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City of Mertzon Applies For Grant

The City of Mertzon has applied for a grant to improve their water system in the amount of \$180,000 in the 1988 Texas Community Development Program Funding. At this time, as stated in a memorandum from Bob Weaver, Executive Director of the Concho Valley Council of Governments, the City of Mertzon is tied at first place at Regional level to receive this money. Eligibility for this fund will be lost if the city were to disincorporate. These grants are allocated to cities and counties for improvements and these funds do not have to be paid back by taxpayers.

In a letter from Ruth Cedillo, Director of the Texas Community Development Program, she describes the State's position regarding the status of the City of Mertzon's 1988 Texas Community Development application, should it disincorporate and no longer retain its status as an incorporated city/governmental entity.

Cedillo stated, "Only incorporated counties are eligible applicants/recipients for TCDP funds. The City of MErtzon submitted the 1988 TCDP application and when or if it ceases to be an incorporated city, the 1988 application is no longer eligible for funding. If the City disincorporates, the previously existing corporate boundaries will become part of Irion County's jurisdiction. Since Irion County was not the application, TDOC cannot transfer funds from one governmental entity to another. In addition, should an announcement of award be made before the disincorporation proceedings, TDOC will be County Medical Center Hospital Board, The forced to deobligate the funds since the City would have lost it s eligibility for the funds."

UIL Results Next Week

Eldorado's UIL elementary and middle

school students did FANTASTIC at their

District Meet last weekend here in Eldoado.

Complete results will be in next week's issue

of the Success.

'Crime Against Elderly' Topic Of Program

By Evelyn Stigler

The Woman's Club of Eldorado sponsored a program on "Crime Against the Elderly" at their regular meeting Tuesday, March 14, in the Memorial Building. A number of guests were there to hear the speaker, Mrs. Ilene Cook.

Cook spoke to the group on how women, in particular, need to learn to protect themselves against crime by taking precautions that are easy to do and very necessary, particularly in larger cities. But even in a small town it is a good habit to always lock your doors when you are gone, or at home--lock yourself in.

She also advised to be careful with purses--how you carry them--and do not keep valuables or very much money in them at any time when out in a crowd. Some women, she said, have learned to sew pockets inside a jacket to put keys and small change in.

Cook was in law enforcement 12 years when she decided to change jobs. She worked with the Austin Council of Governments which was composed of 10 counties. She traveled and talked to the elderly by going to nursing homes and visiting in homes to try to find what could be done to prevent abuse.

She suggested a better name instead of elderly-to call them older Americans, because they are a more important part of our nation.

Numbers make it important because



Ilene Cook

more women, especially, are living alone. Their main concerns are: financial situation, social security, and crime. Older Americans do not want to report a crime because of embarrassment.

Cook closed with some good advice, not just to the elderly but to everyone:

Do more in life than just look--SEE

Do more than hear--LISTEN

Do more than touch--FEEL

Do more than talk--SAY SOMETHING

Do than exist--MAKE more DIFFERENCE

The Club presented her with a Texas Bluebonnet Pin as a gift for her coming to

Joint Election Set For May 6

A joint election of the Schleicher City of Eldorado and the Schleicher County Independent School District Board of Trustees will be held Saturday, May 6. The three entities were combined last year and it has been reported that there was a 36 percent increase in voter turnout by having the combined election.

In this year's hospital board election, there are three openings, those of William Edmiston, Penny Bland and Pam White. Each of these openings are two-year terms. Signup is by petition and applications may be obtained at the hospital by contacting Mr. Goode, hospital administrator.

There are three places up for reelection on the city roster, two councilmen

and that of the mayor. These are two-year terms. The terms of councilmen Barbara Jackson and John Nikolauk and mayor Bob Lester are up.

There are two school board trustees whose terms have expired, those of Terry Green and Rick Sterling, which are threeyear terms.

Deadline for filing for any of these positions is March 22. Election will be May 6 at the Memorial Building.

Alma Corbell is the election judge and Carolyn Mayo is absentee judge. Absentee voting will be at City Hall. Absentee voting must be in person and will take place from April 17 until May 2. For a mail-in ballot, write Carolyn Mayo at City Hall. Absentee voting by mail will continue to April 28.

The Editor's Journal

Life Among the Fishes

By Thomas Giovannitti

Last week at Lions Club, someone mentioned that in some town there had been a "Rattlesnake Roundup" and some other folks had gotten hold of the snakes and put them back (wherever they came from I suppose!).

Another Lion offered that all this insistence (Oh! I can't remember the "rule" about when words are spelled with "ENCE" or "ANCE". If you know drop me a line and tell me, I like those kinds of things.) on ecological balance (See, there's another one of those words.) should not apply to the Rattlesnake.

I can't say that I don't agree with him but we need to look very carefully at the ecological impact that might be created by the extinction of certain species of animals from this earth. There are probably already many extinct animals, that had man learned to keep them alive he might not be in the fix he is in.



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Take for example our ever dwindling supply of fossil fuels. I mean we are eventually going to run out of gasoline and oil and all because our ancestors (not recent one's of course) didn't have the foresight to breed dinosaurs.

If we had kept those behemoths alive and reproducing each year some would die and fall to the ground. They could then be covered up and then the next year dead dragons could die on top of the last and so on each year. Of course, man would have had to do this for the several million years since dinosaurs were abundant, but we would have now an endless source of oil to heat our home and run our automobiles.

I'll grant you that herding dinosaurs would not have been easy, but then those guys from millions of years ago had very little to do anyway. Since the animals seemed pretty dumb anyway it might not be as tough a job as it first appeared.

All you would have to do is nudge them over toward the nearest tar pit or get them to stampede over the nearest cliff. If the tar pit method is used we wouldn't even have to bury them.

Why, the potential uses are endless. Just think of the size of the hide. You could sure make a lot of snake skinned boots out of one dinosaur. You could give them steroids making them even bigger thus, in a million years getting a few extra gallons of oil. I am sure that in this agricultural area we could see even more ideas and uses for a herd of Brontosauruses not to mention the size of the government subsidies. I have only one question. If dinosaurs are our source of fossil fuels where did those "tar pits" they fell into come from?

Editor's Clips

By Mary Jenkins

Can you remember back to when you were in school and there was always one kid who was criticized and made fun of because he was different and didn't quite fit? They are usually considered squares.

They are the ones who freely cry when made fun of, plays with little kids, and thinks old folks are great. Their clothes don't always match, their hair may be uncombed, don't participate in all sports and activities.

You know the ones I'm talking about. As a result of their behavior they suffer the loss of peer companionship, but they gain the gratitude of parents and family. They have an unlimited imagination.

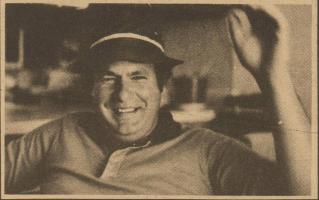
Sure they are strange fellows, they are different. But does anyone take enough time to get to know them? Does anyone give them a chance to be a part of the "gang".

It takes all kinds to make this world go 'round.

Think about it.

Laugh and Live

by Gary Smith



"If at first you don't succeed, so much for sky-diving."——Henny Youngman

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"Sometimes, absolutely nothing seems to go right!"

A man was applying for a job as a switchman for the railroad.

"Tell me," said the station manager, "what would you do if you saw two trains coming at each other on the same track?"

"I'd switch one of them right off and onto another track."

"And what if the lever was stuck?"

"I'd run right out with a red flag and wave one of them down."

"And what if the engineer didn't see you?"

"Oh, I'd call my brother."

"You'd call your brother? What could he do?"

"He couldn't do anything. But he just loves to see a train wreck."

As I said, "Sometimes absolutely nothing seems to go right!"

I would be willing to bet that you have had days or weeks or maybe even years when nothing seemed to go right. Perhaps you are facing a time like that right now.

If you are facing tough times, I have two truths for you.

#1. You ain't alone! #2. It ain't gonna last!

P.S. Please forgive the grammer, but sometimes absolutley nothing seems to go right.

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The Screamin' Eagle says:

"Some people never change their opinion because it has been in the family for generations."

Middle School Track Meet Held

Eldorado Middle School held its version of the Plateau Relays this past Friday, March 10.

The seventh grade boys placed third overall. Junction was first with 172 points, Sonora was second with 109 points, Eldorado followed with 87 points, Wall was fourth with 74 points and Mertzon was fifth with five points.

Those placing from Eldorado are listed as follows:

Shot Put - Sanchez, first
Discus - Sanchez, third
High Jump - Prater, third
400 M Relay - Eldorado, first
600 Run - Hernandez, second
100 Hurdles - Turbeville, fifth and
McRae sixth

100 M Dash - Preston, second 300 Dash - Hernandez, first 210 L Hurdles - McRae, fifth 200 M Dash - Preston, second

The seventh grade girls finished in second place with 135 1/2 points behind Sonora who was first with 173 points. Wall was third with 109 1/2 points, followed by Junction who was fourth with 68 points and Mertzon who was fifth with 23 points.

Those placing from Eldorado are listed as follows:

Shot - Finner, first; Pina, fourth; and Robinson, sixth

Discus - Farah, first and Pina, fifth
Triple Jump - Roubison, first; Trevino,
second; McGregor, fourth

Long Jump - Mejia, fourth
High Jump - Roubison, second;
Richards, fifth; Mejia, tied for sixth

400 M Relay - Eldorado, second 800 M Relay - Eldorado, third 1200 Relay - Eldorado, third 600 Run - Richards, third; McGregor,

100 Hurdles - Richards, sixth 100 M Dash - Roubison, third, Farah, fifth

300 Dash - Pina, sixth 200 M Dash - Trevino, second 1200 Run - Richards, third

The eighth grade boys team results showed them to be in sixth place with 17 points. Sonora took first with 176 points, Junction second with 121 points, Wall was third with 82 points, Christoval fourth with 46

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Those placing from Eldorado are listed below:

Shot - Meador, second 110 Hurdles - Willis, fourth 100 M Dash - Arispe, fourth 200 M Dash - Arispe, fifth 1200 Run - Morrison, fifth

The eighth grade girls team took first place in their meet with 160 points. Wall was second with 140 points, Sonora third with 127 points, Mertzon fourth with 44 points, Junction fifth with 28 points and Christoval sixth with 21 points.

Those placing from Eldorado are listed below:

Shot - Reeves, first; Moore, sixth
Discus - Marla, first; Lamb, second;
Chalmers, fifth

Triple Jump - Barton, second Long Jump - Belinda, third High Jump - Hardy, second; Barton, fifth

400 M Relay - Eldorado, second 800 M Relay - Eldorado, second 1200 Relay - Eldorado, second 600 Run - Martinez, second; Sterling, third

100 M Dash - Hardy, fourth; Reeves, sixth

300 Dash - Whitten, third 200 M Dash - Chrisman, first; Chalmers, fifth

1200 Run - Sterling, second; Martinez, fourth; Barton, fifth

Our Sympathy

FRED GILLASPY

Fred T. Gillaspy, 54, died Sunday, March 5, 1989, at his residence.

Masonic graveside services were held at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 8, in Fort Bliss National Cemetery, directed by Martin Funeral Home.

Gillaspy was born September 21, 1934, in Eldorado. He was an 18-year resident of El Paso and owner of A.B. Trailer Company. He was a former resident of Eldorado and San Angelo, and a member of Scottish Rites of El Paso and El Maida Shrine Temple.

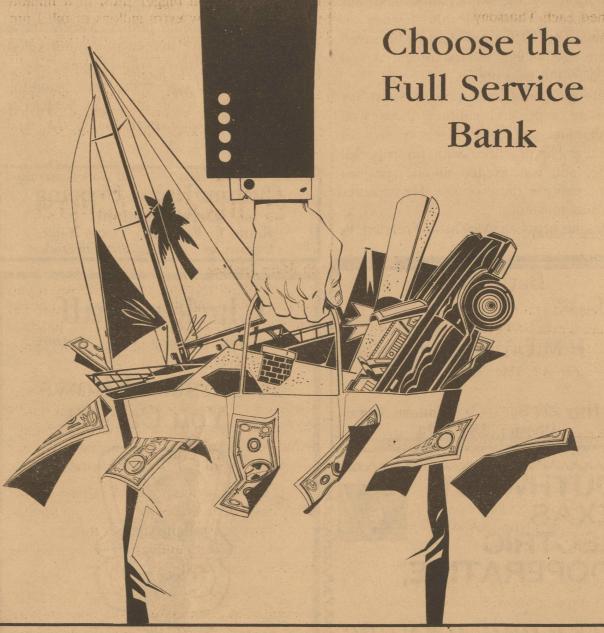
Survivors include his wife, Linda Gillaspy of El Paso; his mother, Margaret Gillaspy of Eldorado; one son, Bryan Gillaspy of El Paso; two daughters, Stephanie Lindsey of San Angelo and Tracy Desautels of El Paso; one stepdaughter, Jennifer Pope of El Paso; one brother, James Gillaspy of Eldorado; and seven grandchildren.

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A Touch Of History

By Rene Calcote

These wide open plains were covered with buffalo grass in the early pioneer days. Water was scarce, but the grass grew in abundance, tall and willowy.

Game was plentiful in Schleicher County and wild mustangs roamed the area. Old timers related it was a sight to behold, beautiful mustang ponies, running in bands, wild and free, heads held high.

There is a lot of speculation as to how the mustangs came to be in this area. It is known the first white men coming to the area saw bands of wild horses. Dave DeLong, of Eldorado, stated he believed that most of the mustangs originated from ponies which the Kickapoo Indians lost in the battle of Dove Creek in January, 1864. Others think these horses came from the stock which the Spaniards lost when they first explored West Texas.

In open range these wild ponies were difficult to catch. Many cowboys ruined good horses running mustangs. However, when Vermont Ranch was fenced a number of ponies were enclosed. The wild ponies were frightened of the barbed wire, having come in contact with it. The cowboys were then able to capture the ponies and use them for saddle horses. They were strong and tough and could carry even the heaviest riders.

The first settlers into the Schleicher County area considered the wild mustangs as a nuisance.

Gentle saddle horses were frequently enticed away by the wild bands, and this meant much trouble for the owner to recapture them. Grass also had to be saved for cattle and sheep, instead of eaten and trampled by the wild ponies.

It was considered quite a sport for cowboys to rope and capture these wild creatures. One of these cowboys was Si McCartney. He practiced with his rope all the time, and was excited about trying to rope and capture these ponies. He captured quite a few mustangs.

On one occasion, McCartney related, he

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This photo shows cowboys of yesteryear who took part in the mustang roundups. Pictured from left to right are: Felix, Arminio, Tobe Whitley, Roy Davidson, John Guest, Preston Chick, A.D. Farrington, Tom Smith,

waited in a draw for the mustangs to be driven by him. Before he knew it, they were upon him. He singled out one roan and took after it. He ran onto the pony in a short distance, and caught him by the ear and mane. The mustang was so frightened he didn't offer much resistance. McCartney held on, and wrestled the pony into submission until another rider came to his assistance.

Fences were built in the 1880's and the wild mustangs were exterminated in the years to come. A few ponies were driven out into the unsettled west and some were captured to be used for saddle ponies. Mostly these wild creatures were hunted down and killed because they interfered with progress.

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Eagle Spotlight



This week we spotlight Amber Hamilton. Amber is 12 years old and in the sixth grade at Eldorado Middle School.

She is an active participant in the Scream Team and is a Schleicher County 4-H member. Her projects have included foods & nutrition, clothing, beef, sheep and method demonstrations, and has attended many district 4-H functions.

Amber participates in many clothing contests, such as Make It Yourself With Wool and Natural Fibers Contests and exhibits clothing projects at the San Angelo Stock Show. She is the daughter of Jim and Lorain Hamilton of Eldorado.

Amber has two brothers, Shawn, who is in the U.S. Army, and Larry, who is in the Air Force, and one sister, Amy.

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CHARLIE BRYAN

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In his early years Charlie farmed. He was in the Navy in World War I and did aircraft work. His hobbies included collecting rocks, polishing stones and collecting arrowheads.

When he retired he divided his collection of rocks, stones and arrowheads among his children.

March birthdays for nursing home residents include Ruby Damron, March 5; Felicitas Barajas, March 14; and Sarah Rangel, March 17.



The average surface temperature of the earth is 57

Eagles' Point News

By Rita Reeves

Eagles' Point is happy to announce that we are going to have a permanent location. As of March 12, the county commissioners voted to purchase McCalla's Department Store for a permanent home for Eagles' Point Youth Center.

Other community organizations will be utilizing this facility for community activities. At a later date we will announce our moving date and the hours of operation for all activities.

If anyone in the community has good used furniture for our den area or a used color television for our game area (NintenDo games) please contact us at 853-3145, 853-3178 or 853-3415. All donations are tax deductible.

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Wilson To Head Business Planning

William D. (Rick) Wilson, currently assistant vice president planning and business policies, has been named vice president-business planning effective immediately, according to Tom White, senior vice president-Telephone Operations headquarters staff.

In his new position, Wilson will be responsible for development of supporting plans and programs, including the technology, financial, market and operational aspects of the business.

Wilson began his GTE career in 1973 with GTE Southwest, serving in several internal auditing positions. In 1976, he was named payroll supervisor and in 1977 became financial accounting supervisor. He was named SERVPRO manager in 1980, and later that year became general accounting manager.

He was promoted to GTE Service Corporation in Connecticut as manager-cost accounting in 1981. In 1985, he was named

Rabbit Club Meets

The Eldorado Rabbit Club met March 12. Pat Lloyd, John David Meador and Debbie Clark were voted in as club directors.

Fund raisers are being planned. A Bake Sale is set for May 12.

Anyone who would like to be a part of the Eldorado Rabbit Club or the 4-H Funnie Bunnies should contact one of the officers or members. Officers are: president, Barry Bevens; vice president, Janet Hunley; secretary-treasurer, Susie Lloyd; reporter, Lisa Meador; rabbit superintendent, Marvin Clark.

The meetings have been changed from the second Sunday of each month to the third Sunday of each month. controller for GTE California. He returned to GTE Service Corp. in 1987 as assistant vice president-strategic plan development, and in 1988 was named to his most recent position.

In April, Wilson and his staff will move to offices in Dallas and he and his family will reside in Colleyville.

Wilson holds an MBA and a BBA in accounting from Angelo State University. He is the son of Betty and Raymond Wilson of Eldorado.

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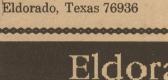
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nine to 13 year old category with her 100

percent Pendleton Wool skirt, vest and cap.

also entered garments in the San Angelo

Stock Show Creative Arts Department on

March 6. They received many ribbons and

Lorain won Best of Show Award with her

Adult Clothing Division which won her a

Amy and Amber Hamilton braved the

Amber received second place in the

Amy, Amber and their mother, Lorain,

Lorain also had the most points in the

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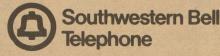
Public Notice

On December 22, 1988 Southwestern Bell Telephone Company filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas several proposed changes in its Universal Emergency Number Service (911) Tariff. These proposals include:

- a. deletion of the current regulation which restricts E911 Service to a single exchange area which has 50,000 exchange access arrangements or more;
- revising the tariff text to clarify that costs associated with network rearrangements required to accommodate the 911 code may result in additional charges to be determined on an individual case basis;
- c. a text addition to clarify that telephone company provided Public Safety Answering Equipment is required when a service includes Automatic Location Identification (ALI); and
- d. a text addition to explain emergency ringback.

The application is styled Docket No. 8565, Application of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for Approval of Amendment of Universal Emergency Number Service (911) Tariff. It is anticipated that Docket No. 8565 will be evidentiary in nature.

The public may intervene or participate in this docket but it is not required to do so. Anyone who wishes to intervene in this proceeding or comment on the relief sought by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Blvd., Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757 or call the Public Utility Commission Information Office at (512) 458-0010 or (512) 458-0221, teletypewriter for the deaf. Motions to intervene in this proceeding must be filed with the Commission's filing clerk by April 12, 1989.



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School Personalities Named

This weeks School Personality of the Week goes to Shirley Coe and Grosse Mohler. They both began teaching in the fall of 1963, where they were introduced to each other.

Grosse began his math teaching career at Washington Junior High which was a school which all the seventh graders from all over town attended.

Shirley taught third grade at Travis Elementary.

After a year, Shirley was given an opportunity to attend SMU to receive training for a Master's Degree as a Reading Specialist. Grosse moved to Ozona to teach math and coach. At the end of that year, they married, and Grosse moved his new family to Ozona where Shirley began a reading clinic. Colette, Adette and Alan are her children whom he later adopted.

The following summer, Grosse started work on his Master's Degree at Texas Tech. Shirley taught a workshop for teachers of Remedial Reading, and remained during the year to teach Reading and Language Arts courses at Texas Tech.

The following year found the family in Sonora to join the coaching staff of Jerry Hopkins. Both years there, the Broncos went to state in football. This staff had the privilege of coaching the All Star game at Coaching School held in Houston in 1970. Shirley taught first in Junior High and then started a Reading Clinic for students of all levels who had reading problems.

The family moved to Seguin with the Hopkins staff in 1971, just a month after Rick was born. Tami joined the family the next year. They continued to enjoy success in football.

The next move was to Midland for

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South Broadway Mertzon, Texas 835-4151 three years. Then Grosse decided to try another line of work, but after one year of managing KPEP radio station, he went back to his first preference--teaching and coaching at John Glenn Junior High. Shirley's career during these years ranged from elementary to high school Reading.

They then began to go to Sul Ross in the summers to work on specialized certifications. Shirley received her supervisor's and Mid-management certifications before beginning to teach courses in "Reading in the Secondary Schools." Grosse received his Supervisor's, Mid-management, and Superintendent's certificates.

The Mohler's moved to Mertzon in 1982, where Grosse teaches math. He hung up his coaches' whistle last year after twenty years of coaching. Shirley teaches in Irion County's gifted and talented program, which is called WINGS.

Rick is a senior at Irion County, and Tami is a junior. Colette lives in Kansas and has a daughter, Cari. Adette lives in Austin. Alan has a daughter, Chutney, and they live on St. John, Virgin Islands.

The Mohlers are active members in the United Methodist Church, and with Walk to Emmaus and spiritual retreats.

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KGKL Honors Linda Davis

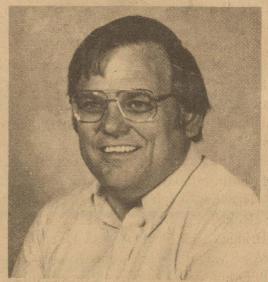
Fifth grade teacher, Linda Davis, of Irion County Middle School, received teacher of the week from KGKL on Monday, March 13th. *Congratulations, Mrs. Davis!!*

Spring Break Set For IC Schools

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Honor Roll Students Named

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The first through sixth grade students who made the A Honor Roll are: Joshua Carrell, Matt Holcomb, Gwen Cillo, Mack Lindsey, Wendy Robertson, DAn Schkade, Veronica Siller, Cole Wadsworth, Amanda Bork, Lisa Ethridge, Jamie Hamilton, Gus Pardo, D.J. Rainey, Cheyenne Vasquez, Chad Robertson, Amanda McCutchen, Amanda Beekman, Kenneth Carrell, Dana Huckabee, Michael McGehee, Nory Pierce, Felicia Murray, Chrystal Pardo, Justin Newman, Jim Walker and Leslie George.

Those students who made the A-B Honor Roll are: Samantha Mauldin, Dan St.Clair, Mindy Richardson, Roxanne Gonzales, Frankie Renavato, Severo DeLeon, Heidi Garza, Bridgette Harvey, Melissa Deel, Kasi WhitloW, Maggie mCGehee, Katrina Caldwell, Doug Mase, Johnny Levario, Aubry Walston, Alton Lake, Simon Rinco, Briana Bollinger, Peggy Pardo, Emress Porter, Junior Reyes, Jennifer Caudle, Kandice Howard, Paula Levario, Michelle Martinets, Kim Rainey, Zara Valencia, Heather Lehmann, Jennifer Martinets, Jimmy Joe White, Allyson

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Clucks From The Henhouse

The ladies have been busy for several weeks working on the lap robes for the Veteran's Hospital in Big Spring. Up to now we have made and delivered about 31 robes more are in the making and will be ready to deliver in May. This has been a "labor of love" for most of the ladies in the clulb, since most of them have had a husband, brother, or someone in the Service or who has been a patient at the Hospital. These robes have been made of materials given to the club by local ladies who no longer do much sewing and wanted to see some good use of them.

From the time the club was organized a year ago, a total of 23 quilts have been made for other people, some coming from San Antonio, Crane, Big Lake and San Angelo. We have 2 or 3 ladies who are experienced quilters and the others have been quilting only a year, but have become proud "stitchers."

The Hen House has taken on a different look, with a new coat of paint and trim and we are looking forward to a new front porch in the near future.

Memorials have been made to the memory of Nannie Freitag, Mr. & Mrs. Willis Burke and to our own Billye Easingwood who passed away in February. THeir names will be engraved and placed on the wall soon.

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Thursday, March 16 Burritos, Chili Beans, Buttered Corn, Mixed Fruit, Milk

Friday, March 17

Hamburgers, Lettuce/Tomato, Pickles, French Fries, Pudding Pops, Milk

Monday, March 20

Steak Fingers/Gravy, Cream Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Sliced Peaches, Milk

Tuesday, March 21

Barbecue Chicken, Black-eyed Peas, Buttered Corn, Cookies, Milk

Wednesday, March 22

Hamburgers, Lettuce/Tomato, Pickles, French Fries, Chocolate Pudding, Milk

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Wed. 7:30 p.m. - Prayer Service

St. Peter's Catholic

Tuesday: 5:30 p.m. - Study Class Saturday: 5:00 p.m. - Services

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Sunday: 10:00 a.m. - Worship 5:00 p.m. - Worship

7:00 p.m. - Prayer Service Wed.

United Methidist

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. - Church School 10:45 a.m. - Worship

Church of Christ

Sunday: 10:00 p.m. - Bible Study

11:00 a.m. - General Assembly

6:00 p.m. - Worship 7:00 p.m. - Worship

Wed. 9:00 a.m. - Ladies Bible Class Thurs.

First Christian

Sunday: 10:45 a.m. - Worship

Bike-A-Thon Set For April 8

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital announced that Mrs. Sherry Lux will coordinate the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital "Wheels For Life" Bike-A-Thon for Eldorado on April 8.

Founded by Danny Thomas in 1962, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is the largest childhood cancer research-treatmenteducation center in America. St. Jude Hospital is non-sectarian, interracial and provides medical care for over 3,200 active patients. Currently, over \$183,000 is needed each day to keep the doors open. These funds come primarily from contributions.

The Bike-A-Thon program this year is dedicated to Brian McCollister. Brian, a native of Louisiana, was diagnosed with

Squyres Named To Dean's Honor List

Kelly Joanne Squyres of Eldorado was among students named to the Dean's Honor Lists at Texas Christian University for the 1988 fall semester. This recognition cites undergraduate students for academic achievement.

Though not the only indication of educational accomplishment, outstanding grades mark the meeting of high challenges set by the University's faculty members, according to Dr. William. H. Koehler, vice chancellor for academic affairs.

In order to be eligible, a student must have been enrolled for 12 or more semester hours of study and have achieved an exceptional grade-point average.

Squyres is a freshman majoring in arts science pre-major. She is the daughter of James and Lola Squyres of Eldorado.

leukemia in October, 1984. For the next two and a half years he underwent chemotherapy.

Today, Brian is in remission and visits St. Jude Hospital for routine check-ups. Brian is a living example of the progress and success of the research, patient care, and educational programs of this internationally recognized hospital.

The concern that Sherry Lux has for this work is sincerely appreciated and it is the hope of St. Jude's that the citizens of Eldorado will support the Bike-A-Thon to help provide the funds that are needed to preserve the world's greatest asset..."Our Children".

Merry Makers Meet

The Merry Makers "42" Club is still active, playing twice a month since the late '20s. The charter members have resigned or passed on and new members have taken their place.

Those playing now are Zelma Henderson, Opal Parks, Virginia Griffin, Estell Baker, Maudie Bassinger, Bessie Clifton, Jessie Sudduth, Shirley Overstreet, Lillian Mikeska, Jake Spencer, Lois Etheredge, Gladys Gunn and Louise Logan.

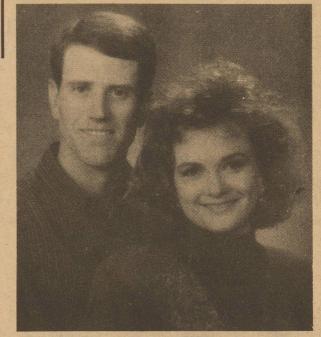
Lillian Mikeska was hostess for the March 9 meeting.

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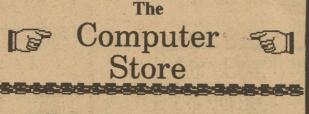
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or centuries many of the world's distinguished philosophers have assaulted Christianity as being irrational, superstitious, and absurd. Many have chosen simply to ignore the central issue of the resurrection. Others have tried to explain it away through various theories. But the historical evidence just can't be discounted.

A student at the University of Uruguay said to me, "Professor McDowell. why can't you refute Christianity?

"For a very simple reason," I answered. "I am not able to explain away an event.in history—the resurrection of Jesus Christ."

How can we explain the empty tomb? Can it possibly be accounted for by any natural cause?

A QUESTION OF HISTORY

After more than "00 hours of studying this subject, I have come to the conclusion that the resurrection of Jesus Christ is either one of the most wicked, vicious, heartless hoaxes ever foisted on the minds of human beings—or it is the most remarkable fact of history.

Here are some of the facts relevant to the resurrection: Jesus of Nazareth, a Jewish prophet who claimed to be the Christ prophesied in the Jewish Scriptures, was arrested, was judged a political criminal, and was crucified. Three days after His death and burial, some women who went to His tomb found the body gone. In subsequent weeks, His disciples claimed that God had raised Him from the dead and that He appeared to them various times before ascending into heaven.

From that foundation. Christianity spread throughout the Roman Empire and has continued to exert great influence down through the centuries.

Testament accounts of the resurrection were being circulated within the lifetimes of men and women alive at the time of the resurrection. Those people could certainly have confirmed or denied the accuracy

The writers of the four Gospels either had themselves been witnesses or else were relating the accounts of eyewitnesses of the actual events. In advocating their case for the gospel, a word that means "good news," the apostles appealed (even when confronting their most severe opponents) to common knowledge concerning the facts of the resurrection.

F. F. Bruce, Rylands professor of biblical criticism and exegesis, at the University of Manchester, says concerning the value of the New Testament records as primary sources: "Had there been any tendency to depart from the facts in any material respect, the possible presence of hostile witnesses in the audience would have served as a further corrective."

IS THE NEW TESTAMENT RELIABLE?

Because the New Testament provides the primary historical source for information on the resurrection, many critics during the 19th century attacked the reliability of these biblical documents.

By the end of the 19th century, however, archaeological discoveries had confirmed the accuracy of the New Testament manuscripts. Discovers of early papyri bridged the gap between the time of Christ and existing

manuscripts from a later date.

Those findings increased scholarly confidence in the reliability of the Bible. William F. Albright, who in his day was the world's foremost biblical archaeologist, said: "We can already say emphatically that there is no onger any solid basis for dating any book of the New Testament after about A.D. 80, two full generations before the date between 130 and 150 given by the more radical New Testament critics of teday

Coinciding with the papyri discoveries, an abundance of other manulight (over 24, 000 copies of New Testament manuscripts are known to be in existence



wrote of "authentic evidence" concerning the resurrection. Sir William Ramsay, who spent 15 years attempting to undermine Luke's credentials as a historian, and to refute the reliability of the New Testament, finally concluded: "Luke is a historian of the first rank.... This author should be placed along with the very greatest of historians.

BACKGROUND

The New Testament witnesses were fully aware of the background against which the resurrection took place. The body of Jesus, in accordance with Jewish burial custom, was wrapped in a linen cloth. About 100 pounds of aromatic spices, mixed together to form a gummy substance, were applied to the wrappings of cloth about the body.

claim to be an historian. My approach to Classics is historical. And I tell you that the evidence for the life, the death, and the resurrection of Christ is better authenticated than most of the facts of ancient history . . .

E. M. Blaiklock Professor of Classics Auckland University

After the body was placed in a solid rock tomb, an extremely large stone was rolled against the entrance of the tomb. Large stones weighing approx imately two tons were normally rolled (by means of levers) against a tomb

A Roman guard of strictly disciplined fighting men was stationed to guard the tomb. This guard affixed on the tomb the Roman seal, which was meant to prevent any attempt at vandalizing the sepulcher. Anyone trying to move the stone from the tomb's entrance would have broken the seal and thus incurred the wrath of Roman law

But three days later the tomb was empty. The followers of Jesus said He had risen from the dead. They reported that He appeared to them during a period of 40 days, showing Himself to them by many "infallible proofs," Paul the apostle recounted that Jesus appeared to more than 500 of His followers at one time, the majority of whom were still alive and who

So many security precautions were taken with the trial, crucifixion, burial, entombment, sealing, and guarding of Christ's tomb that it becomes very difficult for critics to defend their position that Christ did not rise from

FACT #1: BROKEN ROMAN SEAL

As we have said, the first obvious fact was the breaking of the seal that stood for the power and authority of the Roman Empire. The consequences of breaking the seal were extremely severe. The FBI and CIA of the Roman Empire were called into action to find the man or men who were responsi-If they were apprehended, it meant automatic execution by crucifixion upside down. People feared the breaking of the seal. Jesus' disciples displayed signs of cowardice when they hid themselves. Peter, one of these disciples, went out and denied Christ three times.

FACT #2: EMPTY TOMB

As we have already discussed, another obvious fact after the resurrec tion was the empty tomb. The disciples of Christ did not go off to Athens or Rome to preach that Christ was raised from the dead. Rather, they went right back to the city of Jerusalem, where, if what they were teaching was false, the falsity would be evident. The empty tomb was "too notorious to be denied." Paul Althaus states that the resurrection "could have not been maintained in Jerusalem for a single day, for a single hour, if the emptiness of the tomb had not been established as a fact for all concerned."

Both Jewish and Roman sources and traditions admit an empty tomb.

Those resources range from Josephus to a compilation of fifth-century Jewish writings called the "Toledoth Jeshu." Dr. Paul Maier calls this "positive evidence from a hostile source, which is the strongest kind of historical evidence. In essence, this means that if a source admits a fact decidedly

not in its favor, then that fact is genuine."

Gamaliel, who was a member of the Jewish high court, the Sanhedrin, put forth the suggestion that the rise of the Christian movement was God's doing; he could not have done that if the tomb were still occupied, or if the Sanhedrin knew the whereabouts of Christ's body.

Paul Maier observes that $\dot{\gamma}, \dots$ if all the evidence is weighed carefully and fairly, it is indeed justifiable, according to the canons of historical research, to conclude that the sepulcher of Joseph of Arimathea, in which Jesus was buried, was actually empty on the morning of the first Easter. And no shred of evidence has yet been discovered in literary sources, epigraphy, or archaeology that would disprove this statement."

FACT #3: LARGE STONE MOVED

On that Sunday morning the first thing that impressed the people who approached the tomb was the unusual position of the one and a half to twoton stone that had been lodged in front of the doorway. All the Gospel

Those who observed the stone after the resurrection describe its position as having been rolled up a slope away not just from the entrance of the tomb, but from the entire massive sepulcher. It was in such a position that it looked as if it had been picked up and carried away. Now, I ask you, if the disciples had wanted to come in, tiptoe around the sleeping guards, and then roll the stone over and steal Jesus' body, how could they have done that without the guards' awareness?

here exists no document from the ancient world, witnessed by so excellent a set of textual and historical testimonies . . . Skepticism regarding the historical credentials of Christianity is based upon an irrational bias.

Clark Pinnock

FACT #4: ROMAN GUARD GOES AWOL

The Roman guards fled. They left their place of responsibility. How can their attrition be explained, when Roman military discipline was so exceptions of the second control of

Justin, in Digest #49, mentions all the offenses that required the death penalty. The fear of their superiors' wrath and the possibility of death meant that they paid close attention to the most minute details of their jobs. One way a guard was put to death was by being stripped of his clothes and then burned alive in a fire started with his garments. If it was not apparent which be be been as the standed with a gained with a soldier had failed in his duty, then lots were drawn to see which one would be punished with death for the guard unit's failure. Certainly the entire unit would not have fallen asleep with that kind of threat over their heads. Dr. George Currie, a student of Roman military discipline, wrote that fear of punishment "produced flawless attention to duty, especially in the night

FACT #5: GRAVECLOTHES TELL A TALE
In a literal sense, against all statements to the contrary, the tomb was not totally empty—because of an amazing phenomenon. John, a disciple of Jesus, looked over to the place where the body of Jesus had lain, and there were the grave clothes, in the form of the body, slightly caved in and empty—like the empty chrysalis of a caterpillar's cocoon. That's enough to make a believer out of anybody. John never did get over it.

The first thing that stuck in the minds of the disciples was not the emp ty tomb, but rather the empty grave clothes—undisturbed in form and po-

FACT #6: JESUS' APPEARANCES CONFIRMED

Christ appeared alive on several occasions after the cataclysmic events

When studying an event in history, it is important to know whether enough people who were participants or eyewitnesses to the event were alive when the facts about the event were published. To know this is obviously helpful in ascertaining the accuracy of the published report. If the number of eyewitnesses is substantial, the event can be regarded as fairly report turns out to be a fabrication of lies, we as eyewitnesses can refute it

OVER 500 WITNESSES

Several very important factors are often overlooked when considering Christ's post-resurrection appearances to individuals. The first is the large number of witnesses of Christ after that resurrection morning.

One of the earliest records of Christ's appearing after the resurrection is by Paul. The apostle appealed to his audience's knowledge of the fact that Christ had been seen by more than 500 people at one time. Paul reminded them that the majority of those people were still alive and could be questioned. Dr. Edwin M. Yamauchi, associate professor of history at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, emphasizes: "What gives a special authority to the list (of witnesses) as historical evidence is the reference to most of the five hundred brethren being still alive. St. Paul says in effect, 'If you do not believe me, you can ask them.' Such a statement in an admittedly genuine letter written within thirty years of the event is almost as strong vidence as one could hope to get for something that happened nearly two thousand years ago

Let's take the more than 500 witnesses who saw Jesus alive after His death and burial, and place them in a courtroom. Do you realize that if each of those 500 people were to testify for only six minutes, including crossexamination, you would have an amazing 50 hours of firsthand testimo ny? Add to this the testimony of many other eyewitnesses and you would well have the largest and most lopsided trial in history

Another factor crucial to interpreting Christ's appearances is that He also appeared to those who were hostile or unconvinced.

Over and over again, I have read or heard people comment that Jesus was seen alive after His death and burial only by His friends and followers. Using that argument, they attempt to water down the over-whelming impact of the multiple eyewitness accounts. But that line of reasoning is so pathetic it hardly deserves comment. No author or informed individual would regard Saul of Tarsus as being a follower of Christ. The facts show the exact opposite Saul despised Christ and persecuted Christ's followers. It was life-shattering experience when Christ appeared to him. Although he was at the time not a disciple, he later became the apostle Paul, one of the greatest witnesses for the truth of the resurrection.

The argument that Christ's appearances were only to followers is an argument for the most part from silence, and arguments from silence can be dangerous. It is equally possible that all to whom Jesus appeared became followers. N quainted with the facts can accurately say that Jesus appeared to just "an insignificant few

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Christians believe that Jesus was bodily resurrected in time and space by the supernatural power of God. The difficulties of belief may be great, but the problems inherent in unbelief present even greater difficulties. The theories advanced to explain the resurrection by "natural causes"

are weak; they actually help to build confidence in the truth of the resur-

THE WRONG TOMB?

A theory propounded by Kirsopp Lake assumes that the women who reported that the body was missing had mistakenly gone to the wrong tomb. If so, then the disciples who went to check up on the women's statement must have also gone to the wrong tomb. We may be certain, however, that Jewish authorities, who asked for a Roman guard to be stationed at the tomb to prevent Jesus' body from being stolen, would not have been mistaken about the location. Nor would the Roman guards, for they were there! If the resurrection-claim was merely because of a geographical mistake,

the Jewish authorities would have lost no time in producing the body from the proper tomb, thus effectively quenching for all time any rumor resur-

HALLUCINATIONS?

Another attempted explanation claims that the appearances of Jesus after the resurrection were either illusions or hallucinations. Unsupported by the psychological principles governing the appearances of hallucinations, this theory also does not coincide with the historical situation. Again, where was the actual body, and why wasn't it produced?

DID JESUS SWOON?

Another theory, popularized by Venturini several centuries ago is often quoted today This is the swoon the ory, which says that Jesus didn't die; he merely fainted from exhaustion and loss of blood. Everyone thought Him dead, but later He resuscitated and the disciples thought it to be a resurrection. Skeptic David Fried-

no believer in the resurrection—gave the death-



blow to any thought that Jesus revived from a swoon: "It is impossible that a being who had stolen half-dead out of the sepulchre, who crept about weak and ill, wanting medical treatment, who required bandaging, strengthening and indulgence, and who still at last yielded to His sufferings, could have given to the disciples the impression that He was a Conqueror over death and the grave, the Prince of Life, an impression which lay at the bottom of their future ministry. Such a resuscitation could only have weakened the impression which He had made upon them in life and in death, at the most could only have given it an elegiac voice, but could by no possibility have changed their sorrow into enthusiasm, have clevated their reverence into worship."

THE BODY STOLEN?

Then consider the theory that the body was stolen by the disciples while the guards slept. The depression and cowardice of the disciples provide a hardhitting argument against their suddenly becoming so brave and daring as to face a detachment of soldiers at the tomb and steal the body. They

were in no mood to attempt anything like that.

The theory that the Jewish or Roman authorities moved Christ's body is no more reasonable an explanation for the empty tomb than theft by the disciples. If the authorities had the body in their possession or knew where it was, why, when the disciples were preaching the resurrection in Jerusalem, didn't they explain: "Wait! We moved the body, see, He didn't rise

from the grave '?'
And if such a rebuttal failed, why didn't they explain exactly where Je sus' body lay? If this failed, why didn't they recover the corpse, put it on a cart, and wheel it through the center of Jerusalem? Such an action would have destroyed Christianity-not in the cradle, but in the womb!

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Professor Thomas Arnold, for 14 years a headmaster of Rugby, author of the famous, *History of Rome*, and appointed to the chair of modern history at Oxford, was well acquainted with the value of evidence in determining historical facts. This great scholar said: "I have been used for many years to study the histories of other times, and to examine and weigh the evidence of those who have written about them, and I know of no one fact in the history of mankind which is proved by better and fuller evidence of every sort, to the understanding of a fair inquirer, than the great sign which God hath given us that Christ died and rose again from the dead." Brooke Foss Westcott, an English scholar, said: "Taking all the evidence together, it is not too much to say that there is no historic incident better or more variously supported than the resurrection of Christ, Nothing but or more variously supported than the resurrection of Christ. Nothing but the antecedent assumption that it must be false could have suggested the idea of deficiency in the proof of it.

REAL PROOF: THE DISCIPLES' LIVES

But the most telling testimony of all must be the lives of those early Christians. We must ask ourselves: What caused them to go everywhere telling the message of the risen Christ?

If the New Testament were a collection of secular writings, their authenticity would generally be regarded as beyond all doubt.

F. F. Bruce

Had there been any visible benefits accrued to them from their effortsprestige, wealth, increased social status or material benefitscally attempt to account for their actions, for their wholehearted and total allegiance to this "risen Christ.

As a reward for their efforts, however, those early Christians were beaten, stoned to death, thrown to the lions, tortured and crucified. Every conceivable method was used to stop them from talking.
Yet, they laid down their lives as the ultimate proof of their complete

confidence in the truth of their message

WHERE DO YOU STAND?

How do you evaluate this overwhelming historical evidence? What is your decision about the fact of Christ's empty tomb? What do you think

When I was confronted with the overwhelming evidence for Christ's resurrection, I had to ask the logical question: "What difference does all this evidence make to me? What difference does it make whether or not I believe Christ rose again and died on the cross for my sins?" The answer is put best by something Jesus said to a man who doubted-Thomas. Jesus told him: "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me" (John 14:6).

On the basis of all the evidence for Christ's resurrection, and considering the fact that Jesus offers forgiveness of sin and an eternal relationship with God, who would be so foolhardy as to reject Him? Christ is alive! He

You can trust God right now by faith through prayer. Prayer is talking with God. God knows your heart and is not so concerned with your as He is with the attitude of your heart. If you have never trusted Christ.

The prayer I prayed is: "Lord Jesus, I need You. Thank You for dying on the cross for my sins. I open the door of my life and trust You as my Savior. Thank You for forgiving my sins and giving me eternal life. Make me the kind of person You want me to be. Thank You that I can trust You.

The Way We See It.

by Lola Squyres

"An apple a day keeps the doctor away" or maybe not, if your apple has been sprayed with daminozide to make it more red, ripen on the tree longer and extend it's shelf life in the produce department of your grocery store. The list of foods which are linked to various kinds of cancer is growing rapidly.

I was please to learn that while AIDS seems to have the public's attention and the researcher's time, research on the three biggest killers in America is on the increase.

Representatives of the American Diabetes Association and the American Cancer Society tell me they are budgeting greater funds annually for research. In 1980 the American Heart Association budgeted 26,720,000 for research only and that figure was elevated to \$63,000,000 for 1988.

While I am not qualified to prioritize diseases for research, I am thankful for it. We've all heard, 'pick your poison' and with the information we are given based on research, we can, or not, as we choose.



Pictured here are Neria Pina at left and Greg Cleveland at right, who won the Bravo awards at Monday night's school board meeting. Ms. Pina received the award for coordinating the VIPS program. Cleveland received the award for an outstanding season and his dedication.

San Miguel Resigns

Coach Armando San Miguel tendered his resignation as Athletic Director at the March meeting of the Schleicher County School Board. The resignation is to take effect at the end of this contract year.

When asked about his decision to resign, San Miguel stated,"I have accomplished what I set out to accomplish. We won a track district title, last year. For the sixth straight year we won a district J.V. track title. We played for a play-off spot in football and placed third in the district. We also were area finalists in basketball. In tennis we had several regional qualifiers, a

state qualifier and won several district tennis titles.

San Miguel, who has been the athletic director here for the past three years, leaves with mixed emotions. He is grateful for the opportunity of working with a great staff and super kids.

With his goals accomplished and a feeling of self-gratification, San Miguel looks forward to new challenges in the future.

In his typical, gracious fashion, Coach San Miguel stated, "The athletic program which I inherited was a top notch program and I leave here knowing that it will continue to be a top notch program."

Paxton Named All-American Scholar

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Traci Paxton has been named an All-American Scholar.

The USAA has established the All-American Scholar Award Program in order to offer deserved recognition to superior student who excel in the Academic disciplines. The All-American Scholars must earn a 3.3 or better grade point average. Only Scholars selected by a secondary school instructor, counselor, or other qualified sponsor are accepted. These scholars are also eligible for other awards given by the USAA.

Traci Paxton, who attends Eldorado High School, was nominated for this National Award by Coach San Miguel. Traci will appear in the All-American Scholar Director, which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in American history. Certainly, winners of the All-American Scholar Awards should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United Sates Achievement Academy.

The Academy selects All-American Scholars upon the exclusive recommendations

of teachers, coaches, counselors, and other qualified sponsors. Once awarded, the students may be recognized by the USAA for other honors.

Traci is the daughter of Ronnie and Prissy Paxton. The grandparents are Horace Linthicum of Eldorado and Katharine Davis of San Angelo, and Mrs. and Mrs. T.J. Brewer of Seminole.

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Tennis Teams Off To Good Start

The Eldorado Junior High and High School boys and girls tennis teams did well at their respective meets this past weekend.

The Junior High team traveled to Sonora for a tournament. Sonja Richards and Holley Whitten placed first in eighth grade girls doubles. Lindy Hardy placed first in

High School Honor Roll Released

The Principal's A-Team for Eldorado High School has been released for the Fourth Six Weeks. Laura Johnson made it from the junior class and Katie Hardy and Angie McGregor from the sophomore class.

Making the All "A" Honor Roll for the fourth six weeks from the senior class was Dusty Barton. Carolina Gonzalez and Stacy Jones made the "A" Honor Roll from the junior class, Ericka Olson from the sophomore class and Traci Paxton from the freshman class.

Honorable Mention Honor Roll with an 85 average and above from the senior class were Jon Bumguardner, Carter Edmiston, Ashley Johnson, Stan Meador and Kim Scott. Making the list from the junior class were Carrie Norris, Dan Pfluger, Juan Ramirez; from the sophomore class were Kristina Aguero, Ca-Tina Dacy, Amy Henderson, Dena Lloyd and Cole Turner; and from the freshman class were Emma Gallegos, Stephanie Ledbetter, Matt Lloyd, Roxanne Martinez and Angela Williams.

eighth grade girls singles.

Ricky Gutierrez won first place in seventh grade boys singles and Brooke Richards won third place in seventh grade girls singles.

The High School team traveled to the Reagan County tournament in Big Lake. There were over 20 teams at this meet from all over West Texas.

Katie Hardy won first place in girls singles and Michael Kotsch won fourth place in boys singles.

The High School boys team of Justin Paxton and Ward Evans were runners-up in boys doubles consolation.

The Junior High team will be host for a tournament this Saturday on the local courts. Seven teams will be participating.

The High School team will travel to Sonora for a tournament Friday and Saturday.

Book Fair Set For Schools

Eldorado Elementary and Middle School libraries will be holding a book fair the week of March 20-24, in each school's library. The book fair offers a wide variety of children's books and is open from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

The book fair offers students and parents the opportunity to purchase books and materials that will help develop and enrich reading skills.

School Menu

Monday March 20

Breakfast - Applesauce, Bran Muffins Lunch - Cowboy Beans, French Fries, Mixed Fruit, Cornbread, Cowboy Cookies

Tuesday March 21

Breakfast - Pineapple Slices, Breakfast Cookies

Lunch - Beef Tacos with Cheese, Pinto Beans, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Cornbread, Chocolate Pudding

Wednesday March 22

Breakfast - Pineapple Juice, Hot Biscuits-Sausage, Jelly

Lunch - Beef Stew with Vegetables, Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, Peach Halves, Sugar Cookies

Thursday March 23

Breakfast - Orange Juice, Breakfast Pizza Lunch - Hot Dogs with Chili, Corn Chips, Pork & Beans, Stuffed Celery with Peanut Butter, Rice Krispie Cookies

Friday March 24 Good Friday - No School

Meeting Set For First Christian Church

A meeting will be held March 30, at 7 p.m. in the Club Room of the Memorial Building for the purpose of the disposition of assets belonging to the First Christian Church.

All members are urged to be present so they may be heard from in this important decision.

1989 TRACK SCHEDULE

March 4 - Junction March 11 - Eldorado March 18 - Mason March 25 - Ballinger

March 31-April 1 - San Angelo Boys Meet April 1 - McCamey Girls Meet

April 8 - Brady April 22 - Junior High District Meet - Eldorado

Eagle's



Schedule

Horse's Tail

Golf Tournament

There will be a Horse's

Tail Golf Tournament Saturday,

March 18 at the Eldorado Golf
Course. Tee time is 1 p.m.

There is a \$25 entry fee
per team. Teams will consist of
two persons each.

A dinner will follow the

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1989 TENNIS SCHEDULE

March 10-11 - Big Lake Tournament March 17-18 - Sonora Tournament March 31-April 1 - Mason Tournament April 6-7 - District Meet - Big Lake April 28-29 - Regional Meet - Abilene May 12-13 - State Meet - Austin

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To Mr. C.R. Sproul, for the kind use of his land.

Though a rich reward I should bestow, I can only thank the firemen of Eldorado.

> Sincerely, Marcus Murr 1-(3-16-89)-b

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Main Street **Business**

Association Formed

Tuesday, March 14 there was a meeting of the Main Street Business Association at the Old Main Street Cafe. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss goals, elect officers and prioritize projects.

Bill Hodges was elected chairman and Charlie Bradley elected secretary-treasurer. Members are: Paul Page, Howard Derrick, Ray Lewis Ballew, Carol Green, Pat Lloyd, Bill Clark, Bill McCravey, Jim Barker, George Gower, Jerry Jones, Jimmy Powell, Wayne and Cindy McGinnes, Bob and Nancy Lester and Elton and Mary McGinnes.

Ways to beautify Main Street were discussed.



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> James Alexander & Family Mary Lou Thompson & Family 1-(3-16-89)-b

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NOTICE Defensive Driving returns to Eldorado Saturday, March 18. Call 853-2777 for details.

*********** GARAGE SALE

************ Garage Sale: Friday, March 17 at 108 N. Hackberry. Starts at 9:00 a.m.

Garage Sale at 116 Dixie. Saturday, March 18, 1989. Satellite Dish, papasan chair, childrens and adult clothing, bedspreads, etc. BEFORE SALES 9:00 SATURDAY MORNING!

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Hospital Admissions and Discharges

ADMISSIONS

March 9 - Jenny Wink

March 10 - Emma Evett, Madalyn Lee, Myrtle Johnson

March 13 - Vivian Vasquez

DISCHARGES

March 11 - Jenny Wink

THANK YOU

May God Bless Each of You!!

Gigantic Garage Sale - Thursday, March 16. From 8:00 a.m. until everything is sold. Given by six families. Contains a little bit of everything. Located at D.J. Garvin's building on Hwy 277 South, on the left towards Sonora.

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