Remember to VOTE in the SCISD trustee election on Saturday!



Newman & Redish claim Regional doubles title ...see Page 4



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# Sheriff's office recovers stolen car

#### Investigation leads to arrest of two San Angelo men

unrelated charges.

Damas Bar on Martin Luther King ficers surrounded the home. Drive in San Angelo, reported the Eldorado, parked at the Texaco he refused to come to the door." Star-Stop convenience store on North Divide Street. Investigators George Arispe kicked in the back hiding in a local residence.

Fields Street by Sheriff David Do- rized use of a motor vehicle. At

An investigation into the theft ran and three of his deputies. In that point, officers discovered that of a 2002 Pontiac Grand Prix in an effort to serve an arrest warrant Guerra was also wanted in Tom San Angelo last week, led to the on Guerra, the officers attempted Green County on a warrant to rerecovery of the car in Eldorado, the to gain entry to the house by hav-voke his probation on an earlier arrest of the suspect in that case ing Deputy David Olivan, dressed criminal trespass conviction. and the arrest of his brother on in civilian clothes, knock on the door and ask for directions. The investigation, Guerra's brother, Maria Flores, owner of the Las ruse failed, however, and the of- Isaias Guerra, 18, of San Angelo

"We believed Guerra was in the car stolen from in front of her busi- house but we weren't sure," said "We wanted to see if he had any ness on Tuesday evening, April 23, Sheriff David Doran after the ar- information in this case," stated 2002. It was found the next day in rest. "We knocked several times but Deputy Chatham.

At that point, Chief Deputy say that tips from confidential in- door and Sheriff Doran and Depformants indicated that the car had uty Jason Chatham entered the resbeen taken by Jesus Guerra, 23, of idence with their pistols drawn. San Angelo. It was also believed Moments later, Doran confronted ias Guerra was also wanted in Tom that Guerra was still in Eldorado, Guerra inside the house and took Green County on a charge of burhim into custody. Guerra was glary of a habitation. He was Guerra was apprehended later booked into the Schleicher Counquickly taken into custody and in the day at a residence on East ty Jail and charged with unautho-

As the officers continued their

was interviewed at the Schleicher County Jail on Saturday, April 27.

The younger Guerra offered the officers little in the way of useful information. However, while he was being interviewed, local dispatchers checked the statewide database and discovered that Isabooked into the jail.

Both men were arraigned before Justice of the Peace Jimmy Doyle. Jesse Guerra's bail was set at \$5,000.00 on the stolen car charge and \$5,000.00 on the motion to revoke his probation of a criminal trespass conviction. Meanwhile, a \$20,000.00 bond was set for Isaias Guerra on the burglary charge.

The brothers were then transferred to the Tom Green County Jail. Neither man had posted bond at press time.



Stolen car recovered — Deputy Jason Chatham searched for evidence last week inside this 2001 Pontiac Grand Prix. The vehicle, reported stolen in San Angelo the night before, was recovered the following day on the parking lot of the Texaco Star-Stop convenience store in Eldorado. Later in the day, Jesse Guerra, 22, of San Angelo was arrested at a residence on East Fields Street and charged with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

# EMS places seven on All-District Band

day, April 26, 2002.

Students from 17 schools rang- Llano concert. ing in size from 1A to 3A, compet-Early, Junction, Wall, Mason, Ster- April 27.

Region 7 West Zone Middle ling City, Cross Plains, Ozona, der the direction of Mr. Ray Lash-School All-District Band try-outs Bangs, Ballinger, Bronte, Grape way of Lubbock. It took one hour were held at Eldorado Middle Creek and Rising Star. 104 stu- for the band to learn each selec-School after school hours on Fridents advanced from the try-outs tion. Selections included: "Olymand went on to participate in the pic Spirit March" by Ralph Gin-

ed for All-District honors, Schools were selected to the All-District Tune from County Derry" arrepresented included: Eldorado, band and performed a concert on ranged by Paul Cook, "Chips and Sonora, Reagan Co., Brady, Llano, Saturday in Llano on Saturday, Salas" by Michael Story and

Performing for the Eagles rangement by Balent. were- Brence Minor (1st Chair (19th Chair Clarinet).

to play five music selections un- attend.

Friday, April 26, 2002.

gery, "The Curse of Tutankha-Seven students from Eldorado mun" by Michael Story, "Irish "Armed Forces on Parade" ar-

Students who also tried out Fri-Tuba), Liz Lacy (3rd Chair Clariday afternoon included: Rachel net) Rhapsody Swyter (5th Chair Joiner (Trumpet), Abel Montalvo Flute), Diego Barrera (7th Chair (Trumpet), Michael Hill-Snare Trombone), Hope Fuentes (10th (1st Alternate), Brittany Jennings Chair Flute), Liana Danford (12th (Clarinet), Karina Sanchez (Clar-Chair Flute) and Kristin Mittel inet). Johnny Larez (Trombone) qualified to go to the clinic/con-These students won the honor cert in Llano, but was unable to

# Churches open doors today for **National Day of Prayer**

churches will be open today and seek the solitude of a quiet sanctuthe National Day of Prayer.

time of uncertainty. We have all their lunch break. seen God's great faithfulness to our country."

The doors to several local opening their doors to those who available for their members and ary. Among the churches to notify guests who wish to participate in the Success of their plans include Agape Assembly of God, which President George W. Bush is- will be open from 6:00 a.m. until sued an annual proclamation, nam- 8:00 p.m. First Baptist Church will ing today, Thursday, May 2, 2002 be open from 8:00 to 8:00 p.m. Prias a National Day of Prayer. In it mera Iglesia Bautista will also be he said, "Especially since Septem- opening its doors throughout the ber 11, millions of Americans have day. St. Luke's Baptist Church will been led to prayer. They have be open during the noon hour and prayed for comfort in a time of Community Baptist Church will be grief, for understanding in a time open from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. of anger and for protection in a for those wishing to pray during

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church is planning a Praise Churches across the nation are Service 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

# Voters to decide 2 at-large seats on SCISD board

Working together — A group of men worked to raise a cross on

the courthouse lawn Saturday during the second annual Honor

Bound Chivo Cookoff sponsored by Templo Getsemani Church.

The exercise demonstrated that Christian men can accomplish

great things if they labor in a spirit of cooperation.

Schleicher County voters will decide two at-large seats on the ly voting portion of the election SCISD board of trustees Saturday. has been much greater than in re-Polls will open at 7:00 a.m. in the cent years when only single-mem-Memorial Building and will re- ber district seats were being decidmain open until 7:00 p.m.

Blanch explained that a settlement in early voting. appears to have been reached in a Judge Sam Cummins. If the judge ez. concurs with the order, Saturday's at-large district.

Interestingly, turnout in the ear-SCISD Superintendent George than 140 people had cast ballots

Five candidates are sparring for lawsuit brought against the district the two open seats on the SCISD by Albert and Ester Torres and board of trustees. Incumbent trust-Victor Belman. Blanch said that ee Jo Helen Kotsch, as well as Victhe two sides have filed an "agreed tor Belman, Lee Ann Higgins, order" with U.S. District Court John Paul Joiner and Tim Vasqu-

As is the custom, the results of election will go on as planned. the election will be posted in the Once the new board is seated, the window at the Success office as school district will move toward soon as the returns are made pubredistricting again along six sin- lic Saturday night. Also, the results gle-member district lines with one will be posted on the newspaper's website at www.myeldorado.net.

# Graduating seniors targeted in voters registration push

Secretary Shea is continuing this sage.' effort to reach out to our young our leaders of tomorrow and if

AUSTIN — Secretary of State they are not yet registered to vote, ed. On Tuesday morning, more Gwyn Shea, working in collabo- and are eligible to vote, they need ration with more than 1,800 high to get involved in the electoral proschools across the state, today unccess-and the time for that is now! veiled a voter outreach effort di- I will be traveling the state and am rected at approximately 226,000 excited about visiting with soongraduating high school seniors. to-be graduates and sharing with High school campuses will receive them my experiences as a public graduation cards containing a vot- servant, and more importantly, as er registration application for each a person who has been involved graduating senior the week of May in the electoral process for years as an elected, and now, an appoint-Building on the success of this ed official. Voting is paramount program first launched in 2001, and I'm here to spread that mes-

As part of a statewide public voters. "The youth of today are education effort, Secretary of State CONTINUED ON PAGE 6



All District Band — Claiming spots on the Middle School All-District Band for 2002 were: (Front L-R) Kristin Mittel, Hope Fuentes, Liz Lacy; (Back L-R) Diego Barrera, Brence Minor, Liana Danford and Rhapsody Swyter. The contest was held here in Eldorado on



# My apologies to the French, there are some things they do well...like surrender

Okay, now I've got the French mad at me. My comments in last week's column about the French needing an infusion of new blood didn't set well with some. One gentleman, and I am picking my words carefully here, pointed out that the French have added immeasurably to the world's culture and cuisine.

could not make it one more day, ers Orville and Wilbur Wright, on less American school children. blurted out, "The French were the ly flew their contraption. first to fly!"

Joseph and Jacques Montgolfier ary War.

# by Randy Mankin

are credited with making the first When I challenged him to name human flight...in a hot air balloon. one contribution the French have Of course, they only rode in the made without which the rest of us contraption. The American broththe man paused a moment then the other hand, well...they actual-

At that point I was reminded Excuse me. He was right. A that France had aided the Ameri- his age? couple of French brothers named can Patriots during the Revolution-

That's true enough. A very young Marquis Lafayette was sent troops in fending off the British, a the Mediterranean Sea. feat he performed so well that the itary strategists wanted it to. They were hoping the whole thing would drag on for a couple of decades, A survey done by the Texas two countries were fighting.

When the ragtag American army won too soon, Lafayette bore part of the blame. Anyway, he and all of the other Marquises, Counts, Viscounts, Dauphins and whatnot, typing it, and Honore Blanc, who were swept out of power during the French Revolution a few years later. A revolution that drew its inspiration from the Americans.

Well, how about the Statue of Liberty, I was asked. It was given to the U.S. by the French, wasn't it?

Well, yes and no. French sculptor Frederic Bartholdi designed the statue to be constructed on a frame designed by Gustave Eiffel, yep...the same guy that built the Eiffel Tower. Well, it seems that when the pieces made it to America they fit so poorly that much of the frame had to be reconstructed. Anyway, the base on which the statue stands, cost three times as much as the statue, and was paid for with pennies donated by count-

What about Napoleon, my protagonist stammered, wasn't he one of the greatest military minds of

Yes, Napoleon was a great general. In fact, one of the greatest of any age. The only problem is that he wasn't from France. He was to assist General Washington's from Corsica, an Italian island in

Feeling sorry for my adversary war ended years before French mil- I decided to help him out a bit. Of course, there were Pierre and Madam Marie Currie, who isolated the first radioactive isotopes, I said. weakening the British to the point Or, how about Jacques Cousteau, that France could win the war the ocean explorer and inventor of the aqua-lung?

Then there was Louis Pasteur, who discovered germs, Louis Braille the inventor of the Braille alphabet and the mechanism for invented the first military musket to use interchangeable parts.

At that point my opponent said, "See, I told you so."

Yes, you did, I told him, and I fully intend to apologize...the very next time I see Madam Currie.

# State employees won't be getting a pay raise

AUSTIN — For Texas' 200,000 or so state employees, the old adage cautioning against counting Highlights one's chickens before the eggs hatch has come true with Comptrol- by Mike Cox ler Carole Keeton Rylander's assertion that there is no money avail- impacts state sale tax reful able to fund a pay hike.

The last session of the Legisincrease for state workers for year. 2002, and a 3 percent pay raise for 2003 if money was available.

Comptroller Rylander said last as high as \$5 billion. week that the money just isn't there. The pay raise would have Veteran lawman dies cost \$191 million.

State Capital

motor vehicle taxes.

State workers won't be the only lature approved a 4 percent pay ones feeling the money pinch next

will be facing a budget shortfall 1945.

Col. Wilson E. (Pat) Speir, who Rylander blamed "very, very spent 12 years as director of the slow" economic growth, which Texas Department of Public Safety, died in Austin April 22.



#### A Bluebonnet Legend

other names such as buffalo clo- alive. ver, wolf flower and el conejo (the from the Texas sun.

Margaret Looper of Huntsville tant days. has studied bluebonnets and Indian legends that go along with the spoke: "I have heard from the popular wildflower. Margaret sup- Great Spirits who said the people plied Tomie dePaola material for have become selfish. They have the book, Legend of the Bluebon- taken from the earth without giv-

us what we have done to anger this offering shall be scattered to you. End this drought, Save your the 4 points of the earth. When this people. Tell us what we must do sacrifice is made, drought and fambring back life."

For three days, the dancers hardest on the very young and the want." very old. Among the few children left was a small girl named She- small girl took a glowing stick Who-Is-Alone.

dancers. In her lap was a doll made where the shaman had heard from from buckskin, a warrior doll. The the Great Spirits. She spoke. "Here eyes, nose and mouth were paint- is my warrior doll. It is the only ed on with the juice of berries. It thing I have from my family who wore beaded leggings and a belt died in this famine. It is my most of polished bone. On its head were valued possession. Please accept brilliant flue feathers from the bird it." She then gathered twigs and who cries "Jay-jay-jay." She loved started a fire with the glowing firher doll very much.

the hill to listen for words from the was covered with flowers, beauti-Great Spirits who would tell him ful flowers the color of the blue what to do so the rains would come feathers on her doll.

The bluebonnet is known by and the earth would be green and

While the shaman was gone to rabbit). Its most familiar name the hill, She-Who-Is-Alone probably began when settlers thought of the mother who made moved to Texas. The blue flower the doll, of the father who brought they saw growing wild were the blue feathers and her grandparthought to resemble the bonnets ents who had all died in the famworn by women to shield them ine. The warrior doll was the only thing she had left from those dis-

The shaman returned and ing anything back. The Great Spir-"Great spirits, the land is dy- its say the people must make a ing. Your people are dying, too," burnt offering of the most valued the long line of dancers sang. "Tell possession among us. The ashes of so you will send the rain that will ine will cease and life will be restored to the earth.'

That night, She-Who-Is-Alone danced to the sound of the drums held her doll tightly to her heart. and for three days the people "You," she said, looking at the called Comanches watched and doll, "are my most valued posseswaited. Drought and famine are sion. It is you the Great Spirits

After everyone was asleep, the from the tipi fire and crept out into She sat by herself watching the the night. She ran to the place estick and thrust her doll into the The shaman went to the top of fire. In the morning, the ground

Speir, 84, headed the state law least that was the figure for 2001 enforcement agency from 1968 prior to the events of Sept. 11. until his retirement in 1980.

He was the agency's fourth di- Transportation Institute, a research rector, second only in tenure to the component of Texas A&M Univerlate Homer Garrison Jr., who sity, showed that the Lone Star served as the state's top cop from state is a popular destination. 1938 to 1968.

Nov. 1, 1941, Speir took military from Mexico — 550,000 people. leave after the start of World War The next largest number of peo-Rylander said the next session II and served in the Army until

> Returning to the DPS, he rose homa and New Mexico. steadily through the ranks. He was assistant director prior to taking 746,000 vehicles cross the state's over as colonel following the borders every 24 hours, 83 percent death of Garrison.

> "Col. Speir was an outstanding individual and a credit to law enforcement," Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr., the department's current direc- centages of commercial traffic tor, said after learning of Speir's comes into the state from Louisideath. "He was a national leader in the police community during history."

Not surprisingly, 43 percent of

After starting with the DPS on the daily visitors to Texas come ple entering Texas come across from Louisiana, followed by Okla-

> The study also showed that of the traffic being non-commercial. Again, 43 percent of those vehicles come from Mexico.

One surprise: The highest perana and Oklahoma, not Mexico.

Thirty-six percent of all comsome very traumatic times in our mercial traffic enters Texas on its eastern border, followed by 32 percent coming to Texas from Texas gets a lot of visitors daily Oklahoma. The share of commer-Every day, an estimated 1.29 cial vehicle traffic from Mexico is million people cross into Texas. At 11 percent.

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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Rome 65 A low heavy horsecart 66 Search or inquire in a 35 Oceanic outward, especially on meddlesome way

67 Buddy 68 Meshwork 69 South by east (abbr.)

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2 Inning all of the tricks in bridge 3 A cry of praise or adoration (to God) 5 A male monarch or

emperor 6 Tear into thin strips 7 Malicious burning 8 Property consisting of

houses and land 9 Peerless 10-Closely confined 11 Arrange 14 Cubicles

62 A farewell remark

18 Garland 20 Clothes 22 Likely 25 Give forth 26 Camellia sinensis 27 Tough hard wood useful in implements and furniture 29 Seeped out 31 Fill with high spirits 33 Adult male swan 34 Delve 37 Estrangement from 38 Animal doc 39 Coarse and crude 42 Truant 43 Within a building 44 Japanese monetary 46 Largest city of Cameroon 49 Metal-bearing mineral 50 Foot lever 51 Rosin 53 Ridicule

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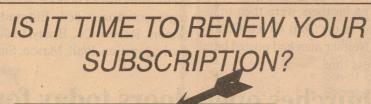
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# () RITUARIES

#### **Ruby Louise Walker**

Eldorado Cemetery. Arrangements rado, and four great-grandchildren were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

raised as one of four children.

ELDORADO - Ruby Louise daughter - in- law, Lewis and Pag-Walker, 91, died Saturday, April gie Hughes of Tuscola. She is also 27, 2002. Graveside service was survived by three grandchildren, held Tuesday, April 30, 2002, in including Lenette Doran of Eldo-

For all who knew Ruby, she was She was born on December a ray of sunshine each and every 30th 1910 to E. D. and Ira Grego- day. She will always be rememry in Aquilla, TX where she was bered for her beautiful smile and contagious laughter. She will be tru-She leaves behind one son and ly missed by all who knew her.

## Hospital administrator attends annual TORCH conference

pitals (TORCH), featured educa- zon for our hospital." tional programs about the changing rural healthcare environment. ence was on March 27, 28, & 29, The focus was on developing tran- in Dallas. In addition to a full agensitional administrative techniques. da of educational/informational Experts on hospital reimbursement sessions, the conference featured and insurance topics, congression- over 75 exhibits by companies and many other health care issues were array of products and services to to McCulloch County. there to present.

small hospitals in Texas, we must nity for administrators to see the stand how to best approach the is- available to rural health care pro- years. sues that impact us," Ann Fagan - viders Cook, said. TORCH is a consisfirst group we seek when we need

tion is vital because health care is pitals of fewer than 150 beds. changing so rapidly. "Every time we think we have a problem solved or challenge met, we are faced

Center, recently attended the "TORCH and the annual South-Southwest Conference of Rural west Conference of Rural and and Community Hospitals in Dal- Community Hospitals are two dylas. The three-day conference, namic resources for learning about sponsored by the Texas Organiza- new opportunities and staying tion of Rural & Community Hos- abreast with what is on the hori-

The TORCH Annual Conferrural hospitals. The trade show "With all the challenges facing provides an outstanding opportu-

tent advocate for rural hospitals only association in the state devotacross the state. They supply us ed exclusively to providing advo- and grandchildren. She loves to with information about issues, cacy and leadership in addressing play dominos and enjoyed workthey lobby for our cause in the the special needs and issues of the ing in her house and garden. state legislature and they are the state's rural and community hospitals. TORCH focuses on prob-Cook said that constant educa- unique to general acute care hos- Eldorado TX.



All in the family — Counting the guest of honor there were 5 generations present to celebrate Verda Crumley's 102 Birthday recently at the Schleicher County Nursing Home. Pictured above Ann Fagan-Cook, administra- with a whole new set of issues that are Verda Crumley (center), her daughter Nevella Sallee, tor of Schleicher County Medical must be dealt with," she said. grandson Roy Lynn Sallee, great-granddaughter Diane Faster, and great-great-grandchildren Blade and Paige.

## Crumley marks 102nd birthday

102nd birthday in April at the El-great grandchildren. dorado Nursing home. She has and enjoys her friends here and the there. wonderful care she has received.

She was a native of McCulloch County, Salt Gap and Brady. Verda Montgomery was born April al and regulatory initiatives and organizations that supply a huge 12, 1900 in Llano and later moved

She married Habert Crumley Aug. 4, 1918 and they lived in Mc-Culloch County all their married take every opportunity to under- latest innovations in store for and life. They were married for 76

> Verda was active in Church, 4-TORCH, formed in 1990, is the H Club, Senior Citizen Club, she enjoyed her neighbors and friends

She has 3 children Clifton Crumley, Verda West of San Anassistance with a new challenge." lems and challenges that are tonio TX. and Nevella Sallee of

Verda Crumley celebrated her great grandchildren and 8 great

There were 25 relatives at the been a resident there for 6 years party with 2 sets of 5 generations



Five generations attended Verda Crumley's birthday party they included her daughter Nevella Sallee, grandson Roy Lynn Sallee, great-grandson She has 10 grandchildren, 25 Roy Allen Sallee and greatgreat-grandson Tyler.

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Jaise Bosmans

## **Jaise Bosmans** named to NJHS

Jaise Bosmans, daughter of Jimmy and Lillian Bosmans and granddaughter of Dora Bosmans of Eldorado, has been inducted in the National Junior Honor Society. She is a seventh grader at Monnig Middle School in Ft. Worth. Bosmans was among only 12 seventh graders to receive the honor. In all, there are 59 members of the NJHS at Monnig Middle School.

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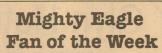


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Sr. League 15's and 16's Eldorado 3 - Ballinger 11

Eldorado Youth Baseball Girls Softball Angels 10 - Rookies 12

Eldorado (1) 9 Eldorado (2) 8

**Showtimes for Friday-Sunday** 

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## ELDORADO YOUTH BASEBALL

## Newman & Redish win Regional doubles title, return to State

Redish won the Region 1-2A ten- lips claimed third in the boys' dounis tournament on Thursday after- bles division by defeating teamnoon in Abilene at the ACU ten- mates Buddy Greer and Quisto nis facility. Newman and Redish Gonzalez 6-4, 6-7, 6-1. With this defeated Abdullah and Abdullah victory Ballew completed a stelfrom Clarendon 6-1, 6-3 to win the lar career as an EHS player. Thochampionship. In the semifinals mas is a four year varsity player Newman and Redish defeated who exited the high school tennis Payne and Castaneda of Floydada scene with a classy performance 6-3, 3-6, 6-1 to advance to the in the semfinals and third place championship round. In winning match. All four of these boys had the regional crown the girls ad- exceptional years. vance to the state tournament in um at the University of Texas.

was half of the team that won the tennis court for EHS. State doubles title last year. She final match.

In other region 1-2A action tennis tournament.

Gentry Newman and Christina Thomas Ballew and Bobby Phil-

In other girls' doubles action Austin May 6 & 7. The will play Courtney Brown and Courtney at the Penick-Alison tennis stadi- Sauer lost a tough quarterfinal match to Abdullah and Abdullah The girls should be familiar of Clarendon, 6-4, 7-5. Brown and with the surroundings. Newman Sauer also had terrific years on the

Congratulations to all of the and partner Kayla McCravey de- regional tennis qualifiers for repfeated Redish and her teammate resenting themselves, their com-Lindsay Beach in an all-Eldorado munity, and their school exceptionally well at the Region 1-2A



State bound doubles team — Gentry Newman and Christina Redish are headed to the State Tennis Tournament in Austin. The girls are no stranger to the State Tournament. Newman and last year's partner Kayla McCravey defeated Redish and her partner Lindsay Beach to claim the State title in an all-Eldorado final

## BASEBALL SCOREBOARD

A's 12 - Tigers 11

Eldorado Youth Baseball

Angels 7 - Rookies 8 Untouchables 15 - Stars 18 Untouchables won over Angels (score unavailable) Blue Jays scores will be posted next week

# Eagles tracksters compete at Region 1-AA meet in Abilene

Cool temperatures and drizzle vance to the finals. kept the umbrellas open for the Abilene Christian University. 33-11. Running in a fine mist, EHS freshman Eric Garcia set a personal best during the 3200 Meter Run, placing 10th with a time of 10:45.38. Garcia was in a very swift field with the 1st place going to Heath Wing, of Ralls HS, with a time of 9:47.55. Eric also ran the 1600 M on Saturday, finishing with a time of 5:07.09.

Christina Redish also fought back the drizzle during the first hours of the meet. The discus ring was kept dry with towels and leaf blowers. Redish placed 15th with a throw of 88-06 and did not ad-

Christina did a little better at first several hours during the first shot-put but the cool damp weathday of the Regional 1-2A Track er took its toll on all the throwers. Meet in Elmer Gray Stadium at Redish placed 7th with a throw of

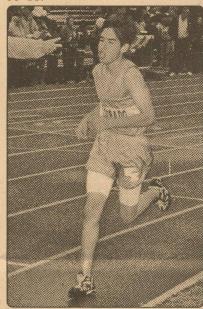


PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN Swift runner — Eric Garcia placed 10th in the 3200 Meter Run at the Region 1-AA Meet in Abilene last week with a time of 10:45.38. He also competed in the 1600 Meter Run, finishing in 5:07.09.

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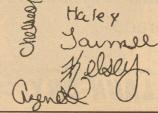
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# **School Menu**

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Menus Subject To Change Cafeteria Line Monday, May 6

Meat & Macaroni Casserole, Glazed Carrots, Green Beans, Cornbread, Peanut Butter Cookies Tuesday, May 7 Beef Tacos, Tater Roundabouts, Whole Kernel Corn, Apple Sauce

Cake w/ Icing Wednesday, May 8 Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy, Green Beans, Dinner Rolls, Jello w/ Topping

Thursday, May 9 Bologna & Cheese Sandwiches, Potato Chips, Shredded Lettuce & Tomatoes, Mixed Fruit Friday, May 10 No School

**Breakfast** 1/2 pt.Milk & 4oz Juice Offered with each breakfast Monday, May 6 Dry Cereal, Crackers Tuesday, May 7 Honey Bun, Cheese Sticks Wednesday, May 8 Muffin, Fruit Thursday, May 9 Dry Cereal, Crackers Friday, May 10 No School

**Fast Food Line** Monday, May 6 Pizza, Tater Roundabouts, Peanut **Butter Cookies** Tuesday, May 7

Steak Sandwich, Baked Potato w/ Sour Cream, Shredded Lettuce & Tomato, Apple Sauce Cake w/ Icing Wednesday, May 8

Chili Crispitos w/ Cheese Sauce, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, French Fries, Jello w/ Topping Thursday, May 9

Bologna & Cheese Sandwiches, Potato Chips, Shredded Lettuce & Tomatoes, Mixed Fruit Friday, May 10 No School

# Lucille Littlepage attends Sharp family reunion

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sharp gath- ton. ered at the Haskell National Bank ing up in the Rochester communi- Kelli Adkison, Lynell Hare, April and Mrs. Sharp farmed for many Brady Sharp. years around Rochester while raising 4 girls and 3 boys.

present at the reunion. They are: Haskell were also present. Joyce Lucille (Sharp) Littlepage of El- has been a dear friend of this famdorado, Ruby (Sharp) Hubbard of ily all of her life. Fort Worth, Jack and Velma Sharp win and June Sharp of Lindale, monument.

On April 12-14, 2002 the chil- Wayne and Sarah Sharp of Elecdren and descendants of the late tra, Dale and Jackie Sharp of Can-

Nieces and nephews attending Community Building for a re- were Linda Godsey, Darlene Kee, union. They enjoyed lots of food, Gayla Tatom, Gary and Judy and lots of fond memories of grow- Lewis, Jeremy Lewis, Ted Sharp, ty and their school days there. Mr. and Mikayla Hare, Steve Sharp,

Cousins, Melvin Sharp of Rule and Travis Sharp of Abilene, Joe All seven of the children were and Joyce Sharp (Sego) Davis of

After the reunion, the group Lusk of Haskell, John and Odes- gathered at the cemetery to take a sa (Sharp) Lewis of Odessa, Er-family picture next to their parents'



Seven children of Mr. & Mrs Charlie Sharp gathered at their parent's gravesite during the Sharp family reunion in Haskell. They include (L-R) Dale Sharp, Wayne Sharp, Erwin Sharp, Odessa Lewis, Velma Lusk, Ruby Hubbard & Lucille Littlepage.

# Congress allocates funds for **Ports-to-Plains Corridor study**

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Con- agement and development plan. gressman Charlie Stenholm today The Ports-to-Plains Corridor has announced the allocation of \$1.65 been designated as a high priority million to the Port-to-Plains Cor- corridor in the National Highway ridor Plan. This funding was pre- System. Since receiving that desviously approved in the fiscal year ignation, local communities along 2002 Transportation Appropriation the Corridor have forged a coalitions Act.

Along with three other West the state and international level to Texas Representatives, Stenholm move the project along. worked for approval of this funding which will be used for a man- community support we have seen

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MAY

2nd LouAnn Turner, Machelle Ford, Charlie Lloyd, Mary Ann Blaylock, Cruz Sanchez, Robbin Hutto, Kandace Aguilar 3rd Martha Lively, Ramiro Buitron, Ryan Adame, 4th Michael Coker, Jill Sanchez,

Elena Escobar, Steve Nelson, Victoria Jo Belman 5th Mary Grover, Larry Nicholson, Jr. 6th Charlotte Adame, Cole Pina 7th Bobby Quintana, Mario

Robles, Mikinzie Holley, Brenda

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# **Chamber of Commerce** raffles quilt as fund raiser

ber of Commerce is currently raffling an 86" X 86" "Liberty Star" pattern quilt as a fund raiser. The quilt will be on display at various businesses until the drawing on June 15th, 2002 during Schleicher County Day. Tickets are \$1.00 each and may be purchased from any Chamber Board member. You need not be resent to win the raffle.

Chamber board members include Connie Andrews, Jim Kosub, Stan Meador, Stacy Haynes, Albert Torres, Rachael Nixon, Beverly Minor, Stacy Jurecek,

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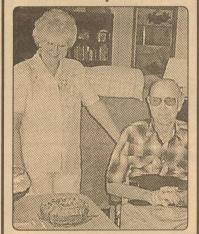




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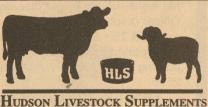
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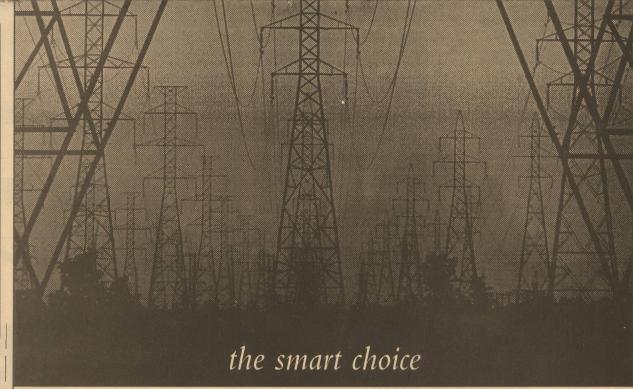


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## Voter registration project aims at H.S. seniors

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tion cards containing a voter regimportance of voting, and to en-

reach partnership with Texas pub-result of this initiative. lic high schools. Texas law requires high school principals, or their designee, to be a high school deputy voter registrar. Secretary Shea is asking high school princi-





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graduation cards at graduation re- next generation of Texas voters," many seniors register through this

both primary and general elections, especially among our youth, that they live in."

her ongoing efforts to register the tion.

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ous week's activity by the Schleicher

County Sheriff's Dept. For practical

reasons of time and space, The Blot-

ter does not include every call made

to the Sheriff's office, nor does it in-

clude routine security checks, minor

traffic stops or routine patrols. Incidents

of major impact will be reported sepa-

rately. Subjects reported to have been

arrested are presumed innocent until

**ARRESTS** 

co, male age 23, arrested by SC Of-

omas, male age 68, arrested by SC

Officer, charge Unlawful Carrying of

Weapon. Released on \$1,000 PR

arrested by SC Officer, charge Out

Guérra, Isaias, male age 18,

· Gearlds, Linda K., female age

40, arrested by SC Officer, charge

Sale of Alcoholic Beverage To A Mi-

nor. Released on \$500 PR Bond.

REPORTS

ant reported goats in the middle of

County Road 2129. Owner contact-

ed a road sign on FM 1828 and an-

other sign were turned around the

other direction on FM 915 with four

ed an ambulance for his father who

was having hip pain. EMS and of-

caller stated they flipped over. Dis-

patcher then reported the reckless

driver to Tom Green County Sheriff

Office and called back the deputy

who was enroute to the possible

ed an officer for a Civil Standby.

Complainant was to get their prop-

erty from subject's house and did

not want subject to get disorderly.

ant reported they were going to be

ed seeing a brown Oldsmobile. Of-

• 8:51 p.m. Complainant at apart-

April 26 • 9:02 a.m. Complain-

ments reported loud music had

started and children were running up

and down making a lot of noise.

ant reported finding a goat at their

April 25 • 5:10 p.m. Complain-

• 9:38 p.m. Complainant request-

• 5:37 p.m. Complainant request-

• 7:20 a.m. Complainant reported a possible wreck on Hwy. 277 North. Dispatcher contacted the

April 24 • 7:00 a.m. Complain-

• 3:12 p.m. Complainant report-

April 24 • Guerra, Jesus Blan-

proven guilty in a court of law.

Tom Green County.

Green County.

\$500 PR Bond.

ficer responded.

accident.

Officer responded.

ficer responded.

Officer responded.

Gwyn Shea is traveling to twenty hearsal, or anytime that is conve- said Governor Rick Perry. "By two cities to hand-deliver gradua- nient for their campus. This year, registering to vote, students are the Secretary of State's office cod- assured a voice in the decisions our istration application, to discuss the ed the applications to track how state will make in the years ahead."

Most of the students in the citcourage eligible graduates to reg- innovative program. All 254 Vot- ies that will be visited are among er Registrars have been asked for the thousands of participating in The Graduate Initiative protheir assistance in tracking the apthe agency's Project V.O.T.E. gram was designed as a voter out- plications that are submitted, as a (Voters of Tomorrow through Education) program, a pre-k through This concentrated effort stems 12th grade curriculum that teachfrom decreasing voter turnouts in es students about the electoral and legislative processes. The centerpiece of the curriculum is the Secretary Shea said. "As these stu-mock election unit, which propals to distribute and collect the dents graduate and enlarge their vides teachers and students with role as citizens —either in the all the tools needed to conduct a work environment, or by further- mock election in the classroom. ing their education —voters will The Office of the Secretary of continue to shape the kind of world State will be conducting a statewide mock election for the up-"I applaud Secretary Shea for coming November General Elec-

> ed the GMC vehicle back to the location of the drive off. Amount was

• 5:40 p.m. Hospital reported a dog bite victim. Officer responded.

• 9:10 p.m. Complainant reported that a vehicle had collided with a bicycle or motorcycle at Hwy. 190 East and East Street. Officers and EMS 2 responded.

• 10:25 p.m. Complainant reported subject being too loud. Officer re-

• 10:05 p.m. Fire Department reported that they would be cleaning up a small fuel spill on East Murchi-

April 27 • 10:45 p.m. Report of

cattle between the first draw and historical marker on Hwy. North 277. Officer responded. • 11:19 a.m. Report of a horse

on the highway South on Hwy. 277. Owner contacted.

• 11:45 a.m. Complainant reficer, charge Auto Theft. Transfer to quested to speak with an officer about the welfare of their grand-April 27 • Spurgers, James Thdaughter. Officer responded.

• 1:14 p.m. Complainant phone 911 to report harassing phone calls. Caller would dial and then hang up. Officers was sent to residence.

 No time-Officer advised the dispatcher to contact subject on East of County Warrant. Released to Tom Street and inform them that if their calf gets out and the Sheriff Office was called again to collect the animal, it would be impounded. Contact made with subject.

· 2:50 p.m. Complainant report-April 30 • Gonzalez, Benjamin ed a life line alarm going off. Attempts Raul, male age 18, arrested by SC to contact residence unsuccessful. Officer, charge Sale of Alcoholic Officer responded and found resi-Beverage To A Minor. Released on dent not at home. Alarm reset.

• 4:18 p.m. Complainant reported an intoxicated driver in a white Chevy company truck. Officer responded.

• 7:59 p.m. Complainant reported several goats out on Main Street and NE Street. Officer responded and owner contacted.

April 28 • 7:44 p.m. Complainant reported a man lying on the ground on Wheat Avenue. Officer responded.

• 8:08 p.m. Complainant reported a large bird had hit the windshield of their car and there was glass in the driver's eye. Officer and EMS 2

• 10:36 p.m. Complainant on complainant back and the caller Country Road 412 requested an amstated a subject had flipped them bulance. Officers and EMS 2 reoff and the dispatcher thought the

> April 29 • 7:43 a.m. Subject reported their purse stolen from their vehicle. Brown purse with items taken. \$8.00 cash, 2 blank checks, credit cards and personal ID. Purse last seen at 10:00 p.m. on 4/28/ 2002. Purse was located.

> •No time-Subject came into Sheriff Office to leave a set of keys that they had found in the road. No name of street was given.

• 10:48 a.m. Complainant requested an officer due to an argument they were having with their burning brush 7 miles North on FM mother. Officers responded.

• 1:24 p.m. Complainant report-· 6:05 p.m. Complainant heard ed a possible intoxicated driver, ofrifle shots coming from a car, report-ficer notified. Vehicle located and driver found to be sleepy.

> • 4:15 p.m. Complainant on E. Fields Street reported a dog that had been without food or water for about a week. Officer responded.

• 4:31 p.m. Complainant reported a truck in the highway blocking traffic 2 miles South of Eldorado. Officer responded.

April 30 • 11:08 a.m. San Angelo Fire Department received a call • 3:12 p.m. Report of a gas drive from a subject in Eldorado who said that their daughter had gotten into some bleach. Dispatcher contacted the subject. Subject advised they take their daughter to the emergen-Sutton County unit and then escort- cy room by personal vehicle.





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# Eldorado Spotlight



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This week the Eldorado Spotlight shines on Johnny Herrera'and Elibeth Montalvo. When the Spotlight camera caught up with the royal couple, they had just been crowned King and Queen of the 2002 **EHS Junior-Senior** Prom. The prom was held last Thursday evening in San Angelo at the Cactus Hotel.

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# House and Senate conferees complete Farm Bill \*

by Charlie Stenholm U.S. Representative 17th Dist.

After many weeks and long finally reached agreement on a six- 14 days prior to slaughter. year farm bill package.

the 1996 Freedom to Farm Act that that will expire in 2008. will expire this fall

been a long and difficult process.

And I know it has also been frustrating for the folks in farm and ranch affect their future livelihoods.

While I am pleased that we compromise agreement with our crease crop subsidy spending by Senate colleagues, I can't help but about \$4.8 billion per year. recall the wisdom of a very old ever want to watch being made are creased by 80 percent and includes sausages and laws!"

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rates for commodities, payment ers to adopt better conservation hours of negotiations, I am pleased limitations on farm subsidies, man- and environmental practices. to report that House Members and datory country-of-origin labeling, Senators working on the farm bill and the ban on packer ownership origin labeling, the final bill in- be looking into this matter in great-

This legislation, that sets the year farm bill, the Senate wrote a nation's farm, conservation and five-year bill. In the end, we comnutrition programs, will replace promised with a six-year farm bill

For those of us working direct- loan rates for major crops and rely on the farm bill conference, it has vives a target price system that had been abolished by the Freedom to

As a result of the new farm bill, country who have been waiting on total agriculture spending will be Congress to make decisions that will increased by about \$7.4 billion a year, an increase of 70 percent.

With this new bill, the House were finally able to work out a and Senate basically agreed to in-

saying: "The two things you don't servation spending will be ina new so-called Conservation Se-

Among the most difficult issues curity Program (CSP) that its sup-

cludes a requirement that meat, er depth in the near future. While the House wrote a ten- fish and produce be labeled with the country of origin, beginning in

cluded a labeling requirement on tion programs. The new farm bill increases fresh fruits and vegetables only.

> A number of us in the House had strong reservations about country-of-origin labeling and the burden it would impose on the nation's food industry.

> feeders asked that animals that had been in the United States for 100 days be allowed to be labeled as U.S. beef.

However, a spokesman for the Independent Cattlemen's Associ-Under the new legislation, con- ation of Texas indicated that their producers didn't want that and the cow-calf producers.

> And while a group of western ranchers had been strongly promoting country-of-origin-labeling, a spokesman for that group said that putting a "USA" label on cattle that have been in the country only 100 days would be unacceptable and misleading to consumers.

This group believed that the 100-day rule was being pushed to address the current flow of Mexi- farm bill, it has been my goal all can feeder cattle into the U.S. and along that an agreement could be that the number of these cattle reached in time for the 2002 crop coming into our country could year. USDA officials have indicatpossibly double or triple.

beling sounds good to some folks, tions of this measure. but we may be moving into a slipimpose unreasonable burdens on president to be signed into law.

near future.

Regarding the ban on packer to resolve with the Senate were loan porters say will encourage farm-ownership 14 days prior to slaughter, the final compromise eliminated this provision altogether. This On the subject of country-of- is not to say that Congress won't

> The new farm bill will bring about a number of significant changes in the provisions affect-The original House bill had in- ing peanuts, dairy and conserva-

> > The peanut program, for example, will move from an import quota system to a more market-oriented marketing loan program.

While this change will be costly in the short term, it will ulti-It is worth noting that cattle mately save the government money in the long run.

The dairy industry will end up with a national counter-cyclical program that would trigger direct payments to dairy producers when the Boston Class I milk price falls below \$16.94 per cwt of milk.

On the subject of payment limconsidered it a slap in the face to its, the Senate had originally wanted a cap of \$275,000 per year, a level that would have hurt a number of cotton and rice producers.

House and Senate conferees settled on an annual limit of \$360,000 per year, however these payment limits will not apply to 2002 crops.

The new law also makes unlimited use of generic certificates for marketing loan gains.

Regarding the timing of this ed that it could take at least four This whole notion of food la- months to implement certain por-

The full House and Senate pery slope here with excessive reg- must still approve the conference ulation and paperwork that will report before it can be sent to the

There is another factor that folks This is an issue that the House need to be keeping in mind, how-Agriculture Committee will be ever, and that is how Congress and carefully looking at in the very the administration will pay for all of the provisions in the farm bill if the U.S. continues deficit spending.

> If Congress and the White House fail to return the budget to a surplus situation in the next few years, Congress may be forced to cut back on some of the new farm bill provisions. This will be especially true if the prices for commodities do not rise significantly.

More information will follow in the days ahead.

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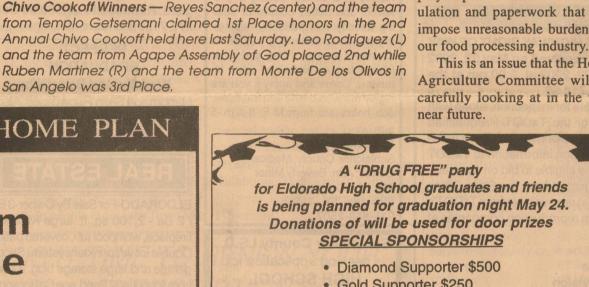


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