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FLDS leaders surrender Monday at county jail

Two of Warren Jeffs' top lieutenants in the FLDS church surrendered themselves Monday at the Schleicher County Jail, along with a third defendant, following a series of indictments handed down on November 12th by Schleicher County grand jurors.

Frederick Merrill Jessop, 72, Wendell Loy Nielsen, 68, and Leroy Johnson Steed, 42, were released quickly after being booked into the jail and immediately posting bail.

The men were escorted to the jail by FLDS spokesman Willie Jessop where they were met by an attorney, a bail bondsman and a Texas Ranger. As soon as the men were processed at the jail, their indictments, which had remained sealed until their arrests, were made public.

Merrill Jessop, the man who oversaw daily operations at the YFZ Ranch prior to the April 3rd raid, was indicted on a single charge of Conducting a Ceremony Prohibited by Law, a 3rd Degree Felony. The indictment alleges that on or about July 27, 2006, Jessop conducted a marriage ceremony between a minor child and Warren Steed Jeffs.

If convicted, Jessop could face a prison sentence of 2-10 years and a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

Wendell Nielsen, was indicted on three counts of Bigamy, a 3rd Degree

Felony. In three separate indictments, Nielsen is accused of being married to Linda Black, then purporting to marry Veda Barlow Johnson, a/k/a Veda Barlow, Margaret Lucille Jessop Johnson, and Ilene Jeffs.

If convicted, Nielsen could face a prison sentence of 2-10 years and a fine not to exceed \$10,000 on each of the charges.

Nielsen was founder of a manufacturing plant in Hildale, Utah known as Western Precision. Nielsen reportedly sold the company to another of Jeffs' loyal followers who moved it to Las Vegas, NV and changed its name to Newera Manufacturing.

Leroy Steed was indicted on a single count of Sexual Assault, a 1st Degree Felony. The indictment alleges that Steed sexually assaulted a minor child younger than 17 years of age who was not legally married to the defendant.

Steed was also indicted on two charges of Bigamy with one of the charges being a 2nd Degree Felony while the other is a 3rd Degree Felony. The indictment alleges that Steed was married to Kathleen Jessop Steed when he purported to marry a minor child who was 16-years of age at the time, which constitutes a 2nd Degree Felony. Likewise, Steed is accused of purporting

to marry Viola Barlow, a person other than his spouse. The second charge constitutes a 3rd Degree Felony.

Steed was arrested in April during the raid at the YFZ Ranch. At that time he was accused of Tampering with Evidence, a 3rd Degree Felony. The grand jury formally indicted Steed on the charge. In the indictment he is accused of trying to conceal an electronic data storage device and its contents, along with assorted papers contained in a trash bag, while knowing that an investigation was pending or in progress.

If convicted on the Sexual Assault charge, Steed could face a prison sentence of 5 years to life and a fine not to exceed \$10,000. The penalty for the 2nd Degree Bigamy charge ranges from 2-20 years in prison and a fine not to exceed \$10,000. The 3rd Degree Evidence Tampering charge and the 3rd Degree Bigamy charge each carry a penalty of 2-10 years in prison and a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

Merrill Jessop was released Monday on a \$30,000 surety bond. Nielsen was released on a total of \$30,000 in surety bonds. Steed's bond was higher. He posted a \$100,000 surety bond on the Sexual Assault charge and a \$20,000 surety bond on the two Bigamy charges. He had previously posted a \$15,000 cash bond on the Evidence Tampering charge. That bond was continued and remains in effect.



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FLDS spokesman Willie Jessop (center) accompanied Wendell Nielsen (L) and Merrill Jessop (R) as they left the Schleicher County Jail after posting bond. The men were indicted November 12 by Schleicher County grand jurors along with Leroy Steed, who also surrendered to authorities Monday and posted bond. FLDS prophet Warren Jeffs was also indicted November 12 on a charge of Aggravated Sexual Assault. He remains behind bars in Kingman, Arizona where he awaits trial.



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4-H member Corie Williams placed 2nd place in the Senior Fruit and Vegetable division at the District 7 Food Show held November 22, 2008 at the Taylor County Expo Center Big Country Hall/ Extension Office in Abilene. Corie advanced after placing 1st place at the Schleicher County 4-H Food Show with her Harvest Bow-tie and Pasta dish. Rylea Self placed 6th in the Junior Main Dish division and Meg Griffin placed 6th in the Senior Nutritious Snacks division at the District 7 Food Show. County Extension Agent (Family & Consumer Science) Courtney Barbee also attended.

Sides agree on infant's DNA

A deal was reached Tuesday afternoon between child welfare authorities and a 17-year-old girl who had refused to allow officials to collect a DNA sample from the infant, or even tell authorities where her child was.

Judge Barbara Walther ordered terms of the agreement not to be disclosed.

Child Protective Service workers were trying to obtain the sample from the infant girl in order to determine her father's identity.

The judge had ordered on Friday that the girl must allow CPS officials to

examine the baby. The child is believed to have been born in the weeks following the raid on the YFZ Ranch near Eldorado last April.

Authorities believe they have evidence that the girl was married to a man in the FLDS church when she was only 14-years-old.

The girl has been resisting the state's attempts to examine the child, who she said Tuesday was traveling out of state. Shortly before the agreement was reached she told the judge she would not reveal the child's whereabouts.

Commissioners reinstate county-wide burn ban

Fire Chief Jerry Jones met Monday with Schleicher County Commissioners and asked that they reinstate a county-wide burn ban due to dry conditions throughout the county.

Jones went on to say that he did not feel there was a need to ban aerial fireworks during the holiday season. He went on to say that he has had more trouble with campfires in deer camps than with fireworks.

With that advice, the commissioners voted to reinstate the county-wide burn ban. They took no action on the aerial fireworks ban which means there will be no ban on fireworks in the county this year. It should be noted, however

that it remains against the law to discharge fireworks of any kind inside the Eldorado city limits.

The commissioners then approved new bylaws for the West Texas Rural Counties Association risk pool. They also appointed judge-elect Charlie Bradley to serve as the county's representative on the WTRCA board of directors.

The court called for bids for diesel fuel to be opened December 8th, the next commissioners meeting.

The commissioners were then to meet with Tom Brown of Naismith Engineering to discuss construction of a new swimming pool for the county. Brown had to cancel his appearance and

the item was tabled.

The men next discussed a health and wellness program proposed by the West Texas Rural Counties risk pool. It was noted the program could result in a reduction of the county's insurance premiums if they can find a person willing to serve as the local coordinator. The men agreed to see if anyone was interested in filling the post.

Before adjourning, the commissioners reviewed the county's bills and authorized payment.

The next meeting of the commissioners court is slated for 9 a.m. on Monday, December 8, 2008 in the first floor meeting room of the county courthouse.

SCISD clarifies its position on wind farm tax

SCISD superintendent Billy Collins issued a statement this week, clarifying the school's position on tax abatements for a proposed wind farm and steps the school has taken to deal with the issue.

First, Collins notes that SCISD was not seeking a deal, but was contacted by Padoma Energy. He then noted that Dan Casey of Moak Casey and Associates is a financial consultant and attorney who represents SCISD in negotiations with Padoma, although the energy company agreed to pay the law firm's fees.

Collins went on to note that the state made it possible for energy companies like Padoma to structure Chapter 313 taxable value limitation agreements that are beneficial, both to the company and to the school district's involved. Chapter 313 agreements do not function like a pure tax abatement program, Collins said. They benefit the school by keeping the money in the district instead of sending it to Austin under the Title 41 Robin Hood recapture plan. The net result, Collins said, is that SCISD would realize \$500,000 more in revenue over an eight year period than if they simply placed the wind farm on the tax rolls.

The wind farm was already in the

planning stages before SCISD was contacted and the company appeared to be committed to moving forward even before working on a deal with the district.

Regardless, Collins said, no final

decision has been made by SCISD trustees. A public hearing on the matter is scheduled for December 15th. Anyone interested in obtaining more information is urged to contact Collins at the school administration office.



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Brilliantly colored Sumac lines a portion of US 277 just north of Eldorado, a sure sign that summer is gone and winter is on its way.

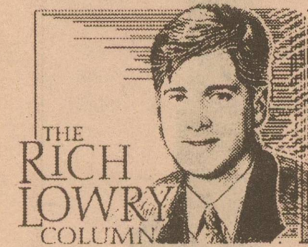
Infrastructure spending to nowhere

Democrats see the road to economic recovery, and it has been bulldozed, flattened out by a road grader and covered with pavement.

Barack Obama says a fiscal stimulus will be the top priority of his new administration. The initial offer is \$500 billion, 4 percent of U.S. gross domestic product. It will include billions for new construction projects, as the country tries to claw its way back to economic growth one road, flyover and bridge at a time.

Democrats are enjoying a New Deal reverie where in a Democratic president solves an economic crisis with public-works projects. A recent issue of Time magazine features Obama on the cover decked out in the trappings of FDR. This image would accurately capture the moment, 1) if Obama -- president-elect for all of two weeks -- had actually accomplished something, and 2) if Franklin Roosevelt's economic program had really ended the Great Depression.

Neither is true. As Amity Shlaes documents in her book "The Forgotten Man," the economy limped along under FDR's stewardship in the 1930s. Many of the era's public-works projects were



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undertaken for political reasons as well as economic ones. Government crowded out private initiative and neglected policies to promote the private sector.

In any downturn that doesn't last for years, infrastructure spending suffers from a basic problem: By the time money is actually spent on construction, the recession has passed. "Practically speaking, public works involve long start-up lags," the Congressional Budget Office wrote in a study earlier this year. "Large-scale construction projects of any type require years of planning and preparation. Even those that are 'on the shelf' generally cannot be undertaken quickly enough to provide timely stimulus to the economy."

Infrastructure spending is proffered as a means to stimulate our way out of a potential deflation of the sort that gripped Japan after its stock and real-estate bubbles burst in the 1990s. But the Japanese passed stimulus package after stimulus package, including billions of dollars for infrastructure, to no avail.

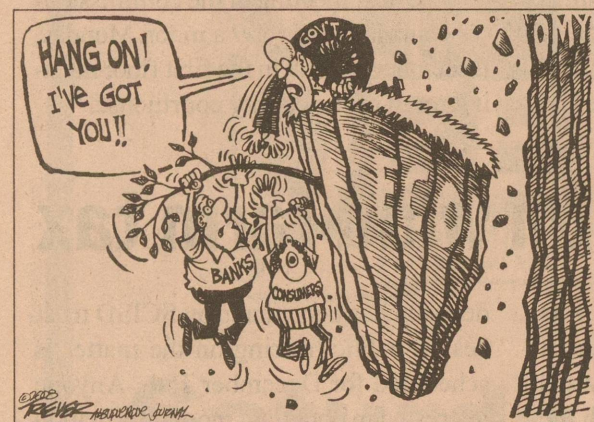
The spending failed because it went to wasteful projects favored by politicians for parochial reasons. The Japanese also made the mistake of raising taxes in 1997 to pay for all the spending, depressing the economy again. It makes you wonder: What U.S. political leader has been promising more public-works spending -- to be allocated by a pork-happy Congress -- funded by tax increases? (Hint: See the guy with the cigarette holder on the cover of Time).

The cliché of the hour is that we suffer from "crumbling" infrastructure. There is truth to it. Miles traveled nearly doubled from 1980 to 2005, and the transportation network hasn't kept up. But if investment in infrastructure isn't applied intelligently -- more intelligently than it's possible to imagine in the current panic -- it will only fund a make-work program to create concrete monuments to pork-barreling congressmen.

"Infrastructure should be seen," writes Sam Staley, co-author of the new book "Mobility First," "as a way to boost the speed of information and movement of goods, not as a quickie jobs program."

No matter. Congress will soon try to pave our way to economic redemption.

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So...where's my bailout?

This week we received one of the most timely press releases I have seen during my years in the newspaper business.

Dara Duguay with Citibank's Office of Financial Education sent out an e-mail suggesting five New Year's resolutions guaranteed to help with your finances.

First, Dara said, don't treat money as a taboo subject. Whether managing finances yourself or with a spouse/partner, avoiding money issues in the hopes that they will just go away or until you have a financial crisis only guarantees stress and arguments.

Secondly, create an emergency fund. Emergency savings are, in effect, a form of insurance. It will protect you from life's curve balls catapulting you into a financial crisis. "Having an emergency fund will give you peace of mind," Dara said.

Thirdly, pay more than the minimum on your credit cards whenever you can. Even a small amount more than the minimum can make a big difference in the time it takes to pay off your balance and the total cost of interest. Also, be sure to make your monthly payments on time, every time. Even one late or missed payment can be recorded in your credit report and affect your credit history.

Fourthly, contribute the maxi-



mum to a retirement savings plan. Approximately 50% of Americans who have the opportunity to contribute to a company retirement plan, choose not to. Remember that your contributions will reduce your taxable income and will only be taxed when you start to withdraw them at retirement age.

Finally, make sure you have adequate insurance protection. There is nothing like an emergency to wipe out your savings or add to your debt level. Protect yourself financially from as many emergencies as possible by ensuring adequate insurance for health, life, auto and home.

Moments after reading over Dara's excellent suggestions, I received another press release, this one concerning the \$20 billion infusion of cash the federal government was providing to Citibank, once again the company for which Dara Duguay works.

This was the second such mon-

ster payout the feds have made to Citibank in recent weeks. And...we're told to expect even more.

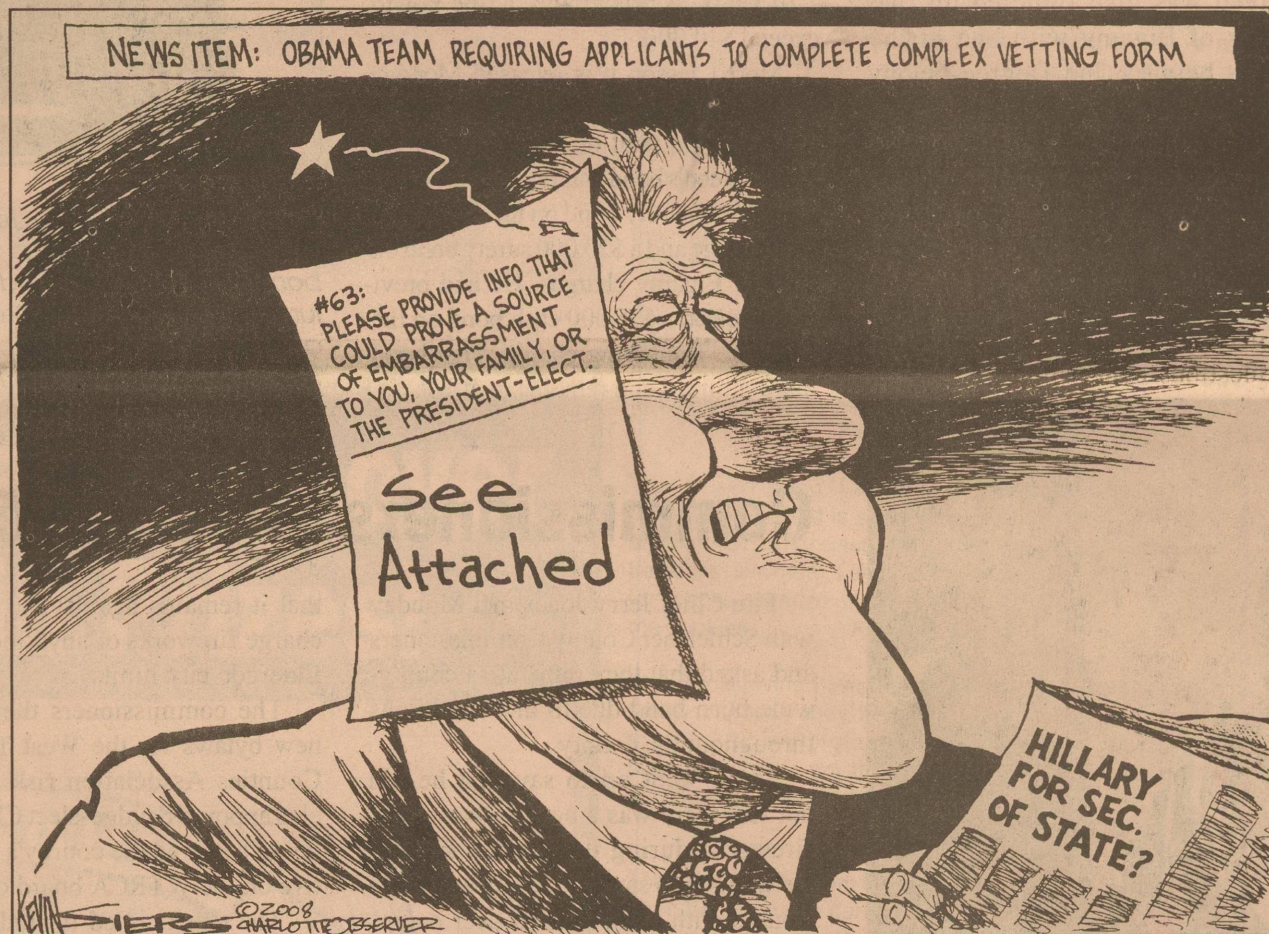
Understanding, of course, that the federal government doesn't have a penny it hasn't confiscated from you and me, I wondered if Citibank will ever be able to repay us.

Not to worry, the second press release continued. Citibank intends to repay every penny to the taxpayers, with interest, and its executives will be forgoing any bonuses not approved by federal regulators...the same financial regulators, by the way, who slept while Citibank, AIG and dozens of other conglomerates mismanaged themselves and this country into near financial meltdown.

Forgive me if I seem a bit underwhelmed by Citibank's commitment to protecting the American taxpayer.

Then there's the arrogance. While the executives at Citibank were busy bankrupting their company, and perhaps our government, they had the audacity to hire Dara Duguay to lecture you and me about our personal finances.

Not that Dara's advice was bad. Only that it should have been directed at her bosses and not the poor miserable taxpayers who will yet again dig deep in their pockets to pay for someone else's mistakes.

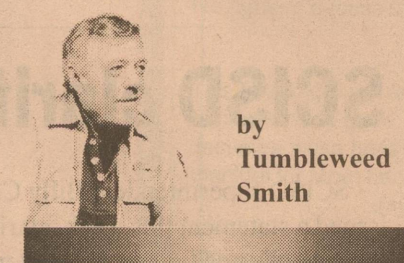


High School has Reunions Twice a Year

My high school years were fun. I was involved with band, journalism and Future Teachers of America. 250 people graduated with me from Arlington Heights High School in Fort Worth. I was ready to get out of town and start my own life. I had a blast in Waco for 4 years while attending Baylor University. I seldom went back home because I was having so much fun. I had a bunch of new friends and all but ignored my high school buddies (except for the few who enrolled in Baylor). After Baylor I went to the Army and served three years, two of them in Europe. Then I came home and really started a life I could call my own.

During my freshman year at Baylor, I went back to Heights for homecoming to see who in my class had gone to college and where they were. It was fun to go back and play Joe College. Those of us who went back that first year after graduation did so I guess to show some of those teachers that we were smart enough to get into an upper level institution. Not everybody went to college back in the 50's.

My class started having re-



by
Tumbleweed Smith

unions every five years, I guess. I'd get a notice about one and set it aside, thinking one of these days I'd go to one. I never did until the 25th reunion. Wow. What fun! The name badges had pictures of those attending from the senior annual. We spent a weekend at a classmates' lake home getting up to date on everybody. There was no big event planned, so there was plenty of visiting time.

After our 35th reunion, the class started meeting twice a year. Sometimes it's just a dinner at some Metroplex restaurant. Other times the class takes cruises or spends weekends in places like Austin or New Orleans. A few years ago I started going to an occasional reunion event. I realized I needed to go to more when I had to ask a good friend from my high school days who he was. That was embarrassing.

I went to so many reunions in

different cities that I decided my classmates needed to see my part of the state. The two classmates who do most of the planning for these events hinted a few years ago that I ought to host one. Our last get-together was in July of this year. At that time, I passed out information on Big Spring and announced the next Swarm would be held in my town. We call it a swarm because our high school sports teams were called Yellow Jackets, named for our mascot.

So this past weekend 25 of my classmates came to Big Spring. I don't think I've ever enjoyed a weekend more. It was so completely comfortable. Nobody was trying to impress anybody or prove anything. It was just a bunch of good friends getting together. Most of the ones who come to the reunions are still working at something. They're pilots, engineers, museum directors, developers, farmers, travel agents, oilmen and writers. Most of them had never been to Big Spring and were impressed with our water, trees and hills. We had perfect weather. While here, plans were being made for the next Swarm. It'll be in Richardson in the spring. I'll be there.

Governor Perry to create hurricane recovery panel

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — In the space of three months last summer, the Texas coast suffered punishing blows from three hurricanes: Dolly, Gustav and Ike.

Because of the resulting breadth and depth of disaster in coastal counties, Gov. Rick Perry on Nov. 20 announced the creation of the Governor's Commission for Disaster Recovery and Renewal.

It's an advisory panel of public and private sector experts who will create a plan to assist communities in recovery.

Perry also directed the Texas Department of Transportation to assist with debris removal in Southeast Texas.

"Two months after Ike's landfall, Texans are still sleeping in cars or tents outside of padlocked trailers," Gov. Perry said. "Mounds of debris are piled up in coastal communities, creating health hazards while Washington remains mum about whether it will provide the same level of resources it did for Louisiana after Hurricane Katrina.

"These situations clearly demonstrate that the federal government's recovery system is broken. I am confident this new commission will find solutions to these challenges as well as create a plan to speed recovery and accelerate economic development."

Job one is to address the housing shortage for residents whose homes were destroyed by the hurricanes.

State seeks to curb trafficking

Human trafficking is defined as the recruitment, harboring, transporting or obtaining of a person for labor or services for the purpose of subjecting victims to involuntary servitude, slavery or forced commercial sex acts.

On Nov. 17, Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott and state Sen. Leticia Van de Putte, D-San Antonio, held a news conference to announce the release of the Office of the Attorney General's new 57-page report, "The Texas Response to Human Trafficking."

The study details the impact of human trafficking on Texas and examines how changes in the law could reduce human trafficking and provide better services for victims.

Van de Putte said she plans to advance state efforts to eliminate human trafficking in Texas in the upcoming legislative session.

Abbott said, "The state of Texas must continue to focus on preventing human trafficking and protecting its victims."

Former Texas AG Mattox dies

Former Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox died in his sleep Nov. 20 at his home in Dripping Springs. He was 65.

Mattox served as the state's chief law enforcement officer from 1983 to 1991. He also served Texas as a state representative, 1972-76, and as a U.S. congressional representative from 1976-82. He ran for governor in 1990 and lost to Ann Richards in the Democratic primary. He also ran for U.S. Senate in 1994, losing to Richard Fisher in the primary. In 1998, he tried to win back the office of attorney general, but lost to Republican John Cornyn.

Gov. Perry ordered flags to half-staff in memory of Mattox Nov. 20-21.

Another files to be next speaker

Now 10 lawmakers have filed to be the speaker of the Texas House of Representatives in the upcoming 81st

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PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN
Marilyn Whitten (L) and Jo Helen Kotsch (R) participated with "Rejoice" the handbell choir from First Baptist Church of Eldorado during the community-wide Thanksgiving Service held Sunday night in the Memorial Building

Beating holiday indigestion

(StatePoint) Everyone wants to be home for the holidays -- but not on account of embarrassing digestive upsets.

Hollywood nutritionist and registered dietitian Ashley Koff offers advice for avoiding digestive pitfalls and helping you overcome these unwanted holiday episodes that can result from stress, overeating and overindulgence.

- Don't Be a Last Minute Shopper -- Nobody wants to be shopping at the last minute, and the same holds true for preventing holiday digestive distress. Begin addressing your digestive woes as early as possible with a clinically-proven probiotic, such as Align, to help establish the right balance of good and bad bacteria. Also, become aware of known gastric irritants and begin to make appropriate replacements.

- Gift-Wrap a Healthy Dish -- Volunteer to bring a tasty, healthy dish that works for your digestive system to a holiday meal and turn worry about a potential embarrassing upset into delicious enjoyment. You'll be less stressed for the get together and your host will undoubtedly appreciate the gift.

- Great Things DO Come in Small Packages -- Allow yourself to enjoy a treat during the

holidays, but treat yourself to a taste or bite. The smaller portion will be better for your digestive system and keep you from feeling deprived.

- It's a Holi-DAY Not a Holi-MONTH -- While certain foods can trigger digestive distress when consumed even once, avoid ongoing irritation and the resulting more intense (chronic) distress by limiting your celebration to one day each month.

- Holiday Healers -- Did you know that some well known holiday treats such as peppermint and ginger are natural digestive healers?

- 'Tis the Season -- Because life happens despite the best laid plans. Keep yourself hydrated (i.e., water, coconut water), get a day of liquids to rest the digestive system and avoid known gastric irritants. What's the best way to deal with a bad day? End it ... Go to bed as early as possible.

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Isabel Torres Chavira

SAN ANGELO - Isabel Torres Chavira, 75, died Friday, Oct. 24, 2008, in Round Rock. Memorial service will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, at The Door Christian Fellowship.

Survivors include son Ernesto Barrera of Eldorado; daughters Becky M. Ramirez of San Angelo and Noema McPeters of Round Rock; and sister Frances Pena of Mineral Wells.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Dear Editor:

We would like to start with a heart felt gratitude to everyone who expressed condolences, brought food, & said prayers during our time of need. There are not enough words for you.

Unfortunately, we are now in the position to feel as though we have to defend ourselves. We have heard all the stories going around about how things were handled during our father's hospitalization. However, not one person has asked us what the situation or the circumstances were. We invite you to ask us. Instead of just assuming the truth is being told, find out the whole story.

We made a choice on our Dad's last day that we as a family felt was the right one. There were things that happened that led to that decision. Right or wrong we all support each other in that decision.

Again we know that certain things have been said and we welcome any questions concerning this. We loved our Dad and would not have done anything we did not believe to be right.

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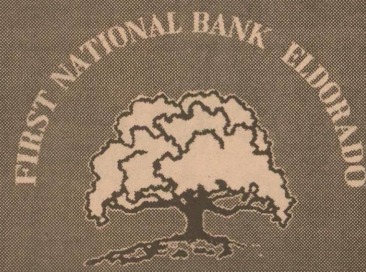


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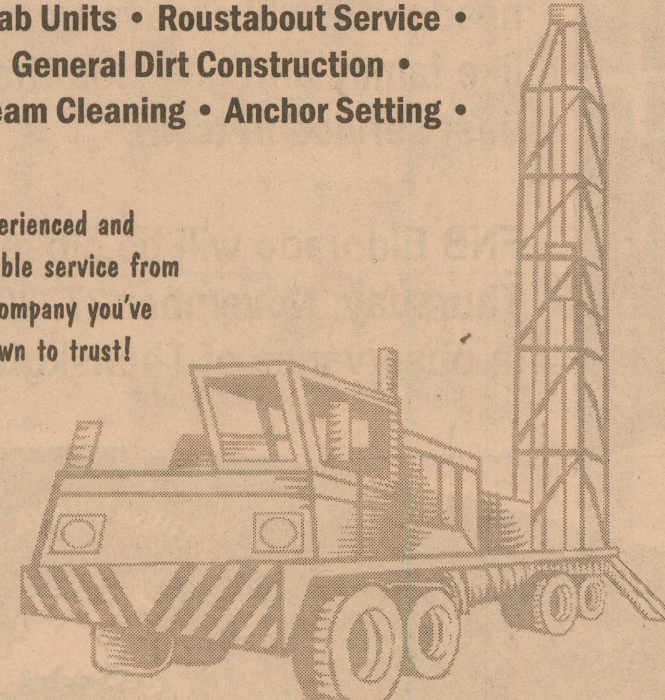
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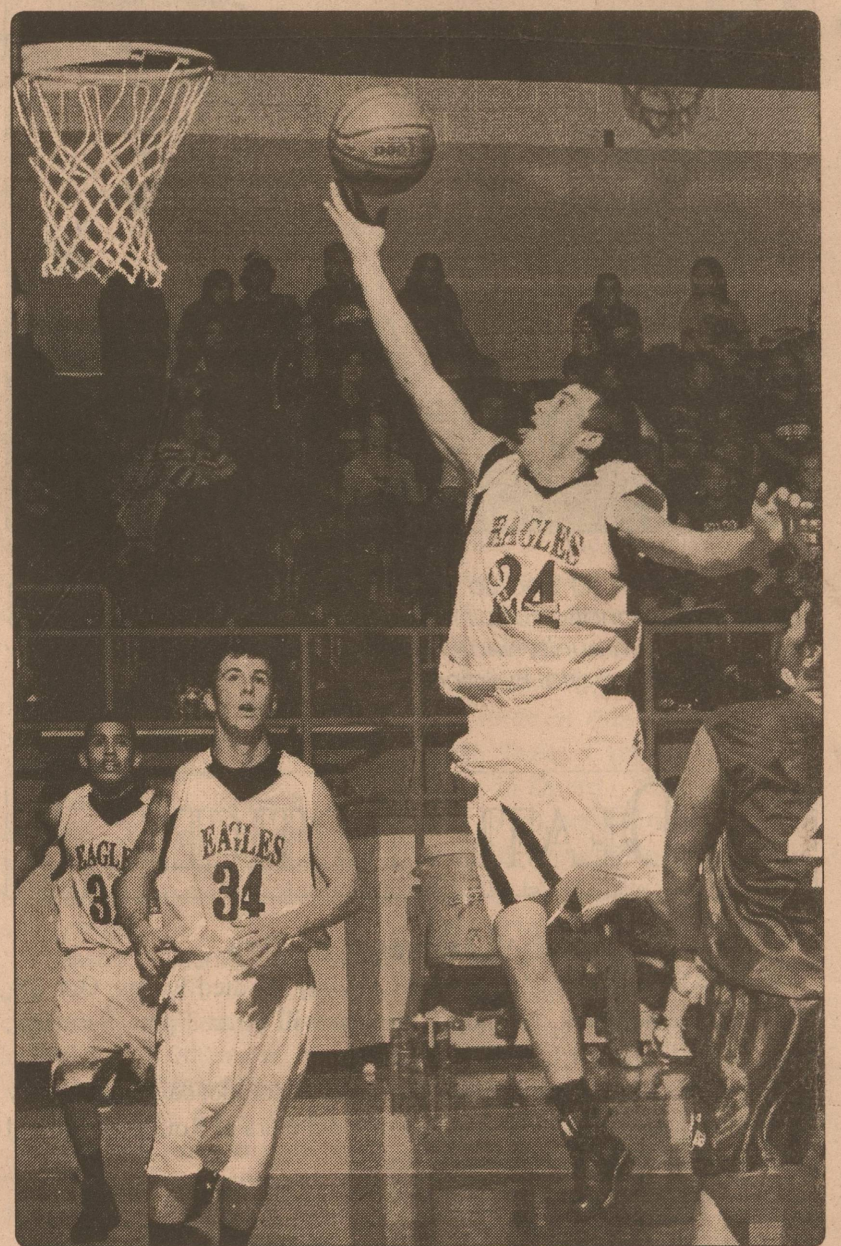
The Eldorado Eagles Basketball team started their 2008-09 campaign last Friday in Eula under new coach Conon Emmons. Eldorado is coming off an impressive season last year that saw them lose to the eventual state champs in the 2nd round of the playoffs. Several players from that team are gone, but several return. Coach Emmons inherited one of the starters from that team in senior guard Rance Cathey. He also has the 6th man from last season in junior guard Dustin Ramos. Other returning players are senior guard Paul Martinez and junior guard Dylan Dombroski. There will be several new faces on this squad as well.

In their first game of the season, the Eagles needed to shake off the rust and get back into basketball shape. Eldorado missed several shots in the 1st quarter and trailed early. The Eagles stayed close with Eula through the remainder of the game, but the 1st quarter deficit was too much to overcome. The Eagles also had 21 turnovers to go along with a bad shooting night. Eula ended up with a 87-66 victory and handed the Eagles their first loss of the season. The Eagles were led by Cathey with 23 points and 6 rebounds and Ramos with 20 points to go with 7 boards. Sophomore guard Mason Baker led the team on the defensive end with 3 steals.

The Eagles came home Tuesday night and hosted the Eden Bulldogs. Eldorado again trailed early in the home opener. This time the Eagles would fight back to take the lead. In the second half things turned south fast for the Eagles. After tying up the game, Eldorado was hit with a technical foul for delay of game. The Bulldogs got to shoot 2 free throws and get the ball back. They went on a quick 8 point run and the Eagles never got the game back. The final score was 63-51. Eldorado was again led by Rance Cathey with 16 point and 7 rebounds. Mason Baker also scored 16 points and led the team in rebounds with 9. Eden was led by Senior Guard Chris Ogle who finished with 24 point.

The out of whack stat for the game was that the Eagles had 23 team fouls versus only 5 by Eden. The Bulldogs shot 29 more free throws than Eldorado. It is tough to win games when the other team has that many more opportunities to score than your team. Turnovers were better for the Eagles, but they still committed 18 for the game.

The season in young and the guys are still earning a new system, how to adapt to a new coach and learning how to mesh as a team. They will be back in action next Tuesday night as the travel to Grape Creek to take on the Eagles from Tom Green County.



Rance Cathey drives to the bucket as the Eldorado Eagles hosted the Eden Bulldogs Tuesday night in Eagle Gym. Eldorado fell 63-51 to the Bulldogs for their second loss of the season. Cathey is the leading scorer for the Warbirds who travel to Grape Creek next Tuesday night.

Lady Eagles resume winning ways after tough tournament

by Syllas Politte

Last Thursday the Eldorado Lady Eagles traveled to the San Saba tournament to face the Liberty Hill Lady Panthers for their first round game. The Lady Panthers came out early and jumped all over Eldorado. The score was 21-9 after the first quarter. Costly turnovers and poor shooting seemed to be a problem for the Lady Eagles the entire game. The trailed the 3A playoff teams 37-19 at the half.

The second half would be more of the same for Eldorado. Liberty Hill's pressure defense and good post play would carry them to a 77-31 victory. It would also be the Lady Eagles first loss of the season.

"We couldn't make shots under

the basket and we made some mental errors," said head girls coach Jesse Rubio. Senior Haley Higgins led the Lady Eagles in scoring with 12 points.

Due to that loss the Lady Eagles would have to play again later in the day against 2A Harper in the losers bracket. The Lady Longhorns were beaten earlier in the day. This game would tip off at 5:30 in the afternoon.

Eldorado started this game differently than the one before. The Lady Eagle played better and led early 9-4 after the 1st quarter. Then more of the same problems from the earlier game would plague Eldorado. Missed shots and turnovers helped the Lady Longhorns take a 23-14 lead into halftime. Harper pulled away in the second half and eventually put

the game out of reach. The final score was 49-26. Senior guard Bridgett Mitchell would lead the Lady Eagles in scoring with 9 points.

In their guarantee game on Saturday, the Lady Eagles would face another team coming off two straight losses in St. Andrews out of Austin. The Lady Eagles tweaked their starting line-up with the absence of a player and got off to a great start. After the first quarter, Eldorado was on the positive end of a 21-4 score. The Lady Eagle never trailed in the game and finished the tournament with a win. They beat St. Andrews by 32 points with a final score of 63-31.

Higgins again led all scorers with her best output of the young season with 24 points.

Tuesday night the Lady Eagles returned home to take on the Eden Lady Bulldogs. Looking for their second straight win in 4 days the Lady Eagles got off to another good start. They ended the first quarter with a sizeable lead of 19-4. That quarter would prove to be the difference in the game.

Eldorado was outscored in the next two quarters as Eden tried to shorten the gap. The Lady Eagles half time lead dwindled to just 2 points after the 3rd quarter buzzer.

Going into the 4th Eldorado's lead had all but vanished and the Lady Bulldogs would lead twice before the Lady Eagles finally went ahead for good. The final score was 40-38.

"It wasn't pretty, but we pulled it off," said Rubio. "We are 2-0 with the new starting line-up and we'll stay with it until we need to fix it."

The starting line-up is working, but the Lady Eagles will also need to fix the turnover problem and the missing shots problem. They will be off for the Thanksgiving holiday before traveling to Grape Creek next Tuesday to take on those Lady Eagles. Eldorado will look to make it 3 in a row for the first time this season. Tip off is at 6:30 pm.

SCISD School Lunch Menu

BREAKFAST MENU
Monday December 1, 2008
 Blueberry Muffin, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk.
Tuesday December 2
 French Toast Stix/Syrup, Choice of Juice, Milk.
Wednesday December 3
 Cinnamon Toast, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk.
Thursday December 4
 Biscuits/Sausage, Jelly, Choice of Juice, Milk
Friday December 5
 Buttered Toast/ Jelly, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk.

CAFETERIA LINE
Monday December 1, 2008
 Pork Chops/Gravy, Creamed Potatoes/Hot Rolls, Green Beans, Pineapple Slices
Tuesday December 2
 Chili Dogs/Cheese Cup, Fritos, Pork-n-Beans, Mixed Fruit
Wednesday December 3
 Cheese Pizza, Tossed Salad, Apple Halves
Thursday December 4
 Cowboy Beans/Cornbread, Potato Salad, Carrot Stix/Dip, Sugar Cookies
Friday December 5
 Bar B Q on a Bun, Pickles/ Baked Chips, Orange Halves.

BASKET LINE
Monday December 1, 2008
 Turkey/ Cheese Sandwich, Baked Chips, Lettuce/Tomato, Pineapple Slices.
Tuesday December 2
 Chili Dogs/Cheese Cup, Fritos, Pork-n-Beans, Mixed Fruit.
Wednesday December 3
 Crisptos/Cheese sauce, Ranch Style Beans, Carrot Stix/Dip, Apple Halves.
Thursday December 4
 Chef Salad/Dressing, Diced Ham/Cheese Cup, Crackers(8), Sugar Cookies.
Friday December 5
 Bar B Q on a Bun, Pickles/Baked Chips, Orange Halves

ALL MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Meet the Eagles and Lady Eagles slated for Monday, December 1st

Monday, December 1, 2008 at 6:30 pm in the Eldorado High School Gym, there will be a time to come out, and support your mighty Eagles.

You will have the opportunity to meet the Varsity and JV Eagles and Varsity and JV Lady Eagles. Great music, competitions, games, and refreshments. will all be a part of the evening. There will be opportunities to win gift certificates from places such as (Wal-Mart, Target, Best Buy and Second Hand Rose)

San Antonio SPURS tickets for 4 and a framed and autographed picture of Senior Eagle basketball players will be raffled.

If you are interested in Basketball program ad info, Eagle Spirit Gear and Eagle Fan Calendars, then this is the place to be on Monday night, Dec. 1st at 6:30 pm at the Eagle Gymnasium.

Eldorado Middle School Eagles Basketball Schedule

Mon. Nov. 17th (Girls only @ Menard)
 Mon. Nov. 24th Miles @ Eldorado
 Mon. Dec. 1st Eldorado @ Christoval
 Mon. Dec. 8th Mason @ Eldorado
 Mon. Dec. 15th Eldorado @ Irion County
 Mon. Jan. 12th Menard @ Eldorado
 Mon. Jan.19th Eldorado @ Miles
 Thurs. Jan. 22 & Sat. Jan. 24 Boys @ Christoval Tournament
 Mon. Jan. 26th Christoval @ Eldorado
 Thurs. Jan. 29 & Sat. Jan 31 Girls @ Irion County Tournament
 Mon. Feb. 2nd Eldorado @ Mason
 Mon. Feb. 9th Irion County @ Eldorado
 Mon. Feb. 16th (Boys only @ Menard)
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Major donation for the Wellness Center

1st Community Federal Credit Union president Bill Nikolauk (R) presented a \$7,500 check Tuesday to the Schleicher County Wellness Center Foundation. Eddie Albin and Ilse Williams accepted the donation on behalf of the organization. The foundation plans to build a Wellness Center on the corner of West Murchison Avenue and West Street nearest the Schleicher County Medical Center.

PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN



RRC spotlights safety with Turkey fryers

AUSTIN -The Texas Railroad Commission is spotlighting safety this Thanksgiving as thousands of Texans celebrate the holiday with turkey fryers powered by clean-burning propane gas.

Texas Railroad Commission (RRC) Chairman Michael L. Williams explained the Commission's role in propane safety.

"The Texas Railroad Commission is the state agency charged with propane safety in Texas," Williams said. "This responsibility includes educating the public about the safe use of propane appliances."

At Thanksgiving, that means making sure families who use turkey fryers know how to use them correctly."

According to the Hearth, Patio and Barbecue Association (HPBA), 600,000 turkey fryers were shipped from manufacturers to retailers last year.

About 7 million to 8 million U.S. households own a turkey fryer, according to HPBA estimates.

Commissioner Victor G. Carrillo noted that it is important to pay attention to the location of these hot-oil cookers.

"Cookers should be set up outside, in an open area away from all walls, fences or other structures. You never want to place a cooker in, on or under a garage, breezeway, carport, porch or any structure such as a wooden deck that could catch fire. Also, be sure to keep children and pets away from the fryer during and after use because the oil can stay hot for hours."

Commissioner Elizabeth A. Jones said safety requires that turkeys be properly thawed and dry before being placed in hot oil.

"Whether you are cooking your Thanksgiving turkey or heating your family home on a cold, winter night, propane can be counted on as a reliable, cost effective, and clean burning fuel source to serve the energy needs of Texas families

and businesses," Jones said.

THANKSGIVING DAY TURKEY FRYING TIPS

HOT OIL COOKER SETUP

- Place fryer outside, on a flat, stable surface in an open, low-traffic area away from all walls, fences or other structures.

- Never use a fryer in, on or under a garage, breezeway, carport or any structure that can catch fire, such as a wooden deck.

- Keep children and pets away from fryer during and after use, because the oil can remain hot for hours.

- Keep the fryer in full view while the burner is on.

- Make sure there is at least two feet of space between the liquid propane tank and the fryer's burner.

- Set up the liquid propane gas tank and fryer so that any wind blows the heat of the fryer away from the gas tank.

COOKING PROCESS

- Follow the manufacturer's cooking instructions, including the amount of oil needed to fry

the turkey.

- Check the oil temperature frequently. Never allow oil to exceed 375 degrees F.

- If oil begins to smoke, immediately turn off the gas supply, because the oil is overheated.

- Completely thaw and dry the turkey before adding it to the hot oil. The U.S. Department of Agriculture recommends 24 hours thawing time for every 4 to 5 pounds of turkey. Partially frozen or wet turkeys can produce excessive hot oil splatter when lowered into hot oil.

- Cover bare skin when adding or removing food. Always use cooking mitts.

- Use only cookware and accessories designed for frying turkeys; never use glassware, ceramic or plastic cookware.

- Raise and lower food slowly to reduce splatter and avoid burns.

- If a fire occurs, immediately call 911. Do not attempt to extinguish the fire with water. An operable, dry-chemical fire extinguisher may, in some circumstances, contain the fire.

AFTER COOKING

- Never move the cooker or pot while in use or while hot.

- Allow the oil to cool completely before removing it from the pot.

For more information on how to entertain safely with propane, call toll-free (800) 64-CLEAR (800-642-5327) or visit www.propane.tx.gov and click on "Propane Safety Tips."

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Capital Highlights...

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regular session of the Legislature.

The latest is State Rep. Burt Solomons, R-Carrollton, who filed on Nov. 18.

The 150-member body will vote on opening day, Jan. 13.

The list of speaker candidates presently includes incumbent House Speaker Tom Craddick, R-Midland and Reps. Pete Gallego, D-Alpine, Scott Hochberg, D-Houston, Delwin Jones, R-Lubbock, Jim Keffer, R-Eastland, Tommy Merritt, R-Longview, Allan Ritter, D-Nederland, Sylvester Turner, D-Houston, Senfronia Thompson, D-Houston, and Solomons.

Texas sounds call for retirees

The Texas Department of Agriculture is promoting a growing

list of Texas cities and counties as friendly and attractive places for Americans looking for the perfect place to spend their golden years.

So far, the agency's GO TEXAN Certified Retirement Community Program presently includes 22 cities and counties, including Athens, Canyon, Clifton, Cuero, De Kalb, Duncanville, Franklin County, Gun Barrel City, Harlingen, Longview, Lufkin, Nacogdoches County, Odessa, Palestine, Panola County, Paris, Pittsburg, San Augustine County, Shelby County, Texarkana, Tulia and Winnsboro.

Created in 2005 by the Texas Legislature, the program helps smaller communities draw attention to their attributes through national marketing and promotional work.

Meals for Friends Menu



MONDAY DECEMBER 1st
Meatballs & Spaghetti w/Tomato Sauce, Seasoned Spinach, French Bread, Tossed Salad, Banana w/Pudding, Milk.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 2nd
Roast Pork, French Cut Green Beans, Sweet Potatoes, Dinner Roll, Stewed Prunes, Milk.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 3rd
Turkey Tetrazzini, Broccoli, Tossed Salad, Dinner Roll, Raspberry Pears, Milk.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 4th
Pork Chop w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Dinner Roll, Coleslaw, Fruit Cocktail, Milk.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 5th
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Beware: Auto burglars target unattended vehicles during holiday shopping season

DALLAS — This holiday season, auto burglars will shop the easy way — by stealing gifts, purses, wallets, packages, electronics, or other valuables left in plain sight inside vehicles. Every two minutes, a vehicle is burglarized in Texas and the contents stolen. These crimes escalate during the holiday season when people shop more often. And unfortunately, drivers often don't take necessary precautions to avoid becoming burglary victims.

The Texas Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority (ABTPA), a division of the Texas Department of Transportation, offers three basic safety tips to motorists to help prevent vehicle crimes during the holidays and

throughout the year: hide belongings from view, lock vehicles, and take keys. Last year, thieves committed over 262,000 acts of vehicle burglary and stole over 94,000 vehicles in Texas. In some jurisdictions, more than half of reported thefts occurred because vehicle doors were unlocked and keys were left inside.

"We want everyone to enjoy the holiday season and not experience the violation and frustration of having their vehicles burglar-

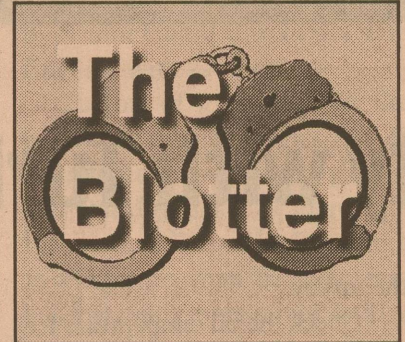
ized or stolen. We encourage all vehicle owners and operators to help prevent such crimes from happening by practicing simple theft prevention measures," said Charles Caldwell, interim director of the Texas ABTPA.

When vehicles are stolen, thieves have easy access to everything left inside, including items such as garage door openers, house keys, and personal information, which can all lead to additional and more serious crimes

as well as further victimization of the vehicle owner.

"We know that auto burglars scout malls, shopping centers, and other retail parking lots this time of year looking for the perfect opportunity to break into vehicles. Within seconds, these criminals can get inside a car, steal the contents, and be on their way from the scene. And experienced thieves can steal a vehicle without keys in less than a minute," said Michelle Lanham, program coordinator for ABTPA's Reduce Auto Theft in Texas (RATT) public awareness task force at the University of North Texas Caruth Police Institute in Dallas. "Texas drivers need to understand that carelessness with items left inside vehicles actually helps thieves carry out their crimes more efficiently and potentially engage in further criminal activity."

The Texas Auto Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA) was created by the Texas Legislature in 1991 to fund programs to reduce vehicle thefts. The passing of House Bill 1887 in 2007 expanded the scope of the agency to include automobile burglary prevention and added the term "burglary" to the Authority's title. For more information on the ABTPA, auto burglary, vehicle theft, prevention, statistics, contacts for any of ABTPA's 29 Texas vehicle crimes task forces, public service announcements, or to schedule an interview with task force personnel, call 800-CAR-WATCH or visit the ABTPA website at www.txwatchyourcar.com.



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

ARRESTS

November 19 • Rodriguez, Yvette, female age 32. Offense: theft <\$20K > \$100K. Released 11/19/08 on \$10,000 surety bond.

• Flores, Albert Reyes, male age 29. Offense: No DL. Released 11/20/08 time served.

November 22 • Romo, Marcelo Iglecias, male age 22. Offense: DWI; possession of marijuana <2; prohibitive substance in correctional institution. Released 11/23/08 \$7,000 surety bond.

• Garcia, Jose Javier, male age 20. Offense: DWI/open container. Released 11/23/08 on \$1,000 surety bond.

November 23 • Rodriguez, Emmanuel, male age 20. Offense: No DL; No Insurance. Released on 11/24/08 on Citation.

November 24 • Nielsen, Wen-

dell Loy, male age 68. Offense bigamy x 3, released 11/24/08 on 3-\$10,000 surety bonds.

• Steed, Leroy Johnson, male age 42. Offense: bigamy x 2; sexual assault of a child, released 11/24/08 on \$20,000 and \$100,000 surety bonds.

• Jessop, Frederick Merrill, male age 72. Offense: conducting a ceremony unauthorized by law, released on \$30,000 surety bond.

INCIDENTS

November 19 • 10:48 am Complainant reported her dogs may have been poisoned. City contacted.

November 21 • 10:36 pm Request for a house watch. Units notified.

November 21 • 7:05 pm Caller reported their dogs had been poisoned. Requested an officer. Officer responded.

November 22 • 1:42 pm Caller reported her grandsons tires on his bike had been slashed and the handle bars were a little messed up, the lock on the bike had also been picked. Officer notified.

• 7:04 pm Caller reported loud music near their residence. Officer responded.

• 7:57 pm Caller reported that they would be hunting varmints during the night. Game warden notified.

• 9:15 pm Caller reported a vehicle had hit a deer and needed a wrecker. Officer responded.

November 24 • 9:57 am caller reported a violation of a protective order. JP and officers notified.

Angels Waiting For Adoption

The Angels are waiting for adoption on Christmas Trees in Eldorado at First National Bank, Super S, Duckwall and Dollar General. Go into any of these places and select an angel and take it shopping with you. Gift wrap that angel and take it to the Resource Center. They will get the gifts to the right child.

Solution to puzzle on Page 6

Fowl Play

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Weekly Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Terry item
- Puts on a long face
- Payroll limits
- Harry and William's school
- ___ garde
- Neglect to name
- Alka-Seltzer sound
- Yorba __, Calif.
- Make like
- Ruin a person's plans, perhaps
- Suffix with butyl
- Fed. property manager
- Alcatraz inmate of the 1930s
- Assist larcenously
- Have hat in hand
- Stress, so it's said
- Gaming pioneer
- Tin Man's tool
- Like an Olympic skater, say
- Suffix with chariot
- Geometry calculations
- Vogue rival
- ___ Rio, Tex.
- Hands on deck
- Uses TNT
- Wine bottle word
- Sedona auto-maker
- Joe Penner catch

phrase

- Mafia bigwig
- Hungarian-born financier George
- Gipp, to Reagan
- Ham word
- Give a lift to
- High spirits
- Fit snugly
- Flight school

achievements

- Place of bliss

DOWN

- TKO caller
- Ear-related
- Classic TV clown
- Automaker Ferrari
- "Cheers" bartender Sam ___
- Sheep-like
- Glazier's unit
- Pulls the plug on
- Walks like a tosspot
- Drink with marshmallows
- Andy's TV and radio pal
- Prop for Santa
- Sloppy digs
- Barbie's beau
- Port of old Rome
- Like many zoo animals
- Be of one mind
- Diver's prize
- Tolkien beast
- Almanac section
- Cries from the flock
- Bursts into tears
- Speak highly of
- Trait carriers
- Violinist Leopold or actor Mischa
- Worm-___ (decrepit)
- Knock-down drag-out affairs
- Neptune's realm
- Skewed views
- Young fellow
- Bull's sound
- Japanese cultural center
- Surfer's "catch"
- Chimps, oranges et al.
- String tie
- Russia's ___ Mountains
- Strong motivation
- Faucet word
- "Twittering Machine" artist Paul
- Voting "nay"
- Bard's nightfall

Fowl Play

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29th Charles Kellogg, Abbie McCormick, Marie Spinks, Asa Nixon, Pat Martin, Yolanda Adame

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Micaela Forlano

This Thanksgiving I realize how blessed I am. I am thankful for many things. One thing is Nurses because they help people. Another thing is Mrs. O'Harrow because she helps us learn. the last thing is God because God made us.

Alexis Vallejo

This Thanksgiving I realize how blessed I am. I am Thankful for many things one thing is my mom because she makes us something to eat. Another thing is my Dad because He makes money for our family. The last thing is my grandparents because they watch me when my mom is some where.

Adan Garza

This Thanksgiving I realize how blessed I am. I'm thankful for many things. One is friends because they play with me. Another thing is my cousin because they play army with me. The last thing is my Family because they love me.

Jack Griffin

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This Thanksgiving I realize how blessed I am. I am thankful for many things. One thing is my mom because she helps with my homework. Another thing is my dad because he helps with my homework too. The last thing is my family they help me with evrything.

Courtney Espinosa

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for School because I can't learn without it. I am thankful for my teacher who help me learn. I am also thankful for My friends. They Help Me When I'm hurt.

Julian Gandar

This Thanksgiving I realize how blest I am. I'm thankful for my Family becaus they do anything I want them to do. I am thankful for school because I love my teacher. I am thankful for United Stats of Amarca because the Military protexts Texas.

Riley Jones

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things. One thing is Mrs. O'Harrow. another thing is My family helps me with my homework. The last thing is My Mom she helps me with my homework.

Efrain Manriquez

This Thanksgiving I realize how blessed I am. I'm Thankful for many Things. One thing is my Parents because They take good care of me Another Thing is Mom because she buys me clothes. The Last Thing is my dad because he helps me with my home work.

Marison DeLuna

This Thanksgiving I am Thankful for my Granma and Granpa because they love me. Another Thing is my Cousins because I look up to them. The last thing is my family because they help me everyday.

Ram Barajas



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Mrs. Meador's Second Grade Class

This Thanksgiving I realize how blessed I am. Im thankful for many Things. One thing is I Love My MoM and DaD because He buys me new Clothes. Another Thing is wen it is Morning my DaD says Wake up you Stinky 2nd grade girl.The last Thing is Grandma because she cooks for me.

Evalyn-Mexia

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for my Mom because she got hurt and she can't do as much so now I know how she feels. I am also thankful for the hospital that helped my Mom and dad. i am thankful for one more thing it is my Gamm and Granpa because they take care of me now that my Mom and Dad are hurt and also when they are not.

Payton Whitten

This Thanksgiving I realize how blessed I am because my Gramma Loves me a lot and she buys me things I really need. I'm blessed for Mrs. O'Harrow. She is really smart that's why she want to be a teacher to teach us and no thing goes wrong. I'm blessed of my family they all take care of me because I'm the youngest. They love me. I love them. We all love each other.

Kamren Turner

MRS. MEADOR'S CLASS

This thanaksgiving I am thankful for My family because I Love them. I am thankful for mom and dad and God because they give me food I am also thankful for My SiSter because I really Love her.

Shawn Solis

This thanksgiving I am thankful for god because he is special. I am thankful for dad because my dad works hard. I am thankful for my mom because I Love her.

Yaileen Gutierrez

This Thanksgiving. I am thankful for God because God is special to me. I am thankful for my class and my family because I like them. I am also thankful for snacks because my mom and give me cookies.

Kaden Johnson

This Tansksgiving I am tankful for my family because they help me. I am thankful for my brother becues he plays with me. I am thankful for my grandparents becus they love me.

Colton Arendt

This Thanksgiving. I am thankful for my Mom Because she cares adout me. I am thankful for my Dad Because he trusts me. I am also thankful for my brothers Because they help me.

Gregory Martinez

This thanksgiving I am thankful for palice officers becuse they Protect people from getting hurt. I am thankful for dad for His hardwork I am thankful for fire fighters decuse they save people.

Jesse Gonzales

This Thanksgiving. I am thankful for God because he is good. I am thankful for Jesus because he is special I am also thankful for Mom because I love her.

Jayden Scot Boone

This thanksgiving I am thkful for my family becse Help me doo staff. I am Thnful for my mom and dad. becuse thay work hard. I am also Thanful for jesus and God.

Edmundo Garcia

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for everything God gave me because he loves me. I am thankful for The holiday he gave us. I am also Thankful for mom and dad because I Love them.

Hailey Gandar

This Thanaksgiving I am ThankFul for God because he is Thouthful. I am Thank Ful For My family becuse They Love us. I am aLso Thankful for Jesus because he Likes us.

Antonio Contreras

This Thanksgiving. I am thankful for God because God is special to me. I am thankful for my family because I love them. I am also thankful for my friends because I play with them.

Lorena Huerta

This Thanksgiving I am thakful for grandparents because they love me. I am thankful for God because he gives us great food. I am also thankful for school because we can learn.

Dacey Roubison

This Thanksgiving. I am thankful for God because he made the world. I am thankful for my home because I wouldn't have a place to live. I am also thankful for my teacher because I wouldn't be learning.

Christine Lindsey

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for my family because they take care of me. I am thankful for my cousins who visit me because I miss them. I am also thankful for letters from Areli because I miss her too.

Yajaira Martinez

MRS. SESSOMS CLASS

This Thangsgiving I realize how blessed I am, many things One thing is God die for us because He wanted us to live on earth Another, God takes care of us. He is with us The last thing is we love our parent because our parents, love us who we are.

Jose Maya

This Thanksgiving I realize how blessed I'm thingful for many thing one one thing is Jesus died on cross because on cross it is Jesus Christ. Another thing is my family because they love me the last thing is my friends because They are nice.

Savannah Torres

This Thanksgiving I realize how blessed I am. I am thankful for many things. One thing is Jesus because he died on the cross or me. another thing is my friends because we play well together. The last thing is my Teacher because she loves me so much and she acts like my mom.

Laura Coronado

This Thanksgiving, I realize how blessed I am. I am thankful for many things. One thing is food because I would die without it. Another thing is Jesus because he died on the cross for me. The last is my family because they love me all the time.

Wyatt Mertz

This Thanksgiving I realize how blessed I am. I am. thankful for many because they help me practice for baseball. Another thing is Jesus because he is great The last thing is my baby sister because she is nice.

Julian Pena

This Thankvaveing I realize how blessed I am. I am thankful for many things one thing is to be free from the Gemans so we do't have to be slaves. Another thing is to have parents because they love me. The last thing is all the soldiers who fight in the war for us to be free.

Bobby Moreno

This Thanksgiving, I ealize how belssd I am I am thankful for many things on things is that I am thankful that Jeses made me because I wouldn't be here right now Another thig is that I have a family that loves me because than if they didn't love mel would be living by myself The last thing is that I am sad that deses died on a cross because if he wos here right now he would be giving me furniture and food.

Myra Sierra

This Thanksgiving I realize how blessed. I am I am Thankful for many things. One thing is Jesus because he die on the cross for us Another thing is my family and friends because my friends share and my family love me. The last thing is food because it makes us healthy.

Hope Barajas

This Thanksgiving I realize how blessed I am. I am Thankful for many things. One thing is God who died on the cross to help us. Another thing is freedom because God gave it to us. The last is I Love my mom and dad because they love me.

Jacquelynn Lozano

This Thanking I realize how blessed I am. I am thankful for many things. One thing is Jesus because he died on the cross for us. Another thing is freedom because God gave it to us. The last thing is my friends and family because I Love them.

Eddykah Rodriguez

This Thanksgiving, I realize how blessed I am. I am thankful for many things. One thing is a car because we won't have to walk in the hot or cold. another thing is doctors because they can help us if we're hurt. the last thing is a dentist because they can clean our teeth.

Makenzie Gross

This thankving, I realize how blessed I am. I am thingflu for many things. On thing is Mom and Dad because they got me a cocker Spaniel. I am thankful for God because He gave me a Dad. Another thing is for my teacher because she is nice. the last thing I am thankful For is God because He gave us food.

Julio Narvaez

This Thanksgiving, I realize how blessed I am. I am thankful for many things. One thing is bunny because she was a good pet. another thing is I love my Mom and Dad because they love me to and my teacher boseto. I have best frinds wthey play with me. I share with my friends to so they can be happy. the last thing is I love God and Jesus too.

Cristina Estrada

This Thanksgiving I realize how blessed I am. I am thankful for many things. One is my life because it's fun. And then thing is my friend because he's nice. The last thing is my family because thier nice.

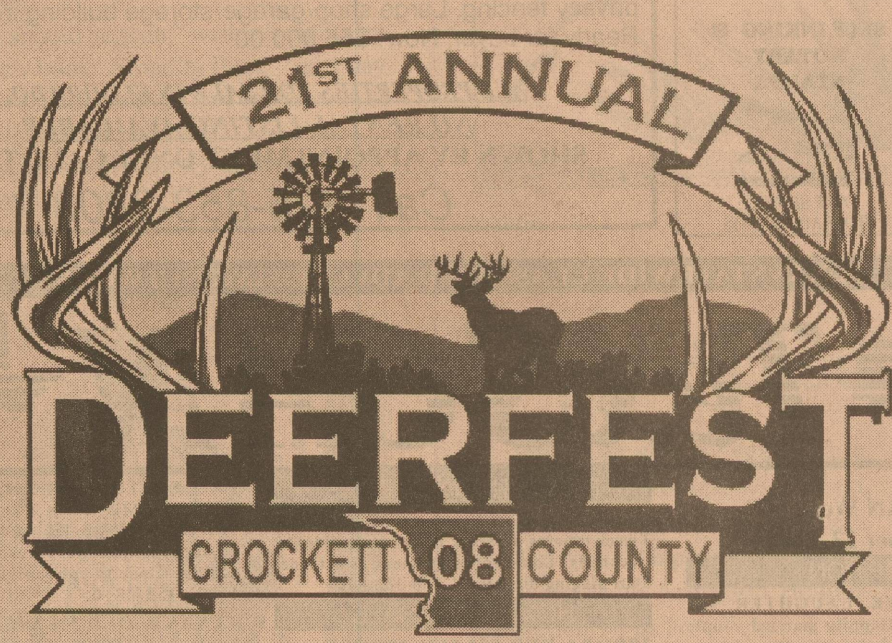
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