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# Rains bypass county, burn ban remains in effect

The weekend's rain showers passed Schleicher County by and the county's burn ban became the main topic of discussion during the January 23, 2006 meeting of the Schleicher Commissioners Court. Commissioner Johnny Mayo told the court he had received inquiries about the ban and whether it applied to prescribed and controlled burns.

As the men discussed the ban, Judge Johnny Griffin read aloud the order first issued by the commissioners on July 11, 2005, restricting outdoor burning. The order was reissued by the court on November 28, 2005.

Outdoor burning is prohibited under the ban in the unincorporated areas of the county. The order does not, however, prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission On Environmental Quality for: 1) firefighter training; 2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operation; 3) planting or harvesting or agricultural crops; 4) burns that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code; and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code; or 5) prescribed burns by individuals that have a burn plan that has been approved by the Natural Resource Conservation Service or Texas Department of Agriculture.

It was noted that violation of the order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

Mayo explained that questions about the burn ban started when the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) placed a moratorium on controlled burns in the county.

The NRCS routinely provides a certified prescribed burn manager as required by law. But when The Success contacted Carrol Green at the NRCS office, he said, "Due to the extreme risk of wildfire caused by dry fuel conditions, low relative humidity, high air temperatures, strong winds and the number of wildfires that have already occurred across the state, the NRCS will not be providing assistance to land user with prescribed burns until further notice."

So, the burn ban remains in effect

county-wide. Still, there is no prohibition on outdoor barbecue pits but Fire Chief Jerry Jones recommends using common sense.

Chief Jones was present at Monday's commissioners court meeting to request to purchase 5 more "high band" pagers for the fire department. He told the court the low-band radio cannot be repaired and the fire department has been forced to page out its firefighters with the emergency siren.

Jones advised that the department needs an additional 15 pagers for complete coverage for their members. Last year the City of Eldorado purchased the first 15 high band pagers with money the city budgets for the department, but the firefighters continued to rely on their low band pagers to make up the difference. Now with the failure of the department's low band radio there is a dire need to convert the remainder of the volunteer force to the high band units.

Jones said if the county would contribute 5 pagers, he would ask the city to pay for another 5. The fire department, Jones said, would pay for the remaining pagers out of its funds.

The commissioners noted that the fire department has sufficient funds in the county budget and authorized Jones to make the \$1,820 purchase.

Monday's meeting was called to order by County Judge Johnny Griffin with commissioners Bill Clark, Johnny Mayo, Kirk Griffin and Matt Brown in attendance. Also on hand for the meeting were County Treasurer Karen Henderson, Road Superintendent Clay Burleson and County Clerk Peggy Williams, who sought the commissioners recommendation on how much to charge other local governmental entities for use of the county's new voting machines. Williams noted that the county is prohibited from charging political parties more than \$5 per election, but said it was open as to how much to charge the other taxing entities.

It was noted that the county has spent more than \$72,000 for the voting machines, with \$67,000 of that amount coming from the state. While there was much discussion about the matter,



Unit #42, Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department's newest grass and brush truck, arrived just in time to be pressed into service during a recent rash of grass fires, including a massive fire that charred 1,000 acres of ranchland just northeast of Sonora last week.

the commissioners ultimately could not arrive at a number. Instead they recommended Williams charge for the machines on a "pro-rated" basis.

Williams said her office will close Jan. 30-31 to train election workers on the new machines.

In other business, the men voted to allow inspectors from Karr Tuck Pointing to look over the exterior of the courthouse and report back on any needed repairs.

The men next gave permission for County Clerk Peggy Williams to update the mileage and meal reimbursement

for county employees as per the state comptrollers guide lines. Currently the state's travel reimbursement rate stands at 44.5 cents per mile.

for a transport load of diesel fuel to Griffin Fuels. The winning bid was \$2.208 per gallon. A bid from Regal Oil in the amount of \$2.213 per gallon was rejected.

The commissioners then awarded a bid

Next, the commissioners authorized Judge Griffin to purchase a lawnmower for the cemetery.

Commissioner Bill Clark then asked his fellow commissioners to consider contacting Eldorado Place Apartments and request the company install better lighting around their property. Clark said he had received complaints about children playing around the apartments in the evening and drivers not being able to see them. The commissioners discussed the issue but took no action.

Before adjourning, the commissioners reviewed the county's bills and authorized payment. They also approved County Treasurer Karen Henderson's final budget report for 2005. Additionally, the men approved paying dues in the amount of \$350.00 to the Association of Rural Counties.

## **Unemployment rate drops in Texas** 153,500 jobs added statewide in 2005

AUSTIN - The December unemployment rate of 5.1 percent represented a two-tenths of a percentage point decrease from the November rate of 5.3 percent. Seasonally Adjusted Nonagricultural Employment in Texas rose by 13,400 jobs in December, which marked sixteen straight months of over-the-month employment increases. Annual growth for Total Nonagricultural Employment ended December at 153,500 jobs, for an annual growth rate of 1.6 percent.

"The brightest news for the year is significant job growth across every industry sector," said Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Chair Diane Rath. When employers add jobs as they did throughout 2005, more opportunities are available for Texans in the workforce."

Employment in Education & Health Services recorded a gain of 3,800 jobs in December and was responsible for the largest share of the employment increase for the month. Education & Health Services added 25,100 jobs since December 2004.

Employment in Professional & Business Services posted a gain of 2,400 positions in December. The annual growth rate of 3.3 percent in this sector represented a boost of 36,100 jobs over the year. This was the largest annual growth rate since September 2004.

Employment in Construction jumped by 1,600 positions in December for a total of 17,200 jobs over the year. The annual growth rate in Construction rose to 3.2 percent in December and has remained in positive territory since March 2005.

"As the economy expands, Texas employers continue to add jobs to meet the demands of the marketplace," said TWC Commissioner Representing Employers Ron Lehman. "A 1.6 percent annual job growth rate spread across all industries is an encouraging economic indicator."

Employment in Leisure & Hospitality added 2,600 positions in December. The annual growth rate rose to 2.2 percent, an increase of 19,700 positions over the year. This was the largest annual growth rate since February 2005.

Natural Resources & Mining employment ended 2005 with an increase of 500 jobs in December. A total of 4,200 positions were added over the year, bringing the annual growth rate to 2.7 percent in December.

"The lower unemployment rate is directly tied to the availability of jobs," said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Ronny Congleton. "The Texas labor force is 11.3 million strong, and with job growth, opportunities are available for all."

Initial claims for unemployment compensation in December were 63,436, down 30.6 percent from December 2004 and down 19.2 percent from December 2003.



TASB representatives Ernesto Martinez and Larry Blair spent several hours preparing the SCISD board of trustees Monday night for the long process of interviewing candidates for school superintendent. The board will begin interviewing the first of six applicants on Sunday, January 29. The process will involve the board asking each of the applicants a series of prepared questions before reducing the number of candidates and inviting a smaller number back for a more in depth interview.



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# New drug-labeling rule to benefit consumers

Allegations of federal preemption should not worry Texans

by Mary Katherine Stout and Bill Peacock

A new drug-labeling rule from the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) aims to give both medical providers and patients clearer information about prescription drugs.

The new rule changes the content and standardizes prescription drug labels to make them more patient-friendly—a welcome change for Americans who often find their prescriptions accompanied by sheets of paper covered in small print jargon. Too often that fine print delivers incomprehensible and overwhelming information, trading cumbersome legal warnings for the clear and concise information that consumers really need.

While the legalese makes prescription drug labels less patient-friendly, pharmaceutical manufacturers rely on these warnings to help defend themselves from almost certain future lawsuits. As such, pharmaceutical companies were rightly concerned that the FDA's new patient-friendly rules for simplified labels would also be a gold mine for trial lawyers primarily concerned about establishing new profit centers for their businesses.

The potential of receiving large judgments or settlements has long motivated trial lawyers to mine the minutiae and complexity of modern society for the least technicality on which they might hang a lawsuit. Accordingly, pharmaceutical manufacturers could reasonably predict that trial lawyers would use the simplified product labels as an opportunity to sue the companies over every word that had been deleted.

In response to these concerns, the FDA included language in the rule's preamble formalizing the FDA's position that federally approved prescription drug labels preempt state liability laws.

The preemption language predictably drew the ire of trial lawyers and their friends who realized that the federal preemption may thwart their efforts to take advantage of the clarity of the new labeling standards. Under the guise of federalism, the trial bar and its allies in many state legislatures charged that the preemption rule, "amounts to an abuse of agency process and a complete disregard for our dual system of government."

Texans, though, should not be worried about overreaching federal power in this instance. Unlike some other cases of excessive federal involvement in state issues, here there are legitimate concerns about protecting consumer safety in the course of interstate commerce.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) proposed similar rules in 2005 that would preempt state products liability laws if an automaker's vehicle roofs met federal safety standards. In the case of the automakers, the proposed rules increased the amount of weight a vehicle's roof must withstand in a rollover accident, including the language that would extend automakers protection for meeting the NHTSA's safety standards. This is a common sense policy that applies the federal safety standard across all states, rather than binding the automakers' liability to different standards set in every state.

Such a standard makes sense for pharmaceuticals in particular, precisely because the FDA sets the safety standards for prescription drugs and acts as the gatekeeper on the market. Prescription drugs that satisfy federal safety and labeling standards ought not to be subject to fifty different safety standards once the FDA has approved the safety and efficacy of the product. Furthermore, compliance

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## Swinging with Benny Goodman

I had the opportunity last week to attend a jazz concert in Dallas where several members of the old Benny Goodman band performed in tribute to the King of Swing.

The show took place in the beautiful McFarlin Auditorium on the campus of Southern Methodist University.

Kathy and I were in the DFW Metroplex to attend the Texas Press Association's mid-winter conference and would have otherwise spent the evening browsing through the booths at the trade show and looking at a lot of merchandise we can't afford. Most likely, however, I would have found a colleague to sit down with and talk shop.

Fortunately for us, though, some friends came up with a couple of spare tickets to the concert and we jumped at the chance.

Specifically, the show was a reenactment of Goodman's 1938 Carnegie Hall concert, which marked jazz music's first step out of the night clubs and dance halls and into the mainstream of American popular culture.

Ken Peplowski, a gifted clarinetist from Chicago, filled Goodman's shoes for the evening, and he filled them well.

Not only did Peplowski act as front man for an amazing group of musicians, he regaled the audience with a number of stories



about Goodman and the golden age of jazz.

Having played tenor sax in Goodman's big band of the 1980s, Peplowski learned Benny's style first hand. He ably demonstrated how Goodman could meld rhythm section and horns into one seamless sound.

Peplowski's solos were the hit of the evening as he mimicked Goodman's clarinet style and punctuated the string of classics that flowed from the stage.

"Don't be that Way," "Sometimes I'm Happy," "Swingtime in the Rockies," "Stompin' at the Savoy" and "Sing, Sing, Sing," were but a few of Goodman's hits we heard.

It was an amazing evening made all the more special by Peplowski's obvious passion for the music. I was happy we could be a part.

Jazz, especially the big band variety, isn't something you run across everyday in West Texas. In fact, you almost never run across it West Texas.

When I was a boy, my Mom had a Glenn Miller album that she played over and over. I think it was about the time that the movie "The Glenn Miller Story" starring Jimmy Stewart was released.

I can still hear "String of Pearls" and "In the Mood" echoing through our home. Tragically, Miller was killed in World War II when the plane that was taking him to a performance in Europe crashed. That was a decade before I was born.

I read on the Internet just now that Glenn Miller actually played with Goodman in one of his first bands. Goodman, who was born in 1909, survived until 1986.

On the way back to our hotel after the concert I couldn't help but marvel at how much music styles have changed since Goodman's heyday. It's hard to think of the jazz musicians of the 20s and 30s as being musical rebels, but they were...as much and maybe more so than the rock & rollers who burst upon the scene in the 1950s.

Goodman lived to see it all. The rise of County music, the advent of Rock & Roll, Disco, Heavy Metal and Punk Rock.

I can't help but wonder, though, what he and Glenn Miller would have thought of today's Rap music and Hip Hop.

# Governor issues second disaster declaration

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — Texas is now home to overlapping disasters.

On Jan. 19 Gov. Rick Perry issued a disaster declaration for all of Texas' 254 counties due to drought. Earlier, on Dec.

27, the governor declared a statewide disaster due to wildfires.

In making the second disaster declaration, Perry asked the U.S.

Department of Agriculture to provide disaster relief assistance for farms and ranches.

Perry's request for aid is pending, but if approved, farmers and ranchers may apply for loans equal to 100 percent of actual production for physical losses up to \$500,000.

Already, lack of usable pasture has forced many farms and ranches to buy feed and/or sell off their stock.

#### Candidate gets 12 of '60 Minutes'

Musician, novelist, animal-rescuer and 2006 Independent candidate for governor Richard "Kinky" Friedman managed to do something none of the other candidates for Texas governor has done: get interviewed on CBS-TV's national news magazine "60 Minutes."

In a 12-minute segment aired Jan. 22, Friedman told reporter Morley Safer he was pro-education, pro-choice and pro-school prayer; also anti-bigotry, OK with gay marriage and serious about protecting the border.

The Friedman campaign reported it raised \$1.5 million in campaign funds in the last six months — three times more than all of the Democratic candidates for governor have raised so far, according to required filings.

But Friedman won't gain a spot on the November ballot unless his campaign collects 45,450 signatures on a petition to be submitted to the secretary of state within a month after the Democratic and Republican party primaries in March. The Carole Keeton Strayhorn campaign will have to do likewise, because she also is running as an Independent.

Returning to the subject of fundraising: between Strayhorn and incumbent Republican Gov. Perry there is \$20 million in their campaign war

## Strayhorn ads shed GOP label

The campaign to elect Comptroller Strayhorn is running a new TV ad that is absent her earlier declaration that she is a Republican.

This change in the content of her campaign message follows a change in her appearance. Watchers noted something in the photo portrait displayed on both her campaign and comptroller Web sites. In the photo, she sports a multicolored scarf, whereas in the prior official photo she wore a Christian cross pendant.

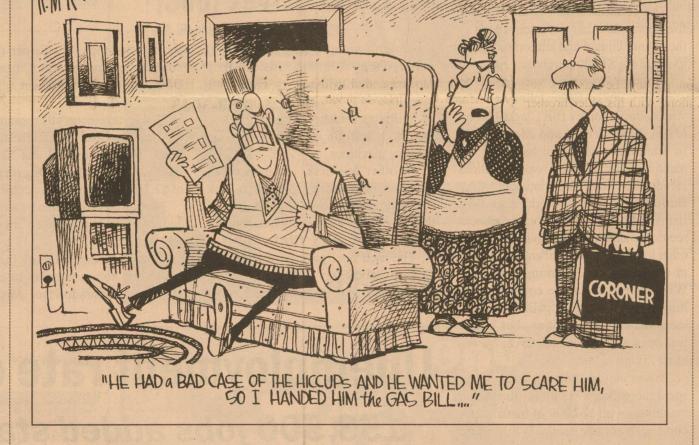
In other news, earlier in the month of January, Strayhorn garnered the endorsement of the second-largest teacher group in the state, the Texas State Teachers Association.

## TSTA sues certification board

The Texas State Teachers Association on Jan. 19 filed suit in Travis County District Court against the State Board for Educator Certification, claiming the agency is illegally and unconstitutionally posting complaints against teachers before the hearings have been scheduled.

Attorneys for TSTA alleged the agency is failing to respond, as required by law, to complaints against

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## Horses and Scents

Linda Lamka and her family moved to Pecos from Missouri three years ago. She was looking for a home for her horses.

"The area where we were was rather rocky and we were looking for flatter ground," says Linda. "We were getting pretty desperate, so I went to one of my chat rooms and just put the message out there that we were looking for property on an interstate highway that was good for raising horses. This one gal emailed me back and said she had property on Interstate 20 in Pecos."

While growing up in Missouri, Linda read about Pecos Bill, cowboys and grew to love the western way of life, so the possible move to Pecos interested her.

"After about six weeks of emailing back and forth, her mailing pictures and us talking on the phone, we made a deal to buy the property. I had never seen the place in person, had never met the woman, and had never come to Pecos. We just stepped out on a leap of faith and came down."

She and her family hope to raise quality ranch horses. They



by Tumblweed Smith

have twelve horses now. When Linda isn't tending to her horses, she runs her Oak Street Gallery. It features western art and crafts, Montana Silversmith products, rustic home décor, books, and her special line of cosmetics and soaps, which she makes.

"Back in Missouri, my son was working for a candle shop that also had glycerin soap. I went into work part time and got intrigued by it and started finding all kinds of recipes on the Internet for lotions, gels and shampoos. I found out where I could order the ingredients and ended up with a pretty nice little business in Missouri. We weren't selling on the internet in Missouri, but we are here."

Her line of soaps and body products started with hand milled

soap and grew to include shower gels, lotions, body scrubs, face cleansers and creams and foot scrubs.

"I make the products with the West Texas climate in mind."

She calls herself an alchemist. "I get in my little room, put on my hat and lab coat and just start making things. If you can cook, you can make soap. It's all recipes.

You can make it in a cook pot now, instead of the old kettle your grandmother used. I sometimes use the oven. I just add certain ingredients, like oatmeal, which is good for the skin. I make a line of lotions and shampoos using carrot oil. People love it. I don't need a lotion after I bathe because I use a sugar scrub while I'm washing. I have dozens of fragrances, some for men. Our mineral cosmetics are made with all natural ingredients."

Ingredients in all her products are listed on the labels. Much of her business is conducted on the internet. Her website is www. oakstreetgallery.com.

## OBITUARIES

## **Imogene Miller Edmiston**



Imogene Miller Edmiston Home.

in Schleicher County Cemetery.

she met Delbert Edmiston.

in Mertzon.

to Eldorado and operated the Eagle Edmiston.

Drive-in Theater for 17 years. She returned to college and graduated from San Angelo College the first year that institution was a four year college. She taught in Eldorado Elementary for 22 years, mostly in fifth grade.

A member of First United Methodist Church, Imogene served as a Sunday school teacher for many years serving in many capacities. Her joy was teaching the adult

She was a life-time member of the Eldorado Woman's Club and Martha's Angels. She was an avid bridge player.

Survivors include a daughter, passed away January 23, 2005 Genelle Sample of Grand Prairie; in Schleicher County Nursing son and daughter-in-law Jerry and Nell Edmiston of Eldorado; Services will be at 2 p.m. daughter and son-in-law, Jill Thursday at First United Method- and Randy Crawford of Ozona; ist Church in Eldorado with burial grandchildren, Kelly Mullikin of 1922 in Eldorado. She attended Edmiston and wife Raney of Slaschool in Mertzon and graduated ton; Renee Anderley and husband as valedictorian. She attended Larry of Crestview, Florida; Ross Southwest Texas University and Crawford and wife Brandi of began teaching at Meyer school in Eldorado, and Colbey Crawford chael Fuentes to Josh McSherry nard High School and is currently Eastern Schleicher County where of College Station; and two great- of Menard. grandchildren, Hailey Mullkin of The two married November 7, Grand Prairie and Wyatt Edmis- Grace McSherry of Menard. 1942 in Wichita Falls while Delbert ton of Slaton; two sisters, Billie was serving in the United States Roth of Piedmont, South Dakota, Air Force. While he was a prisoner and Georgie McDaniel and husof war in Germany, she remained band R. T. (Pete) of Horseshoe Bay. She was preceded in death by After the war, the couple moved her husband of 30 years, Delbert

## **Robert Harry Williams**

liams, 83, U.S. Army retired, of hunting, fishing and camping. In San Diego, CA, and formerly of his younger says he was very ac-Eldorado, passed away Sunday, tive, along with his older brother January 15, 2006, in a Hospice George Jr., in every aspect of faminpatient unit in San Diego.

Col. Williams, and a twin sister, Europe and later in Korea. He was San Diego his choice. awarded the bronze stars among tions. He was a Lieutenant, train- one son preceded him in death. ing in large caliber, crew-served, commands.

manded a helicopter evacuation eral nieces, nephews and cousins. unit, flying alternate missions with three assigned pilots rescu- this time. ing the wounded form battlefield positions.

Colonel Robert Harry Wil- high school and college. He loved ily farm just south of Eldorado.

However, he elected a regular R. Helen Williams, were born on commission and career in the U.S. August 22, 1922, to Mr. and Mrs. Army following WW II and often George Williams of Schleicher said, "Every day in the Army was County, TX. Col. Williams, having like Sunday on the farm." After been called into the army while yet leaving the army, Col. Williams a junior at Texas A&M, served his visited many places contemplating country during World War II in "residence / retirement" and made

His parents, his first wife Jeane, several other decorations and cita- 4 brothers, 4 sisters as well as his

Survivors include a sister, mounted firearms in 1943, when Beaulah W. Neill of Midland; he volunteered for liaison pilot his daughters, JoAnne Hill, of training "Piper Cubs" to change Lubbock, Margo of Springfield, IL; and numerous grandchildren, In the Korean War, he com- great-grandchildren as well as sev-

Services are still pending at

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the American

## Williams was an avid outdoors- Alzheimer's Society or to the man, farmer and football star in donor's favorite charity. Capital Highlights...

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of receipt, and that some teachers to any who have not yet done so flagged since 2003 still have not Abbott said. had hearings.

I.D. theft measure takes effect

retailers to comply with a 2003 anti-identity theft law requiring retailers to print no more than the last four numbers of a credit card or the card's expiration date on receipts.

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott on Jan. 17 urged consumers to check their receipts and notify his office if they are given a receipt that has too many credit card account numbers printed or impressed on it.

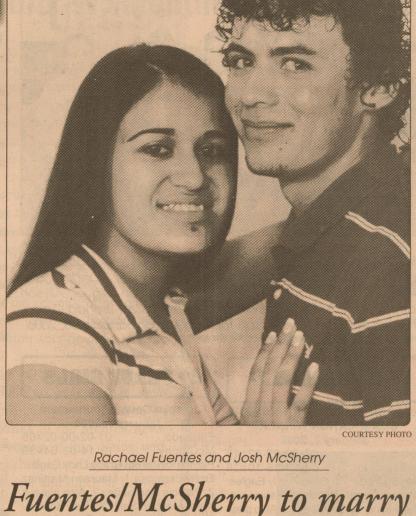
"I appreciate the efforts of

retailers to comply with this law teachers within 130 calendar days and I am issuing this reminder who have had their certificates that the deadline has now passed,"

Lottery study describes players

Who is spending the most Dec. 31 was the deadline for money on Texas lottery tickets and games? A study on player demographics commissioned by the Texas Lottery indicates players tend to be lower-income, less-educated, Hispanic, black or "other."





## Schleicher County Cemetery. Grand Prairie; Rachel Edmiston Fuentes/McSherry to marry Imogene was born April 28, of Lynnwood, Washington; Will

Juan and Elizabeth Fuentes would like to announce the en- Eldorado High School. gagement of their daughter Ra-

Josh is the son of Randy and in Eldorado.

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Barajas, Sunni Cate McCormick,

Reed Hairman, Varonica Mejia, Clarissa Hernandez, Byron

29th Blake Snelson, Ryan Mathis,

30th Trisha Martinez, McKayla

Ann Adame, Lacy Finley Jemmott,

Louise Radle, Michael Faull,

Antonio Mejia, Sutairra Martinez

31st Shonda Ferguson, Louann

Clark, Shea Polite, Linda Mungia

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Josh is a 2002 graduate of Meworking for Crowder Construction

The wedding will be March 4, 2006 at the courthouse in Eldorado.

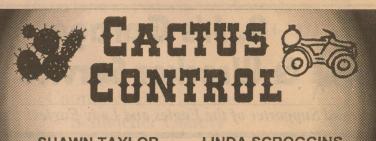
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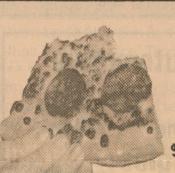
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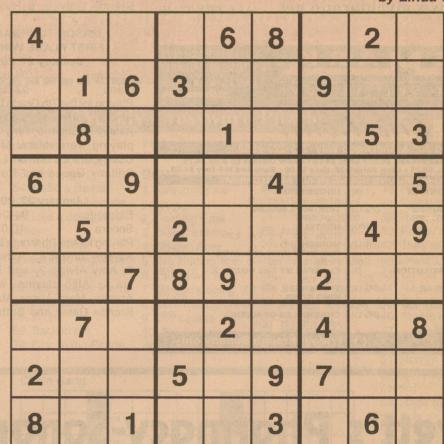
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## Varsity basketball update

The Varsity Boys basketball team went 0 and 3 in their three with three 3-pointers, and Wipff straight home games against the shared the high score title with Grape Creek Eagles, Sonora Bron- him with nine of his own. cos and Wall Hawks.

of those three 37-58 against Grape 46 loss to the Hawks. Creek Friday, January 13th.

in scoring with 10 points in the Wanoreck not far behind with 6. game. Frank Wipff turned in 8.

stay within 10 points of the Bron- night. cos last Tuesday.

ers to pad his 8 point game, while on the losing end of a 47-52 score. Michael Redish rang in the evening with 9 points.

The Varsity Girls stats from with 12 on the night. their contest against Sonora ran in last weeks edition.

On Friday the Wall Hawks with 10 points. made their way to Eldorado and victories over both the boy and girl squads.

dropped a 64-48 decision.

Jorge Bustos ended the night

The Varsity Girls found it The Varsity Boys lost their first tough sledding as well in their 29-

Chelsey Hill led the Lady Drew Bosmans led the Eagles Eagles with 7 points with Chandra

The Lady Eagles ended their Wipff scored 14 points in the four game home stand with a Sonora game to help the Eagles loss to Reagan County Tuesday

The Eagles, in what would Drew Bosmans hit two 3-point- amount to a close game, came out

> Cassandra Buitron led the Lady Eagles in the scoring department

Taylor Baker was the only other Eagle that broke into double digits

No Reagan County stats were swept the Varsity games with available for the Varsity Boys game at press time.

Both squads will be heading The Varsity Boys couldn't to Mason on Friday. Girls begin find an answer for the Hawks and at 6:30 p.m. with the boys right after at 8 p.m.

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#### 7th GRADE GIRLS

**REAGAN COUNTY TOURNAMENT CONSOLATION WINNERS** January 7, 2006

Eldorado 06-00-02-02=10 Reagan Co. 08-10-08-10=36 Playing for the 7th Grade Lady Eagles: Allyson Jarrett 3, Ashley Paulson 4, Marci Minor 2, Amy Alvizo 1. Also playing were: Deisy Aranda, Amber Guzman, Abbie Ussery, Brenda Galan, Rosy Iglesias, Laura Garcia, Brittany Gauna.

Reagan County Tournament January 7, 2006

02-04-09-04=19 Eldorado 00-00-02-00=02 Playing for the 7th Grade Lady Eagles: Allyson Jarrett 7, Ashley Paulson 2, Abbie Ussery 2, Amy Alvizo 1, Brittaney Gauna 6. Also playing were: Amber Guzman, Marci Minor, Brenda Galan, Rosye Iglesias, Laura Garcia.

January 16, 2006

07-04-05-07=23 Eldorado 07-04-07-04=22 Playing for the 7th Grade Lady Eagles: Allyson Jarrett 9; Ashley Paulson 4, Amy Alvizo 7, Brittany Gauna 3. Also playing were: Amber Guzman, Abbie ussery, Marci Minor, Deisy Aranda, Brenda Galan, and Laura Garcia.

> MASON TOURNAMENT FIRST PLACE WINNERS

January 21, 2006 06-03-03-08=26 05-04-05-07=20 Playing for the 7th Grade Lady Eagles: Allyson Jarrett 8; Deisy Aranda 6, Ashley Paulson 1, Amy Alvizo 9, Laura Garcia 1, Brittany Gauna 1. Also playing were: Marci Minor, Abbie Ussery, Brenda Galvan, & Rosy Iglesias.

> MASON TOURNAMENT FIRST PLACE WINNERS January 21, 2006

04-02-08-07=24 02-03-07=06=18 Llano Playing for the 7th Grade Lady Eagles: Allyson Jarrett 11; Deisy Aranda 4, Ashley Paulson 5, Amy Alvizo. Also playing were: Marci Minor, Abbie Ussery, Brenda Galvan, Laura Garcia, Brittany Gauna and Rosy Iglesias.

January 23, 2006

04-04-04-06=18 Eldorado 10-07-07=16=40 Sonora Playing for the 7th Grade Lady Eagles: Allyson Jarrett 8; Ashley Paulson 7, Amy Alvizo 2, and Laura Garcia 1, Also playing were: Deisy Aranda, Marci Minor, Abbie Ussery, Brenda Galan and Brittany Gauna.

#### 8th GRADE GIRLS

**Reagan County Tournament** January 7, 2006

Eldorado 01-02-00-02=05 13-14-08-04=39 Playing for the 8th Grade Lady Eagles: Emily Espinosa 1, Maureen Martinez 2, Patricia Hernandez 2. Also playing were: Maegan Self, Clarissa Hernandez. Mary Alice Aguirre. Taylre Bilbrey. Victoria Garza, and Krystal Hamilton.

**Reagan County Tournament** January 7, 2006

00-02-08-04=14 Eldorado 06-04-09-07=26 Playing for the 8th Grade Lady Eagles: Emily Espinosa 10, Maureen Martinez 2, Adrianna Hernandez 2. Also playing were: Maegan Self, Clarissa Hernandez, Mary Alice Aguirre, Patricia Hernandez, Taylre Bilbrey, Victoria Garza, and Krystal Hamilton. January 16, 2006

02-04-02-04=12 11-10-15-10=46 Playing for the 8th Grade Lady Eagles: Emily Espinosa 4, Maureen Martinez 2, Adrianna Hernandez 4, Patricia Hernandez 2. Also playing were: Maegan Self, Clarissa Hernandez, Mary Alice Aguirre, Taylre Bilbrey and Victoria Garza. MASON TOURNAMENT

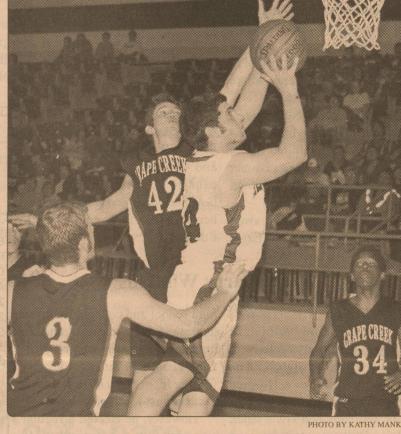
January 21, 2006 00-05-03-00=09 Eldorado 10-09-14-14=47 Llano

Playing for the 8th Grade Lady Eagles: Emily Espinosa 3, Adrianna Hernandez 5, Victoria Garza 1. Also playing were: Maureen Martinez, Maegan Self, Clarissa Hernandez, Mary Alice Aguirre, Taylre Bilbrey, Patricia Hernandez and Victoria Garza.

MASON TOURNAMENT January 21, 2006

08-09-08-08=33 Blanco Playing for the 8th Grade Lady Eagles: Emily Espinosa 5, Adrianna Hernandez 2, Maureen Martinez 3, Victoria Garza 3. Also playing were: Clarissa Hernandez, Patricia Hernandez, Mary Alice Aguirre, Taylre Bilbrey, and Maegan Self. January 23, 2006

Fldorado 00-00-02-03=05 10-14-06-13=43 Playing for the 8th Grade Lady Eagles: Emily Espinosa 1, , Maureen Martinez 2, Victoria Garza 2. Also playing were: Maegan Self, Clarissa Hernandez, Adrianna Hernandez, Mary Alice Aguirre and Taylre Bilbrey,



Frank Wipff drove to the bucket as the Eagles took on Grape Creek here on Jan. 13. The Warbirds fell 58-37 to the visitors.

## JV GIRLS

January 13, 2006

04-01-04-06=15 Grape Creek 07-12-15-09=43 Playing for the Lady Eagles:Bridgett Mitchell 2, Alicia Corrales 2, Ashley Lozano 4, Kristin Mittel, 2, Tiffany Hernandez 2 and Corie Williams 3.

January 17, 2006 06-07-08-00=21 26-08-10-13=57 Sonora Playing for the Lady Eagles:Bridgett Mitchell 10, Alicia Corrales 2, Katherine Johnson 4, Tiffany Hernandez 2, Dee Cruz 2 and Corie Williams 1.

## 7th GRADE BOYS

January 16, 2006

07-08-10-05=30 Eldorado 03-00-05-06=14 Playing for the 7th Grade Eagles: Eloy Bustos 4, J. R. Martinez 2, Miles Mikeska 6. Ben Wipff 2. Briley Ledbetter 16. **ROCKSPRINGS TOURNAMENT** 

January 21, 2006

11-15-14-06=46 Eldorado Nueces Canyon 00-04-04-03=11 Playing for the 7th Grade Eagles: Eloy Bustos 10, Jaymie O'Harrow 1, Tyler Farmer 4, Bailey Minor 4, Joshua Jurecek 4, J.R. Martinez 6, Miles Mikeska 8, Ben Wipff 3, and Briley Ledbetter 6. Also playing Zack Brame.

ROCKSPRING TOURNAMENT **FIRST PLACE WINNERS** 

January 21, 2006 13-06-06-07=32 Eldorado Junction 04-01-00-00=05 Playing for the 7th Grade Eagles: Eloy Bustos 12, Tyler Farmer 2, Bailey Minor 3, Joshua Jurecek 2, Miles Mikeska 5, Ben Wipff 6, and Briley Ledbetter 2. Also playing: Jaymie O'Harrow, Zack Brame and J.R. Martinez. January 23, 2006

07-05-06-01=19 06-10-06-12=34 Sonora Playing for the 7th Grade Eagles: Eloy Bustos 06, Zack Brame 1, Miles Mikeska 7, Ben Wipff 1, and Briley Ledbetter 4. Also playing: Jaymie O'Harrow, Bailey Minor, Joshua Jureck, J.R. Martinez and Aaron Parsley.

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Miranda Gutierrez and Isaac Saldivar

## Gutierrez/Saldivar engaged

Candelario and Adelina Saldi- Nurse. var of Eldorado are proud to announce the engagement of their College working towards becom-On Isaac Saldivar to Miranda

Dennis and Terri Riddle of San Technician. Angelo, Texas. Miranda is a 2001 She is currently attending Howard College working towards her R.N. and is employed by Shannon Medical Center as a licensed Vocational San Angelo.

Isaac is also attending Howard ing a Surgical Technician. Isaac is currently employed by Shannon Miranda is the daughter of Medical Center as a Sterilization

The couple plan to stay in San graduate of Lakeview High school. Angelo through the beginning of their careers. The ceremony will be on the 18th of February at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in

## New drug labeling rule

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

with FDA labeling requirements applauded by advocates of condesigned to give consumers more sumer protection, tort reform and useful information should not federalism alike. leave manufacturers exposed to liability.

Texans have spent more than director of the Center for Health This includes not only making tin-based research institute. better, cheaper products, but safer products as well. The two-pronged approach of simplifying labels and standardizing consumer safety requirements is exactly in line

Mary Katherine Stout is the a decade reforming the state's Care Policy, and Bill Peacock tort system in order to provide an is the director of the Center for environment where businesses can Economic Freedom, at the Texas profitably meet consumers' needs. Public Policy Foundation, an Aus-

with Texas' efforts, and should be

On the other morning, guests

Recently ranked among the

## **Historic Landmark Inn offers February Valentine's special**

The Landmark Inn offers 10

To reserve your special Valen-

CASTROVILLE, Texas — If Monod built a store on El Camino you're a Texas history buff and a Real that crossed the Medina River romantic at heart, Landmark Inn just east of the property. It has opin Castroville just west of San erated as an inn since the 1850s. Antonio has the perfect way to celebrate Valentine's Day. heated and air-conditioned rooms,

Since Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, four with private baths. Six of the falls on a Tuesday this year, the rooms are in the main, two-story state-run bed-and-breakfast inn inn, while two are in the old rock dating from the 1840s is offering bathhouse and two others are losweethearts a "deluxe romantic cated in the Vance House. package" any weekend of February. You'll be pampered with tine's package, call the inn at (830) breakfast in bed one morning and 931-2133 and "sleep where history enjoy the serenity of antique-fur- was made." nished rooms with no telephones, television sets or other distrac-

The package price of \$315 to \$389 plus tax per couple includes a two-night stay at the inn on the banks of the Medina River, one evening of fine dining with a French flair at La Normandie Restaurant and lunch at the new Castroville Café. A gift basket and flower arrangement made with wildflowers grown onsite welcome arriving guests.

will gather to eat breakfast in the parlor of the Vance House, one of several historic structures on the five-acre state historic site operated by the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department. Former inn owner Ruth Lawler, who once lived in the Vance House, donated the inn property to the State of Texas in 1974. Landmark Inn is only one of two TPWD properties operated as a bed and breakfast establish-

state's Top 10 B&Bs by Texas Highways Magazine readers, the Landmark Inn has been carefully restored and maintained to provide guests with an opportunity to touch Texas' frontier past while enjoying all the modern comforts of home. The inn dates to 1849 when Swiss merchant Cesar

## Notice:

Notice is hereby given that the County & District Clerk's office will be closed for electronic voting equipment training Monday January 30, 2006 and Tuesday, January 31, 2006. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call our office at (325) 853-2833 ext 72.

> **Peggy Williams County & District Clerk Schleicher County**

## **Eldorado Office Gets First** in Top Rate Service Award



Branch Manager Dorothy Dacy, Loida Almazon and Kim-et Nelson proudly display their "1st in Service" Trophy

In an effort to provide our members with excellent quality service, 1st Community FCU is currently surveying members about the level of service they received when conducting business with the Credit Union. The Eldorado branch proudly received the highest ranking of service again in December, 2005. They were previous winners in April.

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## Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor express the opinions of their author. They do not necessarily reflect the views or opinions of the staff, management or ownership of the Eldorado Success.

## Angry over theft and mistreatment of puppy

To Whom it May Concern:

On Friday afternoon January 20th, Cody had a doctors appointment in San Angelo, before he left, he put his new puppy that I had just bought him the week before in the pet carrier and put him on the front porch, HIS FRONT PORCH.

While he was gone, you chose to take his puppy, pet carrier and all off of His Front Porch and take the puppy out on a county road south of town & dump him off. What were you thinking, or were you?

The Rancher that lives on that road just happen to find the pet carrier, puppy still inside, and took it to the sheriffs office.

A report had been filed for the missing puppy, so luckily they knew where he belonged and Cody got his puppy back.

I can not, for the life of me figure out why or how you could do this to anyone or anything.

I think you are the one that needed to be at the counselors office that day ---- not Cody!

Signed Cody's Grandmother Kathy Faull

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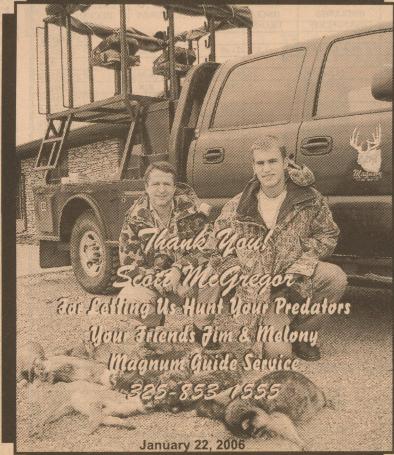
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23. Clairvoyant's gift

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## Weekly Crossword Puzzle

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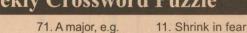
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29. Sent to Siberia

33. Mother/daughter

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48. Refrigerator gas



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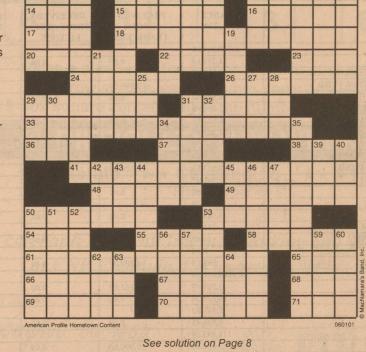
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Nominations should include that March 1, 2006, is the deadline a written account of the incident for nominations for the Texas and the names, addresses and Department of Agriculture's 2005 telephone numbers of everyone involved. If available, newspaper Candidates must have per- clippings and photographs should

Nominations must be postheroic deed should be related to marked by March 1, 2006, and mailed to Pal Scully, TDA safety coordinator, Texas Department of or accidents caused by negligence Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711. For additional information on qualifications, you can contact Scully at (512) 475-1611.

nounced March 27 at the Texas Safety Association's Conference and Exposition in Houston.

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#### ARRESTS

January 19 • Fuentes, Linda E. female age 19, arresting officer SC deputy, offense Criminal Mischief. Released on \$2,000.00 PR Bond.

January 20 • Buitron, Ramiro The 2005 recipient will be an- Jr., male age 18, arresting officer SC deputy, offense Serving 30 days.

> · Gonzales, Donald, male age 38, arresting officer SC deputy, offense Harassment / Out of County Warrant. Released on 1 - \$2,500.00 Surety Bond and 1 - \$1,000.00 Surety

Served.

January 21 • Willson, James Ray, male age 25, arresting officer SC deputy, offense Local Warrants. Released on Time Served.

January 22 • Chavez, Alfredo deputy, offense DWLS.

· Latin, Saul Adrian, male age 18, arresting officer SC deputy, offense an officer for a shoplifter that was

January 23 · Mendoza, Fran- ed. cisco, male age 27, arresting officer DPS trooper, offense Possession of Controlled Substance <1 gram.

· Mendoza, Shelia, female age 27, arresting officer DPS trooper, offense Possession of Controlled Substance

· Rivero, Dina Charissa, female age 33, arresting officer SC deputy, offense DWLI

#### **INCIDENTS**

January 18 • 10:42 a.m. Reported her husband had assaulted her and taken the kids. Officer responded.

· 2:38 p.m. Reported a possible break-in at East Colorado. Office responded.

• 9:41 p.m. Complainant reported

receiving harassing phone calls. Officer responded.

January 19 • 9:07 p.m. Complainant reported kids on their property

being loud. Officer responded. January 20 • 2:12 p.m. Reported

finding a Sheltie puppy in a white box with a dog bowl. • 5:25 p.m. Complainant came into

SO to report theft of pet dog from her residence. Officer took report. • 10:18 p.m. Complainant reported

a hog on the highway about a mile west from town. Officer responded. January 21 • 10:09 a.m. Com-

plainant reported a suspicious person in a green Jeep Cherokee. Officer • 11:37 p.m. Hospital requested an

ambulance for a basic transfer. EMS 2 responded · 11:46 a.m. Complainant re-

ported seeing a lot of smoke. EFVD responded.

• 7:46 p.m. Complainant requested an officer to escort male subject off her property. Officers responded.

January 22 • 1:50 a.m. Complain-

ant reported intoxicated driver in route to Eldorado. Tom Green County SO · 7:09 p.m. Caller reported an il-

legal fire .5 mile south on FM 2596 behind local business. Officer re-• 8:35 p.m. Caller reported her

• Estrada, Pedro Jr., male age 17, neighbor driving recklessly from their arresting officer SC deputy, offense residence. Brown colored pick up Serving 3 days. Released on Time throwing debris around immediate area. Officer responded.

January 23 • 11:44 a.m. Complainant reported that her and her husband's bicycles had been stolen. Officer responded.

• 1:26 p.m. Complainant reported M., male age 26, arresting officer SC two suspicious males in a tan Dodge pickup. Officer responded

> • 1:48 p.m. Complainant requested caught at the store. Office respond-

The elementary will be participating in JUMP ROPE FOR HEART starting on Wednesday, January 25th.

Donations will be collected through Friday, March 3rd.

School Lunch Menu

Milk & Bread Offered

Menus Subject To Change 1/2 pt.Milk & 4 oz.

Juice offered w/each

**BREAKFAST MENU** 

Pig-n-Blanket, Pears, Orange Juice,

Blueberry Muffins, Choice of Cereal,

Donuts, Cheese slice, Choice of

Cinnamon Toast, Choice of Cereal,

Pancake on a Stix, Syrup, Applesauce, Choice of Juice, Milk BASKET LINE

Steak Burger, French Fries, Sandwich Salad, Pineapple Slices

Bar-B-Que on Bun, Potato Chips, Pork-n-Beans, Strawberry Fluff

Crisptos, Cheese sauce, French | Fries, Carrot Stix, Dip, Apple |

Pep. Pizza, Dip, Carrot Stixs, Tossed I

Chicken Burger, French Fries, Sandwich Salad, Orange Halves CAFETERIA LINE | Monday, January 30

Pork Chopetts, Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Green Beans,

Taco Rolls, Ranch Style Beans, Carrot Stixs, Dip, Strawberry Fluff

Soft Taco's, Tortilla, Cheese Cup, Refried Beans, Lettuce & Tomato

Ham/Cheese Hot Pockets, Whole | Kernal Corn, Tossed Salad, Mixed |

Chicken Burgers, French Fries, Sandwich Salad, Orange Halves

Wednesday, February 1

Salad, Apple Halves Thursday, February 2

Friday, February 3

Fruit

Monday, January 30

Tuesday, January 31

Choice of Juice, Milk

Juice, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, February 1

Thursday, February 2

Choice of Juice, Milk

Friday, February 3

Monday, January 30

Tuesday, January 31

Halves

Wednesday, February 1

Thursday, February 2

| Salad, Mixed Fruit Friday, February 3

Pineapple Slices Tuesday, January 31

Jelly, Milk

## New Year's Resolution for 2006:

Schedule annual check up done at the



**Family Clinic** Rebecca Silva, Nurse Practitioner Dr. Patrick Johnson Dr. W. Gordy Day

Make sure your child's immunizations are given!

Have blood pressure checked for free at the **Community Resource Center on** Wednesdays or stop by the clinic.

Have your feet checked if you are diabetic.



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## **NRCS Cost Share Program Underway**

The Natural Resources Conservation Service office in Eldorado is taking Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) applications through February 17. The EQIP program is a cost-share incentive program available to landowners and operators for the purpose of carrying out conservation practices on their land.

Control of cedar, mesquite and pricklypear is this years top priority. Chemical and/or mechanical control methods can be cost-shared to obtain your brush management goal.

Schleicher County also receives additional funding through EQIP to provide technical and cost-share assistance for Special Resource Concern Areas. Over \$800,000 is available to carry out conservation practices within the South Concho and Spring and Dove Creek Watersheds. Brush control, fencing, livestock pipelines, water storages and wells are just some of the conservation practices that can cost-shared within these special project areas.

Cost-share rates are set at 50% of an average cost. The local NRCS employees will review the application and ranking procedure with you and explain the program in more detail.

For more information, you can come by the office at 510 S. Divide in Eldorado or call 325-853-3535 Ext. 3.

SCHLEICHER COUNTY ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2005

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RECORDS MANAGEMENT FUND	6,995.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,693.64	12,693.64	6,729.13	0.00	12,960,17
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COURTHOUSE SECURITY FUND	5,671.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,527.12	7,527.12	1,691.81	0.00	10,772.35
ROAD & BRIDGE M.M.I.A.*	102,243.15		图1200年至1200年1		Leavel 1983				121,570.82
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	35,863.93	0.00	164,292.15	0.00	322,036.63	486,328.78	449,319.96	170,411.49	53,545.08
MEMORIAL/CIVIC BUILDING M.M.I.A.*	0.00			and minist.					0.00
MEMORIAL/CIVIC BUILDING FUND	2,923.12	15,000.00	0.00	0.00	11,778.72	26,778.72	24,941.52	0.00	4,760.32
HEALTH SERVICES M.M.I.A.*	29,342.07			TOPER D	1 - 347416				24,955.96
HEALTH SERVICES FUND	27,387.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	127,911.58	127,911.58	142,945.79	0.00	16,739.40
JUSTICE OF PEACE M.M.I.A.*	34,214.20	Land of the Land o						100000000000000000000000000000000000000	34,797.98
JUSTICE OF PEACE FUND	₹ 3,583.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	34,896.22	34,896.22	31,560.26	0.00	6,335.56
ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL M.M.I.A.*	252.23	SERVICE TO SERVICE SER			The state of the s				11.60
ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL FUND	11.47	0.00	0.00	37.32	1.57	38.89	0.00	0.00	290.99
MEALS PROGRAM M.M.I.A.*	0.00	Charles of the State of the Sta			1000 mm 1000		The Assessment of the State of		0.00
MEALS PROGRAM FUND	995.15	14,209.00	0.00	0.00	37,824.13	52,033.13	50,167.49	0.00	2,860.79
FARM*MARKET M.M.I.A.*	185,051.34		The sale						265,277.52
FARM*MARKET ROAD FUND	3,510.49	54,163.00	0.00	328,510.19	2,122.19	384,795.38	282,913.71	0.00	25,165.98
LATERAL ROAD FUND	14,079.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,078.95	14,078.95	14,089.31	0.00	14,068.92
AIRPORT M.M.I.A.*	5,941.03	<b>新聞</b>							3,021.92
AIRPORT FUND	8,936.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	58,712.55	58,712.55	52,907.49	52,907.49	17,660.62
SELF-INSURANCE M.M.I.A.*	112,693.56	Out the Control of th			1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1				124,777.28
SELF-INSURANCE FUND	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,083.72	12,083.72	0.00	0.00	0.00
HOT CHECK FUND	1,090:19	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,498.98	1,498.98	1,168.14	0.00	1,421.03
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INTEREST & SINKING FUND	0.00	0.00	0.00	43,906.58	314.87	44,221.45	40,730.00	0.00	922.78
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CONTINGENCY FUND	0.00	116,248.49	0.00	0.00	2,058.81	118,307.30	91,893.12	24,489.50	0.00
TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	49,774.50	49,774.50	38,729.25	0.00	11,045.25
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TOTAL FUNDS	133,767.61	223,120,49	164.292.15	1.898.305.72	1.015.459.89	3,301,178,25	2,890,319,25	290.517.48	1.896.380.13

THE ABOVE STATEMENT AS COMPILED FROM THE RECORDS OF THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY TREASURER, SCHLEICHER COUNTY, TEXAS IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF



KAREN HENDERSON, SCHLEICHER COUNTY TREASURER

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Bids will be accepted through February 10, 2006 for the following vehicles and equipment.

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#### **CARD OF THANKS**

We would like to thank each one who has been there for Corrine these past few weeks. The cards, calls, flowers, food and specially your visits to see her have meant so much to all of us. Even though she cannot communicate in words, it is very obvious to us just how deeply touched she is by your thoughtfulness. Her spirit has been lifted by your kindness. We also want to thank the staff at Schleicher County Medical Center Plursing Home and Hospital for their loving care. How truly blessed we are to live in such a caring community. May God bless each of you! Granvil Hext & Deanne and Herman Walker

The Ministry on Wheels

The Ministry on Wheels Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those that have contributed to this ministry. A very special thank - you goes to Jerre Holley and all the churches and their helpers that make this ministry possible. We would also like to thank Randy and Kathy Mankin for

Donations: Antonio Contreras & Family, Richard and Jill Preston, Torn and Branda Gray, Guy Crippin, Glenson and Helen Aldrige, Annie Nicholson, Josh and Cora Hastings, 1st National Bank of Eldorado, Mary Roden, Edwina Taylor, Steve and Ilse Williams, Matt and Christy Brown, Mary Barton Robinson, Douglas and Jo Ward, Bryan and Mary Doran, Mabel Freitag, Abbie and Peggy Ussery, Mike and Becky Lux, David and Tammy Doris, Mike and Stacy Haynes, Bill an d Connie Wells, Mildred Phillips, Earl Jeffrey, Danny and Janet Curtis, Olga Gentry, Jimmy and Nancy Doyle, Buzz McCormick, Jon Cartwright, Sam and Karen Henderson, Jeπrey and Snelly Fennern, Jim and Barbara Bryant, Bob and Penny Bland, Steve and Kim-et Nelson, C.R. and Pat Pfluger, Kerry and Deb Joy, Martha Ellen Topliffe Ticker, Aline Luman, Raymond and Carlyn Mittel, Pam White, Dr. and Mrs. Jim Brame, Harris and Jackie Napier, Glenda Leifeste, Ken and Nancy Thomas, Mike and Cherie Sproul, Niblett Oilfield Service, Frances Peters, Jimmy and Nancy Powell, Don and Debra Rinehart, and Louise Logan.

Memorials have been made for: Thomas Ballew. Donations for this ministry can be sent to Ministry on Wheels, P.O. Box 678, Eldorado, Texas 76936.

Thanks, to everyone for the many acts of kindness shown to us during Bobby's illness in November and again in December when he had his surgery. The flowers, phone calls, visits and most of all the prayers on our behalf were so deeply appreciated. Thank You Again, The Bobby Phillips Family

## Eldorado Spotlight



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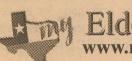


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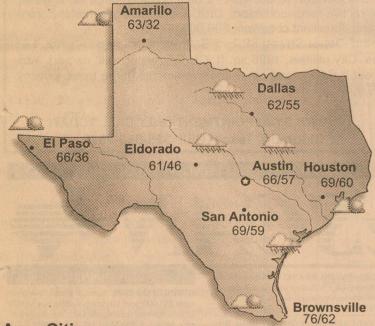
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Local	5-Day F	orecas	t	
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61/46 Occasional showers possible. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the mid 40s.	72/35 Windy with a mix of sun and clouds.	65/35 Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 30s.	70/40 Abundant sunshine. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 40s.	70/40 Abundant sunshine. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 40s.
Sunrise: 7:37 AM Sunset: 6:14 PM	Sunrise: 7:36 AM Sunset: 6:15 PM	Sunrise: 7:36 AM Sunset: 6:16 PM	Sunrise: 7:35 AM Sunset: 6:16 PM	Sunrise: 7:35 AM Sunset: 6:17 PM
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## **Texas At A Glance**



Area Cities

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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City
Abilene	64	51	rain	King
Amarillo	63	32	pt sunny	Livin
Austin	66	57	rain	Long
Beaumont	68	59	pt sunny	Lubb
Brownsville	76	62	pt sunny	Lufki
Brownwood	62	52	rain	Midla
Corpus Christi	73	61	pt sunny	Rayr
Corsicana	65	55	rain	Rose
Dallas	62	55	rain	San
Del Rio	67	52	rain	San
El Paso	66	36	pt sunny	Sulp
Fort Stockton	69	48	pt sunny	Swe
Gainesville	58	50	rain	Tyle
Greenville	59	52	rain	Wea
Houston	69	60	pt sunny	Wich

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	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
	Kingsville	76	60	pt sunny
,	Livingston	68	56	cloudy
	Longview	63	55	rain
,	Lubbock	67	33	pt sunny
,	Lufkin	68	57	cloudy
	Midland	66	40	pt sunny
,	Raymondville	76	61	pt sunny
	Rosenberg	69	60	pt sunny
	San Antonio	69	59	rain
	San Marcos	70	57	rain
,	Sulphur Springs	60	53	rain
	Sweetwater	65	47	rain
	Tyler	62	54	rain
	Weatherford	59	51	rain
1	Wichita Falls	64	51	rain

unny

National C	Citie	S					
City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	60	36	pt sunny	Minneapolis	43	27	pt sur
Boston	38	33	sunny	New York	45	36	sunny
Chicago	44	35	pt sunny	Phoenix	69	41	pt sur
Dallas	62	55	rain	San Francisco	54	45	rain
Denver	50	26	pt sunny	Seattle	45	41	rain
Houston	69	60	pt sunny	St. Louis	54	41	pt sur
Los Angeles	61	47	pt sunny	Washington, DC	51	33	mst s
Miami	69	63	nt sunny	THE STATE OF THE S			

## **Moon Phases**



## **UV** Index

Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
4	5	5	5	5
1/27	1/28	1/29	1/30	1/31
Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, 0 with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

## **USDA** approves emergency **CRP** haying and grazing

ing response to this year's wide- also apply. spread drought, Jan G. Wanoreck, emergency haying and grazing of county. Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acreage in Texas.

severe drought conditions and a severe shortage of forage," said Wanoreck. "The authorization of emergency CRP haying and grazing will provide forage for livestock and help producers in Wanoreck. areas most severely impacted by

until June 1, 2006. Producers must file a request to hay or graze CRP acreage and visit the Natural Resources Conservation Service to obtain a modified conservation plan prior to having or grazing the

"CRP annual rental payments

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County Executive Director for own or lease livestock may rent the Schleicher/Sutton/Val Verde or lease the having and grazing County Farm Service Agency privilege to an eligible livestock today announced approval for producer located in an approved

terns, it is imperative that USDA "Texas continues to experience offer the Emergency CRP haying

ing the potential need to liquidate to establish long-term, resource- now in the morning sky, is up all Emergency having of CRP is USDA will monitor producers to evening sky through fall. Saturn, authorized until May 1, 2006 and ensure the land is haved or grazed now at its best, is in the evening Mercury will transit (pass in front

USDA offers additional pro- fall. grams to assist drought-stricken will be reduced 25 percent times ity requirements, producers should Aldebaran in July, Gemini's M35 is up all night. Jupiter is in the the number of acres actually haved contact the local FSA office at 325- cluster in July, and Mercury in southeast in the morning. or grazed times the per acre annual 853-3535, ext. 2 or visit FSA's web-August. rental payment," said Wanoreck. site at: http://www.fsa.usda.gov.

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emergency grazing is authorized without damaging conservation sky through early summer, mov- of) the Sun, something to be viewproducers, including emergency can be a thrill, there will be some eclipses this year. farm loans, the emergency conser- close encounters you won't want vation program and the noninsured to miss. Venus passes Uranus in brighter than most stars, is high crop disaster assistance program. April, the Pleiades star cluster in in the southwest in the evening. For more information and eligibil- June, the Hyades cluster and star

> near the beautiful Beehive cluster, Pluto. coming closest in late Januaryearly February and again early June. Jupiter spends the year near Libra's brightest star, Zubenelgenubi, a binocular double star, Waco, 76707, (254) 753-6920 or passing nearest in January, May, paulderrickwaco@aol.com. See and September.

the evening of June 27 when a thin crescent Moon joins Mercury, Saturn, Mars and the Beehive low in the west soon after dusk.

Meteor showers favored this year by moonless skies are April's Lyrids, May's Eta Aquarids, October's Orionids, November's Leonids, and December's Geminids and Ursids. It will not be a good year August's favorites, the



## ounty. "In light of recent weather pat- 2006 Night Sky Highlights

conserving cover on eligible land. night during spring, then in the bursting on the scene.

The gathering of the year comes erpaul.com.

Comet 73P Schwassmann-Wachmann 3 could become naked-

As in most years 2006's best eye visible in May--if it still exand grazing program to Texas night sky events will involve the ists. The comet broke into several producers. Availability of forage five naked-eye planets. Mercury pieces in 1995 and might have is literally a matter of survival in is in the evening sky in February, fragmented in 2001. But if its largthe unpredictable and often unfor- June and October, and morning est component is still intact, it will giving agriculture industry," said sky April, August and November. pass nearer Earth than ever before Venus is the "morning star" most and could be interesting. No other CRP offers annual rental pay- of the year. Mars is in the evening known bright comets are expected these drought conditions reduc- ments and cost-share assistance sky through early summer. Jupiter, in 2006, but there's always the possibility of newly-discovered ones

The late afternoon of Nov. 8 ing into the morning sky in early ing only through a properly filtered telescope. Our part of the world While even seeing the planets won't see any good solar or lunar

• Naked-eye Planets: Mars, still Saturn rises soon after sunset and

• Space Exploration: The Star-Mars visits the Pleiades in Feb-dust spacecraft is due back Jan. ruary, M35 in April, Saturn and 15 from its Comet Wild 2 enthe Beehive in June, and Regulus counter. New Horizons is due to in July. Saturn spends the year be launched Jan. 17 en route to

Stargazer appears every other week. Paul Derrick is an amateur astronomer who lives in Waco. Contact him at 918 N. 30th, the Stargazer Web site at stargaz-

# Meals for Friends Menu

Monday, January 30

Beef Tips, Rice, Cooked Carrots, Cornbread, Fruit Cup w/ Strawberries & Banana, Lemon Meringue Pie, Milk

Tuesday, January 31

Oven Baked Chicken, Lima Beans, Broccoli, Bread, Chunky Mixed Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, February 1

Ground Beef Steak, Macaroni Cheese, Corn w/ Peppers, Hot Dinner Rolls, Carrot Salad, Applesauce, Milk

Thursday, February 2

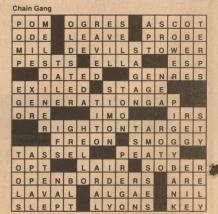
Veg. Beef Stew, Green Beans, Cornbread, Pear Half w/ Cottage Cheese, Vanilla Pudding, Milk

Friday, February 3

Baked Ham, Candied Yams, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Carrot Raisin Salad, Gelatin w/ Fruit, Milk

Ar	Answer to Sudoku on Page 3							
4	3	5	9	6	8	1	2	7
7	1	6	3	5	2	9	8	4
9	8	2	4	1	7	6	5	3
6	2	9	1	3	4	8	7	5
1	5	8	2	7	6	3	4	9
3	4	7	8	9	5	2	1	6
5	7	3	6	2	1	4	9	8
2	6	4	5	8	9	7	3	1
8	9	1	7	4	3	5	6	2

Solution to puzzle on Page 5





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