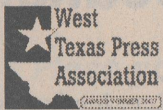


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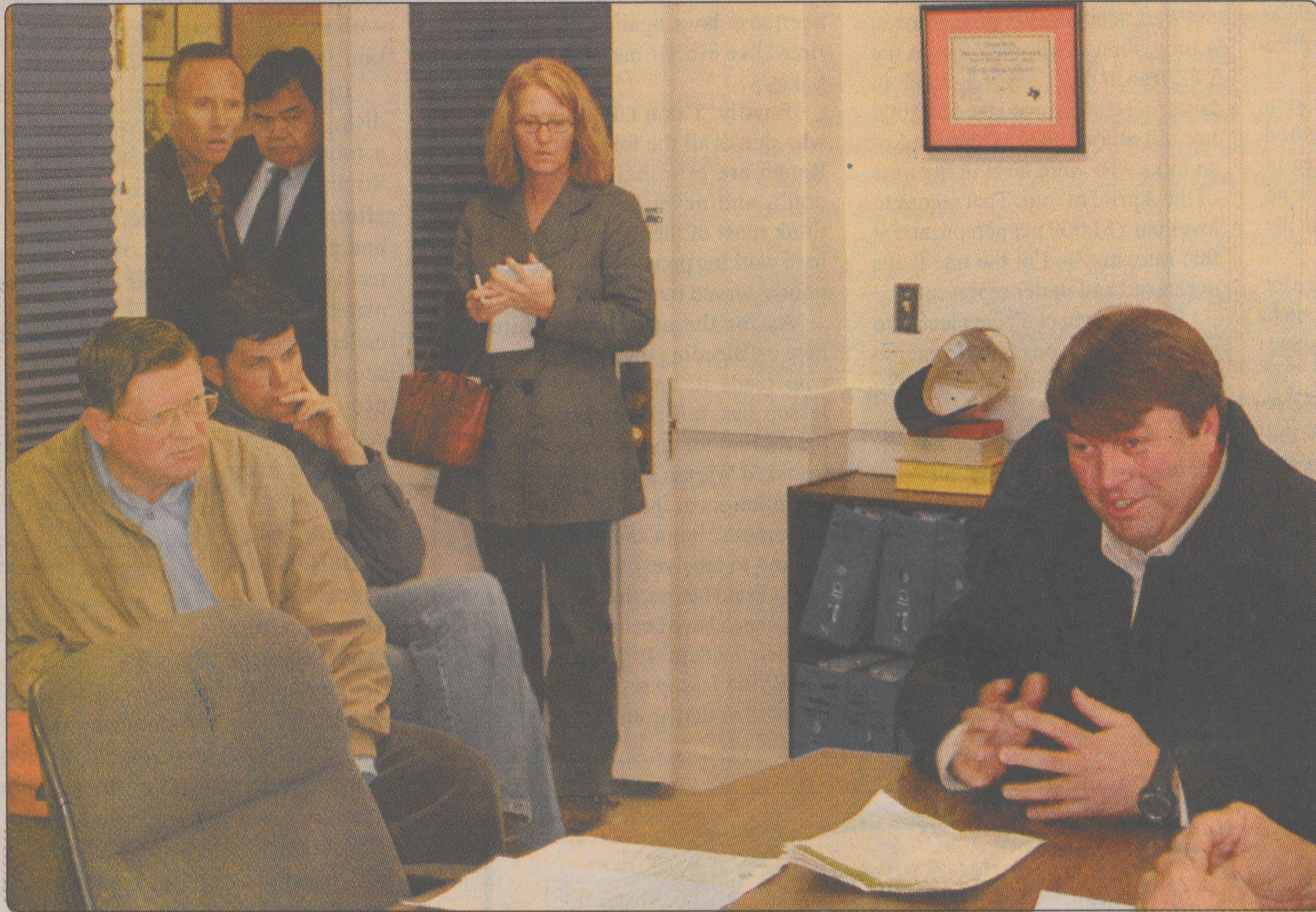


PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

YFZ Ranch residents Edson Jessop (seated left) and Jake Johnson look on as Willie Jessop met Monday with Schleicher County Commissioners. Jessop asked the commissioners to help him find a way for citizens at the YFZ Ranch to be good neighbors. He further commented on the amount of taxes paid by the ranch and suggested there should be a way that residents of the ranch could be seated on juries and local governing boards. Salt Lake Tribune reporter Brooke Adams and two attorneys from Salt Lake City who accompanied Jessop to the meeting are pictured standing in the doorway.

## Jessop wants YFZ to have local representation

YFZ Ranch and FLDS Church spokesman Willie Jessop met Monday with Schleicher County Commissioners where he expressed his opinion that residents of the YFZ Ranch pay a lot of taxes and therefore should be represented on local governing boards and included when juries are impaneled.

Jessop was accompanied to the meeting by YFZ Ranch residents Edson Jessop and Jake Johnson, neither of whom spoke. He also introduced attorney Stephen C. Clark of Salt Lake City and told the commissioners that Clark had been asked to come and look into the situation in Schleicher County. "He's very up on ACLU issues," Jessop told the court.

Clark also refrained from addressing the commissioners.

Later, however, when press reports referred to Clark as an ACLU attorney, Dotty Griffith with the ACLU of Texas released a statement saying, "The ACLU of Texas is not involved in any case as described in the news story."

Newly seated County Judge Charlie Bradley provided Jessop with a brochure explaining tax appraisal procedures and noted that the local appraisal district has

an appraisal review board.

Commissioner Johnny Mayo also pointed out that the county has a grievance committee.

Jessop continued by referring to press reports that implied the residents of the YFZ Ranch were wanting to take over the county. He told the men that that was not the case.

At that point Sheriff David Doran chimed in to say that press might have been influenced by a public statement Jessop had made in which he claimed to be registering 500 residents of the YFZ Ranch to vote so they could ensure that people of integrity are elected.

Jessop assured the men that the residents of the YFZ Ranch want to be good neighbors and invited the men to come tour the ranch.

Judge Bradley in turn encouraged Jessop to return in the future if he had additional concerns.

In other business the commissioners met with local rancher Myrt Overby who questioned the electrical usage by the new outdoor lighting at the courthouse.

Judge Bradley informed Mrs. Overby since he was new on the job he couldn't

answer her question but said he would check into the lighting costs.

Maintenance supervisor Mike Haynes told the commissioners that he is looking into rewiring the lights around the ballasts so that smaller light bulbs could be used.

The commissioners then voted to designate the south steps of the courthouse as the site for foreclosure sales. They also voted to amend the county's employee handbook concerning computer systems, as advised by their attorney.

The court then hired Tom Brown with Naismith Engineering, Inc to serve as engineer for the swimming pool project and authorized Judge Bradley to enter into a contract with Brown. Brown will present a Master Park and Open Space plan after suggestions are received from a planning committee that has yet to be selected.

Sheriff David Doran then presented information on a new Dodge Charger patrol car that is included in this year's budget. The commissioners approved the purchase through the Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments at a cost of \$27,292. The unit includes a police package and in car video equipment.

Treasurer Karen Henderson's financial report was received and budget transfers she requested were approved.

Judge Bradley was then designated as Schleicher County's representative to the Concho Valley Council of Governments, replacing Judge Johnny Griffin. The commissioners then discussed electrical outlets available at the north end of the courthouse lawn. They instructed maintenance supervisor Mike Haynes to lock the outlets and put up signs indicating the outlets are available only for specific public events.

Amendments to the bylaws with the West Texas Rural County Association were also approved and a recommendation to accept a deal from Jerry D. Harris, the former lessee of the Schleicher County School land in Gaines County. Under the deal Harris would return the land to the county with a 337.7 acre basis for cotton and 127 acres in sorghum. Judge Bradley told the court that legal

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## First YFZ trial slated for October

### Hearing on legality of YFZ raid search warrant slated for May 13

Raymond Merrill Jessop will stand trial for sexual assault of a child and bigamy, beginning on October 26, 2009. The trial will be held in Tom Green County, but with a Schleicher County jury, according to a ruling issued by 51st District Judge Barbara Walther during pretrial hearings Monday, January 12, 2009, at the Schleicher County Courthouse.

Trials for the remaining YFZ Ranch defendants will follow at a rate of one per month with Allan Eugene Keate being the second slated to stand trial. Keate is also charged with sexual assault of a child.

But, before the trials can take place, Walther must first rule on the legality of the search of the YFZ Ranch. Lawyers representing the various YFZ defendants have challenged the warrant served at the YFZ last April after authorities responded to a call from an alleged abuse victim. That call is now widely believed to have been a hoax.

The judge will hear challenges to the search at a hearing on May 13th.

In a related matter, attorney's representing FLDS prophet Warren Jeffs have agreed to withhold their challenge to the use of YFZ evidence in Jeffs' Arizona trial until after the May

hearing.

In all, a dozen men connected with the YFZ Ranch have been charged with crimes ranging from sexual assault of a child, and aggravated sexual assault, to bigamy, tampering with physical evidence, failure to report abuse, and conducting a ceremony prohibited by law.

Those defendants, and the charges they face, are as follows:

- Warren Steed Jeffs - sexual assault, aggravated sexual assault, and bigamy;
- Raymond Merrill Jessop - sexual assault of a child and bigamy;
- Allan Eugene Keate - sexual assault of a child;
- Michael Emack - sexual assault of a child and bigamy;
- Merrill Leroy Jessop - sexual assault of a child and bigamy;
- Lehi Barlow Jeffs aka Lehi Barlow Allred - sexual assault of a child, and bigamy;
- Abraham Harker Jeffs - sexual assault of a child and bigamy;
- Keith William Dutton, Jr. - sexual assault of a child;
- Wendell Loy Nielsen - three counts of bigamy;
- Frederick Merrill Jessop - conduct-

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PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Wyatt Mertz shows his Grand Champion Swine during the 74th annual Junior Livestock Show held Saturday, January 10, 2009 at the Schleicher County Civic Center.

## Junior Livestock Show Held

The 74th annual Schleicher County Livestock, Food, and Project Show was held last weekend in the Civic Center. The show was held on Saturday, January 10, 2009. The show went very well with an excellent attendance for every portion and continuing through the sale. In addition, the free barbecue meal provided by First National Bank was a big hit.

Richard Long, Sterling City Ag teacher, served as the judge for the livestock show again this year.

Jaymie O'Harrow received the Overall Showmanship Award and a \$100 gift certificate from a boot company.

Species Showmanship winners included: Lamb Division — Ivie Kate Mynatt; Goat Division — Jaymie O'Harrow; Steer Division — Jackson O'Harrow; and Swine Division — Tyler Martinez. Each of the division winners will receive a jacket.

Showmanship Awards in the different age divisions went to: Senior — Jaymie O'Harrow; Junior — Davis Hutto; and Sub Junior — Emmie Mynatt. This award is regardless of species. Showmanship award winners received a jacket.

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COURTESY PHOTO

Floyd West of Eldorado escaped serious injury Monday afternoon after his pickup crashed into a mobile home on the west side of County Road 300. West reportedly lost control of his pickup before striking a utility pole on the east side of the road the crossing the road and crashing through a fence and into the building. Deputy Kevin Herbert reports that the accident is still under investigation.

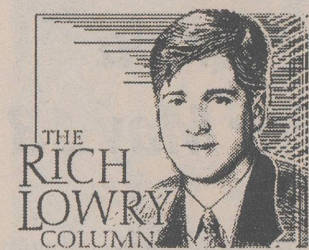


# Barack Obama, Steady as She Goes

Change has rarely looked so much like continuity.

Barack Obama's leftward positioning and achingly idealistic rhetoric in the Democratic primaries harkened back to George McGovern or Robert Kennedy. His personnel choices during the transition instead recall Michael Dukakis, the Massachusetts technocrat who notoriously ran on competence.

Obama is too savvy a marketer to have tried to make a campaign slogan out of practicality. But who would have guessed that when he lit up the crowd back in 2007 at Iowa's Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner with his signature speech denouncing the



ways of Washington and Democrats who accommodated Bush foreign policy, he harbored a secret desire to draw on experienced Republicans to manage his national-security policy?

Obama has selected a former Marine commandant close to John McCain, Gen. Jim Jones, as his national-security adviser; asked President George W. Bush's defense secretary, Bob Gates, to stay on; and selected Hillary Clinton, a relative centrist who denounced Obama's naivete in the primaries, as secretary of state.

It's as moderate as any Democrat's national-security picks could possibly get. Just when it seemed that the hawkish Scoop Jackson wing of the Democratic Party was dead forever, a jerry-built version of it is making a comeback via the impending administration of a man championed by anti-war zealots. Yes, God does have a sense of humor.

The success of the surge in Iraq made Obama's pragmatic turn easier. Perhaps never has someone owed so much to a policy he opposed so vehemently. First, the success of the surge diminished the Iraq War as an issue in the general election. Second, it makes it possible to contemplate a responsible drawdown in Iraq.

A kind of continuity is also possible for Obama because the caricature of Bush foreign policy as dangerously radical never accurately reflected reality.

Bush wants U.S. troops to "return on success" in Iraq -- so does Obama. Bush supports a buildup in Afghanistan -- so does Obama. Bush wants a larger military -- so does Obama. Bush has launched raids against al-Qaida into the tribal areas of Pakistan -- Obama wants to do the same. Bush wants to close Guantanamo Bay, but has been bedeviled by the difficult choices inherent in its shuttering -- Obama will be, too. Bush has put out diplomatic feelers to Iran, while warning of the unacceptability of its nuclear program -- Obama has done the same, although with more of an accent on diplomacy.

Perhaps Obama is simply bowing to the exigencies of American foreign policy, defined by a few ineluctable realities: We are the sole superpower in a dangerous world, full of enemies that only we have the military resources to defeat and of rival powers with interests divergent from ours.

The great theorist of realism Hans Morgenthau warned against the illusion that "the final curtain would fall and the game of power politics would never be played." At times during the past two years, Obama seemed to believe in the curtain fall. His new national-security team holds out hope that he never did, or doesn't anymore. This is change you can respect.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.  
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# Willie Jessop wants to be a good neighbor

Willie Jessop appeared Monday at the Schleicher County Commissioners Court to say that the residents at the YFZ Ranch just want to be good neighbors and asked the commissioners to help him make that happen.

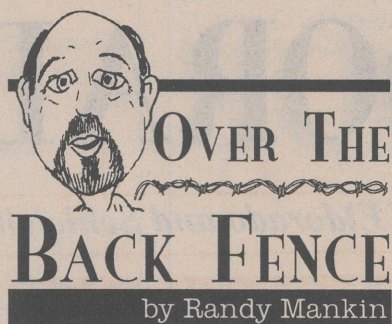
First of all, Jessop says he wants representation on local governing bodies. He points to the fact that the YFZ Ranch pays lots of taxes and refers to the Revolutionary War mantra of taxation without representation.

Jessop also wants representation on juries and questions the method by which jury pools are selected in Schleicher County. At one point he suggested jurors are picked from the phone book.

Thirdly he notes that there are a lot of talented people at the YFZ Ranch, like doctors and RNs who could share their expertise if called upon.

Fourthly, Jessop says he doesn't want the tax dollars paid in by the YFZ Ranch to be used against the people at the YFZ. His reference here is to the local Sheriff's Department.

And, finally, he says the folks at the YFZ Ranch are not all criminals or out to soak the government, at which time he referred to a 2004 article in the *Success* about the prac-

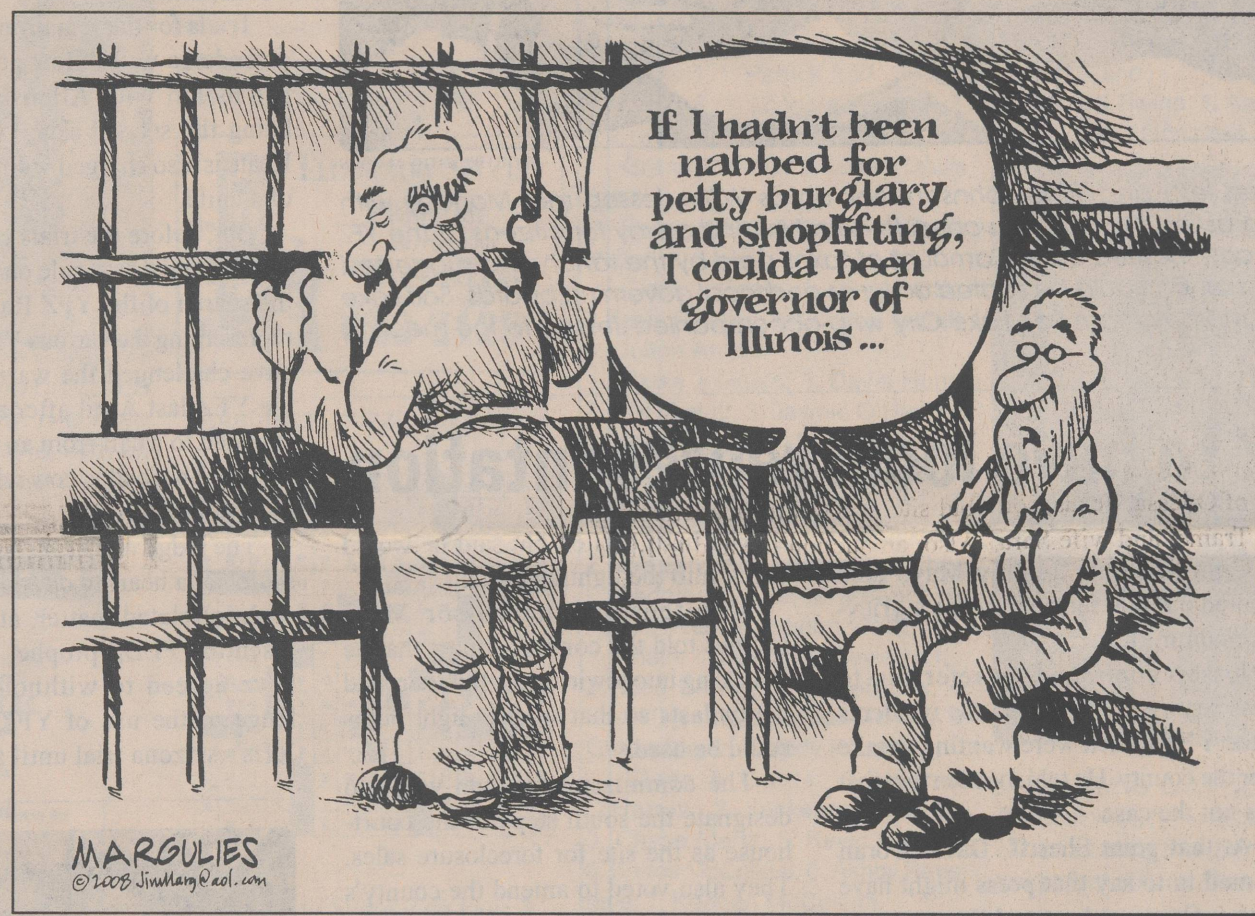


tice of "Bleeding the Beast."

Well, lets take his points one at a time. First of all, the folks at the YFZ Ranch don't pay that much in taxes, not if you spread the \$550,000 tax bill among the six hundred or so folks who were there at the time of the April 3rd raid. That comes to less than a \$1,000 per person, and at that rate, maybe I'm the one that's overtaxed and under represented.

Besides, you can't get elected to a local board if you don't register to vote then file to run for office. So, there's that.

Secondly, most people I know try to get out of jury duty. Still, it's not hard to be picked for a jury. You just have to register to vote so that your name shows up in the jury wheel from which potential jurors are drawn at random. But since the good folks at the YFZ didn't register to vote until recently, they haven't had the opportunity to be picked.



# The Diary of a Teenage Boy

I spent a weekend in Mason. The purpose of the visit was to attend Bill Worrell's annual "appreciation of life" party. People go to his place on the Llano River to eat some good food, visit with friends and listen to music from some of the state's best musicians (Jay Boy Adams, Sam Baker, George Enslie, Spider Johnson and Walt Wilkins). It is a moving experience as the singer-songwriters express their feelings about Texas through their songs.

There is something profoundly solid about Mason County. Perhaps it is because of the hard working and resourceful people who live there and the visitors who go there to relax, hunt and fish. The county has just celebrated its 150th anniversary when residents recalled county wars and Indian massacres. Many citizens are descendants of early German settlers, often living on the same land and in the same houses as their forefathers.

I stayed at the Bridges House, a bed and breakfast owned by the Hemphill family. It is quiet, convenient, clean and warm. The rooms have books, videos and magazines. I picked up a book titled A DAY OF MY OWN, written by W. L. Hemphill, Jr. I asked Mary Hemphill, who runs the B & B, about it and she says the book is the diary of her husband's brother. He got it for Christmas in 1942 when he was 17 years old and wrote in it religiously all the following year,



by Tumbleweed Smith

which turned out to be the last year of his life. The diary was found among some old things in its original hand-written manuscript and after some thought, the family decided to put the reminiscences into book form.

The book is a 17-year-old's description of growing up during World War Two near Lohn, Texas. He talks about how hard he had to work to make fifty cents, how good ice cream tasted and how he loved the place where he lived. W. L. was valedictorian of his high school graduating class. In early December of 1943, he contracted pneumonia and died on December 5. His last entry was on December 1 titled DUSK:

The last long shadows have just disappeared. The sun has barely sunk beneath the blue horizon. All above me are myriad sounds of the night. A soft breeze with just enough of the breath of winter to have a nip, gently fans the leaves above my head. A bird calls to its mate in the mesquite flat before me. Everything is still and quiet and beautiful. Sound rides on the air and is heard for miles around. I can hear the sharp "yac-yac" of

Don't worry, that time will come.

Thirdly, I doubt if anyone wants a doctor under indictment for failure to report abuse to be giving advice about how to run a hospital or a clinic.

Fourthly, I don't want my tax dollars used to enforce laws that I disagree with — laws like speed limits and seat belts. But the government does it anyway. And, they use those laws against me all the time...like every time I get a traffic ticket.

Finally, I don't know anyone who thinks all the folks at the YFZ Ranch are criminals. I certainly don't, and never have. In fact, I think most of them are honest and hard working people who have been poorly served by their leaders.

As for the article we printed here on Bleeding the Beast, anyone who reads it, and I doubt Willie Jessop has, will note that we cite the sources for our information and we asked Warren Jeffs and/or any of his followers at the YFZ Ranch for their input...input that we are still waiting to receive.

As I said before, the people at the YFZ Ranch have been poorly served by their leaders. It doesn't appear that Willie Jessop is going to be the one to turn that around.

# Straus prevails in race to become next House Speaker

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — State Rep. Joe Straus, R-San Antonio, pulled together 88 vote pledges in the first week of 2009 — more than enough to earn his election as speaker of the Texas House.

Incumbent Speaker Tom Craddick, R-Midland, dropped his bid for a fourth term when it became clear Straus would prevail. Shortly thereafter, Rep. John Smithee, R-Amarillo had gained the support of many long-term Craddick allies and other House members, but he ended his quest, seeing that the projected vote count for Straus would be insurmountable.

First elected in 2004, Straus is recognized by fellow members as a Republican who works well with Democrats. He represents District 121, which includes the communities of Alamo Heights, Olmos Park, Terrell Hills, Windcrest and northeast San Antonio.

Secretary of State Hope Andrade will preside over the House in its ceremonial and routine order of business, including the vote for speaker. She will turn the gavel over to the new speaker.

## Background on speaker's role

The Texas Constitution requires the House, each time a new legislature convenes, to choose one of its own members to serve as speaker.

The 150 members of the House will elect the new speaker on the afternoon of Jan. 13, opening day of the biennial 140-day regular session of the 81st Texas Legislature.

It is the speaker's job to maintain order during floor debate, to recognize legislators who wish to speak and to rule on parliamentary matters.

Members determine the speaker's duties by adopting rules by a majority vote at the beginning of the session.

The speaker:

- Signs all bills and joint resolutions, and as a member of the House may vote on all questions before the body;
- Appoints members of each standing committee and designates the chair and vice chair for each committee;
- Refers proposed legislation to committee; and
- Appoints conference committees, creates select committees and directs committees to conduct interim studies when the Legislature is not in session.

## AGs file First Amendment brief

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott and a bipartisan coalition of attorneys general representing all 50 states and the U.S. Virgin Islands on Jan. 8 took legal action to defend the constitutionality of prayer during the inauguration of Barack Obama as president on Jan. 20.

In a friend of the court brief written by Abbott and filed with the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, the state attorneys general defended the president-elect's right to say the words "so help me God" while reciting the presidential oath of office.

Abbott's office said the brief was filed in an effort to defeat a legal challenge filed on Dec. 30 by parties claiming that the traditions of an inaugural prayer and an oath of office that includes the words "so help me God" violate the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment.

## Legislative bill filing continues

Texas House and Senate members have been able to pre-file legislation since early November. Here are a few more bills recently filed by House members:

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# OBITUARIES

## Marie Field Carter

SEMINOLE — Graveside services for Marie Field Carter, 75 of Hobbs, New Mexico was held at 2:00 pm Saturday, January 10, 2009 at the Gaines County Cemetery in Seminole with services under the direction of Ratliff Funeral Home of Seminole.

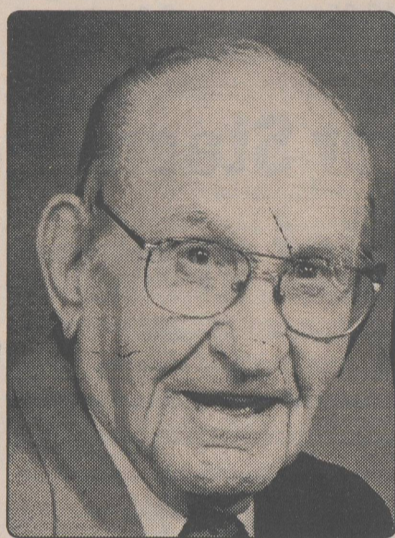
Marie passed away Wednesday, January 7, 2009 in Eldorado, Texas. Marie was born March 6, 1933 in Rencon, New Mexico to C.U. and Minnie Davis. Marie was married to Paul C. Carter who preceded her in death. She was also preceded by a sister Fern Mason, two brothers R.L. Davis and S.M. Davis, granddaughter-in-law Misty Williams Key and granddaughter Keely Carter.

Marie is survived by a son Alan Swinford and wife Jamye of Crane,

a daughter Sonja Key and her husband Joe of Eldorado, step children Mike Carter and his wife Julie and Sharla Ogden and her husband Paul all of Seminole, her sister Helen McClendon and her husband Ray of Hot Springs, Arkansas, Grandchildren Bryce Swinford, Ty Swinford, Callye Alvarado, Staci Key, B.J. Key, Buddy Key, Alex Carter, Kross Carter, Channing Carter, Chris Ogden and Tanner Ogden, great-grandchildren Evan Alvarado, Caleb Alvarado, Isabelle Alvarado, Taylor Jenkins, Sam Jenkins, Mika Key, Emily Nixon and Kaden Key, along with many nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank Carolyn Porter and Isabelle Villanueva for all of their friendship and help the last year.

## Carey L. Tramel 1916-2008



be found reading a dictionary, a western novel, a chemistry text book or the newspaper comics. He loved to tell jokes, and he was generous to a fault with his limited material goods. Even late in his life, he had an excellent memory for events and dates.

Mr. Tramel was predeceased by his wife, Lola, in 2005, his parents, two brothers, Doyle Tramel of Indiana and Elston Tramel of California, and two sisters, Coleen Pascal of Oregon and Vila Hill of Arkansas and Texas.

Mr. Tramel is survived by one sister, Noma Paul, of California, and by his three children, daughter Sandra Tramel Gaines and husband Larry of Odessa, Texas, son Carey Don Tramel and wife Sara of Austin, Texas, and daughter Brenda Tramel Hardesty and husband Danny of Schleicher County, Texas.

Also grieving the loss of their Papa are five grandchildren: Michael Gaines and wife Bobbie of Odessa, Steven Tramel Gaines and wife Tamara of Spartanburg, South Carolina, Mark Gaines and wife Kendra of Farmington, New Mexico, Doug Hardesty and wife Shaina of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Elizabeth Tramel of Austin, Texas. Carey leaves three great-grandchildren, Cassandra Gaines of Lamesa, Texas, and Timothy and Mary Ann Gaines of Odessa, Texas. He will also be missed by numerous loving in-laws, nieces, nephews, cousins and church friends.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, December 16, 2008 at Paschal Funeral Home in Kerens, Texas. Mr. Tramel's grandson, Steven Tramel Gaines, spoke at the funeral. Pallbearers were grandsons Mark Gaines, Doug Hardesty, and Steven Tramel Gaines, brothers-in-law Jesse Jenkins and Stringer Jenkins, and great-nephew Ty Hall. Honorary pallbearers were grandchildren Michael Gaines and Elizabeth Tramel. Interment followed at Prairie Point Cemetery in Bazette, Texas.

Memorial contributions can be made either to Hospice of San Angelo, 36 E Tyohig Ave #1100, San Angelo, TX 76903 or to the Prairie Point Cemetery Association, 3015 FM 636, Kerens, TX 75144.

Carey Livingstone Tramel passed from this life on Thursday, December 11, 2008, at the age of 92 years, 4 months and 15 days, in San Angelo, Texas. He was born on July 26, 1916, in Greer County, Oklahoma, the fifth of six children born to James Dennis Tramel and his wife Verna Etha (Hudson) Tramel.

At an early age, he moved with his family to Bazette in Navarro County, Texas, where the family lived "on the sand hill" and farmed on property belonging to his cousin Jasper Tramel, in the area later known as the Hancock Ranch. Carey attended school at the three-room Wilson Schoolhouse and then graduated from Kerens High School in 1934.

On January 20, 1944, Carey married Lola Jenkins, whom he had known for most of his life. They had a long and happy marriage, living in Corsicana, Dallas, Ft. Worth, Oklahoma, and finally Midland, Texas. In Midland, he and his wife were long-time members of the Cuthbert & Austin St. church of Christ, where he served as an elder for several years. After his wife's death, Mr. Tramel moved to Schleicher County, Texas, near Eldorado, to live with one of his daughters.

During World War II, Mr. Tramel worked as an airplane mechanic, repairing and maintaining pilot-training planes at the airfield in Corsicana. At other times in his life he worked as a farmer, an insurance salesman, a funeral home assistant, a carpenter, a cabinet maker, a shrimp boat captain, an A & E airplane and helicopter mechanic, a truck driver, an inventor and a commodities trader. He was always reading, and often he could

# REHAB 2009 Telethon slated for Saturday

Eldorado call 853-2544 or stop by Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative

The excitement is building as West Texas Rehabilitation Center readies for its biggest night of the year—Saturday, January 17th—the date of the Center's 39th annual Rehab 2009 Telethon.

Texas country music icon Pat Green will headline the five-hour telecast originating live from the Abilene Civic Center. Ten television stations, including KLST-TV in San Angelo, will televise Rehab 09 where viewers are asked to commit their support for WTRC program at facilities in Abilene, San Angelo and Ozona. Satellite viewers may use Galaxy 17/14C.

Sharing the stage with Green will be hosts Red Steagall, Texas cowboy singer/poet and Charlie Chase, Nashville television personality. Also providing entertainment will be popular "regulars" Bill and Susan Hayes, Brad Maule, Anacani, Twyla Foreman and the Rehab 09 Orchestra.

In addition to the Civic Center phone bank, Concho Valley communities will be hosting area phone banks and/or conducting mail campaigns in support of Rehab. They include Ballinger, Big Lake, Brady, Bronte, Christoval, Eden, Eldorado, Garden City, Menard, Mertzon, Miles, Ozona, Paint Rock, Robert Lee, Sonora and Sterling City.

A growing segment of the telethon is the auction which features more than 450 items donated by businesses and individuals. Interested persons may visit the internet bid site at [www.rehabauction.org](http://www.rehabauction.org). Also, an auction tab and toll-free bidding number will be published Jan. 17 in the SA Standard-Times.

American Airlines/American Eagle is the official airlines for Rehab 09 and Area-Wide Phone Book is a contributing sponsor for this year's telethon. MCM Elegante Suites Hotel is the host hotel and auction support is being provided by Communications.

Traditionally, the benefit telecast raises more than \$1 million for the Center's operating expenses. More than 23,000 children and adults with disabling illnesses and injuries are treated annually at WTRC facilities. Since 1953,



PHOTO BY J.L. MANKIN

The story of Landon McSherry of Eldorado will be featured at Saturday night at 7:50 p.m. during the 2009 REHAB Telethon. Landon is the son of Selina Rojas and Josh McSherry of Eldorado. Grandparents are Juaquin & Soila Rojas of Eldorado & Randy & Grace McSherry of Menard.

the Center's mission has been to improve the quality of life for those it serves, regardless of their financial circumstances.

From a single building with 17 patients, the Rehab Center has grown into a nationally-respected organization with more than 270 staff members based at three campuses. As a non-profit entity, the Center relies on donor support to supplement treatment revenues in order to meet a \$20 million budget.

For more information about Rehab 09 telethon, the auction or ways to support the Center, call 325-223-6300.

## Meals for Friends Menu



- MONDAY January 19th, 2009**  
Chicken Fried Steak, Oven Fried Potatoes, Carrots, Hot Rolls, Vanilla Pudding w/Fruit, Milk
- TUESDAY January 20th**  
Chicken Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Mexican Corn, Tossed Salad, Lemon Pudding, Milk
- WEDNESDAY January 21st**  
Meat w/Spaghetti Sauce, Spaghetti Noodles, Zucchini Squash, Garlic Bread, White Cake w/Caramel Icing, Juice, Milk
- THURSDAY January 22nd**  
Smothered Steak w/Onions, Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, apple Crisp, Orange Juice, Milk
- FRIDAY January 23rd**  
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by Linda Thistle

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		6	5	1	7
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# Lady Eagles are 2-0 in district play

by J.L. Mankin  
 The Eldorado Lady Eagles started off their 2009 district run with victories in their first two games against Menard and Miles. The Lady Eagles found themselves in a seven point hole Friday night in Menard, but Bridget Mitchell's three second half three-pointers helped the team fight back for a 45-43 victory.

"It was a big win for us," Head Coach Jesse Rubio said. "Anytime you can win on the road in district play it is big."

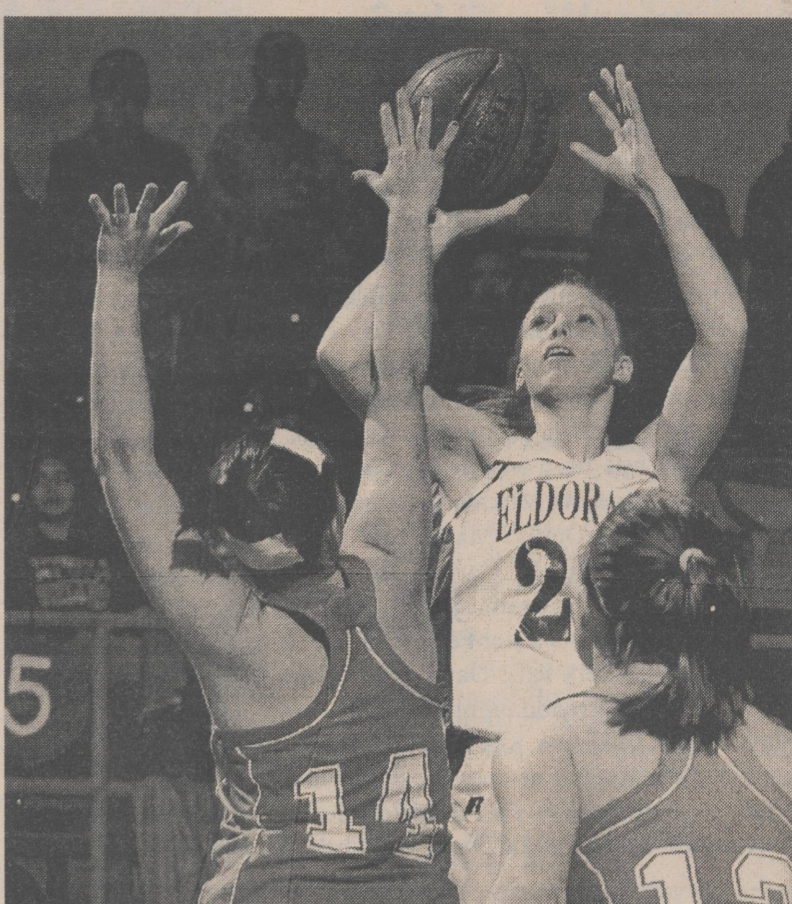
Mitchell led the team in the contest with eleven points, all of which came in the second half. Haley Higgins also made it to

double digits in the game registering 10 points with six of those coming in the second half.

Aubrey Martinez finished the night with seven points, three of which came from beyond the arc. Both Corrie Williams and Briana Creek managed six points. Creek's six came in the first half while Williams hit her stride in the second.

Allison Jarrett finished out the scoring for the Eagles with a three-pointer in the first quarter.

The Lady Eagles allowed Menard to score in double digits in the first three quarters of the game, but locked them down to eight points in the fourth to tally up the win.



Haley Higgins put this shot up over a Christoval defender as the Lady Eagles took on the Lady Cougars in Eagle Gym Tuesday night. The Eldorado girls won the game 60-35 to move to 2-0 in District Play. Higgins scored 22 and blocked 5 shots in the contest.

**SCISD School Lunch Menu**

**BREAKFAST MENU**  
**Monday January 19, 2009**  
 Blueberry Muffin, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk  
**Tuesday January 20**  
 Biscuits/Sausage, Jelly, Choice of Juice, Milk  
**Wednesday January 21**  
 Cinnamon Toast, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk  
**Thursday January 22**  
 French Toast/Syrup, Choice of Juice, Milk  
**Friday January 23**  
 Buttered Toast/ Jelly, Choice of Cereals.

**CAFETERIA LINE**  
**Monday January 19, 2009**  
 Chicken Nuggets/Gravy, Broccoli / Cheese, Tossed Salad, Pineapple Slices  
**Tuesday January 20**  
 Chili Dogs/Cheese Cup, Fritos, Pork-n-Beans, Mixed Fruit  
**Wednesday January 21**  
 Stacked Cheese Enchiladas/Chili, Lettuce / Tomato, Spanish Rice, Pear Halves  
**Thursday January 22**  
 Pep Pizza, Tossed Salad, Sugar Cookies  
**Friday January 23**  
 BBQ on a Bun, Baked Chips, Pickle Slices, Orange Halves

**BASKET LINE**  
**Monday January 19, 2009**  
 Mc Rib Sandwich, Baked Chips, Cucumber Slices, Pineapple, Slices  
**Tuesday January 20**  
 Chili Dogs/Cheese Cup, Fritos, Pork-n-Beans, Mixed Fruit  
**Wednesday January 21**  
 Pep Hot Pockets, Ranch Style Beans, Carrot Stix/Dip, Pear Halves  
**Thursday January 22**  
 Chef Salad/Dressing, Diced Ham, Cheese Cup, Crackers(8), Sugar Cookies  
**Friday January 23**  
 Bar B Q on a Bun, Pickles/, Baked Chips, Orange Halves

ALL MENUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

The Lady Eagles contest with Miles on Tuesday night proved to be less of a problem for them as they moved to 2-0 in district play with their 60-35 win.

"Miles was missing their starting point guard due to illness," Rubio said. "That helped us out a little. The real thing that I took away from these past two games is that our girls are starting to peak. It's a good time for that."

Higgins led the scoring with 22 points on the night. Ten of that total came in the first quarter of play.

Martinez was the only other Lady Eagle to make it to double digits with 13 points.

Mitchell finished with nine points while Jarrett was close behind with eight.

Creek, Victoria Garza, Brittaney Luce and Williams each had two points.

"We will take the win, but are already focussed on the next task at hand," Rubio said. "It would be huge if we could escape Christoval with a 3-0 record."

The Lady Eagles will play Christoval Friday night in Christoval.

"This will be a big game for both teams," Rubio said. "They (Christoval) will have their backs against the wall, and we will be looking to stay on top of the district."

The game is slated to begin at 6:30 pm.

## Eagles win over Steers, ready for district opener

by J.L. Mankin  
 The Eldorado Eagles varsity boys basketball team hosted the Robert Lee Steers on Friday night and notched up a 45-43 victory.

Dustin Ramos led the Eagles with 21 total points in the contest.

The Eagles held a slight edge at halftime heading into the intermission with a one point lead. The Eagles pulled away during the third quarter extending their lead to 37-31.

Robert Lee rallied back in the

fourth quarter to make it a close game.

Eldorado found all the points it needed from two three-pointers by Ramos and a field goal from Josh Jurecek to seal the deal.

Paul Martinez ended the night with seven points.

Both Mason Baker and Jurecek finished with six points. Rancy Cathey had four while Ryan Castillo tallied one point.

The Eagles will kick off their district run Friday night in Christoval.

## HOOP SCORES

### JV GIRLS

#### ELDORADO JV TOURNAMENT December 4, 2008

Eldorado 10-12-04-04=28  
 Winters 04-07-04-08=23  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Abby Fuentes 12, Ashley Paulson 12, Laura Garcia 2, Brittaney Gauna 2 and Amy Alvizo 2.

#### ELDORADO JV TOURNAMENT December 6, 2008

Eldorado 06-05-04-07-02=24  
 Mason 09-07-04-02-03=25  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Abby Fuentes 6, Ashley Paulson 5, Laura Garcia 2, Amy Alvizo 10.

#### December 9, 2008

Eldorado 14-10-07-06=37  
 Ricksprings 04-08-05-03=20  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Abby Fuentes 5, Melissa Gonzales 2, Brianda Torres 3, Ashley Paulson 5, Marissa Gonzales 3, Laura Garcia 4, Kiki Rodriguez 2, Amy Alvizo 10, Lauren Rubio 1.

#### January 9, 2009

Eldorado 01-02-12-07=20  
 Menard 03-02-11-03=19  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Abby Fuentes 6, Melissa Gonzales 2, Carli McAngus 4, Ashley Paulson 2, Laura Rubio 6.

### JV BOYS

#### November 25, 2008

Eldorado 08-16-14-10=48  
 Eden 06-09-10-15=40  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Anthony Mata 2, Allen Espinosa 5, Nathan Jimenez 2, Tyler Farmer 2, David Luna 10, Miguel Luna 2, Aaron Parsley 14, Domingo Torres 2, Briley Ledbetter. 3 point goal: Espinosa (1).

### JV GIRLS

#### November 11, 2008

Eldorado 07-06-08-10=03=31  
 Rankin 05-11-09-06=03=33  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Abby Fuentes 4, Carli McAngus 4, Ashley Paulson 13, Marissa Gonzales 2, Laura Garcia 2, Brittaney Gauna 2 and Lauren Rubio 6.

#### November 14, 2008

Eldorado 10-09-12-14=45  
 Comstock 12-07-03-07=29  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Abby Fuentes 6, Melissa Gonzales 2, Carli McAngus 2, Ashley Paulson 21, Marissa Gonzales 2, Laura Garcia, Alyssa Galindo 4, Lauren Rubio 6.

#### November 25, 2008

Eldorado 04-11-10-13=34  
 Eden 04-09-04-02=19  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Abby Fuentes 10, Melissa Gonzales 2, Carli McAngus 6, Ashley Paulson 11, Laura Garcia 1, Kiki Rodriguez 2, and Lauren Rubio 2.

#### December 2, 2008

Eldorado 08-05-06-13=32  
 Grape Creek 03-04-02-08=8  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Abby Fuentes 7, Carli McAngus 2, Ashley Paulson 8, Lauren Rubio 3, Amy Alvizo 12.

#### ELDORADO JV TOURNAMENT December 4, 2008

Eldorado 08-12-14-08=42  
 Junction 02-06-02-13=23  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Abby Fuentes 9, Melissa Gonzales 1, Carli McAngus 2, Ashley Paulson 10, Marissa Gonzalez 2, Lauren Rubio 7, Amy Alvizo 7. 3 point goals: L. Rubio (1),

### JV BOYS

#### December 2, 2008

Eldorado 23-00-16-16=55  
 Grape Creek 23-00-10-08=41  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Joseph Rubio 4, Allen Espinosa 2, Nathan Jimenez 2, Michael Rubio 12, Zach Taylor 1, David Luna 10, Aaron Parsley 10, Anthony Mata 2, Briley Ledbetter 12. 3 point goals: Rubio (2).

#### ELDORADO JV TOURNAMENT December 4, 2008

Eldorado 02-08-02-05=22  
 Miles 07-03-04-06=20  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Joseph Rubio 4, Michael Rubio 1, Nathan Jimenez 1, Tyler Farmer 2, David Luna 12, Zack Taylor 1, and Briley Ledbetter 1.

#### ELDORADO JV TOURNAMENT December 6, 2008

Eldorado 10-13-10-07=40  
 Mason 10-10-06-16=42  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Joseph Rubio 10, Michael Rubio 3, Allen Espinosa 2, Nathan Jimenez 2, Tyler Farmer 2, David Luna 4, Aaron Parsley 11, Briley Ledbetter 6. 3 point goals: M. Rubio (1).

#### ELDORADO JV TOURNAMENT December 6, 2008

Eldorado 10-03-02-10=25  
 Christoval 07-09-04-07=27  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Michael Rubio 13, Nathan Jimenez 4, David Luna 2, Aaron Parsley 1, Briley Ledbetter 4. 3 point goals: M. Rubio (4).

#### December 9, 2008

Eldorado 16-13-12-15=56  
 Ricksprings 08-14-06-13=41  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Joseph Rubio 21, Michael Rubio 6, Allen Espinosa 6, Tyler Farmer 3, Miguel Luna 4, Aaron Parsley 10, Anthony Mata 2, and Briley Ledbetter 4. 3 point goals: J. Rubio (2), M. Rubio (1), Tyler Farmer (1)

#### January 6, 2009

Eldorado 14-11-07-23=55  
 McCamey 03-16-12-08=37  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Joseph Rubio 10, Michael Rubio 9, Allen Espinosa 3, Nathan Jimenez 5, Tyler Farmer 3, Zach Taylor 2, David Luna 6, Miguel Luna 5, Aaron Parsley 8, Briley Ledbetter 2 and Anthony Mata 2. 3 point goals: J. Rubio (2), M. Rubio (1), Espinosa (1), Luna (2)

#### January 9, 2008

Eldorado 09-08-13-08=38  
 Robert Lee 02-04-07-08=21  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Joseph Rubio 11, Michael Rubio 6, Allen Espinosa 5, Tyler Farmer 7, Briley Ledbetter 9. 3 point goal: J. Rubio (3), Espinosa (1), Farmer (1).

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PHOTO BY RANDY MANKIN

## School board holds first meeting of 2009

The Schleicher County ISD board of trustees met Monday evening, January 12, 2009 in the Eldorado High School library.

Superintendent Billy Collins began the meeting by acknowledging that Governor Rick Perry has declared January to be School Board Appreciation Month. Collins presented each trustee with a certificate of appreciation from the district and the Texas Association of School Boards.

Collins further praised the board members for having completed 100 percent of their required training. He then listed the number of continuing education hours for each of the trustees with all of them having totaled more than required by the state.

Collins then advised the board that enrollment increased by about 10 over the Christmas holidays. Presently the school has 625 students enrolled.

Technology Director J.D. Doyle then updated the board on a Rural Technology Grant the school recently received for the purchase of software to assist with remedial study and the English as a Second Language (ESL) curriculum.

Doyle also presented a power point program in which students and sponsors in the Elementary and Middle School UIL program were named and recognized for their efforts.

Finance Director Ray Ballew then reviewed the district's financial reports. He noted that the

district has received 78.5 percent of its budgeted General Fund revenue while expending 26 percent for the fiscal year.

In other business, the trustees reviewed and approved the minutes of the December 15, 2008 meeting. They also called an election for May 9, 2009 for Single Member Districts 1, 2 & 5. Those seats are currently held by Robert Jay, Jan Wanoreck and Lupe Sanchez.

The trustees then approved an out-of-district field trip for the local TAFE chapter.

The board then entered into

a lengthy closed door session for the annual superintendent's evaluation. When they emerged into open session it was announced that the board would consider a new contract for Superintendent Collins at their February board meeting.

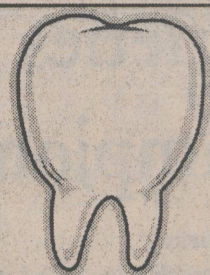
Monday night's meeting was also attended by Elementary Principal Houston Hendryx, EHS Principal Scotty Carman and EHS English teacher Teresa Vasquez.

The trustees will meet next on Monday, February 9, 2009 at 6 p.m. in the High School Library.



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Breeder's Grand Champion belt buckle was presented to Robin Davis and Mason Hutto by Brian Edmiston, West Texas Rehab Meat Goat Committee Chairman. The Hutto Family donated the meat goat that was selected as Grand Champion Meat Goat at the WTRC Jackpot December 13.



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18th Michael Creek, Alana Dakan, James Robinson, Corie Williams, Inez Tevino, Melanie Stricklan

19th Kim Jacobs, Wendy Daniels

20th Bryan Sproul, Kameron Edmiston, Keith Nolen, Alma Williams, Bob Wanoreck

21st Vera Faye Bradshaw, Chad Williams, Mary Lyn Jones, David Nolen, Jessica Robertson, Victorina Rivera, Ernest Barrera

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## Weekly Crossword Puzzle

### ACROSS

- Sudden outburst
- Garden hose crimp
- Middle of a triple jump
- Liver, but not onions
- Shaving gel additive
- Russia's \_\_\_ Mountains
- Place to store crops
- "You betcha"
- Fighting words
- Biblical shout of praise
- Really hard on the eyes
- Dirty dishes locale
- Traveler's bag
- Tech caller
- Cry out loud
- Decathlon unit
- Treat served with tea
- Norton, to Kramden
- Straight up, at the bar
- Make smooth, in a way
- Von Braun's org.
- Comics bark
- Wearing a puss
- "It slices, it \_\_\_"
- Columbo et al. Abbr.
- Cookery's Rombauer

### DOWN

- Really ticked
- "I" or "me": Abbr.

### ACROSS

- One of wine's Gallo brothers
- Clobber with snowballs
- Auto parts giant
- Auto safety item
- Seventeen-year bugs
- Skip over 60. Place to make deposits
- Baskin-Robbins buy
- Be gaga over
- Paint finish
- WHO and NOW, for two: Abbr.
- Got a gander of
- Put to shame

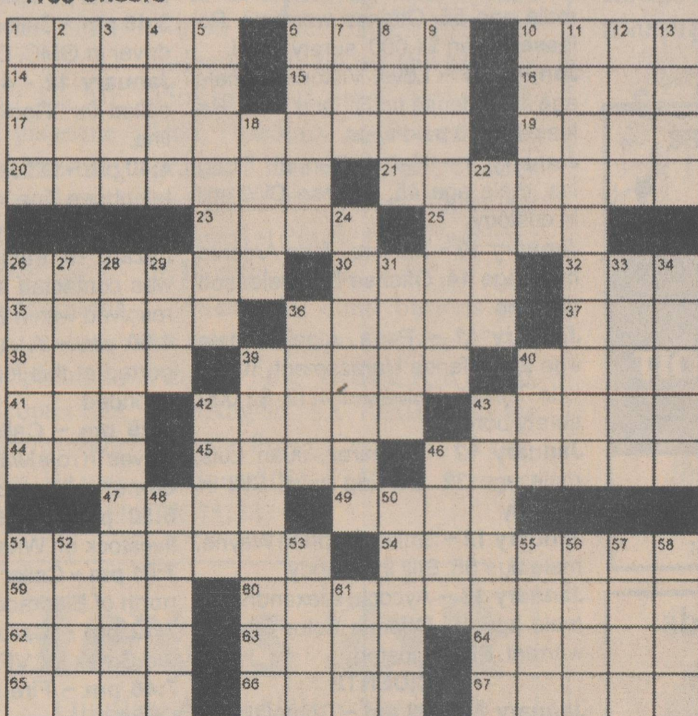
### DOWN

- Bug-eyed
- Brit's "later!"
- Form a hard coating on
- Superman, at birth
- Green around the gills
- Father of Ham
- Lamp fuel
- Lazy girl?
- Selling point for a

### ACROSS

- full-size auto, perhaps
- Bring home
- "Nolo contendere," e.g.
- Small advantage
- Knightly address
- Cancun's peninsula
- Open to bribery
- Fend off
- Auto suspension part
- Negative stat for a QB
- Play Station maker
- Caravan stopovers
- Great time, slangily
- Inner city eyesore
- Like a laptop
- "Delta of Venus" author
- Tidy sum
- Pre-euro Greek currency
- Grandier than grand
- \_\_\_ Park, Colo.
- In need of Clearasil
- Chanel of fashion
- "Omnia vincit \_\_\_"
- "Iliad" locale
- Common rhyme scheme
- Flash drive filler
- Aardvark's meal
- \_\_\_-Ball (arcade game)
- Many a Monopoly property: Abbr.

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# Olsak Pawnee varieties claim Grand Champion

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LeRoy Olsak of Eldorado won Grand Champion and 1st place in the Commercial Division with the Pawnee Variety and 2nd place with a Western Variety. Olsak also placed 2nd Place in the Variety in the Classic and New Division with

the Nacono Variety.

Floyd Frierich place 2nd in the Commercial Division with his Apache Variety.

The different divisions and pecan variety were as follows in the Commercial Division are Cheyenne, Choctaw, Desirable, Forkert, Hopi, Kanza, Kiowa, Mohawk, Oconee, Pawnee, Schley, Sioux, Western and Wichita. In the Classic and New Division: Apache, Barton, Burkett, Comanche, Elliott, GraTex, Mahan, Nacono, Navaho and Podesnik, Prilop, and Saba Improved, Stuart and Other Varieties/Variety Seedlings

## HONOR ROLL

### Eldorado High School Honor Roll 3rd Six Weeks

**9TH Grade**  
**"A" Honor Roll:** Brianne Creek, Abby Fuentes, Amanda Garcia, Kairos McCollum, Christian Sanchez.  
**A/B Honor Roll:** Maddie Bilbrey, Clarissa Castro, Allen Espinosa, Ryan Fortenberry, Clarissa Gomez, Marissa Gonzales, Melissa Gonzales, Polli Guerrero, Malena Romo, Ana Sanchez, Charli Swinford, Brianda Torres.

**10th Grade**  
**"A" Honor Roll:** Amy Alvizo, Kaitlyn Bluford, Jaymie O'Harrow, Ashley Paulson, Lauren Rubio, Ben Wipff.  
**A/B Honor Roll:** Morgan Barker, Zack Brame, Robert Buchholz, Allyson Jarrett, Miles Mikeska, Lourdes Pasillas, Conrad Robledo, Yadira Zambrano

**11th Grade**  
**"A" Honor Roll:** Timothy Cuevas, Dylan Dombroski, Emily Espinosa,

## HONOR ROLL

### Eldorado Elementary Honor Roll 3rd Six Weeks

**Second Grade**  
**Mrs. Meador's Class**  
**"A" Honor Roll:** Cayden Boone, Antonio Contreras, Lorena Huerta, Kaden Johnson, Christine Lindsey, Gregory Martinez, Yajaira Martinez, Eddykah Rodriguez, Dacey Roubison.  
**Honor Roll:** Colton Arndt, Shawn Solis, Hailey Gandar.

**Mrs. O'Harrow's Class**  
**"A" Honor Roll:** Regina Alvizo, Adan Garza, Jack Griffin, Riley Jones, Kamren Turner, Payton Whitten.  
**Honor Roll:** Ram Barajas, Marison DeLuna, Courtney Espinosa, Micaela Forlano, Julian Gandar, Alexis Vallejo.

**Mrs. Sessom's Class**  
**"A" Honor Roll:** Hope Barajas, Trent Collins, Laura Coronado, Makenzie Gross, Jackie Lozano, Wyatt Mertz, Bobby Moreno, Jose Moza.  
**Honor Roll:** Cristina Estrada, Julio Narvaez, Savannah Torres.

**Mrs. Emmons' Class**  
**"A" Honor Roll:** Brooke Carman, C.J. Covarrubiaz, Anthony Olivarez.  
**Honor Roll:** Austin Alvin, Emelie Estrada, Ryan Farmer, Hannah Fortenberry, Mark Muniz, Mercadez Ochoa, Alyssa Rinehart.

**Third Grade**  
**Mrs. Jones' Class**  
**"A" Honor Roll:** Fatima Contreras, Taylor Emmons, Dakota Gross, Andi Morris.  
**Honor Roll:** Madison Arispe, Vanessa DeHoyas, Daniel Lopez,

Eric Luna, Emelym Reyes, Alexis Villanueva, Logan Wong, Rogelio Zamora.

**Mrs. Self's Class**  
**"A" Honor Roll:** Keegan McCollum, Wiley Martin, Sierra Forlano.  
**Honor Roll:** Emmy Arispe, Ashely Dumas, Amalio Villanueva, Faith Kotsch, Wiley Martin, Michelle Martinez.

**Fourth Grade**  
**Mrs. Beach's Class**  
**"A" Honor Roll:** Marisa Arispe, Victor Castro, Kade Creek, Luis Miguel Martinez, Will Mynatt, Emily Nixon, Riley Umphress.  
**Honor Roll:** Branda Gail Arispe, Paige Corrales, Jonathan Fortenberry, Elizabeth Griffin, Jay Ruiz, Jordan Stanford.

**Mrs. Dearman's Class**  
**"A" Honor Roll:** Mikah Boone, Mathias Buitron, Noah Sorrells.  
**Honor Roll:** Katya Gonzalez, Trace Hariman, Hudson Martin, Chase Mertz, Zelenia Vasquez.

**Mrs. Edmiston's Class**  
**"A" Honor Roll**  
 Franklin Buchholz, Sydney Covarrubiaz, Jess Gonzales, Davis Hutto, Arantza Sanchez.  
**Honor Roll:** Bernardo Cruz, Canyon Faull, Star Foley, Priscilla Gander, Javier Garcia, Miriam Garcia, Joe Hash, Keanu Hernandez, Jennifer Miller, Branda Minor

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### Eldorado Middle School Honor Roll 3rd Six Weeks

**5th Grade**  
**"A" Honor Roll:** Lucy Adwell, Bryce Carman, Jaime Chancellor, Danielle Clark, Garret Emmons, Grant Emmons, Cade Ledbetter, Kaitlyn Lindsey, Sutarra Martinez, Heather Moreno, Abigail Narvaez, Jose Luis Olivares, Tito Rios, Rylea Self.  
**A-B Honor Roll:** Clayton Arendt, Deon Fuentes, Junior Gonzalez, T.J. Hudson, Fani Lopez, Christian Martinez, Johnathan Martinez, Julissa Martinez, Luisa Muñoz, Megan Powell, Strait Pridemore, Michael Rios, Rafael Ruezga, Eric Sanchez, Aaron Santelano, Jaxon Sheppard, Jake Swindall, Marinda Villanueva, Justin Whitten.

**6th Grade**  
**"A" Honor Roll:** Estephanie Estrada, McKenzie Angus, Erden Mertz, Ivie Kate Mynatt, Whitney Perez, Sheyllyn Piña, Stormi Rinehart, Esmeralda Ruezga.  
**A-B Honor Roll:** Jaqueline Castro, Breana Crofoot, Julian Garcia, Karli Garrett, Jessi Gonzalez, Elizabeth Guerrero, Tori Guerrero, Josie Ledezma, Brittney McCulloch, West Ramon.

### City considers RV request

Dr. Gordy Day and Dr. Jacqueline Jeffery appeared before the Eldorado City Council Monday to once more present a plan for RV or travel trailer placement on hospital property. The 75 ft. by 160 ft. location is to be high fenced and located near the parking lot on hospital property. The doctors stay in their RVs while they are on call at the medical center.

City Secretary Carolyn Mayo suggested a survey of the area be made and that the Hospital District board of trustees send a letter stating their agreement to the plan.

Mayo also suggested getting a flood plain survey because of the location. A public notice will be run later on the matter.

The property is considered commercial and under Zoning Ordinance #102-07 under Section 2 recreational vehicles parking facility is allowed. Mrs. Mayo stated

that the intention of the ordinance was a parking area for selling recreational vehicles.

Present for the Monday, January 12, 2008 meeting were Mayor John Nikolauk, council members Stacy Haynes, Stan Meador, Dora Bosmans, Richard Mendez, Jon Cartwright and Dorothy Dacy.

Utility Superintendent Floyd Fay's report focused mainly on landfill problems. Fay told the council that an arm on the city's loader is broken. Repairs will require more than \$10,000 to weld the break. Currently the City is renting a loader for \$7,500.00 a month.

The council discussed their options and the decision was to not to repair the loader and begin a search for a replacement. Fay also told the council he had lost two employees and gained one.

Mrs. Mayo informed the council the landfill budget is \$400,000 and the balance left for the year is \$35,000. Stan Meador voiced a concerned citizen's opinion on keeping the landfill open. Mayo stated she wanted the council to be aware of the problem.

Fay requested a new check meter to be placed at the gas plant.

It was noted the city is charging \$11 per mcf for natural gas. City Secretary Carolyn Mayo advised that the cost has been fluctuating but explained that she will leave the cost at \$11 for now.

Stacy Haynes inquired about a Verizon bill for a \$1,100. Fay told the council the city crews started digging and hit a telephone line. Fay told the council there were no markers to designate the phone line.

The council approved the December 9 meeting minutes and paid the bills. The council then voted Mayor Nikolauk as a representative to the CVCOG Executive Committee.

City Secretary Carolyn Mayo then gave a short report on the 2007-2008 audit before the council adjourned.

### Capital Highlights...

Rep. Ruth Jones McClendon, D-San Antonio, filed House Concurrent Resolution 14, a measure that would allow the Texas House and Senate to stand adjourned from Jan. 16 to Jan. 26. If passed, members would be free to travel to Washington, D.C., for the inauguration of President-elect Barack Obama.

Rep. Veronica Gonzales, D-McAllen, filed HB 484, legislation that would require each school district to report to the Texas Education Agency on an annual basis, information regarding each incident of bullying that occurred during the preceding school year in the district on school property, in a school vehicle, or at a school-sponsored or school-related activity, including at a school bus stop.

Rep. Rob Orr, R-Burleson, filed HB 499, a bill that proposes to change the name of the Railroad Commission of Texas to the Texas Energy Commission, effective Jan. 1, 2010.

Rep. Lois Kolkhorst, R-Brenham, filed HB 508, ordering a study of the effect on this state's economy of replacing all state and school district ad valorem tax revenue with revenue from a tiny tax placed on every financial transaction that occurs in the state.

## January is School Board Recognition Month

Governor Rick Perry has proclaimed January as School Board Recognition Month to build awareness and understanding of the vital function an elected board of education plays in our communities. The Schleicher County ISD is joining with other districts throughout the state to thank board members for caring so much about the future of every child enrolled in our public schools.

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"Even though we are making a special effort during January to show appreciation to our school board members, we recognize their work reflects a year-round commitment," Collins said. "Every day trustees demonstrate strength and dedication as they focus on excellence for their district programs, their teachers, and most importantly their students. They unselfishly contribute their time and talents toward the advancement of public schools, and represent a continuing commitment to local citizen control and decision making in education," he said.

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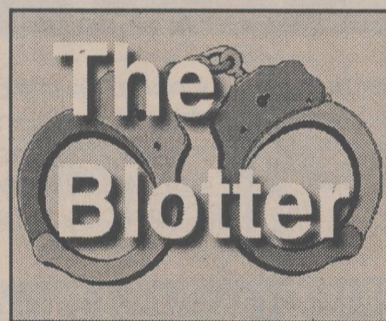
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**ARRESTS**  
**January 7** ~ Moorehouse, William, male age 55. Offense warrants. Release 1/8 on \$1,000. surety bond.  
**January 8** ~ Love, Victoria, female age 19. Offense no DL and fines. Released 1/10 paid fines.  
**January 9** ~ Harris, Bennett Douglas, male age 45. Offense DWI still in custody.  
**January 10** ~ Barrera, Jose Antonio, male age 44. Offense DWI released on bond.  
**January 11** ~ Pena, Alonzo, male age 20. Offense Harassment; Terroristic Threat. Released 1/12 \$2,000. surety bond.  
**January 12** ~ Ramirez, Juan Luis, male age 32. Serving days. Still in custody.  
**January 12** ~ Smith, Stephen Wayne, male age 55. Still in custody.  
**January 13** ~ Aycock, Alexandria female age 19. Offense Ector County warrant. Still in custody.

**INCIDENTS**  
**January 7 - 8:29 am** ~ Complainant reported loud music at location. Officer reported music was not loud, but there was a lot of remodeling going on.  
**8:29 am** ~ Caller reported missing batteries from business. Estimated value \$250. Officer responded.  
**10:18 am** ~ Caller reported an unattended death. Officer and JP re-

sponded.  
**1:27 pm** ~ Caller reported an older man grabbed phone and threw it on ground. Estimated value \$190.  
**7:01 pm** ~ Caller reported people on her land trespassing cutting firewood.  
**7:30 pm** ~ Caller advised us she found a check book and wanted to know if anyone called in on it.  
**7:42 pm** ~ Caller requested to speak to an officer. Officer responded.  
**10:54 pm** ~ Caller needed to speak to a deputy. Officer responded.  
**January 8 - 4:48 am** ~ Complainant reported telephone harassment from someone in Austin. Officer responded.  
**10:10 pm** ~ Officer reported a dead deer in roadway inside of city limits. Animal control responded.  
**January 10 - 2:50 pm** ~ Caller reported a pit bull. Officer responded.  
**3:49 pm** ~ Caller reported a reckless driver in GMC. Officer responded.  
**January 12 - 4:25 pm** ~ someone called for "Rocky" on a secure 911 line.  
**4:40 pm** ~ Officer reported a downed telephone line on Rudd Rd. about 1 mile east. Pole was not posing a hazard to traffic. Phone company was contacted and said it would be resolved within 24 hours.  
**4:50 pm** ~ A dumpster fire was reported at this location. Fire Dept. responded.  
**5:29 pm** ~ Caller reported 2 black calves in roadway. Officer responded. Owner contacted.  
**6:50 pm** ~ Caller reported stolen livestock on Wheat St.  
**7:01 pm** ~ Caller reported a large fire north of Eldorado. VFD responded.  
**7:12 pm** ~ Caller reported a fire at the Creek lot. VFD paged out.  
**7:46 pm** ~ Fire reported 2 north of CR312  
**10:12 pm** ~ Caller asked if there were any fires north of Eldorado.  
**10:22 pm** ~ Caller reported fire 12-15 miles north of Eldorado. Fire was getting near the road.  
**January 13 - 11:23 am** ~ Caller reported smoke N 277. Chief notified and reported back, just smoke, no fire.



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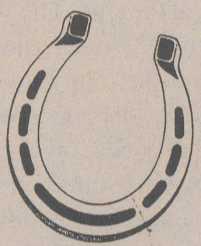
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Cassidy Arendt & Cooper Meador patiently waited their turn to show their goats in the Little Britches show at the 74th annual Jr. Livestock Show held Jan. 10 at the Civic Center.

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### Card of Thanks

**The Family of Agustina Rodriguez would like to say a big thank you to the Eldorado Emergency Medical Service, Volunteer Fire Department, the Schleicher County Sheriff Office, Melissa and TJ Rodriguez, Kathy, Cindy and anyone else involved in raising funds to distribute food to those in need.**

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# YFZ trial slated for October 26

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ing a ceremony prohibited by law;

- Leroy Johnson Steed - sexual assault of a child, bigamy, tampering with physical evidence; and
- Dr. Lloyd Barlow - failure to report abuse.

As Monday's hearing played out, it was revealed that the state has 12 terabytes of computer information seized during the raid. That equates to about a half million typeset pages in Microsoft Word format.

It was also revealed that au-

dio and video recordings taken by law enforcement officers during initial stages of the YFZ raid will be made available to attorneys for defendants. Assistant Attorney General Eric Nichols insisted, however, and Judge Walther agreed that the recordings are for "lawyers' eyes only" and not to be made available to others.

Judge Walther further explained that she will hear additional motions in the various cases on February 18th with April 15th being the deadline for motions to

be filed.

### Other Cases Heard

- Juan Luis Ramirez entered a guilty plea and was sentenced to an 8 year probated sentence on a DWI (3rd offense) charge. he will also pay \$2,500 in fines and \$7,042.51. Ramirez will be required to serve 10 days in county jail and will have his driver's license suspended for 2 years. He will also have a device placed on any vehicle in his possession for tracking purposes.

- Marcelo Iglesias Romo, pled guilty to aggravated assault with a deadly weapon as well as having a controlled substance in a correctional facility and a separate misdemeanor charge. Romo was sentenced to 4 years of deferred adjudication plus a \$1,000 fine and 2-10 years probation.

- Steven Wayne Smith appeared on charges of possession of a controlled substance/motion to revoke, failing a drug test, failing to pay for a drug test and other charges. Smith also pled guilty and will be serving 365 days in a state correctional facility. He will be paying a \$1,500 fine with a \$20 credit and \$140 restitution with a credit of \$60. Smith will also be serving 3 years in a state correctional facility for a Tom Green County offense. He has a credit of 27 days that he has been in confinement. Mr. Smith was taken into custody at the court to begin serving his sentence.

Jaymie O'Harrow was named Senior Showman at the 74th annual Jr. Livestock Show. Here he is showing his Champion Steer. Jaymie also received the Goat Showmanship award.



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# Jr. Livestock Show results listed

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The following are the placings for this years show. The top 5 places each received cash prizes. Champions also were awarded a Silver Buckle and Reserve Champions were awarded a Eldorado green duffle bag.

Grand Champion Lamb: Will Mynatt  
Reserve Champion Lamb: Ivy Kate Mynatt  
Class 1 & 2 Lamb (Cross): 1. Will Mynatt, 2. Emmie Mynatt  
Class 3 Lamb (Cross): 1. Rylea Self  
Class 4. (Dorper) 1. Sierra Forlano  
Class 5. 1. Patrick Self  
Class 6. 1. Micaela Forlano, 2. Sierra Forlano, 3. Micaela Forlano  
Grand Champion Goat: Davis Hutto  
Reserve Champion Goat: Davis Hutto

Class 1 Goats: 1. Davis Hutto, 2. Kevin Dykstra, 3. Clayton Arendt, 4. Colton Arendt  
Class 2 Goats: 1. Davis Hutto, 2. Will Mynatt, 3. Jaymie O'Harrow, 4. Kevin Dykstra, 5. West Brown, 6. Aaron Santellano 7. Tyler Martinez.

Class 3 Goats: 1. Kevin Dykstra, 2. Keegan McCollum, 3. Ashby Ragsdale, 4. Codee Meador, 5. Hunter West, 6. Jayton West  
Class 4 Goats: 1. Davis Hutto, 2. Wes Brown, 3. Garrett Lux, 4. Kevin Dykstra, 5. Codee Meador, 6. Chase Mertz, 7. Jody Pfueller.

Class 5 Goats: 1. Jaymie O'Harrow, 2. Jackson O'Harrow, 3. Chase Mertz, 5. Kevin Dykstra, 5. Kairos McCollum, 6. Ashby Ragsdale, 7. Keegan McCollum.

Class 6 Goats: 1. Jaymie O'Harrow, 2. Garrett Lux, 3. Arden Mertz 4. Jackson O'Harrow, 5. Jackson O'Harrow, 6. Kairos McCollum, 7. Mason Hutto.

Angora Goats: 1. Robert Buchholz, 2. Franklin Buchholz, 3. Dalton Buchholz, 4. Elizabeth Griffin, 5. Elizabeth Griffin, 6. Lane Griffin, 7. Lane Griffin.

Breeding Goats: 1. Jesse Pfueller  
Grand Champion Steer: Jaymie

O'Harrow Reserve Champion Steer: Jackson O'Harrow  
Steers: 1. Jaymie O'Harrow, 2. Jackson O'Harrow, and 3.. Megan Griffin  
Grand Champion Gilt: Marshall Faul

Reserve Champion Gilt: Aaron De Hoyas  
Class 1 Gilts 1. Marshal Faul 2. Aaron De Hoyas, 3. Canyon Faul, 4. Josh Taylor, 5. Josh Taylor, 6. Junior Lopez, 7. Junior Lopez, 8. Reece Faul, 9. Zach Taylor, 9. Aaron De Hoyas

Grand Champion Swine: Wyatt Mertz  
Reserve Champion Swine: Aaron Santellano  
Class 1 Swine: 1. Aaron Santellano, 2. Jess Gonzales

Class 2 Swine: 1. Aaron Santellano, 2. Canyon Faul, 3. Tyler Martinez  
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Class 3 Swine: 1. Wyatt Mertz, 2. Canyon Faul, 3. Marshal Faul, 4. Arden Mertz, 5. Jack Griffin

Again this year a Little Britches show was held allowing very young students to experience showing an animal in the ring. The youngsters were aided by older, more experienced youths. The Little Britches goat show was sponsored by 1st Community Federal Credit Union who's representative Dorothy Dacy handed out goodie bags to the participants.

NOTICE: Food and Art Show results will appear in next week's edition.



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Ivie Kate Mynatt (L) is holding her Reserve Champion Lamb and Will Mynatt (R) is holding his Champion Lamb. Ivie Kate received the Sheep Showmanship belt buckle at the 74th Jr. Livestock Show held January 10, 2008 at the Schleicher County Civic Center.

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Tree Cheers

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O	R	G	A	N	A	L	O	E	U	R	A	L	
R	O	O	T	C	E	L	L	A	R	S	U	R	E
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Answer to Sudoku on Page 3

1	6	5	4	3	2	9	7	8
4	3	8	6	7	9	5	2	1
9	7	2	8	5	1	4	3	6
7	8	3	9	4	6	2	1	5
5	2	9	1	8	3	7	6	4
6	1	4	7	2	5	8	9	3
8	5	1	3	9	7	6	4	2
2	9	6	5	1	4	3	8	7
3	4	7	2	6	8	1	5	9



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Davis Hutto was congratulated by judge Richard Long last Saturday as he was singled out for having the Grand Champion Goat during the 74th annual Jr. Livestock Show. Davis was also selected Junior Showman.

# County Commissioners...

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