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## One traffic accident right after another

An early morning traffic accident on U.S. 277 involving a single Ford pickup truck, soon involved two other vehicles last Sunday when a van collided with a Game Warden's pickup while officers and wrecker personnel were attempting to clean up the first mishap.

Texas Parks & Wildlife Dept. Game Warden Will Allison of Sonora was headed home early Sunday morning after spending most of the previous day assisting with boating safety and hunting related programs in San Angelo. That's when he came upon a 1999 Ford F-350 pickup that had crashed into the guard rail on the bridge over Finnegan Draw, some 4 miles north of Eldorado. The truck had been traveling north when it struck the guard rail on the east side of the Finnegan Draw bridge. The collision accordioned much of the rail while ripping out the truck's drive shaft and skewing the rear axle and wheels.

Warden Allison radioed for assistance and soon Deputy Kevin Herbert arrived to assist with the accident. The pickup's two occupants, Robert Gonzales and Blanca Valenzuela were taken by EMS ambulance to Schleicher County Medical Center where they were treated and hospitalized. By that time, Deputy David Oliván and Chief Deputy George Arispe had arrived to assist with the investigation and a wrecker was called to the scene.

After reporting the accident, Game Warden Allison activated his emergency lights and parked on the north end of the bridge in order to warn approaching

cars. As the officers continued to work the accident, many vehicles slowed and drove around the wreck. But, as wrecker driver Joe Key was attempting to hook up to Gonzales' Ford pickup, a 1987 Chevy Van, heading southbound, struck Warden Allison's 2001 Chevy pickup.

Allison, who was sitting in his truck said that as the van approached he could tell it wasn't slowing down. Fearing he was about to be hit head-on, Allison jumped from his pickup only seconds before it was struck by the van. Fortunately neither Allison nor the van's two occupants were injured. At that point, DPS trooper Donald Van Zandt was called in to investigate.

The van's driver, Ismael Mora, 55, of Lubbock, was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated (1st offense), driving without liability insurance, and having an open container of alcohol in his vehicle. Mora was later released on \$1,000 surety bond.

Meanwhile, passenger Rodolfo Enrique Quintero, 31, of Lubbock was arrested and charged with public intoxication and having an open container of alcohol in a vehicle. He was later released on a citation.

Chief Deputy Arispe later explained that the wreck illustrates how dangerous accident scenes can be, not only for the officers who investigate, but also for EMS, Fire Department and wrecker crews who are called to the scenes and are expected to perform their duties on busy and congested roadways.



Where it all began — Deputy David Oliván (above) inspects a 1999 Ford F-350 pickup that struck a guard rail Sunday morning and wrecked on the bridge over Finnegan Draw, some 4 miles north of Eldorado on US 277. At right, Chief Deputy George Arispe (foreground) and Deputy Oliván inspect a mangled guard rail. Later, a second accident occurred when a 1987 Chevy Van collided with Game Warden Will Allison's 2001 Chevy pickup.

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Crunched door — DPS Trooper Donald Van Zandt investigated the secondary accident Sunday morning. Game Warden Will Allison's pickup was struck by a van driven by a Lubbock man as officers and wrecker personnel attempted to clean up a previous accident, only a few feet away.

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## Time to sign up for 4-H Club

The time of year has arrived when we need to be signing up for 4-H. This process takes place every year and everyone must re-sign up. We are currently completing enrollment forms and anyone who is interested in signing up for 4-H is encouraged to drop by the Extension office for more information.

We are also getting ready for stock show season and anyone interested in showing a livestock project and needs some assistance in acquiring an animal is encouraged to contact the Extension office for more information.

If you have any questions about any of the 4-H projects or about signing up, please feel free to give us a call.

## City considers hiring prosecutor for court

The Eldorado City Council met in regular session Monday night and continued working toward the establishment of a functioning municipal court. City Administrator Randy Mankin explained for the council the requirement that the city have a prosecuting attorney anytime a case goes to trial in municipal court. State ethics rules prohibit lawyers who practice criminal law, as well as any lawyers in their firm, from serving as a prosecuting attorney. That effectively ruled out every attorney in Eldorado, except for Marian Overstreet, who represents Schleicher County.

Mankin advised the council that he had met with Beth Wallace, an attorney from Sonora who serves as the City of Sonora's prosecuting attorney as well as representing the city in civil matters. Mankin suggested the council meet with Ms. Wallace and consider hiring her as prosecuting attorney. The council agreed and asked that Ms. Wallace meet with them at their next meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor John Nikolauk with council members Dora Bosmans, Robert Bybee, Richard Mendez and Tommy Minor. Council members Juakin Rojas and Toni Sudduth joined the meeting in progress.

Rev. Andy Anderson, pastor of First Baptist Church, led the group in prayer as the meeting got underway.

Among other business the council heard updates from Utility Supt. Floyd Fay and City Administrator Randy Man-

kin. Fay advised the council about work that is ongoing in the various city departments, including painting at the city gas plant and repairs being made to the water system. Fay noted that water pressure is up around town due to the installation of an altitude valve on the water tower at City Hall. The valve holds pressure back on the water system, forcing the city's North water tower to fill.

For his part, Mankin updated the council on a request from the hospital's Maintenance Director Steve Minor for paving work and pothole patching in the hospital parking lot. Mankin noted he had declined to do the work since the hospital is a taxing entity and there it doesn't have an interlocal agreement with the city. The council agreed with Mankin's assessment. Mayor Nikolauk noted that an agreement could be worked out but the city would have to receive something in return.

While on the subject of interlocal agreements, the council discussed an agreement with the county. Mankin advised the council at a previous meeting that the Schleicher County Commissioners wanted the agreement to be broad in scope but vague on the details. That didn't sit well with the city council, however. After discussing the issue at length, Mankin was directed to draw up an agreement whereby the city and the county would continue to exchange services but with a monthly accounting of the total cost to each entity. Councilwoman Toni Sudduth added that she didn't want the two governmental entities to bill one another for services, "I just want us to know where we stand," she said.

Mankin also advised the group that he is looking into options for replacing the city barn, the aging tin structure that

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## Texas voters to decide twenty-two Constitutional amendments Saturday

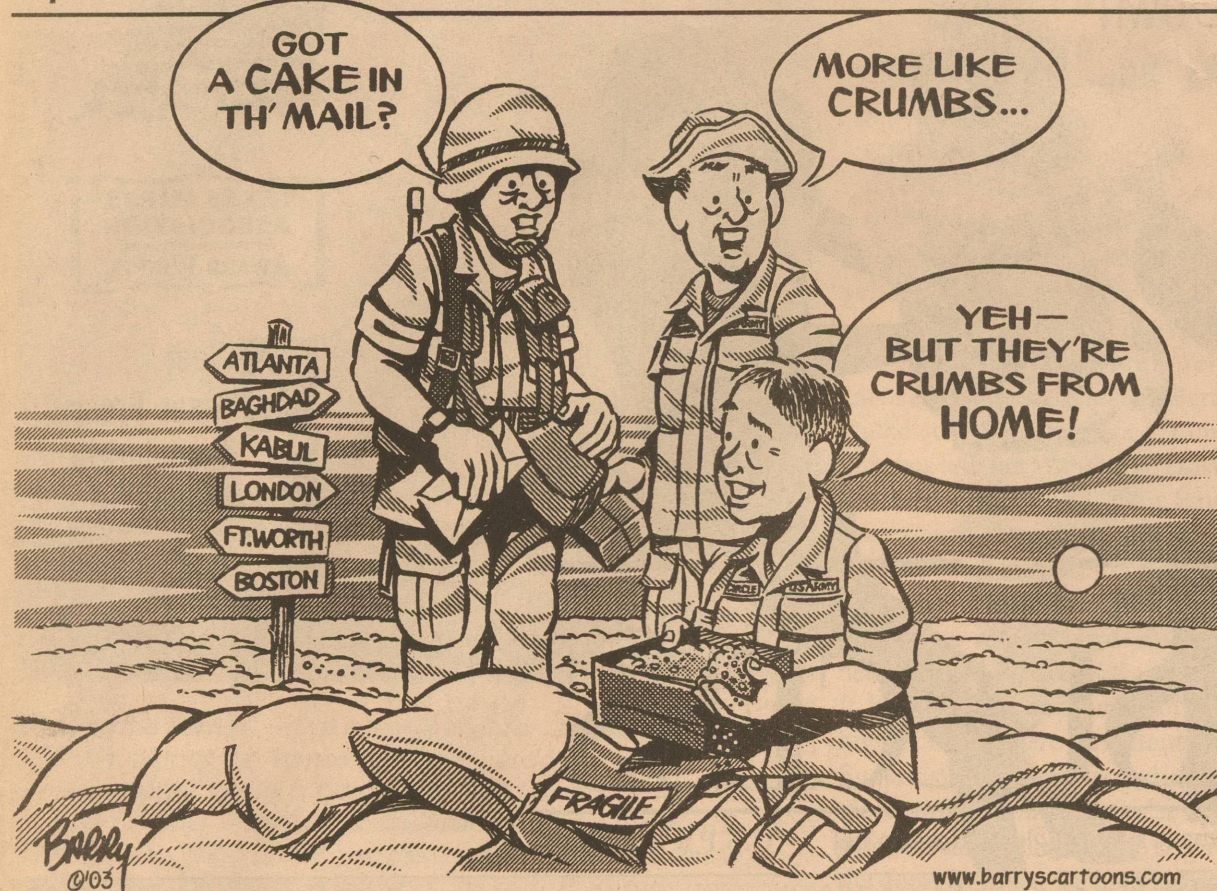
Voters in Schleicher County, as well as those across Texas, will go to the polls Saturday to decide the fate of twenty-two proposed amendments to the State Constitution.

Locally, voters in Precinct #1 will vote in the Methodist Church Education Building. Precinct #2 voters will vote in the Memorial Building. Meanwhile,

voters in Precinct #3 will cast their ballots in the Schleicher County Annex Building and Precinct #4 voters will vote in the Head Start Building behind Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.

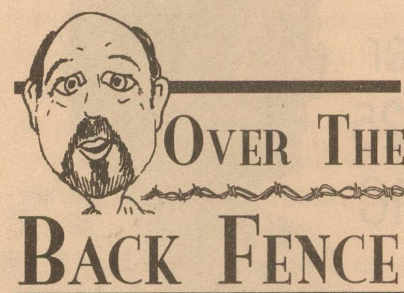
As always, the Success will post local results on its website at www.myeldorado.net just as soon as they become available.





WHEN WE REMEMBER 9/11 AT HOME THIS YEAR, LET'S REMEMBER ALL THOSE NOT AT HOME...

## Just when America needed more heroes



Sept. 11, 2001 will long be remembered as the day New York's twin towers fell and the Pentagon came under attack. It also marked the opening battle in America's war on terrorism.

It all began at 8:45 a.m. when a hijacked passenger jet, American Airlines flight 11 from Boston crashed into the north tower of the World Trade Center in New York City. Eighteen minutes later, United Airlines flight 175, also from Boston, crashed into the south tower. After forty more minutes went by, a third plane, American Airlines flight 77, slammed into the Pentagon, the command center of America's military might.

At that moment everything seemed hopeless. The twin towers stood smoldering against the New York skyline, the Pentagon was in

flames and President Bush, most of his cabinet and a large delegation of Congressional leaders were being shuttled off to "undisclosed" but safe locations.

It was then, just as the south tower began to crumble and fall, just as Americans everywhere felt helpless, a small band of American patriots aboard a fourth hijacked airliner, high in the sky over Pennsylvania, began planning America's first counterattack.

Alerted to their fate by a flurry of cellular phone calls, the passengers of United Airlines flight 93, aware that their plane had been hijacked by Arab terrorists, and knowing that it had reversed course and was heading back toward Washington, D.C., decided to take matters into their own hands.

No one will ever be certain of what happened aboard that plane, but bits of cellular phone conversations, pieced together with cockpit voice recordings, leave little room for speculation. The passengers of flight 93, faced with the choice of dying as victims or ending their lives as heroes chose the path of valor over cowardice. In doing so, these brave men and women joined the likes of James Butler Bonham, who, knowing

that certain death awaited him there, returned to the Alamo to stand and die with his compatriots. What is it about the American character that produces such people?

Historians will likely record that America's war on terrorism came in response to the events of Sept. 11, 2001, but that it actually began in Afghanistan several months later, before eventually spreading to Iraq. I submit to you that the historians will be wrong.

As singer Toby Keith put it in his song "The Angry American," this nation was caught cold on 9-11 by a mighty sucker punch. But, by the time that President Bush climbed atop a pile of smoldering debris a few days later with a bullhorn in his hand, the nation he sought to rally was already ahead of him.

America's war against terrorism was initiated by the terrorists on 9-11. But, America didn't need a president or a congressman, a newscaster or a general to urge them to fight. The battle was joined by the heroes aboard United Airlines flight 93 long before the politicians, pundits or the military brass were even sure of the threat. It is they and they alone who deserve the credit for crafting America's response to terror.

Their answer, delivered so eloquently two years ago, should remain our answer today, tomorrow and forever. We will go anywhere, we will face any enemy, we will pay any price, but we will never, ever submit to terror.

## Gubernatorial election gets 3-year head start

AUSTIN - The gubernatorial election is more than three years down the road, but it looks like the 2006 Republican primary will be a real political brawl.

Gov. Rick Perry likely will run again, but he could face Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.

Potential Democratic gubernatorial candidates? To be announced.

For roughly a century, from Reconstruction into the late 1970s, being chosen by voters in the Democratic primary was tantamount to winning the general election against whoever the Re-

### State Capital Highlights

by Mike Cox

publican candidate happened to be. (Most folks soon would have a hard time remembering.)

But since Republican Dallas oilman Bill Clements got elected governor in 1978, the guarantee has been gone.

Strayhorn, as Dewhurst pointed out recently, already seems to be campaigning. She recently hired two veteran communications operatives, and the most recent issue of Fiscal Notes, a publication begun when Bob

Bullock was comptroller, points out on page one that of 91 recommendations she made in two reports to the Legislature, 61 were enacted for a combined general revenue savings of \$1.3 billion.

To the great annoyance of other Republican officeholders, Strayhorn also recently pointed out that while the regular session had held to the no-new-taxes mantra, fee increases passed in lieu of tax hikes will cost Texans \$2.7 billion more in fiscal 2004-05.

#### September 11 memorial set...

It's hard to believe that it has been nearly two years since the September 11 terrorist attacks. At 9:30 a.m. on the second anniversary, a 9-11 memorial will be dedicated in the State Cemetery in Austin.

The memorial, created by a group of Austin architects who volunteered their time, is made from two steel columns salvaged from the World Trade Center in New York.

On a plaque detailing the events of that day is an excerpt from a speech by President Bush: "These acts shatter steel, but they cannot dent the steel of American resolve."

#### A different kind of lottery...

It doesn't get the publicity the big-dollar lottery games receive,

but Texas has another lottery of sorts. For \$10 a shot (so to speak), Texas hunters can register with the Parks and Wildlife Department for no-cost, once-in-a-lifetime hunts.

The package hunts range from a three-day alligator hunt (limit one, has to be longer than 10 feet) to a bird hunter's dream with a chance to bag turkey, dove, quail and pheasant.

For more information on the drawing, check the agency's Web site at [www.tpwd.state.tx.us](http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us) or call 800-895-4248. Deadline for entering is Nov. 1.

#### Onions ring cash registers...

Don't tell 'em to cut the onions. They can make you cry or give you bad breath, but onions are making big money for Texas agricultural interests.

Texas is the nation's fourth-largest onion producer, growing 5.7 million hundredweight (100 pounds) of onions in 2002. Only California, Oregon and Washington, in that order, grow more onions than Texas.

The value of Texas' 2002 crop, according to the comptroller's office, was \$122 million. The value of the crop has been growing every year since 1999, along with the amount harvested. A final onion fact: Texas and California are the only two states that can produce a spring and a summer onion crop.



## ROLLING ALONG

WITH TUMBLEWEED SMITH

### The First Women In Wrangler Jeans

I had a great visit with Berva Dawn Taylor in Doole, Texas the other day. Her husband Dan was sitting on the tailgate of his pickup when I drove up to their place. Their young grandkids were buzzing around on go-carts.

Dan and Berva Dawn are rodeo royalty. They've both done just about everything there is to do in the sport. Dan works Cheyenne every year.

Berva Dawn grew up being called Bummy, a name her father gave her because she was always bumming around with her brothers and sisters, who were older. "I didn't know I had a name until I went to the first grade," says Berva Dawn. "I was going to get a belt with my name on it and I thought it would be Bummy. But my mother told me I had a pretty name."

Berva Dawn is an Indian name meaning a beautiful flower unfolding in the morning light.

"My mother had an Indian woman working on the place when I was born and she helped name me."

She grew up on a ranch in Idaho. "It was about 90 thousand acres. Every once in while our horses would get out and head for the Tetons. We had a real job getting them back.

We had plenty of wells. Water was just seventeen feet deep and came out freezing cold because it came from ice caves underground. We used to skip school and go to those ice caves and have a picnic."

Berva Dawn became an excellent horse rider. She rode her horse Dobber bareback with no

bridle. She'd climb on that horse and ride full speed to her friend's house two miles away.

Her father J.C. (Doc) Sorensen had the Flying U Rodeo Company and produced rodeos all over the western United States.

In Salt Lake City, Berva Dawn rode in her first grand entry when she was four years old.

In 1949, Berva Dawn was chosen as a Sponsor Girl for the Madison Square Garden rodeo in New York City. The team consisted of girls from western states and notables like Gene Autry and Roy Rogers. They appeared at events and were interviewed on radio and television to promote rodeo.

One of Berva Dawn's job as a sponsor girl was to ride a thoroughbred horse in a race at Rockingham Park in New Jersey. She rode a jockey saddle and wore silks. Her riding skills impressed everyone in the stands.

Another job she had was to model at style shows. She dragged a mink coat down the runway of Saks Fifth Avenue.

Berva Dawn spent a lot of time at the ice skating rink at the garden. She became an excellent skater and grew to love the sport of hockey.

A master tailor named Rodeo Ben made clothing for many rodeo stars. When Wrangler decided to make a line of jeans for women, the company chose Rodeo Ben to make them. He took Berva Dawn's measurements and created the first pair for her. She appeared in ads all over the country.

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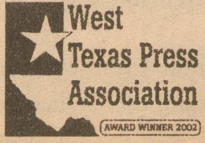
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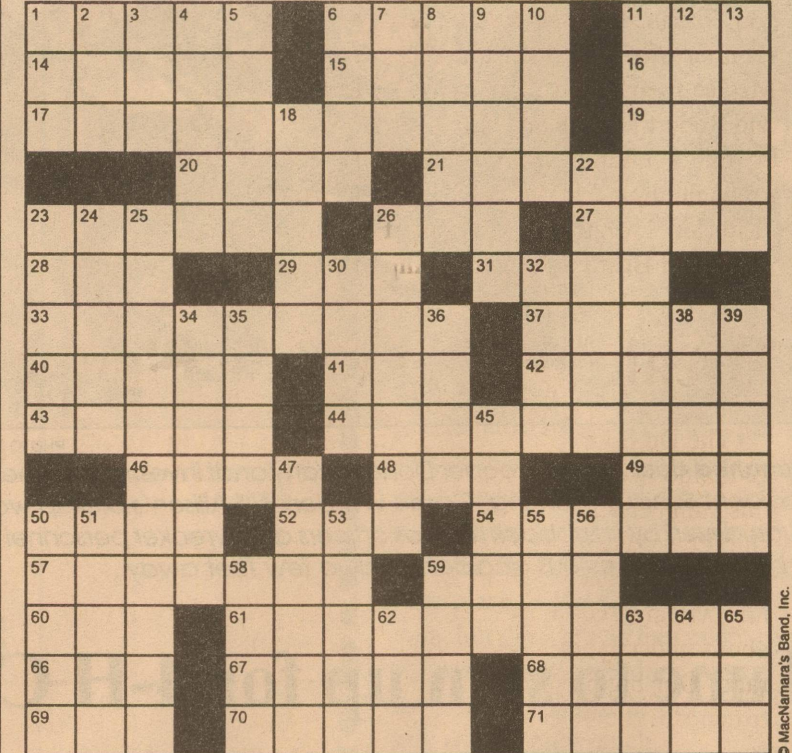
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## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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- Spicy Chinese cuisine
  - Linguist's concern
  - Big name in bowling alleys
  - "There \_\_\_ atheists ..."
  - Pig language?
  - Batman portrayer Kilmer
  - Fair part of a golf course?
  - Notable time
  - Best or Ferber
  - "Ocean," to "canoe"
  - Knee-slapper
  - Pop or op follower
  - After the bell
  - "Without further ..."
  - Title for an atty.
  - Plunderer's take
  - Lost consciousness
  - Make \_\_\_ of (bungle)
  - Wed on the run
  - Motorists' org.
  - Go \_\_\_ for (support)
  - \_\_\_ flask (inspiration for the Thermos)
  - Lying face down
  - Bow-toting god
  - "It \_\_\_" ("Who's there?" response)
  - Risk a perjury rap
  - Steam room sites
  - \_\_\_locka, Fla.
  - Followed
  - Gridiron pitchout
  - Bring in
  - Work the aisles, informally
  - Fair place for rides?
  - USPS itinerary
  - MGM part
  - "Ocean," to "canoe"
  - According to
  - Button word
  - Printer's proof
  - How losses are shown
  - Compelling charm
  - Stared stupidly
  - Allan \_\_\_ (Robin Hood cohort)
  - Fair meteorologist's report?
  - Homes for fish
  - Motel freebie
  - Steam engine pioneer James
  - Not plentiful
  - Architect Saarinen
  - New Mexico art colony
  - Abstract composer Erik
  - Warrior's mount
  - Raga instrument
  - Super \_\_\_ (huge squirt gun)
  - Drink noisily
  - Command after "cut" or "copy"
  - Yogi was behind it
  - Loud, like a crowd
  - John sign
  - Easy win
  - Freudian topics
  - Jr. and sr.
  - Just beat
  - \_\_\_ es Salaam, Tanzania
  - \_\_\_-Cat (winter vehicle)

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# OBITUARIES

## Jack H. Kerbow

SONORA — Jack H. Kerbow, 76, of San Angelo and formerly of Sonora died Saturday, Sept. 6, 2003, in a San Angelo hospital. Funeral services were held Monday, Sept. 8, at the First United Methodist Church in Sonora, with the Rev. Conrad Archer and the Rev. George Lumpkin officiating. Burial followed in Sonora Cemetery.

Jack was born April 2, 1927, in the jailhouse at Henrietta, Texas, to W.D. and Ida Mae Cunningham Kerbow. He was a World War II veteran, serving in the U.S. Navy. He married Gloria Maxine Boswell on Sept. 18, 1949, in Archer City, Texas.

Jack attended Darko's College of Embalming and served his community as a funeral director for 50 years. He was a 50-year member

of the Masonic Lodge, a member of the Eastern Star and served the Methodist Church in many capacities throughout the years.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Dana Townsend. He is survived by his wife, Gloria of San Angelo; his daughter, Kay Kibbe and her husband, Robert, of Bridge City; his son, Bruce and his wife, Jessie, of Sonora; three grandchildren, Erica Morris and her husband, Jeffery, of Eldorado, Derek Holdridge and his wife, Amanda, of Bridge City and Zac Kerbow of San Marcos; and three great-grandsons, Dalton and Jansen Morris and Jack Holdridge.

The family requests memorials to the Endowment Fund of the First United Methodist Church of Sonora or a favorite charity.

## John William "JW" Hawkins

ROCKPORT — John William "J.W." Hawkins, 56, passed away Thursday, Sept. 4, 2003, in Rockport, Texas. He was born Oct. 24, 1946, in Eldorado, Texas, to John and Mabel Hawkins. Prior to moving to Rockport eight years ago, he was a resident of San Angelo, Texas.

He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam Conflict and was a member of the VFW. He attended Coastal Oaks Church in Rockport and was employed with Green Willie's Landscaping.

J.W. was preceded in death by his father, John Elmer Hawkins (1979).

He is survived by his loving wife of 20 years, Brenda Hawkins

of Rockport; his daughter, Brandee "Dawn" Williams of Rockport; his mother and stepfather, Mabel and Cotton Stonehocker of San Angelo, Texas; his brother, Roy Mac Hawkins of San Angelo, Texas; two grandchildren, Dixie Loren Hanley and Darrick Aidan Hanley, both of Rockport; and two nephews, Richard Hawkins and family of Kerrville, Texas, and Kyle Hawkins and family of Llano, Texas.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Sept. 7, in Charlie Marshall Funeral Home Chapel, Rockport. Graveside service was Monday, Sept. 8, in Eldorado Cemetery in Eldorado, Texas.

## Dorothy May Evans

ELDORADO — God called Dorothy May Evans to her heavenly home on Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2003. She left behind a legacy of love and strength for her family and friends.

Burial was at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 6, in Eldorado with graveside service conducted by Pastor Jeffrey Lee of Mertzton.

Dorothy was born on Oct. 16, 1914, in Vernon to Lon and Lillie Head. She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, James Williams Head; three sisters, Marguerite Head, Aline Head Taylor and Mary Belle Head Starr; and by her husband, Robert A. Evans Jr.

Dorothy met Bob, an Eldorado native, at San Angelo Business College and they married in Sherwood on June 6, 1936, subsequently moving to Eldorado where she lived until her death. The couple had one daughter, Suzanne.

Survivors include Suzanne and her husband, John McGee of Mertzton, Texas; three grandchildren, Heather Morris of Houston, John McGee Jr. and wife, Lisa, of Katy, and Robert McGee and wife, Janet, of Levelland; and six great-grandchildren, Hayley Morris of Houston, Jonathan McGee of Katy, and Brittinae, Logan, Philip

and Faith McGee of Levelland also shared the love of Mama Dot. Three nieces and four nephews and several great-nieces and great-nephews also survive her.

Dorothy had a heart big enough to give love and laughter to everyone around her and she shared it abundantly. Her extended family included some very special friends, but she also enjoyed the camaraderie of everyone who came into her workplace. She could laugh and tease and give hugs and put you in your place. Her grandchildren will attest to the fact that a swift swat or a pointed finger, or just a look, was enough to strike fear into the hearts of the bravest. But she was always there for anyone who needed cheering up or a good portion of strength.

Her career in Eldorado spanned almost 60 years, much of which was spent in various offices at the Schleicher County Courthouse. She had served one appointed term and five elected terms as Tax Assessor-Collector when she retired in 1996.

The family requests that memorials be made to the Eldorado Cemetery Chapel Fund, P.O. Box 117, Eldorado, TX 76936, or to a favorite charity.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

**25 years on the job** — Marion Porter, Food Service Supervisor at Schleicher County Medical Center completed 25 years on the job this week. In honor of that achievement, the hospital presented where with a diamond ring. Here, SCMC board member Jim Martin admires the ring during a reception held in Porter's honor on Monday.

## Porter celebrates twenty-five years on the job at SCMC

When Marion Porter went to work at Schleicher County Medical Center, she was an aide in the Nursing Home. That was twenty-five years ago.

Since then, lots of things have changed and Marion Porter has advanced to become the Food Service Supervisor.

During a reception held in her honor, Porter explained when she came to work at SCMC, there were only two registered nurses in the entire hospital. Now, two of the fifteen RNs employed by the hospital are her daughters, Vickie Farmer and Becky Silva, who just happens to be the hospital's director of nursing.

Porter says that when she came to work at SCMC there were no time clocks, everyone worked on the honor system, she said. And, the staff would sanitize baby food jars in order to catch urine samples. Maybe that was because babies were plentiful back then. "We delivered lots and lots of babies," Porter says. "Sometimes four a night. Why do babies like to come at night?"

There used to be a lot more to being an aide back then, Porter says. "We helped where ever we were needed — central supply, delivery room, emergency room and surgery."

Marion Porter moved from

nursing aide to working in the hospital's kitchen in 1982. She's now in charge of the kitchen staff and many of them were on hand for the reception Monday afternoon. They were there to see their boss receive a diamond ring from Hospital Board President Randy Mankin.

Mankin thanked Porter for her years of service to the facility and expressed the appreciation of the board of directors, as well as the management and staff of the hospital.

One of the first to come and admire Porter's new diamond ring was Peggy Ussery who will be celebrating her 25th anniversary at SCMC in April.

## Eldorado Forecast

Thu 9/11	Fri 9/12	Sat 9/13	Sun 9/14	Mon 9/15
82/61	78/59	85/56	72/54	78/55
Variable clouds with scattered thunderstorms. High 82F.	Scattered showers. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the upper 50s.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the mid 50s.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the mid 50s.	Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the mid 50s.

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## Breakfast Bake Sale Planned

The Do Something Council at Eldorado Middle School realized this summer at the Youth Leadership Power Camp that we have to make a difference in our community. We are extremely concerned about underage drinking in Eldorado. Our big project this year is to educate younger students about the problems that alcohol causes. One of our concerns is that there are few current books that deal with the drinking dangers of underage in our school library.

This Friday, September 12th, the Do Something Council will have a Breakfast Bake Sale for Books. As parents drop off their

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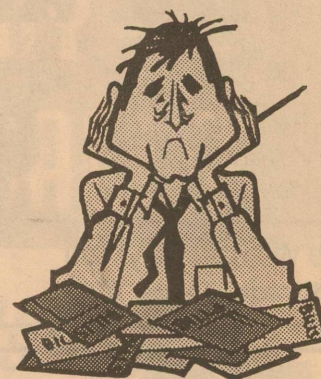
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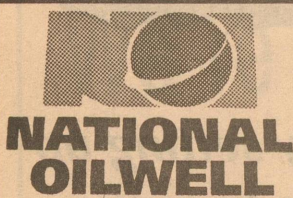
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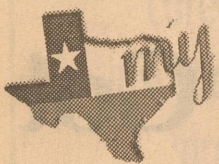
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## Eagles fall to Mason

by J.L. Mankin

The Eagles traveled to Mason last Friday with hopes of facing an evenly matched Mason Puncher team. Unfortunately for the Warbirds the Punchers proved even better than most sportswriters thought. Many had called Mason's 47-0 pasting of San Saba a fluke and expected the Eagles to play them a close game. But Mason broke the game open early and coasted to a 34-0 win.

Eagles Head Coach Gary Grubbs said that while he did not underestimate the Punchers he had hoped the Eagles would be able to play with them.

"They were a good team," Grubbs said later, "and we just really had a poor game."

Mason would dominate the contest on both sides of the ball. The Eagles managed only 110 yards on the ground and another 64 through the air while the Puncher amassed 405 yards of offense.

But the Eagles had their chances and they had them early. After the Warbirds won the coin toss and elected to defer, Mason chose to receive the opening kickoff. But the Puncher's return man mishandled the ball, giving the Eagles a golden opportunity deep in Puncher territory. But it wasn't meant to be. The Eagles couldn't come up with the ball and Mason's offense set up shop. Three plays later, Puncher quarterback Thad Martin found receiver Roberto Sanchez with a 51-yard touchdown pass and run, giving Mason an early 7-0 lead.

The Eagles would receive the

Punchers kick but couldn't sustain a drive. But, after punting the ball away, the Warbirds defense stirred to life and stopped the Punchers on three straight plays. When the ensuing snap soared high over the Mason punter's head, the Eagles fell on the ball and set up shop deep in Punchers territory. A pass from quarterback Trey Chavez was picked off by a Mason defender on the very next play ending another Eagles scoring threat and pretty much sealing the Warbirds' fate.

"We missed a lot of chances to change the momentum of the game," Coach Grubbs said afterward, "Our offense was just inches away from huge plays, but we just weren't there to make them."

Grubbs was already looking ahead after the game. "We just needed to make the tackle on defense, and just flat out give more effort and have more intensity if we want to have a chance next week," the coach said.

That sounds like good advice since the Eagles will be taking on the Menard Yellowjackets. "Menard is a really good team. They have a very good quarterback in Logan Cordes, and have a substantial ground game led by running back Richard Gonzales," Grubbs stated. "We are just going to have to control the ball on offense so that our defense can catch its breath."

To do that, the Warbirds are likely to go more to their ground game, hoping to eat up some of the game clock. "We will try to concentrate on our running game, but you know how things can change by the end of a game," Grubbs concluded.

Last Friday's loss moves the Eagles season record to 1-1. This Friday's game will be held in Yellowjacket Stadium in Menard with kickoff slated for 7:30 p.m. Eagle fans are encouraged to make the trip to Menard to support the Warbirds. Remember, wear your Green!



**Eagle on the loose** — Eagles running back Frankie Arispe turned the corner on a Mason defender during varsity action in Mason last Friday. The Warbirds fell to Mason 34-0



**Quarterback crunch** — Eagles defenders #33 Oscar Munoz and #76 Francisco Duran converged on the Mason quarterback Friday night as the Eagles took on the Punchers. Mason won the game 34-0.



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STATISTICS		
	Eagles	Punchers
First Downs	8	16
Rushing Yards	30-102	40-224
Passing Yards	60	181
Total yards	162	405
Comp-Att-Int	7-24-2	6-12-1
Fumbles-lost	2-2	4-2
Punts-avg.	7-34	2-36
Penalties-yards	6-65	5-65

SCORE BY QUARTERS		
Eldorado	0	0
Mason	13	14

SCORING SUMMARY		
<b>First Quarter</b>		
Mason	10:43	remaining, Ruberto Sanchez 51 pass from Thad Martin (Kyle Eppler kick).
Mason	0:21.2	Kurran Eppler 53 pass from Martin (kick failed).
<b>Second Quarter</b>		
Mason	11:17	Colt Price 25 pass from Wesley Crouch (kick failed).
Mason	6:03	Price 1 run (Kyle Eppler pass from Crouch)
<b>Fourth Quarter</b>		
Mason	6:39	Michael McLeod 1 run (Cesar Balderas kick).

## JV White beats McCamey

The Eldorado Eagles JV White team made a long trip to McCamey to take on the Badgers JV. The first half was scoreless as both teams threatened but could not push much past the 20 yard line, mainly due to penalties or turnovers.

The 2nd half was a different story for the Eagles, though, as they came out with some adjustments and a lot of motivation. Russell Cathey made a long run to put Eldorado in scoring territory and Tony Garcia punched it in on a 30 yard run. The 2 pt. conversion was good on a pass from quarterback Ryan Cathey to Juan Garcia.

The Eagles 2nd TD came in the 4th quarter on a 55 yard run by Russell Cathey. The scoring would remain 14-0 as Eldorado played superb defense the remainder of the game.

Ryan Cathey was 3 of 4 passing for 21 yards. He also had 2 fumble recoveries, 6 tackles and 3

rushes for 24 yards. Russell Cathey had over 100 yards rushing and Tony Garcia made several good runs in addition to the touchdown romp.

Juan Garcia had two interceptions for the Eagles defensively. Chino Rodriguez had 3 quarterback sacks and caused a fumble. Ricky Mercado ran for several key first downs.

Mark Bybee played some excellent defense and recovered a fumble. Neal Higgins had a couple of tough runs and some solid defense. Defensive ends Adam Dominguez and Jr. Estrada kept the McCamey signal caller contained.

Cash Lane did not play because of a sore knee and Epolo Herrera was out with a sprained foot. Both players are expected back this week.

The White team's next game will be at home against the same McCamey team at 6:30 Thursday. The White team is now 1-1.



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Dear friend,

All across Texas, the health care liability insurance crisis is threatening patient's access to their doctors and hospitals. Your access to medical care is now at risk. Skyrocketing medical liability insurance premiums are forcing many physicians to leave Texas, quit medicine early, or cut back on their medical practices. As a result, 152 counties in Texas now have no obstetrician. Wide swaths of Texas have no neurosurgeon or orthopedic surgeon. In just two years, the number of medical liability insurance companies in Texas has dropped from 17 to only 3 today. Without insurance, doctors cannot maintain a hospital practice.

The primary culprit for this crisis is an explosion in awards for noneconomic (pain and suffering) damages in liability lawsuits. In response to this crisis, the Texas Legislature has just passed landmark reforms that provide fair and reasonable caps on noneconomic

damages but also ensure unlimited compensation for any and all medical expenses and lost wages.

I strongly believe injured patients should be justly and fairly compensated. These legislative reforms fully achieve this goal. Importantly, the reforms will keep doctors in small towns and secure access to medical care when you need it most.

I am now asking for your help. On Saturday, September 13, 2003, you will have the opportunity to approve an amendment to the Texas Constitution securing these reforms. This amendment will ensure that doctors and hospitals can continue to do what we do best - take care of our patients. I ask you to please vote "YES!" on Proposition 12. Encourage your family, friends, and co-workers to vote "YES!" on 12. Please help preserve access to health care for you, for your loved ones, for all Texans.

Jim Bob Brame, MD

## Grand Jury indictments

The Schleicher County Grand Jury met Friday, August 8, 2003 and handed up 16 indictments. A number of the indictments were not made public until the subjects involved were arrested or served with papers. Among those indicted were:

- Mary Sylvia Rodriguez, 42, Eldorado, Forgery of a Financial Instrument.
- Rogelio Rodriguez, Jr., 19, Eldorado, Injury to a Child with Intent of Serious Bodily Injury and Injury to a Child Reckless Serious Bodily Injury. Bond was increased to \$30,000.00.
- Oralia Garza Pina, 33, Carlsbad, Forgery of a Financial Instrument.
- Ruben Arispe Gonzales, 60, Eldorado, Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child. Bond set at \$20,000.
- Ruben Arispe Gonzales, 60, Eldorado, Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child.
- Sonya Gunn Whiddon, 40, Eldorado, Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon.
- Crystal Belia Reza Borrego, 23, Eldorado, Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle and Criminal Mischief with Damages in the Amount of \$1,500 But Less Than \$20,000.
- Efrain Garcia Mendoza, 35, San Angelo, Driving While Intoxicated, 3rd or More. Bond was in-

creased to \$7,500.00.

• Jose Enriques Arispe, AKA Joe Arispe, 46, Eldorado, Driving While Intoxicated, 3rd or more. Bond increased to \$7,500.00.

• Samantha Ann Buretz Freeman, 19, Midland, Possession/Transport of Chemical With Intent to Manufacture a Controlled Substance.

• Roberto Valadez, Jr., 24, of Del Rio, Possession of Marijuana in the Amount of 2,000 Pounds or Less but More Than 50 Pounds.

• Efrain Brown Hill, 47, Eldorado, Driving While Intoxicated, 3rd or More. Bond increased to \$7,500.00.

• Maria Candelaria Delapez, 21, Del Rio, Possession of Marijuana.

Three other individuals were indicted and still have not been arrested or served. Their names are still being withheld by authorities.

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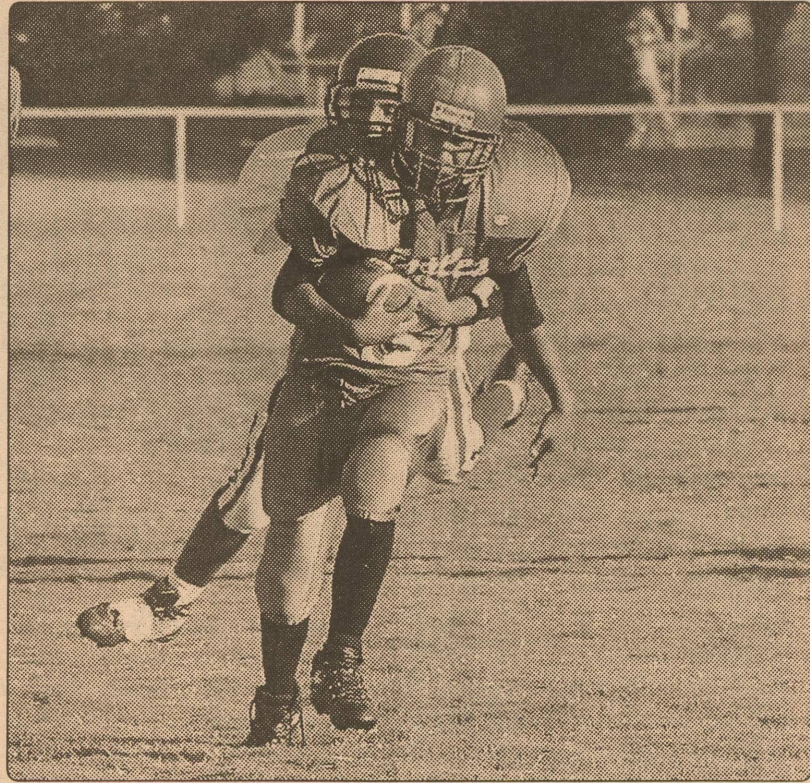


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**Dragging a defender along** — #3 Sammy Estrada found some running room last Thursday against the Mason Puncher JV. The Eagles JV Green squad bested Mason 8-6 in the contest.

## JV Green beats Mason 8-6

The Eldorado Eagles JV Green team took on the Mason JV at home in Eagle Stadium last Thursday. The Warbirds came out on top of an exciting and close game by the score of 8-6.

Eldorado moved the ball consistently all evening but had trouble crossing the goal line. Mason scored late on a long run but failed on their 2 pt. attempt. The Eagles scored on a 15 yard run by Norberto Moya and the 2 pt. conversion was actually on a botched snap for a kick that holder and QB David Hernandez picked up and ran in.

Caleb Nixon had a big night running the ball, rushing for over 100 yards. He also caught a 15 yard pass from David Hernandez and had 7 tackles on defense.

Middle LB Nestor Hernandez had 8 tackles and made some

tough runs along with Luis Hernandez.

Also on the defensive side of the ball, Brence Minor had 4 tackles, Artie Montalvo had 2 tackles and 2 QB sacks and Diego Barrera had 3 tackles. Norberto Moya also had 7 tackles and 2 QB sacks to go along with his TD offensively.

Raul Rios had 2 tackles and made a key QB sack that stopped the Punchers' chance to tie the game. Sammy Estrada had a 40 yard run and caught 1 pass for 40 yards. Cornerback Tico Robles also played good defense with 5 tackles.

The Eagles JV Green are now 2-0 and their next game will be at Menard at 6:00 on Thursday. There were no significant injuries in the game. The coaches would like to thank managers Neal Brenner, Armando Moreno and Adrian Figueroa for their work and help at all the games.



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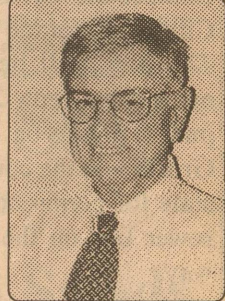
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**Tuesday, September 16**  
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**Wednesday, September 17**  
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**Thursday, September 18**  
Cinnamon Rolls, Apple Juice, Milk

**Friday, September 19**  
Buttered Rice, Toast, Orange Juice, Milk

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**Tuesday, September 16**  
Chicken Fried Steak/Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Early June Peas, Hot Rolls, Chocolate Pudding/Topping

**Wednesday, September 17**  
Soft Tacos/Tortillas, Spanish Rice, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Pineapple Slices, Cowboy Cookies

**Thursday, September 18**  
Spaghetti/Meat Sauce, Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Hot Rolls, Mixed Fruit/Topping

**Friday, September 19**  
Cheeseburger, French Fries, Lettuce/Tomato/Pickles, Apples

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**Monday, September 15**  
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## Civic Center and Airport dominate discussion at Monday's Commissioners Court meeting

The Schleicher County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, Sept. 8, 2003 and, among other business, received two bids for a transport load of diesel fuel for the road department. The men voted to accept a bid of \$1.075 per gallon from Griffin Fuel. A second bid of \$1.1051 from Regal Oil was rejected.

The meeting was called to order by County Judge Johnny Griffin. Present for the meeting were Commissioners Kirk Griffin, Johnny Mayo, Bill Clark and Matt Brown. County Clerk Peggy Williams and Treasurer Karen Henderson were also on hand, along with Road Supt. Clay Burleson.

In other business, the men then voted to call for bids for the installation of a sewage lift station and placement of a sewer line to connect the Civic Center to the City of Eldorado sewer system. The bids will be received and opened on Sept. 29, 2003. (See public notice on Page 7) Judge Griffin told the court he asked the state for permission to install the sewer line on the states right-way.

A request for indigent care, for the payment of an electric bill, was

then approved in the amount of \$301.85.

Next, Judge Griffin advised the commissioners that he had sent a letter to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) requesting a southbound left turning lane for entry into the Rodeo Arena and Civic Center gates. A reduced speed of 55 MPH was also requested in the area of the Civic Center.

Judge Griffin then told the commissioners that a recent inspection of the airport by TxDOT Aviation Division inspector resulted in two recommendations dealing with the condition of the county's new runway. The inspection report revealed that pavement along the runway is beginning to crack along the outer 5 feet of the pavement and along both edges. The agency recommended cleaning and sealing the cracks wider than a quarter of an inch to prevent water from penetrating the base subgrade. Another recommendation was for the removal or lowering of a 30 ft utility line located at the north end of the runway approach.

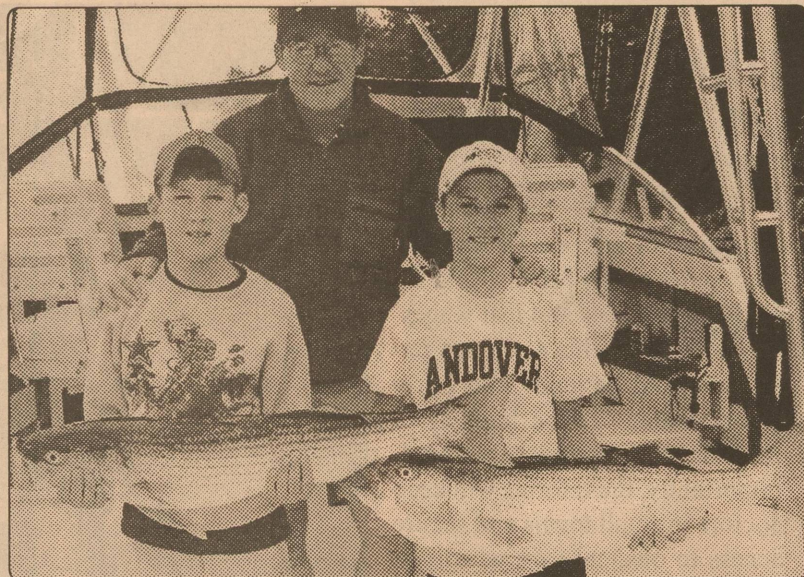
Judge Griffin also reminded the court about that a Budget

Hearing and Tax Proposal Meeting for scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 16, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Also, the men will canvas the ballots cast in the September 13, 2003 Constitutional Amendments election.

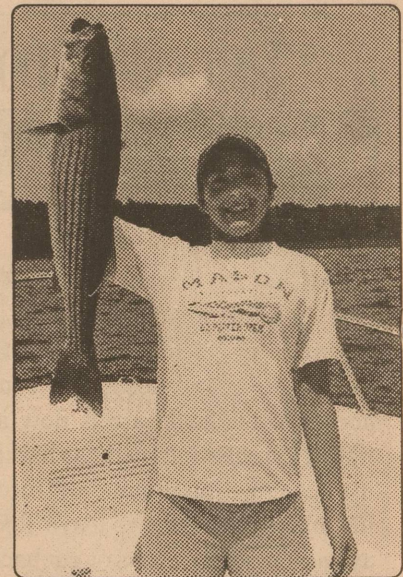
County Clerk Peggy Williams then asked for a received permission to impose a \$5 additional fee on the first document filed by an individual in her office. That makes the cost of filing a single document increase to \$14 from \$9. Additional documents won't incur the fee. The fee is intended to assist with records preservation and retention.

Treasurer Karen Henderson then asked for approval to move \$100,000 from Operating Funds to the General Fund Checking account. Also \$38,000 from Operating to the Farm to Market Checking account and \$51,000 to fund remodeling of the Civic Center. Additionally, \$5,000 from Operating to the Memorial Building Fund and \$22,500 to be dedicated to an airport lighting project. In all, men authorized Henderson to move a total of \$216,500.

Before adjourning, the commissioners briefly discussed user fees for the Memorial Building and Civic Center as a way to defray the cost of electricity and maintenance for the two buildings.



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Now that's fishin' — West Brown (L) and his cousin Tobin Armstrong posed with Wes' Dad, Matt Brown with a couple of huge striped bass they caught on the Kennebec River in Maine this summer. Meanwhile, Wes' sister, Lauren Brown (R) displays her own striped bass. The Browns were in Maine to visit their aunt in Boothbay Maine.

## City Council meeting held

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sits adjacent to City Hall. At the request of several council members, Mankin is studying replacing the building with a pole barn that would also cover the city's old water tank, the round cement structure that is currently used by city employees as a meeting room.

City Secretary Carolyn Mayo then updated the council on the city's financial picture and advised that auditors will be here this week to review the city's books. The city's fiscal year ended Aug. 31. Ms. Mayo also explained that the city's reserves are down to their lowest point since 1998.

Before adjourning the council reviewed and approved the payment of the monthly bills. They also agreed to allow Seidel Construction to close out the paving season under the existing contract. The city will call for bids on paving before work begins in the Spring of 2004.

The next City Council meeting is planned for Oct. 6, 2003.

## Livestock Assistance Program signup announced by FSA

Jan Wanoreck  
County Executive Director

Schleicher, Sutton and Val Verde Counties have been approved to implement the Livestock Assistance Program (LAP). Signup for this program has begun and will end October 24, 2003. This program will provide partial reimbursement to eligible producers for grazing losses suffered during the drought and high temperatures of either 2001 or 2002.

Those producers who received benefits under the 2002 Livestock Compensation Program (LCP) will have that payment amount deducted from either year 2001 or 2002 Livestock Assistance Program payment amount.

Eligible Livestock are beef and dairy cattle, buffalo, or beefalo when maintained as beef cattle, sheep, goats, swine, and equine animals used for the production of food or fiber on the producers farming operation.

An eligible livestock producer must: Posses a beneficial interest in eligible livestock, have suffered a 40% or greater loss for 90 consecutive days or longer during 2001 or 2002, certify to the percent of grazing losses, report the number of eligible livestock by type and weight and how long they have been owned, and report acreage by type of grass that supports the eligible livestock.

Producers must also file applicable person determination forms, meet the \$2.5 million gross revenue limitation for each "person" in the operation, be in compliance with the HEL/Wetlands provisions, be a legal resident alien or U.S. citizen, and must file separate applications for livestock in separate counties.

To file an application, you need to call the office (325/853-3535) for an appointment and furnish the following: exact livestock numbers for the applicable county payment period by type and weight, dates of livestock number changes such as sales or purchases that have been owned for at least three months must be documented with sales/purchase receipts, other documentation needed such as offspring weaning dates or dates livestock were sent to feedlots and copies of lease agreements for rented pastures (if not already on file).

Individual maximum eligibility will be calculated and then factored according to a national factor determined by the total eligibility of all producers across the nation. A \$40,000 payment limitation applies to each "person" and this will be applied prior to the factoring.

Remember, signup has begun and will continue through October 24, 2003. No late filed applications will be accepted.

## High School Parent/Teacher Conference

Eldorado High School will host a two day Parent/Teacher Conference for:

Monday: September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2003 from 7:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m., and

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## Meals for Friends Menu



### Monday, September 15

King Ranch Chicken, Steamed Broccoli, Dinner Roll, Carrot Salad, Oatmeal Cookies, Milk

### Tuesday, September 16

Roast Beef Sandwich, Baked French Fries, Lettuce Leaf, Tomato Slices, Pea Salad, Peach Halves, Milk

### Wednesday, September 17

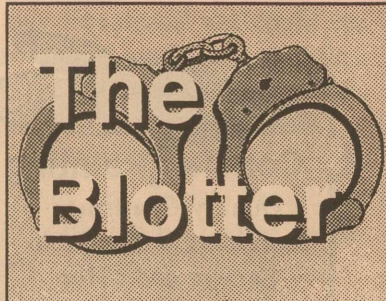
Chicken Fried Steak w/Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Steamed Broccoli, Dinner Roll, Peach Cobbler, Milk

### Thursday, September 18

Chicken Fajita Salad, Cheese, Tomato Wedges & Lettuce, Macaroni Salad, Crackers, Cherry Perfection, Pumpkin Pie, Milk

### Friday, September 19

Hamburger on Bun, Whole Baby Carrots, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Bun, Seafoam Salad, Fresh Gapes, Milk



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

### ARRESTS

**September 7** • Mora, Ismael, male age 55, offense No Liability Insurance/Open Container/Driving While Intoxicated (1st Offense). Released on \$1,000 Bond.

**September 7** • Quintero, Rodolfo Enrique, male age 31, offense Public Intoxication/Open Container. Released on Citation.

**September 8** • Arispe, Joe Enrique, Jr., male age 46, offense Motion To Revoke/Driving While Intoxicated 3rd or More.

**September 8** • Hill, Efrain Brown, male age 47, offense Driving While Intoxicated 3rd or More.

**September 8** • Garcia, Daniel, male age 19, offense Failure to Stop/Yield; Failure To Appear/JP Warrants.

**September 9** • Rodriguez, Rojelio Jr., male age 19, offense Criminal Trespass.

### INCIDENT REPORTS

**September 4** • 7:23 a.m. Complainant reported a bull loose 15 miles on Hwy. 190 West. Owner contacted.

• 9:44 p.m. Complainant stated

that two subjects with a criminal trespass were at apartments. Officer responded and was unable to locate.

**September 5** • 9:27 a.m. Complainant reported a gas drive off. Subject was in a white Ford F150. There is a new barbecue pit in the back of the truck. Amount taken was \$25.19. Officer responded.

• 9:50 p.m. Complainant on County Road 412 reported goats out. Officer responded and put goats behind fence.

**September 6** • 12:43 a.m. Complainant reported a car traveling behind them, a green Ford Employer, swerving on the road. Officer responded.

• 8:12 a.m. Complainant reported a red car broke down north Hwy. 277. Officer responded.

• 9:51 p.m. Complainant reported a stranded motorist 5 miles on Hwy. 277 north. Officer responded and was unable to locate.

• 10:27 p.m. Complainant at apartments reported loud music. Officer responded.

**September 7** • 12:21 a.m. Complainant on East Street reported an elderly man laying by a dumpster, may have fallen off a bicycle. Officer responded.

• 1:49 a.m. Complainant reported a one vehicle accident 4 miles on North Highway 277. Vehicle in the middle of the road. Three officers and EMS 2 responded.

• 3:09 a.m. Complainant reported game warden vehicle had been hit on location of previous accident. Two officers responded.

• 1:57 p.m. Subject reported bees outside their home on County Road 412. Fire Department responded.

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Bids shall be addressed to the County Judge, Johnny F. Griffin. Bidding Documents and Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications, may be examined at:

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Date Issued: September 11, 2003

By: Johnny F. Griffin, County Judge

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at 10:00 AM, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16  
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*Thanks to the great staff at the Schleicher County Nursing Home and Hospice of San Angelo. Special thanks for everything to two very special people: James and Cindy Daniels. We would also like to thank the doctors, nurses, and staff at Schleicher County Medical Center and San Angelo Community Hospital, Schleicher County Sheriff's Dept., EMS Crew, and the Community Baptist Church Family.*

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### Public Notice Meeting To Discuss Proposed 2003-2004 Budget and Tax Rate

**Plateau Underground Water Conservation & Supply District**

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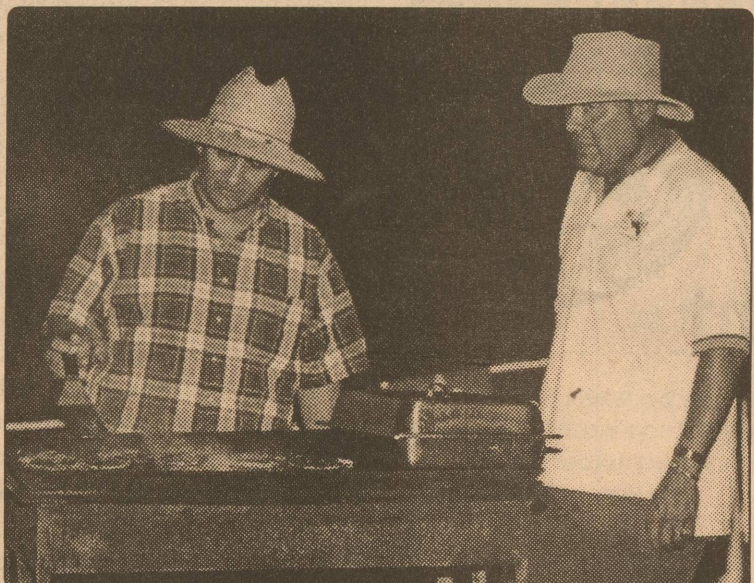
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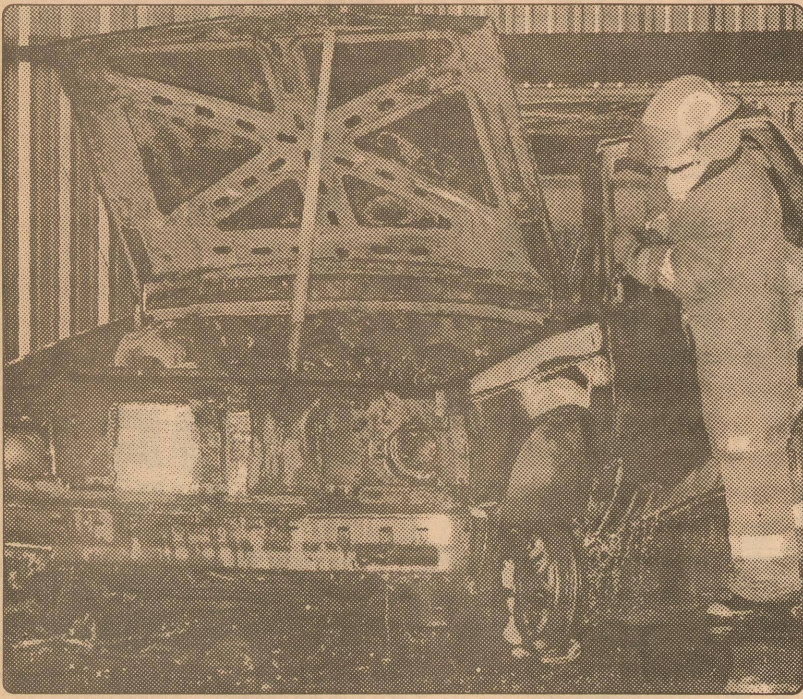
This week the Eldorado Spotlight shines on Rogelio Adame and Oscar Martinez. When the Spotlight camera caught up with the men last Friday night, they were helping the EHS Booster Club cook hamburgers for the Mighty Eagle Band during the game at Mason.

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**Dousing the flames.** — Volunteer firefighter Charlie Bradley made doubly sure that the flames were out Tuesday after this 1985 GMC Jimmy caught fire in a barn west of Eldorado. Jason Wade of Eldorado and Randall Dean Bradford of Christoval were reportedly working on the vehicle when it caught fire. Emergency crews were delayed somewhat as bullets in two handguns contained in the vehicle discharged in the intense heat. One round, penetrated the door of the truck and passed through the steel wall of the barn. Fortunately no one was seriously injured. Randall Dean Bradford did suffer minor burns to his head and neck. He was taken to SCMC by private car where he was treated and released.

PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

## School trustees meet, tour high school campus

The SCISD board of trustees accompanied Supt. Mark Gesch and EHS Principal Tim Seymore on an hour-long tour of the high school during Monday night's school board meeting. Present for the meeting and the tour were trustees Jo Helen Kotsch, Berta Nicholson, Kurtis Homer, Lupe Sanchez and Jan Wanoreck. Trustees Eddie Albin and John Paul Joiner were absent.

The main purpose of the tour of the high school was familiarize the trustees with problems that will need to be addressed in the future. It began in the east wing of the high school where Maintenance Supervisor John Kotsch showed the board a chainlink fence and gate currently being used to secure the doors between the high school and administration building. The fence will need to be replaced with a wrought iron fence and gate at some point in the future.

Moving inside, the group then saw worn and torn carpeting in some of the rooms. Supt. Gesch explained the difficulty of installing computer cables and wiring in the facility due to the cinder block construction. EHS Principal Tim Seymore then escorted the group into Mrs. Henry's Spanish classroom where they saw a roomful of blue student desks recently acquired from San Angelo ISD for 50 cents each.

Moving into the auditorium, the trustees saw the damage done to the facility by leaking ceilings.

They also examined an old electrical breaker box and a big stash of old trophies stored under the stage. Mr. Seymore explained that he hoped to find a location where the trophies could be viewed by the high school students so that they might better appreciate the school's wonderful past.

The group also made note of water damage in the dressing room that occurred during installation of the new roof. EMS Principal Kara Garlitz pointed out that the stage has no ramp to accommodate wheel chairs.

The high school and auditorium did receive a \$300,000.00 seamless roof this summer. The roof is designed to last 30 years.

The building showing the greatest signs of neglect was the band hall with worn and torn carpet and ceiling leaks. Mr. Kotsch explained to the trustees that the band hall has the oldest air conditioning unit on the campus.

Mr. Gesch explained that the problems illustrated the need for an overall facility management plan.

Once the trustees returned to the High School Library for the remainder of the meeting, they voted to authorize a makeover of the middle school courtyard. A service-learning project aimed at renovating the courtyard will require the assistance of community partners, parents and donated funds. The hope is that the courtyard can be re-landscaped. Additionally,

safety concerns will be addressed with padding around poles on basketball goals. There are also plans to paint game boards on the cement, replace weathered wood planks on the seating around planters and add extra benches.

The trustees then gave their permission for the district to accept four donations. The first is an Eagles' head to be erected on top of the football stadium score board by the EHS Booster Club and Niblett's Oilfield Services. Dr. Wallace, a physics professor at ASU donated a ballistic pendulum to the EHS physics lab. West Texas Lumber will donate material for a marker board for the Speech/Health Classroom and Niblett's Oilfield Services will donate souvenir footballs for the EHS cheerleaders to throw out during games.

Next, the board voted to elect Berta Nicholson as a delegate and John Paul Joiner as an alternate to the Texas Association of School Boards convention. Trustee Eddie Albin will also attend as a member of the group's executive board.

Among other business, the board approved the minutes of the August 11 regular meeting and the called meetings of August 18 and 25. They also reviewed and approved the district's financial reports.

The trustees then directed Supt. Gesch to negotiate a royalty contract with Hill County Broadcasting Corp. which owns KHOS radio. It was noted that the radio station is seeking rights to broadcast football, baseball and basketball games for Sonora High School and they must get permission from all schools involved. It was hoped that some revenue could be generated to defray the cost of student travel or expenses.

Gesch then recommended the approval of a performance bond in the amount of \$2,575.00 for the construction of the tennis courts. He advised the trustees that the bond had been included last year

as part of the original bidding process for work on the courts but for some reason the board voted not include the bond in the final price. Beard Tennis Court Construction won the bid of \$103,000.00 to construct 3 post-tension courts and wind screens. The construction is slated to begin soon. The board okayed payment of the bond, increasing the overall cost of the project. It should be noted that the construction is being funded with money from the previous (2002-03) budget year.

The board then voted for the revision of Local Policy EIF. The revision is to replace the local graduation requirements to match state graduation requirements and reduce the required technology credits from 2 to 1.

The board then was given several local policies on the district's education philosophy/mission statements, goals and objectives, board members authority and ethics, plus superintendent qualifications, duties and evaluation. Superintendent Gesch ended the reviews with Local Policy FMG on Student Activities: Travel. He noted changes are now in place for students attending out of town games to submit permission slips a day before traveling so there would not be any confusion. The board took no action on these local policies.

The last item the board approved was a Adjunct Faculty Agreement with County Extension Agent Scott Edmonson. The Texas Administrative Code allows a school district to name County Agents as unpaid members of the faculty allowing students to participate in activities with the County agents while being counted present for the school day.

The next regular board meeting will be Monday, October 13, 2003. Currently the High School has an enrollment of 190 students, Middle School 177 and Elementary 233 student as of August.

**Attention Members of the Way Off Broadway Players**

There will be a meeting of the member of WOBP on Monday, Sept. 29, 2003 at 5:30 at The Tom Raliff Civic Theater. New Board members will be elected to replace those whose terms have expired. All members are urged to attend.

Following the general meeting, the Board will meet to elect officers and to attend to other important business.

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**Faded glory** — SCISD trustees Kurtis Homer and Jo Helen Kotsch found an assortment of old athletic and academic trophies piled under the auditorium stage Monday night during a tour of the high school campus.

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## Texas Series Kid's Kup bike race planned at X Bar Ranch

The TMBRA (Texas Mountain Bike Race Association) is proud to announce the complimentary Kids Expo area from noon to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday September 13 at the X Bar Ranch, near Eldorado. Youngsters from 6 to 14 will be invited to this "hands-on" area designed just for them. The goal is to expose children to everything Mountain Biking has to offer.

Here's what you'll see:

- Different obstacle courses

where kids will be able to learn new skills, or brush up on existing ones at their own pace among peers.

- Two different age and distance appropriate race-course, a slow race & a fast one.
- An Expo area teaching about local hazards, area mountain bike trails, latest technology.
- A guided nature hike.

This exciting program was conceived and perfected by TMBRA Board Members Diane Uhl and Jeanne Patterson, who petitioned The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department through the Texas Bicycle Coalition to support and finance the endeavor. Shimano Corporation also joined in a couple of years ago by sponsoring the Shimano Youth Series cross-country race portion of the Kid's Kup program. The Texas Series Kid's Kup helps TMBRA offer children and parents this exciting opportunity.

The Skills and Expo area will be open continually on Saturday from noon to 3:30 p.m. Even if you miss the race, there's still time for fun! Although we don't want this to turn into a baby sitting deal, parents unable to attend can access the proper waivers and send them with the consenting adult. All registration for the Saturday races will take place in the Kid's Kup expo area, but there are no fees involved for participating children. A small fee will be charged at the gate to any entering the ranch.

All interested children between the ages of 6 and 14 need to bring your bike and a helmet and be at the Live Oak Lodge on the X Bar Ranch by noon on Saturday September 13, 2003. All kids coming must have a signed liability waiver parent or guardian.

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