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COURTESY PHOTO
President-elect Barack Obama and VP-elect Joe Biden were swept to victory Tuesday night after several battleground states broke early in favor of the Democratic ticket. Obama will succeed George W. Bush on January 20, 2009 to become the 44th President of the United States.

Voters give Doran 4th term Obama sweeps past McCain to claim presidency

Schleicher County voters returned Sheriff David Doran to office Tuesday with a 967 to 326 win over challenger Shane West. The win, in Schleicher County's only contested race, gives Doran a fourth term in office.

Doran's victory came despite threats made by FLDS spokesman Willie Jessop that residents at the YFZ Ranch would register and vote in large numbers. While just over a hundred residents of the ranch did register, and an unknown number did show up to vote, they apparently didn't target Doran, or there just weren't enough of them to influence the outcome.

Schleicher County's vote totals closely resembled statewide returns where Republican U.S. Senator John Cornyn coasted to an easy victory over his Democratic Challenger and the McCain/Palin ticket easily outdistanced the Obama/Biden ticket.

Things went differently in the national polling, however, as Barack Obama surged ahead in several battleground states to make an early night of it and secure his place in history as the first African-American to win the presidency.

Obama will succeed George W. Bush as the 44th President of the United States when he takes the oath of office on January 20, 2009.

Meanwhile, Schleicher County representatives in Washington, D.C. and Austin will remain the same. U.S. Representative Mike Conaway (R-Midland) won easy re-election over his Libertarian challenger John R. Strohm. With almost all precincts reporting, Conaway was garnering almost 90 percent of the vote.

State Senator Robert Duncan (R-Lubbock) likewise won easy re-election over Libertarian challenger M.J. Smith. Dun-

can also captured nearly 90 percent of the votes cast.

Closer to home, State Representative Harvey Hilderbran, (R-Kerrville) won re-election over Libertarian challenger Brian W. Holik. At press time Hilderbran had received just over 88 percent of the vote.

One unexpected result of Tuesday's election were the number of straight party votes. Local voters cast 169 straight Democratic ticket votes and 259 straight Republican ticket votes. There were also 24 straight Libertarian ticket votes.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN
Sheriff David Doran accepted congratulatory calls from supporters Tuesday night after the election returns came in.



SCHLEICHER COUNTY ELECTION RESULTS November 4, 2008

PRESIDENT/VICE-PRESIDENT			
John McCain/ Sarah Palin	REP		969
Barack Obama/ Joe Biden	DEM		322
Bob Barr/ Wayne A. Root	LIB		24
U.S. SENATOR			
John Cornyn - Incumbent	REP		835
Richard J. (Rick) Noriega	DEM		345
Yvonne Adams Schick	LIB		34
U. S. REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 11			
Mike Conaway - Incumbent	REP		1007
John R. Strohm	LIB		136
RAILROAD COMMISSIONER			
Michael L. Williams - Incumbent	REP		714
Mark Thompson	DEM		389
David Floyd	LIB		48
CHIEF JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT			
Wallace B. Jefferson - Incumbent	REP		718
Jim Jordan	DEM		380
Tom Oxford	LIB		37
JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT, PLACE 7			
Dale Wainwright - Incumbent	REP		685
Sam Houston	DEM		406
David G. Smith	LIB		48
JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT, PLACE 8			
Phil Johnson - Incumbent	REP		743
Linda Reyna Yanez	DEM		363
Drew Shirley	LIB		46
JUDGE, COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS PLACE 3			
Tom Price - Incumbent	REP		706
Susan Strawn	DEM		411
Matthew E. Eilers	LIB		29
JUDGE, COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS PLACE 4			
Paul Womack - Incumbent	REP		732
J.R. Molina	DEM		357
Dave Howard	LIB		48
JUDGE, COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS PLACE 9			
Cathy Cochran - Incumbent	REP		889
William Bryan Strange, III	LIB		149
STATE SENATOR, DISTRICT 28			
Robert Duncan - Incumbent	REP		926
M. J. (Smitty) Smith	LIB		148
STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 53			
Harvey Hilderbran - Incumbent	REP		952
Brian W. Holik	LIB		160
CHIEF JUSTICE, 3RD COURT OF APPEALS DISTRICT			
Ken Law - Incumbent	REP		745
Woodie Jones	DEM		429
DISTRICT JUDGE, 51ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT			
Barbara Lane Walther - Incumbent	REP		1012
DISTRICT ATTORNEY, 51ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT			
Stephen Lupton - Incumbent	REP		990
COUNTY JUDGE, UNEXPIRED TERM			
Charles Bradley	DEM		998
COUNTY ATTORNEY			
Clint Griffin	DEM		982
SHERIFF			
David R. Doran	REP		967
Shane West	DEM		326
COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR			
Jeanne Snelson	DEM		1035
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT #1			
Johnny Mayo, Jr.	DEM		256
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT #3			
Kirk Griffin	DEM		191

General Washington to be special guest at 19th annual Veteran's Program

Two Hundred Twenty-Five years after he said farewell to his troops and resigned as America's first commanding general, George Washington will appear in Eldorado on Thursday, November 13th to share his views with students and parents at the 19th annual Veteran's Program in the Eldorado High School auditorium.

The program is presented each year by Eldorado Elementary's 3rd and 4th grade classes, under the direction of Joella Parker. This year's program is titled "Back to Our Future," and will feature speaker and historical re-en-

actor Mark Collins.

Collins has portrayed George Washington on numerous occasions and was featured as the general in a History Channel mini-series on the Revolutionary War.

In addition to Mark Collins, and several songs by Elementary students, the program will feature, "Ring-ing Praise," the handbell choir from First Baptist Church, under the direction of Eva Jo Sessom.

The program is slated for 7 p.m. and the community is invited to attend and honor America's veterans. There will be no admission charge.



COURTESY PHOTO
Mark Collins portrayed General George Washington in the History Channel mini-series "The American Revolution." He will speak at the annual Veteran's Program at 7 p.m. on Thursday, November 13th in the Eldorado High School auditorium.



Regional Bound

Eldorado High School will be represented at the Regional Cross Country Meet in Lubbock on Saturday, November 8th, by Claudia Pasillas and Mason Baker. Claudia placed 9th at District with a time of 13:52.2 while Mason was 10th with a time of 18:23. See related story on Page 4.

COURTESY PHOTO

The exaggerated demise of Anglo-Saxon Capitalism

The gloating didn't last long. Earlier this fall, German Finance Minister Peer Steinbrueck proclaimed that "Anglo-Saxon capitalism" is "finished." Steinbrueck stuck it to the hated Anglo-Saxon capitalists just in time -- before he got too distracted by the exigencies of managing a \$681 billion program to re-finance distressed German banks.

Germany's second-largest commercial real estate lender, Hypo Real Estate, apparently didn't realize risky practices during the great credit bubble were inherently un-Germanic. Its loans exceeded its deposit base by 8-1 or more, and the German government had to swoop in with a \$67 billion rescue as it neared collapse.

The same kind of overleveraging, risky loans, toxic securities and real-estate bubble that has rocked the American financial system infected Europe, which is why European schadenfreude quickly turned to desperate and (until now) poorly coordinated attempts to shore up Europe's banks. So far, only one country has been taken down by the financial crisis, and that is poor little Iceland, brought to its knees by bank failures. The end of Norse capitalism?

The rush to declare the death of the system of sophisticated finance and robust free-market economics pioneered in Britain and exemplified by the United States has many motives. Euro-bureaucrats have always hated its out-of-control dynamism. Democrats here at home pile on in hopes of creating an overweening Euro-style regulatory state, while conservatives proclaim the advent of socialism in shock and horror at the scale of government intervention in this crisis.

All of this isn't socialism, however, but emergency measures to preserve credit, the lifeblood of capitalism. The Wall Street axiom that "the markets can stay irrational longer than you can stay solvent" applies particularly to banks, which can't exist without market confidence. The architect of the American economic system, Alexander Hamilton, acted just as aggressively to prop up the banks during a panic in 1792, although on a much smaller scale. In so doing, he saved the U.S. financial revolution that fueled the young country's economic rise. By the 1820s, the United States caught up to England in per capita output.

Financial panics aren't new -- as economic historian John Steele Gordon has noted, they've occurred about every 20 years throughout American history. Neither are financial bailouts. The savings and loan and the Long Term Capital Management bailouts didn't denote the end of American capitalism. If the Treasury and the Fed, along with their counterparts around the globe, have acted quickly and boldly enough, they will have forestalled economic calamity.

Then, we will still face a sharp recession, but we have weathered those before. We can return swiftly to economic growth, as long as the necessary post-crisis regulatory tune-up doesn't lurch into suffocating overkill. The daily dose of dire news shouldn't obscure the fact that open, dynamic capitalism gave us a quarter-century of nearly uninterrupted economic growth. It is the system that most accords with individual freedom and -- over the long term -- creates the most efficient and productive use of resources.

Just wait. We'll be back, and through gritted teeth, the Europeans will watch the "Anglo-Saxons" rise again.

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Uncle Mort and the new century

Rarely have I heard Uncle Mort so excited. I'm used to my 96-year-old kin from the thicket calling with news from his faraway world where country road lifestyles have changed but little across the years.

I thought he'd give me the rundown of "thicket thinking" on the presidential race, but as usual, I was 180 degrees off course.

Behold and lo, he was on a technology kick this time. The "warp and woof" of his litany was of the "what'll they think of next?" variety...

When Mort told me that a neighbor faces prostate surgery in upcoming days, his voice raised a couple of octaves with these seven words preceding an exclamation point--"And a robot's going to do it!"

He was breathless, and I knew that Mort's personal "take" on the procedure would follow just as surely as there is cotton on both ends of Q-Tips.

"Don't jump the gun on me, nephew," he warned. "The last time I saw the doctor, he opened a package of Q-Tips that didn't have cotton on either end. They rubbed right up against 5 o'clock Friday at the factory..."

In fairness, the patient really wanted to know what Mort thought of such surgery.

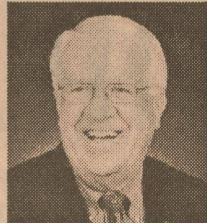
Mort is always glad to offer second opinions. "Just make sure that the robot's moving parts have seen the business end of a grease gun within the last month and that it has fresh batteries," my uncle suggested. "Be sure to leave your magnets at home, and if 'made in China' is printed on the robot, tell the doctor you'd sooner take your chances with home remedies."

Mort's final thoughts were that the robot's parents may have "starred" at the first automated car wash....

Maybe his "grease gun reference"

The Idle American

by Dr. Don Newbury



has been brain-locked for the past 50 years.

Many's the time I've heard him talk about the thicket visit of the late Al Capp, creator of Li'l Abner during the golden days of cartooning.

During the last years of his life, the outspoken Capp traveled around the country making speeches, typically answering questions "planted" in the audience. Two favorite queries were whether his wooden leg was bothersome and why he had such a dislike for Jane Fonda. (Capp lost a leg in a trolley accident at age 9, and he was a constant critic of the anti-war activist.)

His unchanging answers were well-known. 1) "My leg's never a problem unless I forget to grease it," and 2) "I have nothing against Jane Fonda. I'd send her a dozen roses tonight if I knew which jail she was in..."

On a technology roll, Mort switched to chip implants, warning that if they're sticking them into Arizona cactus and into birds, humans are "bound to be next."

I'd read about the Fed's plans to implant electronic chips into the giant Arizona cactus plants to thwart thieves who are digging them up in the dark of night, then re-selling.

"If you get a new cactus and your garage door opener goes nuts, the dog starts howling, your pacemaker acts up, or UFO's hover overhead, you'd better abandon desert landscaping pronto," Uncle Mort warned....

The "bird thing" was news to me. Mort was in awe of the migration of

plump shorebirds called "Godwits," which migrate each year from Alaska to New Zealand.

This time, the "wow" was on my end of the phone line. He spoke of how the three-pound birds, some of them with electronic implants, fly NON-STOP to their winter home in New Zealand, monitored all the way by satellite. Some span the 7,242-mile distance in as few as five days, losing half their weight in the process. (Ecologists say that the birds expend energy at 8-10 times the rate they do at rest, easily more than the six-fold output of Tour de France bicyclists, human pace-setters in the energy department.)

"Come spring time, they fly the same route back to Alaska," Mort revealed, adding, "I believe if I was a Godwit, I'd just stay in Hawaii year-round, settling for pleasure flights between the islands..."

Before we signed off, Mort jumped to the topic of acorns. My assumption that it had anything to do with swine or lipstick thereon was dead wrong. "I'm talking about ACORN with capital letters," he said. "It's an acronym, nephew," he mumbled, adding something about how he was "always having to educate me."

A bit miffed, I informed Mort that the probability had not escaped me that folks in this group seem to be big targets for voter fraud, and that the letters stand for "Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now."

"All I know is that ACORN is setting squirrels back a hundred years," my uncle concluded, "And blind hogs even farther..."

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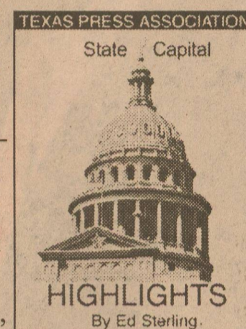
Secretary of State reports voter rolls increased by 800,000

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — The Monday morning deadline for this column forces coverage of the Nov. 4 general election into the next week.

But here is something that is reportable: Texas Secretary of State Hope Andrade on Oct. 28 announced the final tally of registered voters in Texas for the Nov. 4 general election was 13.5 million, up from 12.7 million registered voters in this year's March primaries.

Andrade, the state's chief elections officer, said more than 2 million registered voters cast a ballot during the first eight days of the early voting period, which began Oct. 20 and ended Oct. 31.



State Rep predicts House change

State Rep. Jim Keffer, R-Eastland, on Oct. 29 predicted the end of Speaker Tom Craddick's tenure as leader of the Texas House of Representatives.

Craddick, R-Midland, was first elected speaker on Jan. 11, 2003, after serving 34 years as a member of the House. His colleagues reelected him to the powerful post in 2005 and again in 2007.

In a news release posted six days before election day, Keffer said, "Within 24 hours of the polls closing after Tuesday's historic election, I predict there will be a new consensus choice for Texas House Speaker."

Keffer said he plans to consolidate bipartisan support of his candidacy for the speakership on election night.

Keffer, 55, has served as state representative for Eastland, Hood, Brown, Shackelford, Stephens and Palo Pinto counties since 1996.

House members will decide who is to be speaker soon after the 81st Texas Legislature convenes on Jan. 13, 2009.

RRC catching up with demand

On Oct. 30, Texas Railroad Commissioner Victor Carrillo said record energy sector activity has resulted in drilling permit application numbers that haven't been seen since the last energy boom in the 1980s.

In early October, processing times for expedited drilling permits had reached 13 days, and up to 40 days for non-expedited drilling permits, the RRC reported.

Now, four weeks after a new effort to reduce a backlog of drilling permit applications, the RRC says it has reduced the processing time for expedited drilling permits to three days, and for non-expedited permits, to seven days.

RRC Chairman Michael L. Williams said that to reduce the backlog, some employees are working overtime on Saturdays, some employees have been moved to the drilling permit section and some outside contractors have been hired.

Law lets agency read licenses

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott on Oct. 31 released an opinion that state law allows the Texas Lottery Commission to use electronically readable information encoded on the magnetic stripe of a driver's license to verify the age of persons using self-service terminals and vending machines to purchase lottery tickets.

Abbott's opinion, GA-0675, says the Lottery Commission's reading of the cards serves a legitimate law enforcement or governmental purpose.

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The Bell and Howl at the Great Wolf

We had a blast at the Great Wolf Lodge in Grapevine. It's a water park under roof. We picked it to have a family reunion. While taking a break from the water slides and waves I moseyed up to the front desk and said I was a reporter and wondered if there was anyone available for an interview. Since it was a Saturday afternoon, I thought my chances slim to none of finding someone in the PR department on duty. I was right. No PR folks. But within ten minutes I was on a balcony overlooking the grounds talking to the general manager, Jack Bateman, who has been in the theme park business 24 years and attended Texas Tech.

"The Great Wolf Corporation has been around since 1996," says Jack. "This is the 11th lodge the company has opened and it's the biggest one. We opened January 10th of this year and are already adding 200 more rooms and 15,000 square feet of meeting space."

Great Wolf is next door to the DFW airport and right across the street from the Gaylord, another big facility that is growing. There's nothing like it within a 5-state area.



by
Tumbleweed
Smith

"We try to promote family togetherness here," says Jack. "There's something for all ages. Little kids can go to the wading pool or the Cub Club. Older kids can take part in our MagiQuest, where they wander the premises with a magic wand that opens treasure chests, makes pictures and trees talk and helps when they encounter dragons or wizards."

The place looks like something you'd find at a national park in the north woods. And it has the names to go along with it, like the Camp Critter Bar & Grille and the Northern Lights Arcade. We stayed in the Grizzly Bear Suite that sleeps 8 comfortably. But the water park, named Bear Track Landing, is the main attraction. A giant bucket holding 1,000 gallons of water empties every four minutes and people line up to get drenched. A bell rings just before the bucket dumps its

water. The wave maker is activated by a loud wolf howl every ten minutes. The water slides for all ages are the best ever. I tried all of them, including the Howling Tornado, the most challenging. The temperature inside the water park is a constant 85 degrees.

You won't find any long lines at Great Wolf, since entry into the water park is reserved for guests of the resort. Because it's so self-contained, some people say it's sort of like a cruise ship without the ocean. Everything is right here, including a spa.

The company was founded in Wisconsin, where winter comes early and stays a long time. Jack says about 75% of the business comes from the Metroplex. The facility now has 402 rooms. Half of the 200 new ones will be ready in December, the rest in January. Great Wolf's outdoor water park is open from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Safety is of prime importance. The latest filtering technology keeps the water clean. Rooms are deep cleaned after guests leave "to keep that brand new feeling."

We enjoyed getting wet at the Great Wolf Lodge.

DEATH NOTICES

David Marshall Massengill

SAN ANGELO — David Marshall Massengill, 50, of San Angelo, died Thursday, Oct. 30, 2008, in Baptist Memorial Center. Graveside service were held at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 31, in Belvedere Memorial Park. Survivors include his father and stepmother, Roy and Linda Massengill of Bronte; his mother Marie Massingill of San Angelo, two sisters, Betty Thornell and her husband Craig of San Angelo, and Vickie Chatham and her husband Jay of Christoval; four nephews, Eric Thomell of Georgetown, David Thornell of San Angelo, Jason Chatham of Eldorado, U.S. Army Specialist Aaron Chatham of Baghdad, Iraq, and Joshua Chatham of Christoval.

Shirley Kessler

SAN ANGELO — Shirley Wood and husband Drew of San Angelo. She is also survived by ten grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Graveside service was held Saturday, Nov. 1, in Christoval Cemetery.

Juanita C. Martinez

DEL RIO — Juanita C. Martinez, 81, passed away on Oct. 19, 2008, in Arlington, Texas. She was born Feb. 13, 1927, in Eldorado, Texas. Survivors include Paul Martinez of Knickerbocker, daughters and son-in-law, Susan and Robert Simmons of Universal City, Texas, and Diana Wilkinson of Arlington; and sons, Paul Hash of Eldorado, and David Andrew Hash of San Angelo. She is also survived by three sisters, 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Burial was held Wednesday, Oct. 22, at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Interment followed in Sacred Heart Cemetery.



Joshua Ruben Ortiz and Lycynda Lyne Halbert

Halbert/Ortiz Engagement

Dan and Allene Halbert of Eldorado, TX are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Lycynda Lyne Halbert to Joshua Ruben Ortiz, son of Tom and Debbie Pfeifer of Rowland Heights, CA.

Lycynda is a 2000 graduate of Eldorado High School and will receive a Master in Early Childhood from Wayland Baptist University in the spring of 2009. She is currently employed as a Behavioral Specialist at Mahon Early Childhood Elementary, Lubbock, ISD.

Joshua is a 1996 graduate of Rowland High School and served in the United States Air Force in the Security Forces Field from 1998 to 2003. During that time he was deployed after September 11 to the Persian Gulf. He received an Associates of Arts in May 2008 and is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology. He is employed as a Police Officer with the Lubbock Police Department.

The wedding will be held at The Vineyard in San Antonio, TX on April 25, 2009. After a honeymoon trip to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, the newlyweds will reside in Lubbock.

Citizens encouraged to make a difference on Veterans Day

by Freddy Groves

If you're looking for a Veterans Day project with long-lasting value, I have four of them for you.

- All over the country veterans' headstones have become faded, cracked or are completely missing. An 83-year old veteran in Michigan has made it his long-term project to see that the damaged headstones in his area, some going back to the Civil War, are replaced. He finds the headstones that need replacement, gathers the proof and writes to the VA, which then ships another stone. Your challenge: Pick a veteran headstone that needs replacement and begin the steps to have a new marker placed there. Follow it all the way through the process.

- Make arrangements to speak to a classroom of kids. Teach them how to fold and hang a flag the right way, and maybe a little bit of flag history. Depending on the ages of the kids, talk about things veterans have done. The Berlin Airlift is a good topic. If

you're interested in talking to kids but need some ideas, go to www.va.gov/KIDS.

- If you haven't yet put your story in the Veterans History Project, this is the perfect time to contribute. See www.loc.gov/vets for particulars. If you can help another veteran, maybe one in a VA medical center, get his or her story added, so much the better.

- Rebuilding Together is a nationwide program that rehabs the homes of veterans. If you can wield a hammer, contact the organization to see if there are any projects going on in your area. You can make the difference in an injured veteran being able to live at home. Call 1-800-473-4229 for information.

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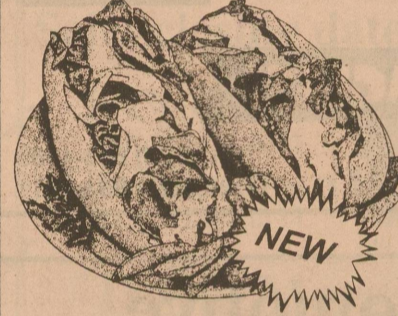


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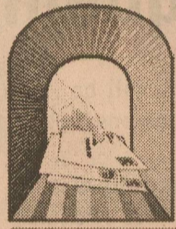


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Dear Editor,

It is unfortunate that there is not more for the youth of Eldorado to do with their free time.

The sign at our restaurant has been vandalized twice this year, and Salya's sign has also been molested. I use the word molested, because the perpetrators have rearranged the letters of our signs to form inappropriate words and phrases. Besides the fact these actions are giving our hunters and other visitors a bad impression of Eldorado, it reflects poorly on our community as well, since some of

the words were even misspelled.

If anyone has information regarding who might be responsible for these unsavory acts, please contact the Schleicher County Sheriff's Department at 853-2737.

Let's all help create a better environment for our children and grandchildren, by helping curb the misdeeds of these few misguided souls.

Thank you,
Rosa S. Martinez
Rosa's Casita



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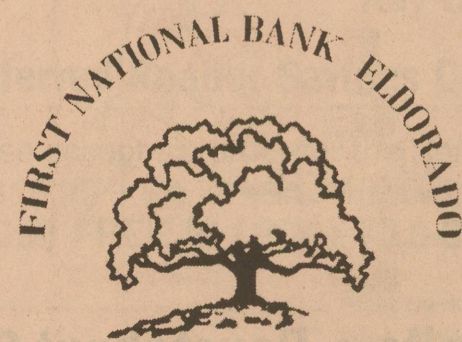
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Eagles offense just too much for Hornets.

by Syllas Politte

The Eldorado Eagles find themselves in a place they have not been all season. They are riding on their first win streak of the season. Last Friday in Mertzon, Eldorado was able to gain their second straight win in as many games against an injury plagued Irion County team.

The Eagles got on the board early and often in their 9th game of the season. They were led behind the rushing attack of the two head monster in junior running backs Wes Brown and Ivany Sanchez. Brown and Sanchez accounted for close to half of the Eagles total offense. They finished within 2 rushing yards of each other. Brown had 84 yards on 12 carries while Sanchez finished with 82 on the same number of carries. The tandem also accounted for half of the Eagle's point total. Brown finished with 3 touchdowns and Sanchez had 1. The dual threat of Brown and Sanchez has been a consistent force all season for the Eagles. They were not alone in racking up yards. Sophomores Rudy Sanchez and Miles Mikeska also got into the mix each rushing for 56 and 47 yards respectively and a touchdown. The Eagles finished with 336 yards of total offense. Only 8 of those yards were passing yards.

The Warbird defense also had an exceptional showing. Minus one big play in the second quarter that set up the only Hornet score of the game the Eagles dominated Irion County all night. They were again led by a solid linebacker core of Ryan Castillo, Mikeska and new comer to the defense Josh Jurecek. The

secondary was also impressive coming away with several interceptions.

The Eagles first score came on the sweet feet of Ivany Sanchez. He took a hand off up the middle for 31 yards straight to the end zone with 10:31 left in the first quarter. Less than 4 minutes later Brown found pay dirt for his first score of the night on a 9 yard run. Both PAT attempts by Dustin Guana were good. In the second, Brown would score the last two of his three touchdowns from 7 and 33 yards out. Guana would have one point try blocked and convert the other. Irion County's lone touchdown came on the legs of senior quarterback/running back Garrett Barnett's 2 yard run. At half time, Eldorado would take a commanding lead into half time with a score of 27-7.

Neither team would score in the third quarter. In the 4th quarter, the two sophomore running backs for Eldorado would round out the scoring night. Early in the quarter Mikeska would score on a 5 yard run and later Rudy Sanchez would score on an 13 yard run. The final score would end up 41-7. The Eagles pushed their district record to 2-3 and 4-5 over all headed into the final week.

The Eagles will host a very good Rooksprings team tomorrow night for their season finale. After last week's upset wins by Mason and Rooksprings, the district is all shook up. Mason upset Junction in Junction to hand the Eagles their first loss and the Angoras upended Menard to hand the Yellowjackets their first loss. What does all that mean to Eldorado? Well, unfortunately we still

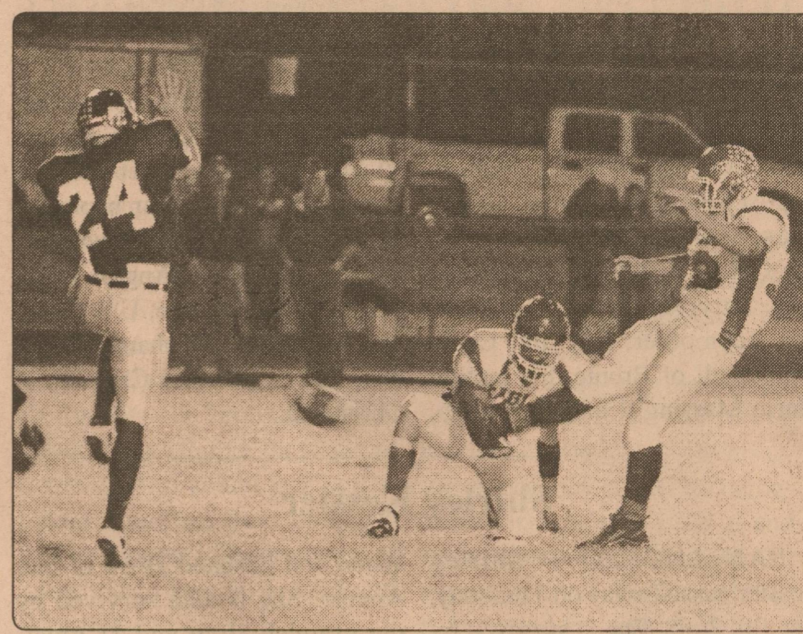


PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN
Dustin Guana boots through one of six extra-points he hit last Friday night as the Eagles downed the Irion County Hornets by a score of 41-7.

have no mathematical shot of making the playoffs, but we can play the role of spoiler.

The big games of focus this week are Junction at Menard and Rooksprings at Eldorado. Were Rooksprings to beat Eldorado and Junction beat Menard, the Angoras would get the 3rd playoff spot and the Yellowjackets would get ready for basketball. If Junction loses to Menard it won't matter what happens in Eldorado. Menard would go from a preseason cellar dweller to a share of the district title. An Eldorado win, would simplify everything. It would send Rooksprings home and make the

outcome of the Junction/Menard game irrelevant.

It will certainly be an interesting week in arguably one of the toughest 1A districts in the state. Kick off in Eldorado will be 7:30 pm as usual. Senior Night Festivities will start at 6:45 pm. KLDE will be bringing you all the action starting at 7:00 pm. Make sure you plan on staying through half time for the band's annual half time light show. It is quite a sight to see.

The Eagles will be playing not only to finish the season at .500, but possibly spoil a shot of another team making the playoffs. Good luck Eagles!!!

Baker and Pasillas qualify for Regional C-Country

The Eldorado Varsity and Junior High Cross Country team competed at the 1A District Cross Country Meet Wednesday, Oct 29th in Mertzon, hosted by Irion County ISD.

The two mile and three mile course is rocky, hilly and runs parallel to Spring Creek making it a perfect spot to challenge the runners.

Qualifying for the regional cross country meet are Mason Baker & Claudia Pasillas. Mason was 10th overall and Claudia was 9th.

Baker and Pasillas will be running Nov. 8 at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock.

EMS boys team is your district runner-up. Runners were Nicholas Garcia, Domingo Garcia, Austin Stapp, Jose Rome & Colten Crowder. Every EMS boy received a medal for placing in the top 20.

Miranda Arispe medaled 8th place for the EMS girls with a time 15:07.3.

Results for 8th grade girls. Team placed 4th. Individual times: 8. Miranda Arispe-15:07.3; 23. Jessica Pasillas-16:40.6; 24. Lupe Pasillas - 16:41.1; 28. Nikki Herrera - 17:07.9; 32. Mary Lou Martinez -17:38.0; 33. Addye Chatham-17:40.1; 36. Lisa Olivares - 18:24.5; 37. Adriana Rios -

18:24.8' 43. Yssenia Ramirez- 19:47.7; 47. Robin Hibbs - 20:36.0.

8th grade boys team place 2nd: Individual results: 3. Nicholas Gonzales 12:34; 9. Austin Stapp 13:36; 10. Domingo Garcia 13:44 10; 14. Jose Romo 14:12 14; 17. Colten Crowder 14:37

JV Girls results: 10. Ashby Ragsdale - 17:14.7;

Eldorado Varsity Girls team placed 6th. Individual results:

10. Claudia Pasillas - 13:52.2; 21. Abby Fuentes - 14:41 21; 35. Brianda Torres -15:25; 39. Alex Guzman - 16:01; 44. Brianah Creek - 16:18; 46. Amanda Garcia - 16:20; 47. Kaitlyn Bluford - 16:21.

Varsity Boys team placed 4th. Eldorado Varsity boys individual results: 10. Mason Baker - 18:23.

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2008 High School Cross Country Teams -(L-R) Front: Ashby Ragsdale, Deisy Aranda, Brianah Creek, Lourdes Pasillas, Abby Fuentes; Center: Jorge Hernandez, Morgan Barker, Amanda Rodriguez, Brianda Torres, Kaitlyn Bluford, Claudia Pasilla; Back: Coach Karen Trent, Hunter Alvizo, Mason Baker, Joseph Rubio, Zack Brame; not pictured: Javier Hernandez, Michael Rubio.

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Tuesday November 11th
Banana Nut Muffin, Choice Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk.

Wednesday November 12th
Cereal Bar, Peanut Butter / Jelly Crackers, Choice of Juice, Milk

Thursday November 13th
Buttered Toast / Jelly, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk

Friday November 14th
Breakfast Pizza on a Bagel, Choice of Juice, Milk

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CAFETERIA LINE

Monday November 10
Burritos, Lettuce / Tomato Salad, Carrot Stix / Dip, Applesauce.

Tuesday November 11th
Chicken Burger /Lettuce, Carrot Stix / Dip, Baked Chips, Sugar Cookies.

Wednesday November 12th
Egg Rolls, Steamed Veggie Rice, Crunchy Oriental Cole Slaw, Sliced Peaches.

Thursday November 13th
Turkey & Dressing /Gravy, Green Beans Hot Rolls, Cranberry Sauce, Sweet Potato Pie.

Friday November 14th
Pepperoni Pizza, Carrot Stix / Dip, Ice Cream Cups.

BASKET LINE

Monday November 10th
Corn Dogs, Tossed Salad / Dressing, Carrot Stix / Dip, Applesauce.

Tuesday November 11th
Spaghetti Sauce / Garlic Bread, Green Salad / Dressing, Sweet Carrots, Peach Cups.

Wednesday November 12th
Chicken Fajitas / Tortilla, Refried Beans, Lettuce / Tomato Salad, Sliced Peaches.

Thursday November 13th
Turkey & Dressing / Gravy, Green Beans / Hot Rolls, Cranberry Sauce, Sweet Potato Pie.

Friday November 14th
Pepperoni Pizza, Carrot Stix / Dip, Ice Cream.

ALL MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Elementary Fall Festival termed a huge success

The Eldorado Elementary parking area was buzzing with students, parents, and family members last Thursday as everyone enjoyed an evening of games, fun, and food at the Elementary Fall Festival. The campus administrators, faculty, and staff would like to extend their most sincere gratitude for all the support that made

this a most successful event.

The winners of the "Chance to Win" tickets were announced at the fall festival. Pascual Esparza will be headed to a Dallas Cowboy game, while Kaegan James' family hits the road toward San Antonio for the Alamo Bowl. Wayne McGinnes' name was drawn for the

San Antonio Spurs' game, and Steve Skut was the recipient of the two night getaway at the Hotel Contessa in San Antonio. A very welcome \$100 gift certificate of gas was received by Danny Curtis. In addition, Linda Lindsey walked away with a computer and printer, which was awarded by the elementary PTO.

Off to the Races!

Taylor Emmons and Sofia Meador pedal to the finish line during the tricycle races held during the Eldorado Elementary Fall Festival last Thursday.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Donice Samaniego is shown here with some of the prizes she won playing bingo during the Elementary Fall Festival last Thursday.

Eldorado Game Dinner raffle winners listed

Artic Cat 4 Wheeler went to Bill Burrell; Kawasaki Mule went to Gary Parmer; Potbelly Blind Kim Griffin; \$350 Gift Card went to Claud Hoffman; \$25 Gift Card went to Walt Holt; \$300 Academy Gift Card went to Barbara Wilson; 1 free office visit went to Steven Hadley; \$350 Cabelas Gift Card went to Joe Little; Moore Folding Knife went to Jaimie Robles; \$150 Academy Gift Card went to Kenny Crawford; 2 free Dinners, Mag Light went to Clarence Hemff; \$300 Cabelas Gift Card went to Scott Herman; Blood Hunter Light went to Brandon Battes; \$300 Academy Gift Card went to Clay Akins; Midland 30 Mile Radio went to Angela Reddish;

\$150 Academy Gift Card went to Ricky Frazier; 30 qt Turkey Fryer Rosas Casita- 2 Meals went to Chris Mertz; \$300 Cabelas Gift Card went

to Nelson Ruler; 10x42 Binoc & Deer Block went to Wade Shurley; \$200 Cabelas Gift Card went to Chad Moritz; 2 Burgers w/tea and Wreath went to Stoney Adams; \$350 Cabelas Gift Card went to Gary Gibson; 1 office visit and Led Lantern went to Tye Williams; \$200 Academy Gift Card went to Gary Parmer; Vulcan 18v Saw/Laser went to Garret Urban; \$500 Academy Gift Card went to Robert Tunnell; \$25 Gift Card and 1 Deer Block went to Willie Issac; \$200 Academy Gift Card went to Harrel Mizlul; K Bar Knife went to Jerry Green;

\$150 Cabelas Gift Card went to Jimmy Autrey; 10 Gal water can and cap went to A 353 09; 350 Academy Gift Card went to Tim McCangus; Folding Cloth Blind went to Dee Ann Romsfield; \$300 Cabelas Gift Card went to Floyd West; Hunters

Gift Basket went to Brianna Beasley; \$300 Cabelas Gift Card went to Gary Pridemore; \$25 Gift Card and 1 office visit went to Brad Blaha; \$150 Cabelas Gift Card, went to Aermotor Windmill; Remington Feeder and Holt Camo Shirt went to Butch Leist;

\$600 Academy Gift Card went to Todd Rumaker; Kershaw Knife and Holt Cat Camo Shirt went to Andrew Sauer; \$300 Academy Gift Card went to Gabe Lozano; \$25 Gift Card and Kershaw Knife went to Jim Neddo; \$350 Cabelas Gift Card went to Grciano R Persine; Action Storage Box and Cookbook went to C McDonald; \$200 Academy Gift Card went to Butch Leist; Camo Cap and Gun Cleaning Kit went to Tracy Kurkynall;

\$300 Cabelas Gift Card went to Gilbert Romero; Butchers Knife Set went to Jon Nikolauk; \$500

Cabelas Gift Card went to Morgan McGraw; Action Storage Box and Cookbook went to Lynn Donaho; \$350 Academy Gift Card went to Ray Bailow; Gun Case and Deer Block went to Dale Moody; \$300 Academy Gift Card went to D. Frederiksen; Camo Cap with \$50 Gift Card went to Shaffer; \$350 Cabelas Gift Card Matt Lloyd; 20 x 50 spotting Scope went to Mannie Mancians; \$300 Academy Gift Card went to Ed Carrasco; Dome Tent with Sleeping Bags went to Doug Farr; \$200 Academy Gift Card went to Lynn Cox; Stealth Digital Camera went to O'Harrow Ranch; \$350 Cabelas Gift Card went to Floyd West; 25 lbs shelled pecans went to Floyd West

\$150 Academy Gift Card went to Elpedio Torres, Jr; Mr. Heater went to Kerry Joy; \$500 Academy Gift Card

went to Gary Brackenridge; Electric Deer Call and Koozie went to Ken Novak; \$150 Cabelas Gift Card went to Ganetha Andrews; \$350 Academy Gift Card went to Miles Garner; Sandbag Gun rest and 2 meals went to Jeanette Luckie; \$300 Cabelas Gift Card went to Billy Bob Harlen; Tool Kit went to Billy Travis Joiner; \$200 Cabelas Gift Card went to Chad Groves

\$100 Cabelas Gift Card went to H litz; \$300 Academy Gift Card went to Bill Laurence; T Shirt, Pink Cap went to Brooklyn Truelove; \$300 Academy Gift Card went to TC Hoffman; Tailgate Feeder went to Chase Voegeli; \$200 Cabelas Gift Card went to Doug Farrington; Camo Bucket and Koozie went to Cynthia Joiner; \$600 Academy Gift Card went to Ricky Gibson; Electric Turkey Call and Koozie went to Betty Robles; \$350 Cabelas

Gift Card went to J. Minter; Gun Cleaning kit and Camo Cap went to Charles Brooks; \$350 Academy Gift Card went to Gabe Lozano; 16x32 Binoculars and Cap went to Brand Cannon; \$350 Academy Gift Card went to Rick Moss; Camo Bucket and Orange Toboggin went to Griffith Production Service;

\$300 Academy Gift Card went to Bill Bray; 150 qt Ice Chest went to Andrew Sauer; \$400 Cabelas Gift Card went to Craig Bates; Butchers Knife Set & 12x25 Monocular went to Gary Mcray; \$600 Cabelas Gift Card went to Andrew Sauer; Camo Cap and \$50 Gift Card went to Don Richters; \$300 Cabelas Gift Card went to QD Bates; \$350 Cabelas Gift Card went to Curtis Griffin; \$350 Academy Gift Card went to Wayne Quinney.

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First appointed as a lottery commissioner by Gov. Ann Richards in late 1993.

He served as commission chair from October 1994 to August 1995, was named acting executive director in January 2006, and was named executive director in June 2006.

Hurricane shelter aid continues

FEMA extended its program for Texans and Louisianans displaced by Hurricanes Gustav and Ike to Jan. 15, 2009.

The program makes available lodging to evacuees who remain unable to live in their homes because of damage or power outages directly

resulting from Gustav or Ike.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency pays costs of room and taxes directly to the hotel. Meals, telephone calls and other incidental charges are not covered.

Security threat detailed

Steve McCraw, director of the Texas Office of Homeland Security, on Oct. 28 told a state Senate interim committee that Mexican drug cartels continue to threaten public safety and pose a homeland security problem.

McCraw said Ciudad Juarez, across the Rio Grande River from El Paso, has had 1,140 murders this year, so the state has intensified border security and increased teamwork with local and federal agencies to inhibit cross-border gang activity.



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Writing Buddies - Eldorado fourth grade students pose with their eighth grade writing buddies.

Fourth grade students pair up with writing buddies

Mrs. Dearman's fourth grade writing students have been working on their communication skills by collaboratively working with Mrs. Katrina Gonzales' eighth grade writing

students. These two grade level students have been writing to each other, and they meet to discuss and share their writings. They hear and give constructive criticism to each other

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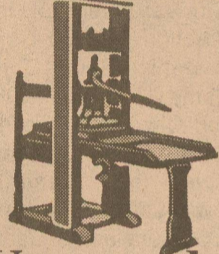
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(THC) supports and promotes the contest, which helps enrich the lives of students through history, with staff members participating in the judging process.

The project requires students to create a PowerPoint presentation on a topic concerning the history of their county. A donation of \$500 will be awarded to the school of each winning project. Categories for winners include best overall presentation, best use of audio, best use of images and best use

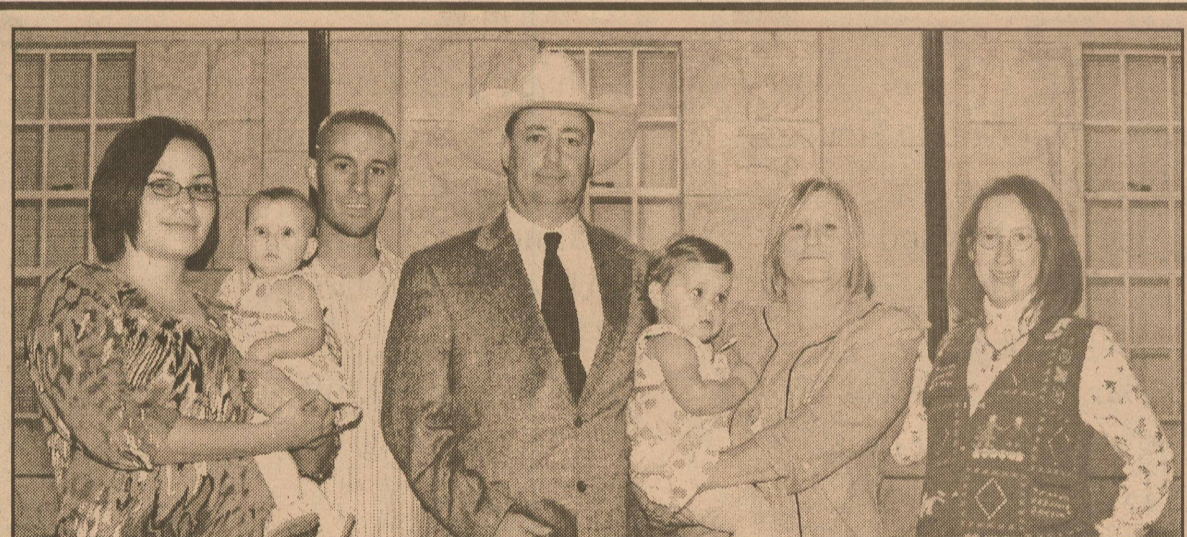
of text. Additionally, the winning students and their teachers will be invited to Austin for an awards presentation after the winners are selected in December.

All student participants must have registered for the contest no later than Friday, Oct. 31. The deadline for submitting the completed projects is Friday, Dec. 5. For more information and to view the contest entry form and guidelines, visit the contest web site at www.txfgmcontest.org.

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I will do my best over the next four years to be the kind of sheriff you can be proud of.

I would like to take this opportunity to offer my thanks to everyone who volunteered or otherwise assisted with my campaign. I could never have done it without you and I sincerely appreciate each and everyone.

Also, I want to say thank you to my staff...my deputies, dispatchers and jailers. Words cannot express the gratitude I feel. Each of you routinely go above and beyond the call of duty and I deeply appreciate your efforts and your loyalty.

To all of you who donated to my campaign, thank you. Your contributions made it possible for us to get our message out and answer some of my opponent's outlandish claims.

I also want to thank the election workers who make it possible for people like me to run for office. Their hard work and dedication are deeply appreciated.

And...I want to thank my family. Without their love and support, I would have given up years ago. Finally, I give thanks to my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. -- *I can do all things through Him who strengthens me. (Phil 4:13)*

**Thank You
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Type 2 diabetes can cause serious health complications. That's why it is very important to know how to spot type 2 diabetes symptoms. Even pre-diabetes can increase the chance of heart disease just like type 1 or type 2 diabetes. Talk to your doctor about preventative measures you can take now to reduce the chance of type 2 diabetes and heart disease.

The symptoms of type 2 diabetes due to high blood sugar may include:

- o Increased thirst
- o Increased Hunger (especially after eating)
- o Dry Mouth
- o Frequent Urination
- o Fatigue (weak, tired feeling)
- o Blurred Vision
- o Headaches

Contact the Schleicher County Family Clinic or your provider if you have any of the above type 2 diabetes symptoms or if you have further questions about type 2 diabetes, it is important to get diabetes testing and start a treatment plan early and prevent serious diabetes complications.

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Wharton County jury returns guilty verdict in trial of man accused of killing Game Warden

AUSTIN, Texas — A Wharton County jury took just two-and-a-half hours this afternoon to return a verdict of “guilty, capital murder” in the trial of 27-year-old James Garrett Freeman, of Lissie, who shot and killed Texas Game Warden Justin Hurst March 17, 2007.

The sentencing phase of the trial will begin Tuesday, and Wharton County District Attorney Josh McCown has indicated he will seek the death penalty.

“We are all very relieved by the verdict that was rendered by the jury today,” said Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Executive Director Carter Smith. “It is a fitting decision given the horrific nature of the crime com-

mitted against our colleague, Texas Game Warden Justin Hurst. Our prayers and thoughts remain with Justin’s wife and son, and with his parents and family, as they continue to cope with his loss.”

Freeman was suspected of poaching, and opened fire on Hurst and other law enforcement officers following a high-speed police chase on the eve of the game warden’s 34th birthday. Hurst died early the next morning at Hermann Memorial Hospital in Houston, leaving behind a wife and infant son.

Seventeen game wardens have died in the line of duty since 1919.

“We feel for the families that were affected

by the senseless killing of Game Warden Justin Hurst and are grateful that in the end, justice was served,” said Col. Pete Flores, TPWD’s Law Enforcement Division director.

Hurst began his TPWD career as a wildlife biologist and spent six years at the 15,612-acre wildlife management area formerly known as Peach Point WMA. The wildlife management area, where Hurst conducted research on mottled ducks and other wildlife, was renamed in his honor Oct. 12, 2007.

Hurst graduated from the 48th Texas Game Warden Academy in August 2002, and after a year in Brazos County transferred to Wharton County.

Eldorado 8th grade wins over Irion County

Neither team scored in the first quarter as the Eagles hosted the Irion County Hornets, Thursday, October 30, 2008.

During the second quarter Rico Martinez ran for 75 yards for a touchdown and Hector Reyes kicked the extra point. Lane Griffin then ran a 55 yard touch down reception from quarterback Blaine Mitchell. Hector Reyes made the extra point. Ruben Vasquez ran a 47 TD run ending the 2nd quarter leaving the score to 20 - 0 Eldorado.

Rico Martinez scored a 30 yard touch down run. Extra point made by Hector Reyes giving the Eagles 27 points on the board.

The Eagles won the game 27-0, their record is 5-0/4-0 District. In the 5th Quarter the 7th Grade Eagles dominated the Hornets scoring 12 points against them. Bobby Martinez ran a 35 yard Touchdown and Jackson O’Harrow ran a 30 yard Touchdown.

Coaching the Eagles this season are Coach Jhett Norman and Thomas King.



8th Grader Lane Griffin made a 55 yard touch down reception from quarterback Blaine Mitchell. The Eagles won 27-0 over the Irion Hornets, October 30, 2008.

Drivers beware: It’s the season of love for deer

Wildlife specialist offers hints for avoiding deer-vehicle crashes

by Robert Burns

OVERTON — In November, when it comes to avoiding deer collisions, it’s not the one you see crossing the road that’s likely to get you, according to a wildlife expert.

“It’s the one that’s chasing her,” said Dr. Billy Higginbotham, Texas AgriLife Extension Service fisheries and wildlife specialist.

Throughout the year, there’s always risk from collisions with deer on Texas highways, Higginbotham said. But deer behavior is more erratic during the peak of the breeding season, which is from Nov. 1 through December, depending upon which part of the state you live in.

“The doe may look both ways when she’s crossing the road, but the buck-in-love that’s chasing her may not,” he said.

Higginbotham said that some may find the concept of love-struck bucks humorous, but the results of deer-vehicle collisions are not. Collisions that result in a human fatality are up 50 percent since 2000, according to a report released Oct. 30 by the Highway Loss Data Institute, an affiliate of the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

According to insurance claims, 101 people died in animal-vehicle crashes in 1993 in the U.S. By 2000, fatalities had risen to 150. In 2007, deaths totaled 223.

During the last 14 years, Texas had 227 people die in animal-vehicle crashes, the most of any state. Wisconsin was second with 123 deaths, and Pennsylvania third with 112.

Higginbotham noted the in-

stitute records revealed from January 2005 through April 2008, animal-vehicle collisions were three times more likely during November.

“Which just happens to be the peak of the rutting season,” he said.

The peak of the rutting season, or mating season, varies from one part of the state to another. It starts Nov. 1 in East Texas; early to mid-November in the Hill Country; around Thanksgiving in West Texas and mid- to late-December in South Texas, Higginbotham said.

“There’s another risky time during January and February when food supplies become short and deer are more likely to graze along roadsides,” he said.

Most animal-vehicle collisions don’t result in human deaths, but can be expensive for the motorist.

The institute also found that crashes are more likely to happen in rural areas where the speed limit is 55 mph or higher, and more often between dusk and dawn. The insurance records also reveal that motorcycle riders account for about half the deaths in such

collisions.

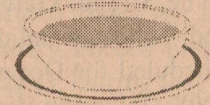
Higginbotham warned that because many Texas suburban neighborhoods are close to wooded areas that may harbor deer, drivers in these areas should be cautious too.

In a 2008 study in the city of Edmonton, Canada’s sixth largest city, University of Regina researchers found a positive correlation between speed limits and the number of deer-vehicle collisions.

Higginbotham said slowing down may help because it gives the driver more time to react. Also, driving slowly means the vehicle is less likely to go off the road after a collision, he said. The institute report noted that deaths rarely occurred from contact with the animal. Instead, they were the result of the driver running off the road when taking evasive action, or in the case of motorcyclists, falling off the bike.

But from November through December, it’s good to know that although you’ve dodged one deer, there’s often another that will follow — and at high speed, Higginbotham said.

Meals for Friends Menu

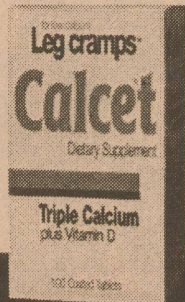


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- TUESDAY NOVEMBER 11th**
Baked Ham, Glazed Carrots, Summer Squash, Wheat Roll, Fresh Fruit Cup, Milk.
- WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 12th**
Meat Loaf w/Tomato Sauce, Mashed Potato, Corn, Wheat Roll, Fruit Cocktail, Sugar Cookie, Milk.
- THURSDAY NOVEMBER 13th**
Chicken Fried Steak w/Cream Gravy, Mashed Potato, Mixed Vegetable, Dinner Roll, Fresh Orange, Milk.
- FRIDAY NOVEMBER 14th**
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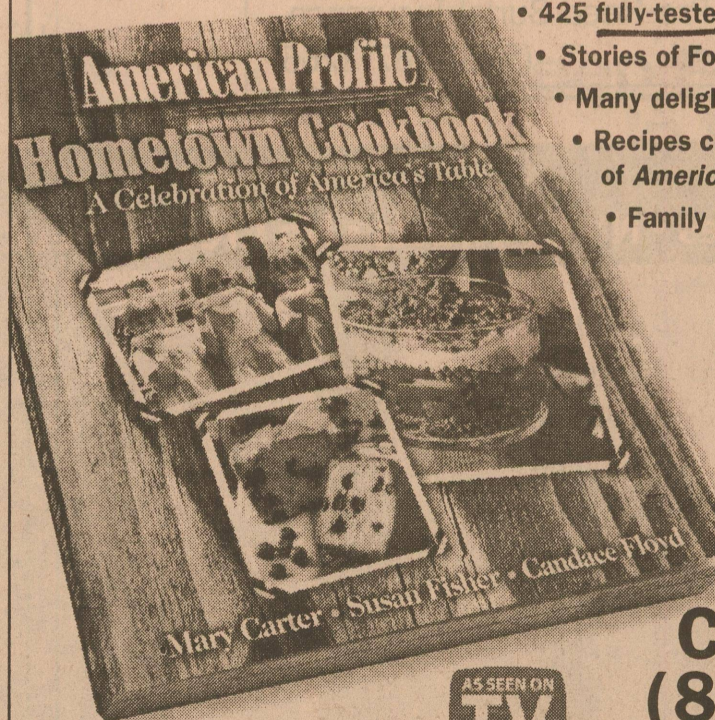
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EAGLE Boosters would like to congratulate Mittel Insurance Agency for winning the prize for Business Window Contest held the week of Homecoming! Thank you to all those who participated. We love to see the EAGLE SPIRIT show!!!



Pastor Don Inman of Community Baptist Church won the best Bible Character Costume (David) at the 1st annual Ministerial Alliance Trunk or Treat held at the courthouse square Oct. 31.

1st annual Trunk or Treat

The first ever Trunk or Treat sponsored by the Ministerial Alliance was a great success.

Loads of parents and children came to trick or treat from trunks of over 20 vehicles representing several Eldorado churches at the parking lot of the Schleicher County Courthouse parking lot Friday, October 31, 2008.

Winners of the contests were: The Most Decorated Vehicle went to Lori and Rick Strickland and David Davis.

Most Eagle Spirit Vehicle went to Linda, Kaitlyn and Christine Lindsey.

Brightest Vehicle went to Christy Arendt and family.

In the costume category The Most Eagle Spirit went to Annika Hernandez, daughter of Sam and Rose Hernandez; Most Accurate Biblical Character went to Pastor Don Inman of Community Baptist, and Best Future Occupation Costume went to "Doctor" Cesar Garcia, son of Ted and Gaby Garcia.

Emergency Farm Loan Applications Being Accepted

Applications for emergency farm loans for damages and losses caused by drought that occurred on January 1, 2008 and continuing are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in San Angelo, Paul S. Cline said today.

Schleicher County is one of 86 counties in Texas recently declared by the Secretary of Agriculture as eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from damages and losses caused by drought that occurred on January 1, 2008 and continuing.

Paul S. Cline said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 100% of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue the agricultural business, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest rate is 3.75 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer

must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for an FSA emergency loan", Paul S. Cline said. Farmers should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing, with possible delays into the new farming season", Paul S. Cline said.

FSA is a credit agency of the U.S. department of Agriculture. It is authorized to provide disaster emergency loans to recognized farmers who work at and rely on farming for a substantial part of their living. Eligibility is extended to individual farmers who meet U.S. citizenship requirements and to farming partnerships, corporation, or cooperatives in which U.S. citizenship requirements are met by individuals holding a majority interest.

The FSA office in San Angelo is open from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

Booths available for Galveston's Dickens on the Strand festival

There is still time to apply for a booth at Galveston Historical Foundation's 35th annual Dickens on The Strand, Galveston's renowned Victorian holiday festival, scheduled for December 6 and 7, 2008. Galveston Historical Foundation invites vendors who would like to sell their traditional food or wares at the festival to download vendor guidelines and an application form at http://www.galvestonhistory.org/Dickens_Entertainers_Vendors.asp.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOVEMBER 15, 2008

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- Serb or Croat
- Bubbly drinks
- Give notice to
- Scarlett's home
- Silly imitative
- Port of Algeria
- Satanic
- Coca-Cola Company brand
- Gem with an intense blue color
- Comics bark
- One of a Navy elite
- Audible range
- Bleachers cry
- Auto parts giant
- Assenting vote
- "Das Boot" craft
- Line to Ben-Gurion
- Union collection
- "The Last Supper" painter
- Sundance's gal, ___ Place
- Queens, NY tennis stadium
- Streisand title role
- TGIF part
- Prefix with lock or knock
- Starting numbers under "RHE"
- Radio buttons
- Mil or mile

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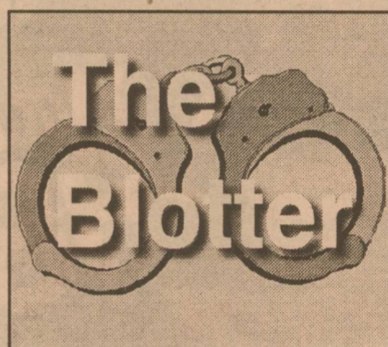
- MP's quarry
- Lee cakes
- Go for clay pigeons
- Lint-collecting navel
- "A Streetcar Named Desire" woman
- Pelee spew
- 48th state: Abbr.
- Hold dear
- "On Language" columnist William
- Locka, Fla.
- "Alice in Wonderland" cat
- Roger Clemens, for three seasons
- Give a raw deal to
- Year-end temp
- Clapton classic
- Hawkins Day
- Occupy the throne
- "Wanna make ___?"
- Brand of low socks
- Islands greeting
- Diarist Nin
- Arabia's Gulf of ___
- Out of sight
- Opposite of endo-
- Fodder storage site
- Jamaican in dreadlocks, for short
- In competition
- Penn's partner
- Went sour
- Pocket breads
- Poker tactic
- ___ a tie (require overtime)
- Silvery fish
- ___ a dream
- Scott of "Happy Days"
- Black and white predator
- Social goofball
- Words to an "old chap"
- "Without further ___"

Greetings from Long Island

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ARRESTS

October 31 • Martinez, Jose Alfredo, male age 21. Offense - Blue Warrant, Tom Green Co. Still in custody.

• Ewing, Christina, female age 37. Offense fugitive from justice. Still in custody.

November 1 • Jalomo, Enrique, male age 19. Offense - Possession of marijuana. Released 11-2-08 \$1000. Surety Bond.

• Estrada, Pedro, male age 20. Offense MIP. Released 11-02-08 \$1000. Surety bond.

November 2 • Garcia, Sergio, male age 23. Offense - disorderly conduct. Released 11-02-08 on citation.

INCIDENTS

October 28 • 11:02 p.m. Caller requested a wrecker 15 miles east on 190. Officer responded.

October 29 • 8:42 a.m. Caller reported her mother had fallen and requested an officer and ambulance for assistance. Officers and EMS responded.

October 29 • 9:48 a.m. Hospital requested an ambulance for a transfer to community. EMS responded.

October 30 • 12:20 a.m. Caller stated it looked like someone tried to get into her home. The screen was pulled back on a window.

• 9:30 a.m. Caller reported a burn at location. All units notified.

• 10:03 a.m. Caller reported a reckless driver. Officer responded.

Vehicle had already passed through Eldorado. Officers contacted Tom Green County.

• 10:50 a.m. Caller reported an elderly male that has Alzheimer's had left his residence. Officer escorted resident back to residence.

• 11:36 a.m. Caller requested an ambulance. Officers and EMS responded.

• 12:53 p.m. Caller reported a gentleman having a seizure. Officers and EMS responded.

October 31 • 12:40 p.m. Caller reported a reckless driver on 2596. Officer responded, driver was having a diabetic problem. Officer requested an ambulance.

• 7:42 p.m. Driver of a prison transport reported a possible drunk driver in a champagne colored Ford Explorer going south into Eldorado. Officers dispatched to intercept.

• 8:05 p.m. Caller reported a sick child on their way to SCMC ER. Requested an ambulance. EMS 2 responded as well as officer.

• 8:23 p.m. Caller reported persons fighting at their residence. Officers responded.

• 11:11 p.m. Caller asked to speak with a deputy about family violence issue. Officer responded.

November 1 • 2:00 a.m. Caller reported that the gate to the Bus Barn was open. The keys were left in the Band vehicle and he locked the door and has the keys. Officer responded.

• 9:10 p.m. Caller reported kids wrapping trees in their neighborhood. Officer responded, found said kids and sent them home.

• 10:43 p.m. Complainant reported kids shooting paint balls at parked vehicles. Officers responded.

• 11:41 p.m. Caller reported seeing what looked like some kids going into the High School. Officers responded and found another teacher had entered the building.

November 2 • 5:19 p.m. Caller reported that someone was in her yard and destroyed property. Officer responded.

November 3 • 9:47 a.m. Caller requested a complaint be logged in reference to an unsafe discharge of high caliber firearms at location. Officers were notified and answered complaints at location.

November 4 • 11:50 a.m. Caller reported reckless driver. Contacted Menard.

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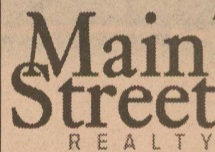
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Eldorado's own Floyd West shows off the stack of raffle tickets he bought last Saturday during the annual Eldorado Game Dinner. He carried home three prizes at the end of the day.

AgriLife TALL class tours Texas High Plains

by Steve Byrns

LUBBOCK – Texas AgriLife Extension Service's TALL XI class is headed to the South Plains last week to tour area agriculture on Oct. 28-29.

TALL, a statewide leadership development program, stands for "Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership." Six West Texans are among this year's 24 participants. They are: Grady Martin, Plains Cotton Cooperative Association, the director of sales, Lubbock; Matthew Moore, Matt Moore Farms,

Shamrock; Rex Ralston, Ralston Land and Cattle/Hansford Air, Inc., Gruver; Koby Reed, Southwest Council of Agribusiness, membership director, Lubbock; Joe Will Ross, Jackson Walker, LLP, San Angelo; and Mason Vaughan, First National Bank of Eldorado, senior vice president, Eldorado.

While in the Lubbock area, the group was briefed by industry, political and civic leaders and tour Texas Tech University, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agriculture Research Service

plant stress lab, Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center at Lubbock.

Buster's Gin at Ropesville, American Cotton Growers Denim Mill at Littlefield, and White Energy Ethanol Plant and Mark Marley Farm at Plainview.

The group then traveled to Amarillo for the remainder of the session.

The TALL program consists of several sessions over a two-year period. One session is a national trip to Washington, D.C., another is to Mexico. Organizers report that the program amounts to 455 hours of intensive training for each participant.

The goal is to develop a network of top agricultural-minded leaders from a variety of backgrounds to serve as ambassadors

for Texas agriculture, according to Jett Major, AgriLife Extension administrator at Lubbock.

A special reception honoring the TALL XI class was held Oct. 28 at the Merket Alumni Center on the Texas Tech University Campus.

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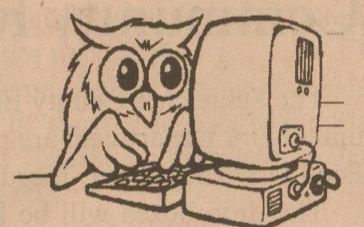
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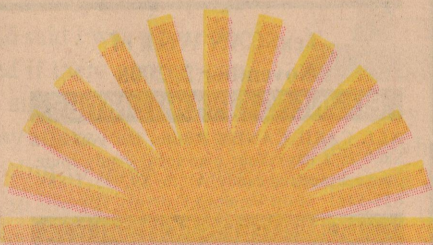
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