against Forsan in Eagle Stadium.

The live quarter was as close to real football as it can get this early in the season. There were no kickoffs, all punts were dead where they landed and interceptions were whistled dead upon the catch.

Eldorado started out with the ball and controlled the clock very well. An excellent blend of running and passing set up Wes Brown to cap off the drive with a 4 yard touchdown scamper. The defense forced Miles to punt. The next series saw Eldorado second group move the ball well, but on a 4th and 4 yards to go situation the Eagles elected to punt. Miles was stuffed deep on their side of the field and the Eldorado defense pushed them back further.

Offensive Coordinator Larry

Mitchell explained about the live quarter, "We saw things we liked and we saw things we can do better."

Well, the Eagles have one week to fine tune those things that need to get better. The Forsan Buffaloes come to town to open the regular season on Friday night August 29 at 7:30 pm. The Buffaloes return several players from a team that made it to the second round of the playoffs last year. Eldorado beat Forsan in Forsan last year to not only guarantee a playoff spot, but also end the Buffaloes chances at the district championship. The Eagles are going into this season full of confidence after two successful scrimmages.

If your unable to attend the game you can catch all the ac-

tion on KLDE 104.9 with Mason Vaughan, Kerry Joy and Randy Mankin. Don't forget about the Coach Burleson show airing every Thursday at 11:00 am and 5:30 pm.

## BIRTHDAY LIST

### AUGUST

28th Norman Kohls, Rance Cathey, Michael Adame, Agustina Rodriguez, Clea Koenig, Beau Sallee, Russ Dacy, Shalena Allen, Kelsey Tutt, Robin Beach, Rick Sterling

29th Christopher DeLuna, Ernesto Ruiz, Eddie Albin, Tracey Richards, Brandy Key, Andrew Sauer, Lynn Long, Paige Franklin

30th Lucille McWhorter, Debbie Pina, Chance Tinney, Gary Warnock, Larry Sanchez, Justin Estrada, Alisha Wink  
31st Pat Ragsdale, Dora Bosmans, Meagan Kae Espinosa, Morgan Rae Espinosa, Melvin Conner Sr., Mary Hoffman, Mark Bybee, Cindy Bybee, Robert O'Keefe

### SEPTEMBER

1st Ronnie Sauer, Rene Dominguez, Devon Droll  
2nd Aberdeen Jescke, Chloe A Martinez, Lavonne Espinosa, Carolyn Mayo, Franky Estrada, Oscar Rios Sr., Jesus Guadarrama  
3rd Austin K. Figueroa, Charlene Sudduth, Byron Guterrez, Mack Holley, Connie Martinez, Shawn Hamilton, Tommy Pippen, Steve Whitten

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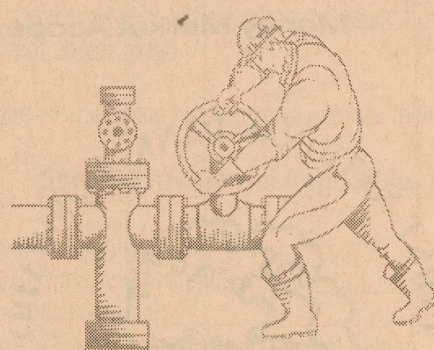
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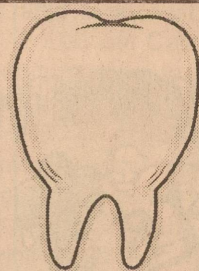
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## Texas Bankers Association alerts customers to 'phone phishing' scams

AUSTIN, — In a twist on the rapidly growing and evolving phishing scams, cybercriminals are increasingly turning to the telephone in their quest to steal sensitive bank account information from unsuspecting customers. In phishing scams, cybercriminals send out fake e-mails directing consumers to look-alike Web sites, where they are asked to input bank account information, PIN numbers, passwords or other sensitive information.

In phone phishing, cybercriminals attempt to coax sensitive information from unwitting victims over the telephone, often using Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP), which uses the same technology that delivers e-mail via the Internet. The criminals can spoof any phone number on the receiver's caller ID, and they

can also give customers local numbers to call—even if those numbers terminate in another country.

Members of the Texas Bankers Association have reported that this practice is being employed across the state. In late July, Bastrop area phones were hit by automated fraudulent telephone messages claiming to be from a bank's security department. An automated message told callers that their debit card had "been suspended" and gave them a number to call. When the number was called, the computer-generated voice asked for the customer's card number, expiration date and Personal Identification Number.

Similar calls were placed in Vernon, the Dallas area and Amarillo. In these instances, recipients of the phone calls were told their

accounts had been compromised. Upon calling the toll-free number the recipients were given, they were directed to enter their debit card numbers, expiration dates and PIN numbers.

### CONSUMER TIPS

To avoid becoming a victim of a phishing scam, the Texas Bankers Association offers the tips, which are useful both for phishing and phone phishing scams:

- Never give out your personal financial information in response to an unsolicited phone call, fax or email, no matter how official it may seem.
- Do not respond to e-mail that may warn of dire consequences unless you validate your information immediately. Contact the company to confirm the email's validity using a telephone number

or Web address you know to be genuine.

- Check your credit card and bank account statements regularly and look for unauthorized transactions, even small ones. Some thieves hope small transactions will go unnoticed. Report discrepancies immediately.

- When submitting financial information online, look for the padlock or key icon at the bottom of your Internet browser. Also, many secure Internet addresses, though not all, use "https" to signify that your information is secure during transmission.

- Report suspicious activity to the Internet Crime Complaint Center (www.ic3.gov), a partnership between the FBI and the National White Collar Crime Center.

- If you have responded to an e-mail or phone call, contact your

bank immediately so bank employees can protect your account and your identity.

- For more information on phishing, visit the following: Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (www.fdic.gov/consumers/consumer/news/cnwin0304/phishing.html), Federal Trade Commission (www.ftc.gov), the Anti-Phishing Working Group (www.antiphishing.org/index.html), the National Consumers League (www.phishinginfo.org/), the OCC Consumer Protection News (www.occ.gov/Consumer/phishing.htm) and the OCC Consumer Complaints and Assistance Web site (www.occ.treas.gov/AntiFraudConsumer.htm#PhishingPharming).

## Texas bird hunters reminded to get H.I.P. with hunting licenses

AUSTIN — With dove season set to open Sept. 1 in the North and Central Dove Zones, hunters are again reminded to be sure they become Harvest Information Program-certified when buying their hunting license.

The HIP certification is required in addition to the purchase of the Texas Migratory Game Bird Stamp, \$7. That stamp, and all other state stamps, is included in the Super Combo License for \$64.

The Harvest Information

Program maintains a database of all migratory game bird hunters for surveys on harvest of ducks, geese, doves, sandhill cranes and other migratory species. These certified hunters form a pool from which the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service will draw to conduct harvest surveys later in the fall and winter. Not all HIP-certified hunters are surveyed later in the year.

License agents are supposed to ask the hunter how many of a

particular species, or groups of species, he or she harvested in the prior hunting season. The number the hunter provides (for example, "25 doves, 8 ducks and 10 geese), helps place the hunter into an appropriate strata for scientific sampling by the USFWS.

If selected, the hunter will be contacted about participating, and will provide current-year harvest information for the 2008-09 harvest survey. The survey helps

wildlife managers determine what the annual harvest has been and how many hunters participated from each state.

"This data is very important in the management of these species," said Vernon Beville, TPWD game bird program director. "Texas ranks number-one among all states in dove hunters and harvest, with over 300,000 hunters taking more than seven million mourning and white-winged doves combined last year."



COURTESY PHOTO

### Triple L

Len and Amy Miller, along with their sons, Lance, Landon and Levi, will perform in concert at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday evening, September 7, 2008 at Community Baptist Church in Eldorado. Known collectively as the Triple L Band, the group's performance features a mix of traditional Bluegrass and Gospel.

# NEXT WEEK . . .

## Miracles Crusade

with Evangelist Jerry Baysinger  
at Roca Eterna Church in Big Lake, Texas

Jerry Baysinger was a 21 1/2 year civilian employee of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, and operator of his own successful furniture repair business, when in 1993, he was diagnosed with five melanomas and liver cancer. Given a month to live, he resigned from the Patrol and went home to die.

At Church, he was prayed for by the elders for healing. He also had bad eyesight and a 95% hearing loss in both ears and wore hearing aids. God showed him in the Bible that healing belonged to him, and he believed the Word of God and confessed his healing continually out of his mouth, until it was manifest in his body, with no treatments. That was 1993. Since then Jerry has enjoyed perfect health and teaches others how they can live sickness-free by being in covenant with the God who said, "I AM THE LORD THAT HEALETH THEE."



A call to the ministry in 1993, was made evident by signs and wonders and miracles of healings confirming the

Word of God being taught. Licensed and ordained in Jan 97, Jerry and Jenny founded and pastored Life In Christ Church for two years before being called to travel to evangelize and teach faith and healing. Powerfully anointed in gifts of healings, and evangelism, he was invited to Nigeria, Africa in November 99 to conduct 8 days of healing services, He made a return trip over Christmas 2000 for another 8 days of crusades in Nigeria, and Anambra State, God confirmed his word there with hundreds of miracles of healings and many salvations. They travel, sharing the good news of the Gospel, and teaching the Word of God, with a real passion for winning souls. Jerry has been on TV many times, and is the author of a daily devotional "Every Day With Jesus", as well as several smaller booklets.

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 It seems like it was just yesterday mom when I saw you laying down with Nathan staring at each other.  
 It seems like it was just yesterday when all of us were together laughing and having a good ol' time with one and another.  
 It seems like it was just yesterday that we all were singing songs and it reminded us of your great voice.  
 It seems like it was just yesterday that you and I were talking on the phone to each other.  
 It seems like it was just yesterday that I heard you in the kitchen making our favorite meal (tortillas and beans.)  
 It seems like it was just yesterday that we had gone to visit you and Grandma Sara and just chat about the entire family's life.  
 It seems like it was just yesterday that all of us had realized how lucky we all are to have each other.  
 It seems like it was just yesterday that I held both you Mom and my grandson Nathaniel in my arms and told you I loved the both of you so much.  
 How we miss you Jesus, Maria, and Nathaniel and the days of yesterday.  
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Jesus Adame September 10, 2004	Maria Rangel Adame August 21, 2006	Nathaniel Ray Sparks August 28, 2006
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## CONSUMER ALERT: New FTC rule will let telephone customers avoid prerecorded telemarketing calls

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has announced a new rule governing telemarketing calls that feature prerecorded messages. Beginning Sept. 1, 2009, telemarketing companies must obtain call recipients' written permission before contacting them with a prerecorded message. More immediately, effective Dec. 1, 2008, prerecorded telephone marketing calls must have an opt-out mechanism so that recipients can elect not to receive those unsolicited calls in the future.

Telemarketers with pre-existing customer relationships will be allowed to continue using prerecorded messages to contact those customers only for one year after the rule is published in the Federal Register. At that time, telemarketing companies will need their customer's written permission before calling anyone with a prerecorded message.

Under the new regulations, charitable organizations can continue contacting their members or previous donors, but will need to offer an opt-out mechanism once the new rule goes into effect.

The FTC's new rule will not prohibit customers from receiving certain prerecorded informational calls, such as those which announce flight delay notifications, upcoming appointments, or similarly helpful information. These phone calls are unaffected by the new rule because they are not used to market products or services to the recipient. Healthcare-related

phone calls also are exempt from the new regulations.

Under the new rule, the prerecorded telemarketing calls must:

- allow the telephone to ring for at least 15 seconds or four rings before an unanswered call is disconnected;
- begin the prerecorded message within two seconds of a completed greeting by the recipient;
- disclose at the outset of the call that the recipient may ask to be placed on the company's do-not-call list at any time during the message;
- in cases where the call is answered by a person, make an

automated interactive voice and/or keypress-activated opt-out mechanism available during the message that adds the recipient's telephone number to the company's do-not-call list and then immediately ends the call; and

• in cases where the call is answered by an answering machine or voicemail, provide a toll-free number that allows the recipient to be connected to an automated interactive voice and/or keypress-activated opt-out mechanism anytime after the message is received.

The new rule can be viewed online at [www.ftc.gov](http://www.ftc.gov).

## It's Lamb & Goat Validation Time!

Howdy all! It is validation time once again! If you want to do a sheep and/or goat project, please contact this office at 853-2132 or contact me at 650-3430. There are sheep and goat sales going on now and we can assist you in finding good sheep and/or goats.

If you are planning on doing a swine project, we will start looking in September as well. Please remember, we will need to order sheep and goat validation tags

**County Agent's Update**  
 by Courtney Barbee

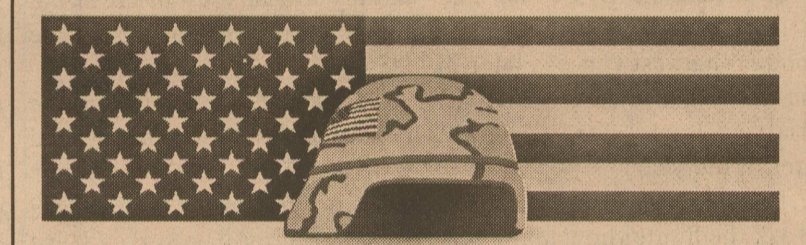
how many validation tags you will need to order. If you don't order tags, you will not be able to show in the major shows.

Please call if you have any questions.

### 4-H Enrollment!

We will be starting a new 4-H year and you will need a current enrollment form completed and signed before you can participate in any projects or activities. For more information on enrollment forms or projects being offered this year, please contact the Extension Office at 853-2132.

## HONORING THOSE WHO SERVE



### Pvt. Selvia G. Aranda

Army National Guard Pvt. Selvia G. Aranda has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training,

drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

Aranda is the daughter of San Juanita Aranda of E. Fields, Eldorado, Texas. She is a 2007 graduate of Eldorado High School.

### Meals for Friends Menu

- MONDAY SEPTEMBER 1**  
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**TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 2**  
 Hot Dogs with Chili, cheese, Candied Sweet Potatoes, Bun, Pineapple Waldorf, Brownie, Milk  
**WEDNESDAY SEPT. 3**  
 Chicken Strips, Baked Potato, Broccoli w/Cheese Sauce, Dinner Roll, Peach Cobbler, Milk  
**THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 4**  
 Soft Taco /Cheese, Pinto Beans, Corn w/Sweet Peppers, Flour Tortilla, Chopped Lettuce & Tomato, Mixed Fresh Fruit w/Cantaloupe, Milk.  
**FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 5**  
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**Tuesday**  
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 Choice of Juice  
 Milk  
**Wednesday**  
 Buttered Toast / Jelly  
 Choice of Cereal  
 Choice of Juice  
 Milk  
**Thursday**  
 Breakfast Sandwich  
 Choice of Juice  
 Milk  
**Friday**  
 Cereal Bar  
 Peanut Butter Crackers  
 Choice of Juice  
 Milk  
 1/2 pt. MILK & JUICE SERVED WITH EACH MEAL. MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

**School Cafeteria Line**  
 Week of September 1-5, 2008  
**Monday**  
 SCHOOL'S OUT  
**Tuesday**  
 Pepperoni Pizza  
 Tossed Salad  
 Carrot Stix / Dip  
 Pineapple Tidbits  
**Wednesday**  
 Fish Strips / Tartar Sauce  
 Mac & Cheese  
 Cole Slaw  
 Sugar Cookies  
**Thursday**  
 Chicken Fajita / Flour Tortilla  
 Pinto Beans  
 Lettuce & Tomato Salad  
 Rosie Applesauce  
**Friday**  
 Ham and Cheese Sandwich  
 Baked Chips  
 Lettuce / Tomato  
 Apple Halves  
 3 Choices of Milk Offered Daily. Menu Subject to Change.

**School Basket Line**  
 Week of September 1-5, 2008  
**Monday**  
 LABOR DAY HOLIDAY  
**Tuesday**  
 Steak Burger  
 Baked Chips  
 Lettuce / Tomato  
 Pineapple Tidbits  
**Wednesday**  
 Soft Tacos / Refried Beans  
 Lettuce / Tomato Salad  
 Carrot Stix / Dip  
 Sugar Cookies  
**Thursday**  
 Taco rolls  
 Pork - n - Beans  
 Tossed Salad  
 Rosie Applesauce  
**Friday**  
 Ham and Cheese Sandwich  
 Baked Chips  
 Lettuce / Tomato  
 Apple Halves  
 MILK & BREAD OFFERED WITH EACH MEAL. MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

# Ports-to-Plains Corridor teams up with Theodore Roosevelt Expressway

Two major U.S. trade corridor groups – Texas-based Ports-to-Plains Trade Corridor Coalition, and the Theodore Roosevelt Expressway Association, based in North Dakota – announced an agreement today to jointly promote, raise funds for and develop new and enhanced highway and related infrastructure to better secure the benefits of trade to their combined 9-state, 2333-mile Great Plains economic region, North America's energy and agricultural heartland.

The PTP-TRE Cooperative Agreement is a major milestone in the U.S. trade corridor movement. Through the PTP-TRE alliance, business leaders, elected and government officials, and communities from North Dakota and Montana to the Texas-Mexico border will pool resources, jointly promote their shared trade and transportation interests in the Great Plains region, and lobby the U.S.

Congress, federal government and state governments throughout the corridor with a single, unified voice. The initiative is well-supported by the state partners of both groups.

Energy, agriculture and related infrastructure are the core interests of the PTP-TRE alliance. The greater Ports-to-Plains coalition already serves much of trade between North America's top energy

jurisdictions. The 38.5 million citizens of the greater Ports-to-Plains corridor region produce most of America's energy and nearly a quarter of U.S. commercial farm output, generate 14% of US GDP, and transact 20% of US-NAFTA trade. Most Ports-to-Plains and Theodore Roosevelt leaders represent rural communities with total populations under 200,000 that depend upon agricultural and natural resource industries for their livelihoods.

"2009 is a big year for U.S. trade corridor groups as we rewrite our transportation law and explore new ways to finance, maintain and build new infrastructure. We are now ready to do business with Congress in the New Year," said Theodore Roosevelt leader Brad Bekkedahl, a City Commissioner from Williston, ND. "The Agreement will provide a framework through which the two groups can build a 9-state U.S. Congressional Caucus and appropriate bilateral partnerships with key Canadian provinces, especially Alberta and Saskatchewan."

Together, Ports-to-Plains and Theodore Roosevelt Expressway will serve member communities in three principal ways:

- The Coalition provides advocacy to help members to identify, pursue and capture vitally needed infrastructure investment for its member communities. Coalition

activities at both ends of this emerging 9-state corridor have already brought corridor communities hard dollars for local highway projects that would have been very difficult for any single one to secure. We are now applying these political resources to a wider portfolio of shared interests, including wind power, biofuels and rural development.

- The Coalition provides a powerful national and international economic development platform to member communities. Through the Ports-to-Plains network, our members sell their products, promote local investment opportunities and market their tourist attractions to a national and international audience of business executives, elected officials and opinion leaders.

- Finally, the Coalition provides a full-time professional staff to member communities, to ensure Coalition efforts support the local policy, media relations and economic development efforts of each member.

Sid Cauthorn, President of the Bank and Trust in Del Rio, Texas and Chair of PTP stated "Much of the equipment and other supplies the renewable energy industry and the oil and gas industry will rely upon to assess, explore, develop, produce, transport, store and refine North America's energy resources will move by truck on

the corridor."

"Our wind power and biofuels strategy will be a significant means of strengthening America's security and economic independence, by boosting renewable fuels capacity, strengthening North American energy security, and reducing America's dependence on foreign regimes for crude oil and other fuels," said PTP President, Michael Reeves.

"Ports-to-Plains and Theodore Roosevelt have been working together for several years now," Bekkedahl said. "Our new Cooperative Agreement provides members a framework through which to continue building a highly responsive, well-coordinated multi-state advocacy capability in anticipation of a new federal Administration and a new Congress. We are looking forward to 2009."

About the Ports-to-Plains Trade Corridor Coalition:

In 1998, Congress designated the Ports-to-Plains Trade Corridor a Federal High Priority Corridor in the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21).

The current Corridor extends from Laredo, Texas through Lubbock, Texas and in Colorado follows US 40/287 from the Colorado/Oklahoma border through

Lamar to Limon and then follows Interstate 70 from Limon to Denver. The corridor received final route designation by Congress in 2001.

The Ports-to-Plains coalition is based in Lubbock, Texas. For more information, please call Joe Kiely at 719-775-2346, or consult our website: [www.portstoplains.com](http://www.portstoplains.com)

About the Theodore Roosevelt Expressway:

The Theodore Roosevelt Expressway (TRE), which Congress designated a High Priority Corridor in 2005 under SAFTEA-LU, is the Northern third of the Great Plains International Trade Corridor. The TRE begins in Rapid

City and flows through the cities of Spearfish, Belle Fourche, Bowman, Belfield, Watford City, Williston, Culbertson, Plentywood, and finally through the Port of Raymond into Canada. It also provides the primary link south from the Port of Portal, North Dakota. TRE is a major transportation corridor and primary delivery artery serving the Williston Basin energy region.

The Theodore Roosevelt Expressway Association is headquartered in Williston, North Dakota. For more information, please contact Cal Klewin at 701-523-6171, or consult our website: [www.treexpressway.com](http://www.treexpressway.com).

## Are you eligible for unclaimed tax rebate?

(SPM Wire) It's like an unclaimed lottery ticket due to expire. Over one million Americans still are eligible to receive a tax stimulus rebate, but they must file a 2007 tax return by October 15, 2008.

Indeed, many people who receive Social Security and veterans benefits are likely to overlook this opportunity to get the stimulus payment.

Persons not normally required to file a tax return may still qualify for this one-time tax stimulus, but may miss the opportunity by not filing a 2007 return.

This group includes low income workers, or those who receive Social Security benefits or veterans' disability compensation, pension or survivors benefits received from the Department of Veterans Affairs in 2007. They will be eligible to receive a payment of \$300 (\$600 on a joint return) if they had at least \$3,000 of qualifying income.

Qualifying income includes Social Security benefits, certain Railroad Retirement benefits, cer-

tain veterans' benefits, and earned income, such as income from wages, salaries, tips and self-employment.

With this in mind, Liberty Tax Service is providing an immediate online tax preparation solution for filing through its eSmart Tax product, accessible on the company Web site at [www.libertytax.com](http://www.libertytax.com). It's easy to figure the amount of a tax stimulus rebate by using the site's tax rebate calculator.

And Liberty Tax offices will provide free advice and answers to questions regarding the tax stimulus rebates or any tax issue.

"Liberty Tax Service wants to help everyone eligible get the rebate they are entitled to receive before the October 15th deadline passes," noted John Hewitt, CEO of Liberty Tax Service. "We hope those with questions will contact us, and take advantage of our available resources."

Those with questions can e-mail [taxrebates@libertytax.com](mailto:taxrebates@libertytax.com) for more information.

### Weekly Crossword Puzzle

**ACROSS**

- Main ideas
- Patton portrayer George C.
- Impolite alternative to "sir"
- MDX and RDX auto maker
- Small role for a big star
- Filmom's Merkel or O'Connor
- Desilu co-head
- GPs, e.g.
- Big Apple tennis stadium
- Has \_\_\_ (is connected)
- One healed by Jesus
- Parlor piece
- Biological divisions
- Dyer's tank
- Paddock parent
- Envelope info: Abbr.
- R&B singer Baker
- \_\_\_-bitty
- Tetra-doubled
- TV detective with a ruffled raincoat
- Prepare for a new job
- Colonial critters
- Work place condi-

tions org.

- Dog-\_\_\_ (shabby)
- Regarding, on memos
- Extra: Abbr.
- Yearbook sect.
- \_\_\_ monkey (simian with a loud call)
- Calves raised for their meat
- Old anesthetic

57. Former ring champ Spinks

62. Floral necklace

63. Referee, pre-kick-off

66. Blow it

67. "... is this the \_\_\_ Rico?"

68. \_\_\_ firma

69. Zilch

70. Hangs in there

71. Check for fit

**DOWN**

- Big bash
- Closely monitored hosp. areas
- "... is life!"
- Took a stab at
- Erie Canal mule
- Plot outlines

7. Place for liquor

8. Arabian Peninsula land

9. \_\_\_ Aviv

10. Rang out

11. Amusement park colliders

12. Reporting to

13. Seaport of Iraq

18. Pumice is formed from it

23. "Bewitched" witch

25. Mosque official

26. Motown's Marvin

27. Explorer Cabeza de

**Pinball Wizard**

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### PUBLIC NOTICES

#### Notice to Bidders

Sealed bids will be received until 3:00 pm. September 8, 2008 for renovations and HVAC upgrades to Eldorado High School Gymnasium, Eldorado, Texas. All bids are to be addressed to Mr. Billy Collins, Superintendent. Bids are to be delivered to the Schleicher County ISD Administrative offices, Business office, 205 W. Fields, Eldorado, Texas. Bids received after 3:00 pm on September 8, 2008, will be returned unopened. All bids submitted in accordance with instructions will be publicly read beginning at 3:00 pm, September 8, 2008.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check or bid bond in the amount of five percent (5%) of the amount bid, payable to Schleicher County Independent School District.

Bid Documents may be procured from Chapman Harvey Architects, Inc. after August 20, 2008, upon a deposit of \$100.00 per set, ten sets maximum. Bid Documents will only be issued to qualified General Contractors. The deposit will be returned to plan holders who return complete sets of Bid Documents within 10 days of the bid opening.

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# County adopts subdivision rules

Schleicher County Commissioners met with Tom Brown of Naismith Engineering on Monday, August 25. Brown presented the model subdivision rules for Schleicher County. The rules were necessary for the city to proceed with sewer and water project in the Three Sisters Addition and Orient Heights Addition. The county is contributing funding since the additions are outside the city limits. Commissioners Matt Brown, Kirk Griffin, Johnny Mayo and Lynn Griffin voted with a show of hands to approve the new rules as presented.

As an information item, Tom Brown also presented the court

with samples of swimming pools that can be done with a 50-50 grant.

The court was then approached by Kirk Jones and Mike Calcote about purchasing appliances for the new Rodeo Concession Stand. Judge Griffin told the county would purchase the items after maintenance supervisor Mike Haynes received estimates for the appliances for the court to review.

Two bids were received for unleaded fuel. Both bids were rejected. The unleaded fuel bid will be advertised again, with new wording for the acceptance of the fuel by the county. See notice on page 9.

The court then voted to approve paying \$14.00 per load for water for road construction.

John Dorset with the Texas Agri-Life Extension Service inquired once more if the county would help fund a county trapper. Later in the day, during their budget workshop, the commissioners appropriated \$26,400 to fund Schleicher County's portion of a county trapper salary and benefits. The state pays the other half.

Mike Haynes presented three plans for placing the decorative lighting fixtures purchased several years ago with court house security funds. The commissioners selected a plan and the installation will start.

The court went into executive session to speak with Community Resource Director Patsy Kellogg.

A flat rate of 8.64 percent was adopted for the Texas County Retirement System Plan for 2009.

The Texas Water Development reversion was also approved.

The court approved a proposed tax rate of \$0.6500 for the 2008-2009 tax year. Voting for the increase was Johnny Mayo, Matt Brown and Lynn Meador. Commissioner Kirk Griffin was absent from this vote.

The proposed rate of \$0.6500 is actually \$0.0278 less than last year tax rate, but due to the increase of property evaluation the revenues generated by oil and gas will increase by 21.2 percent, invoking two public hearing for a tax increase. One meeting will be on September 4, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Commissioner Courtroom, the second public meeting on the tax increase will be September 8, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Commissioners Courtroom.

The court ended the meeting by approving and paying bills.

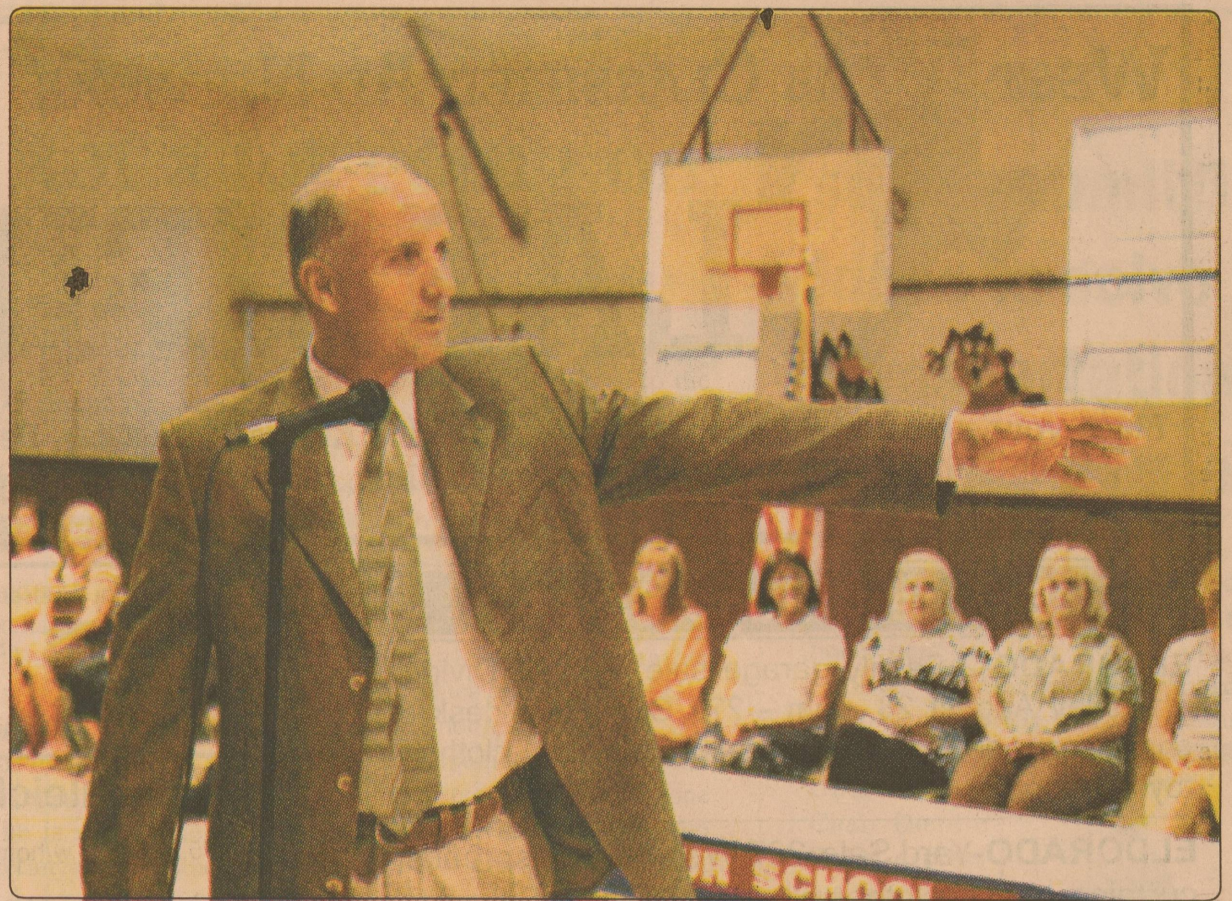
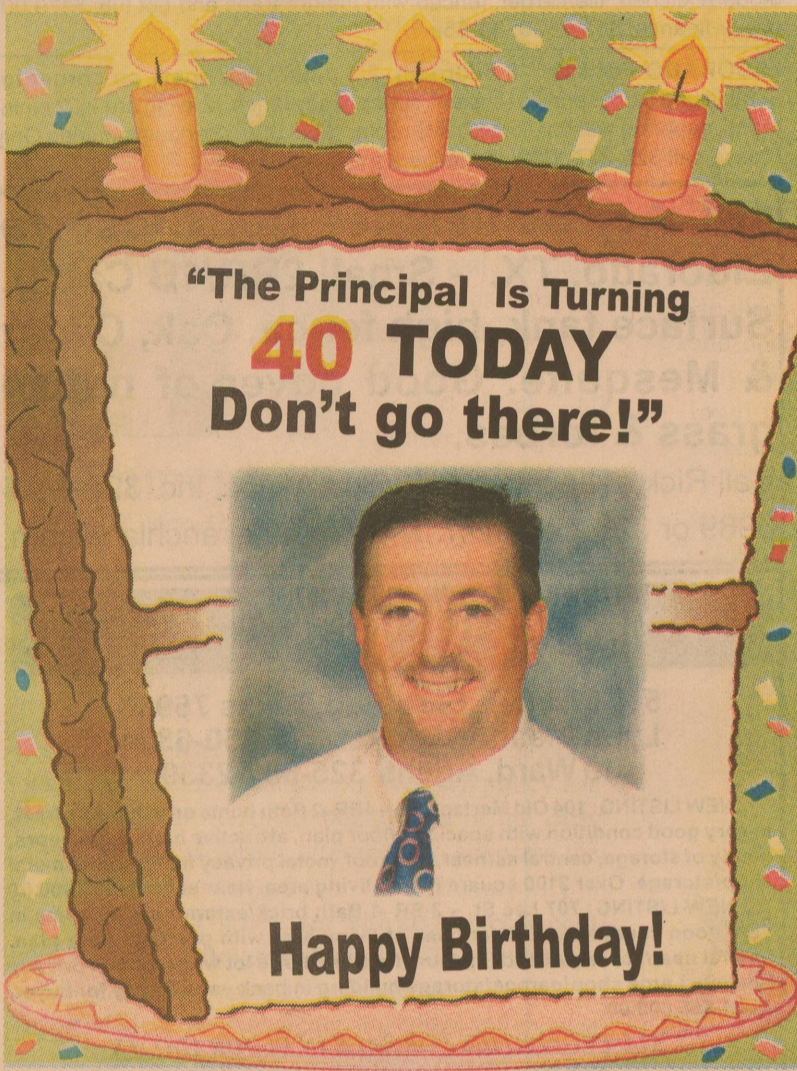


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Elementary Principal Houston Hendryx introduces the faculty during the Elementary School's Meet the Teacher night last Thursday in the campus gymnasium.



# Bottled water backlash has many turning to filtration systems

(SPM Wire) The recent bottled water controversy has caused a ripple of doubt among consumers seeking filtered water for their families.

Reports that some bottled water

supplies come from municipal water and questions about the safety and environmental impact of the plastic used in many water bottles have left consumers wondering what other options exist.

For many, the answer is as close as their very own kitchen sink -- partnered with an under-counter filtration system.

The decision of whether to drink tap water versus bottled water is a personal decision each consumer must make based on convenience, cost, taste and safety. As for safety, many people throughout the country have no qualms about drinking tap water due to regular testing and monitoring by government

agencies to ensure it is safe.

But numerous consumers still seek cleaner, better tasting water, as evidenced by the \$11 billion spent on bottled water last year.

An under-counter filtration system, however, enables consumers to forgo the plastic water bottles and rely on tap water to be the primary source for cooking and preparing hot beverages.

Here are several things to consider when choosing an under-sink filtration system, according to the experts at InSinkErator, the world's largest manufacturer of food waste disposers and instant hot water dispensers:

- A carbon water filter provides the most effective and reliable form of water filtration on the market; up to 95 percent of inline water filtration systems that are installed in homes use a carbon-based cartridge.

- Unlike reverse osmosis or distillation, carbon-based filters allow water's fluoride and other natural minerals to pass through. These minerals are essential to good health and aid in the body's absorption of water.

- A standard filter should reduce chlorine taste and odor and sediment.

- A premium filter should remove toxic chemicals, heavy metals and dangerous parasites.

- To keep the system running at optimal levels, consumers should replace their filters every six to 12 months; that will depend on the water quality and amount of use.

- A versatile filter is ideal, one that can be used with a refrigerator, ice-maker and other water dispensers.

Additional information on water filtration can be found online at [www.insinkerator.com](http://www.insinkerator.com).

Answer to Sudoku on Page 3

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Solution to puzzle on Page 7

Pinball Wizard

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# School Board

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Billy Collins then told the board that 67 percent of the new budget is directed toward instructional program.

Finance Director Ray Ballew next informed the board that \$500,000.00 of last year's budget was placed to the designated fund, of which some \$300,000 was left over from construction.

Superintendent Collins then explained that the district's enrollment stood at 614 on the first day of school, a decline from the 652 on the final day of the last school year.

The school board meeting began with a public hearing for input on the proposed budget and tax rate, however, no one from the public appeared to address either issue.

Board members present for the meeting were Leanne Higgins, Berta Nicholson, Lupe Sanchez, Jan Wanoreck, Robert Jay, Kirk Jones and Kurtis Homer.

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**FAST SERVICE ELDORADO SUCCESS BUSINESS CARDS & CUSTOM PRINTING**

**Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase**

The SCHLEICHER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 20.0 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax rate calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on 09/04/08 AT 12 NOON at HOSPITAL BOARD ROOM.

The second public hearing will be held on 09/08/08 AT 12 NOON at HOSPITAL BOARD ROOM.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR: RANDY MANKIN, T.J. RODRIGUEZ, ANDY ANDERSON, SUSIE RICHTERS, GEORGE ARISPE  
 AGAINST:  
 PRESENT and not voting:  
 ABSENT: RICKY FUESSEL

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in SCHLEICHER COUNTY last year was \$ 33,650.00 (average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the preceding tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older). Based on last year's tax rate of \$ 0.2799 (preceding year's adopted tax rate) per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$ 94.19 (tax on average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the preceding tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older).

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in SCHLEICHER COUNTY this year is \$ 34,117.00 (average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the current tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older). If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$ 0.2204 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$ 75.19 (tax on average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the current tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older).

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$ 0.2645 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$ 90.24 (tax on the average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the current tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older).

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

**Special Provisions if Applicable**

**Criminal Justice Mandate (use for counties, if applicable):**  
 The \_\_\_\_\_ County Auditor certifies that \_\_\_\_\_ County has spent \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in the previous 12 months beginning \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. \_\_\_\_\_ County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

**Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures (use if applicable):**  
 The \_\_\_\_\_ spent \$ \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \_\_\_\_\_.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
CITY OF ELDORADO  
PROPOSED BUDGET 08-09**

Notice is hereby given of a public hearing on the proposed budget for the City of Eldorado for Fiscal Year beginning 9/1/08 and ending 8/31/09. Hearing is set for Thursday, August 28, 2008, at 6:00 PM at the City Hall, 6 S. Cottonwood St.

Said proposed budget reflects \$1,849,432 budgeted for the Utility/Sanitation/Street Funds and \$442,563 for the General Fund.

Interested citizens are encouraged to give oral or written comment or ask questions at said hearing. A copy of the proposed budget and work figures are available for public review between the hours of 8AM and 5PM weekdays.