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Mexican drug agent due in Lubbock court today

Sheriff gives seized vehicle to Fire Dept.

Lilia Manuela Castaneda Villarreal, 23, a Mexican drug enforcement agent, is slated to be sentenced today, May 18, 2006, by U.S. District Judge Sam Cummings in his Lubbock courtroom. Jezabel Ramirez, 29, will also be sentenced.

The two women were arrested here on January 28, 2006, after they were found to be in possession of six pounds of crystal methamphetamine, a controlled narcotic, with a street value of more than \$600,000.

Local lawmen pulled over Ms. Villarreal's 1999 Ford Expedition on a routine traffic stop near the traffic light in the center of town as it headed northbound through Eldorado. According to court documents, Ms. Ramirez's three children, ages 11, 8 and 21 months, were traveling with the women at the time of the arrest.

As an officer safety "pat down" was performed, Ms. Villarreal was found to be carrying a package strapped to her lower back. The package was later determined to contain "crystal methamphetamine" and was reportedly held in place by a girdle.

The two women were then taken into custody at which time Ms. Villarreal reportedly told local officers that she was a Mexican federal drug agent and that she was hoping to use the drugs to

The part about her being a member of the Mexican federal police appears to have been true, although the Success has not been able to confirm that with Mexican officials. The Zocalo daily newspaper in Ciudad Acuna reported Ms. Villarreal's arrest and identified her as one of the first female drug agents employed by the national police.

But, the part of Ms. Villarreal's story about her using the drugs as part of an undercover sting operation, apparently didn't hold water.

Both women were indicted by a federal grand jury on February 15, 2006. The have been held without bail ever

While a plea deal has obviously been reached no one in the U.S. Attorney's office in Lubbock is willing to discuss details. A hearing is slated for 1:15 p.m. today before Judge Cummings at which time it is believed that Ms. Villarreal and Ms. Ramirez will plea guilty to charges of possessing more than 500 grams of Methamphetamine for the purpose of distribution.

Meanwhile, the 1999 Ford Expedition the women were driving is being put to good use. The Schleicher County Sheriff's Department was recently awarded ownership of the vehicle by the courts under the drug seizure laws. Sheriff Doran promptly turned the Expedition over the Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department

Fire Chief Jerry Jones wasted no time in retiring his old "Chief's Rig" an aging Toyota pickup, and putting into service the new #37.

"We certainly appreciate this," Jones said as Doran handed over the keys.

For his part Doran said he was glad the vehicle will be put to good use.

"I enjoy the fact that we can take a truck that was being used for criminal purposes and convert it into something that will serve the public good here in Schleicher County," Doran stated.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Jeremy Ussery and Chandra Wanoreck won the prestigious Fighting Heart Award at the EHS Sports Banquet held Monday evening at the Convention (See Story on Page 4)

Jay wins school board seat

Robert Jay has served as a teacher and administrator in the Schleicher County ISD school system. He will now take on a new role, that of school board

Jay defeated incumbent board member Eddie Albin 70-27 in polling held last Saturday.

Early voting ballots went in Jay's favor by a 42-18 margin. On election day, he picked up an additional 28 votes to Albin's 9.

SCISD trustees were slated to meet Wednesday morning to canvass the ballots. Jay will be sworn in at the next regular meeting of the school board.



Sheriff David Doran turns over the keys to a 1999 Ford Expedition to Fire Chief Jerry Jones. The truck was seized during a drug arrest. It will now replace the aging pickup formerly used as the "Chief's Rig.

Convicted polygamist police officer loses constitutional challenge in Utah court

FLDS prophet Warren Jeffs may be on the FBI's Top Ten Fugitives List, but so far, at least, he has managed to elude authorities and vex the legal systems in Arizona and Utah. Jeffs' celebrity has certainly grown as dozens of TV programs and hundreds of newspapers have featured the polygamous prophet. But, some of his followers aren't faring

One of those is former Colorado

City, AZ police officer Rodney Holm. It was Holm's 2003 conviction on bigamy and sex charges that prompted Jeffs and his FLDS faithful to begin looking for places to hide outside their traditional home on the Utah/Arizona border. That's when, almost simultaneously, the group purchased the YFZ Ranch here in Schleicher County, as well as secluded parcels of land near Mancos, CO, and Pringle, SD.

On Monday the Utah Supreme Court rejected Holm's argument that polygamy should be decriminalized.

Some 15 months in the making, the ruling stated that Holm's behavior "falls squarely within the realm of behavior criminalized by our state's

Long-time FLDS attorney Rodney Parker argued the case before the high court on Holm's behalf. He said that polygamists should be able to have a legal marriage with a first wife, then enter into religious unions with other women as a way to reach the highest realm of heaven.

Assistant Attorney General Laura Dupaix represented the state and defended the constitutionality of the bigamy statute. The case is not just about private sexual conduct, she said, but also about "the public institution of marriage."

Justice Matthew Durrant wrote the majority opinion stating that neither Utah's state nor the U.S. constitutions "shield Holm's polygamous practices from state prosecution."

Holm was appealing bigamy and sex-related convictions pertaining to his 1998 "spiritual" marriage to Ruth Stubbs, who was 16-years-old at the time, and with whom he fathered two children. He was 32 and legally married to Stubbs' sister, and had another spiritual wife, at the time he married Ruth Stubbs.

Holm, Stubbs and the other two wives were all members of the FLDS

Utah Chief Justice Christine M. Durham found herself in the minority. She wrote a dissenting opinion in which she said she would strike down the Utah's bigamy law since she believed the state did not have the authority to criminalize "private religiously motivated consensual relationships between adults."

Holm was found guilty in a jury trial in 2003 and sentenced to a year in jail. He served part of the term but was released early on good behavior.

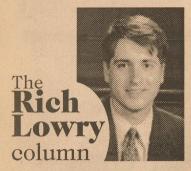


ELDORADO SUCCESS PHOTO ILLUSTRATION

Former Colorado City, AZ police officer Rodney Holm, seen here leaving the FLDS temple on the YFZ Ranch in March of last year, lost his bid this week before the Utah Supreme C**ourt to have** his bigamy charge overturned. Holm's attorney argued that the practice of polygamy or plural marriage should be Constitutionally protected under the freedom of religion. Holm as identified in this photo by his brother, Richard Holm, who visited Eldorado only a few weeks ago.

The Democrats' **Abortion Problem**

Bob Casey Jr. isn't being punished for the sins of his father, even though he shares them. Casey is a Democrat running for the U.S. Senate. His late father, then the governor of Pennsylvania, was banned from the podium of the 1992 Demo-



cratic Convention because he was pro-life. Casey Jr. is pro-life too, but the national party is embracing him.

This shift is a sign that the Democrats are

beginning to grapple with a painful truth, one that will hurt even more as its full weight becomes evident to them: The absolutist pro-choice position on abortion is a political loser. In his brilliant and incisive new book, "The Party of Death," my National Review colleague Ramesh Ponnuru demonstrates why.

In the early 1990s, it seemed that all pro-lifers were headed to oblivion, bulldozed under by the Soccer Mom ascendancy and the public's reaction to the (supposedly) noisome social conservatism of the failed 1992 Republican Convention. But a funny thing happened on the way to the rout of pro-lifers -- the rout began to happen the other way.

Ultrasound images worked to undermine pro-choice premises. What was called a "blob of tissue" that was easily disposed of, looked instead on the scans like a little baby. Asked to believe the pro-choice rhetoric or their own eyes, most people preferred the evidence of their eyes.

Then, the pro-life side began to exploit its openings with a shrewd incrementalism. Gone were the calls for a constitutional amendment to ban abortion, replaced instead by a push to ban a particularly gruesome form of the procedure, partial-birth abortion. Now it was pro-choicers opposing this targeted ban who seemed like extremists.

By 2004, Democrats knew they had to adjust. John Kerry said he believed life begins at conception -- not that he would actually do anything about it. Suddenly, the uninviting was aimed in the opposite direction than it had been in 1992 -- former NARAL Pro-Choice America head Kate Michelman was uninvited to a Kerry rally.

Still, Democrats lost the Catholic vote for the first time since 1988. Democratic strategist Donna Brazile said, "Even I have trouble explaining to my family that we are not about killing babies." So the Democrats are trying even harder. Democratic chairman Howard Dean has refused to call the party "pro-choice." Hillary Clinton has called abortion "a sad, tragic choice," and said the number of abortions should be reduced.

But these rhetorical feints can't gain Democrats much, especially when they're at odds with their opposition to any restrictions on abortion. "What's so tragic about abortion anyway?" Ponnuru asks. "Abortion is regrettable and needs to be minimized, for the same reason that abortion is wrong and unjust: because it kills an innocent human being. That is also the reason it should be prohibited."

Democrats, of course, will resist that logic strenuously. They might stomach Bob Casey Jr., but only because he is running against pro-life leader Sen. Rick Santorum, and a Casey victory could help deliver the Senate to pro-choice Democrats. This Casey is welcome, but only so long as he is useful to the uncompromising and ultimately untenable cause of abortion on demand.

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If Moctezuma could only see us now!

Imagine, if you will, that a longlost tribe of Native Americans has been discovered living in a remote area near the Grand Canyon. The group, it turns out, still practices human sacrifice, much the same as the Aztecs and Mayans did a few short centuries ago. And...from time to time, as dictated by their Shaman, the group also practices cannibalism.

Then, just for the sake of argument, let's pretend that tribal leaders within the group recognize that modern America is a pretty neat place to live and they decide to adopt certain parts of our culture while still holding on to their heritage and their ancient religious beliefs.

For example, they decide that the welfare system is a much more efficient way of feeding their people than stalking the dwindling supply of wildlife. And, they choose to build a Casino in order to provide them with spending money.

What would happen the first time this tribe decided to sacrifice a 14-year-old virgin to the gods in order to guarantee a bountiful harvest? Would state and federal authorities step in? Or, would the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) intervene on behalf of the tribe and argue that they are



only practicing their religion as it has been revealed to them by their holy man?

Can't you see it going all the way to the Supreme Court with lawyers from, let's say, Salt Lake City, amassing thousands of billable hours as they argue that the First Amendment to the Constitution protects human sacrifice and cannibalism as a religious

Can't your just hear these same lawyers saying that the 14-year-old virgins actually want to be sacrificed? They see it as their duty to their Shaman, so why should the government be sticking its nose into this group's wigwams?

Lest you think this mental exercise is just that, think again. The Supreme Court has already been asked to rule on things like the ingestion of peyote, a spineless cactus known for its hallucinogenic effects. When a couple of Native American tribes claimed that the recently adopted practice of getting high on peyote was a protected religious ritual, the Supreme Court shot them down. The court ruled correctly that the government may regulate and even outlaw the use of peyote without infringing upon anyone's religious beliefs.

They still have the right to believe what they want to believe, the justices stated. But, the government has the right to regulate and even outlaw specific actions.

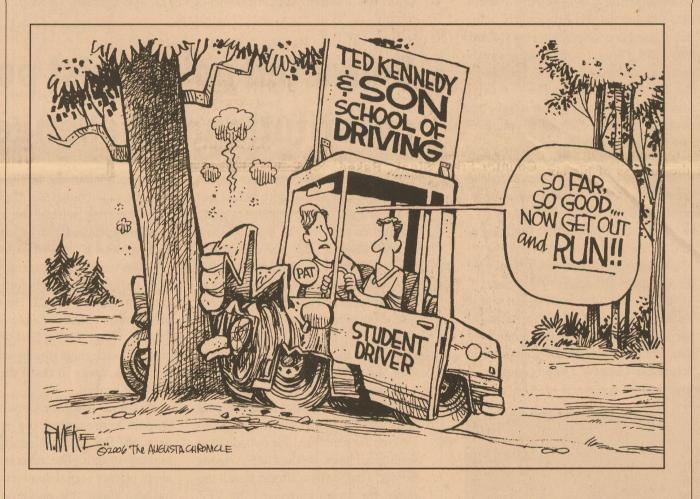
The argument here is actually about polygamy and whether or not states and/or the federal government may prohibit its practice.

The fundamentalist Mormons presently building a town on the YFZ Ranch believe that polygamy, or plural marriage, as they call it, is the central tenet of their religion and, as such, should be protected under the First Amendment to the constitution.

One of their number, Rodney Holm, used that very argument to demand that the Utah Supreme Court strike down his bigamy conviction.

The court on Monday ruled against him. Polygamy, the justices said, can be regulated and even outlawed by the state.

They probably would have felt the same way about sacrificing 14year-old virgins.



Preserving the Flag

When we took our grandson to Washington, D.C. two years ago, we visited the Smithsonian's Museum of American history and saw preservation staff members working on the original Star Spangled Banner, the flag that flew over Fort McHenry during the British bombardment in 1814. It is the flag that Francis Scott Key saw and was moved to pen the verse that became our national anthem.

One of the docents gave an informal lecture to the crowd that had gathered to see the flag. Her comments included some words from the anthem, which made the story of the flag come alive. It was an emotional experience to see the

flag and hear about it. Recently I was at Alpine and met Lonn Taylor, a former Smithsonian exhibit designer who had worked as a historian on the multi-million dollar flag project before retiring to Fort Davis. He says Congress appropriated some funds, but most of the money to restore the flag came from private individuals. Ralph Loren donated



one million dollars.

The Smithsonian has had the flag since 1907. Before then, it was in private hands.

"After the battle, the flag evidently was simply taken home by the commander of Fort McHenry, a man named George Armistead," says Lonn.

"It had stayed in his family for 94 years, until his grandson presented it to the Smithsonian. It essentially had been kept in an attic in Baltimore."

The preservation work started in 1996 and was completed just

"It's a fifteen star, fifteen stripe flag," says Lonn. "The US flag had fifteen stripes only between 1798 and 1818."

When the Smithsonian got the flag back in 1907, it was in poor

"There were a lot of stains and dirt on the flag and it had been damaged by polluted air that had got into our building over the

It had about eight feet missing off the end of it. The Armistead family had allowed people to take little souvenir snippings from it."

The preservation work was done in a special lab behind a huge plate glass window.

"We didn't want to take it off exhibit and we wanted people to be able to see it. We thought visitors would be interested in the conservation process and could watch the actual work going on. There were 11 million visitors to that lab."

The flag's original size was 32 feet by 40 feet, big enough to cover a good portion of a gym floor. That was the standard size of a garrison flag in the early 1800's. It was designed to fly from a flagpole 90 feet high. The flag is now displayed in a controlled, sealed environment. It lies flat on a slanted case sort of like an oversized craftsman's desk. It will never be flown again.

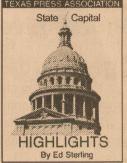
Package of tax reform bill pass, head to governor

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — The Texas Legislature passed House Bill 1: property tax relief combined with school finance legislation.

Passage came on May 12, four days before the end of the 30-day special session, when the House on a vote of 136-8, approved Senate amendments to the bill.

Voting against the bill were Democrats Lon Burnam of Fort Worth; Garnet Coleman, Jessica Farrar and Rick Noriega, all of Houston; Rene



Oliveira of Brownsville; Eddie Rodriguez of Austin; Marc Veasey of Fort Worth; and Mike Villarreal of San Antonio.

The bill pulls \$3.8 billion out of the state's \$8 billion budget surplus. Of the \$3.8 billion, \$2.4 billion will be used to reduce the maintenance and operations portion of school district property taxes and \$1.4 billion will be used for classroom education-related

Also, Texas schoolteachers will get a \$2,000 pay raise, plus another \$500 to replace a health care stipend that was taken away from them in an earlier legislative session. Plus, school districts will get an extra \$275 per pupil, based on average daily attendance, to help students pass exit exams.

A couple of complaints against the bill included loss of local control in how state money can be spent and in the capping of local enrichment.

Lawmakers agreed that the legislation, while not perfect, is good enough for now, and that it can be improved in the next regular legislative session, which begins in January.

The Texas Supreme Court ruled last year that lawmakers over the years have in effect created an unconstitutional statewide property tax, because many school districts are forced to set tax rates at the \$1.50 cap. Thus, those school districts have lost "meaningful discretion" in setting tax rates. So, the high court ordered the governor and the Legislature to give back meaningful discretion to local school districts.

Status of other bills in tax plan

House Bills 1 through 5 embody the package of reforms recommended by Gov. Rick Perry's Texas Tax Reform Commission led by former state comptroller John Sharp.

HB 3, creating a business-activity tax, passed the House and Senate, and sat on the governor's desk over the May 13-14 weekend. Three other bills, below, are now headed to the governor's desk.

HB 2 allocates revenue from franchise taxes, motor vehicle sales and use taxes, and taxes on cigarettes and other tobacco products to provide future property tax relief.

HB 4, the liar's affidavit bill, amends the tax code so that the used car sales tax will be based on the Blue Book value of the vehicle.

HB 5 increases the cigarette tax by \$1.

Independents submit petitions

May 11 was the deadline for the independents to hand over their petitions to the state's chief elections officer, Secretary of State Roger Williams.

Independent gubernatorial candidates Carole Strayhorn and Kinky Friedman each delivered to Williams' office what seemed to be enough signatures to earn them places on the November ballot.

Rounded off, Strayhorn delivered 223,000 signatures, or about five times the required number of 45,540. Fried-

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()BITUARIES

Zona Koy Hunt

Hunt of Eldorado passed away Church of Eldorado. Wednesday, May 10, 2006, in a local hospital.

p.m. until 8 p.m. Friday, May 12, ter Mary Jess Childress. at Johnson's Funeral Home. Grave-

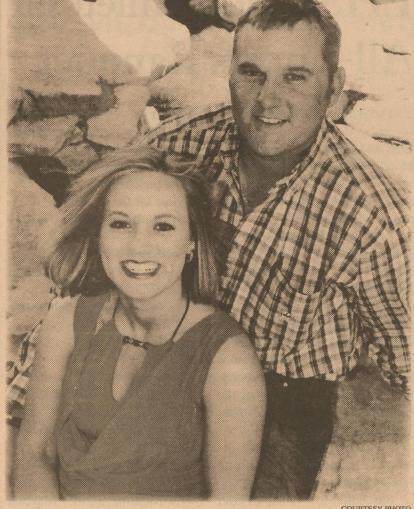
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resort manager. She was a mem- ous cousins.

SAN ANGELO — Zona Koy ber of the First United Methodist

Mrs. Hunt was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; Family visitation was from 4 one brother, Eugene Koy; and sis-

Survivors include one daughside service were held at 10 a.m. ter, Koy Lee Adcock and hus-Saturday, May 13, in Fairmount band Jim of Readyville, Tenn.; one grandson, Jim Bowie Ad-Zona was born Jan. 14, 1917, cock of Readyville, Tenn.; close in San Angelo, to Jess and Mary friends, Tino and Mary Her-Frances Springstun Koy. She was nandez of Eldorado; caregivers, Rosa Martinez and Josefa Mata; Zona was a retired hotel and nieces, and nephews and numer-



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Catherine Lloyd and Seth Becker

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Mr. Cooper Riley Lloyd is Council of Governments Rural pleased to announce the engage- Head Start Program. ment of his mother Catherine Renee' Lloyd, daughter of Roy Gene ate of Texas A&M University. and Melissa Lloyd to Seth Charles He is employed with Farm Bureau Becker, son of Charles and Nancy in San Angelo, Texas. Becker.

employed with the Concho Valley Texas.

Seth is a 2001 gradu-

The couple will exchange vows Catherine is a 2003 graduate on June 17, 2006 at the Southgate of Angelo State University. She is Church of Christ in San Angelo,

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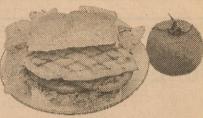
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year by the Eldorado Ministerial graduation robes. Alliance. The EHS band will play marches.

A reception is planned follow- to attend.

EHS graduating seniors will ing the program in the courtyard

Family and friends of the EHS reate Service planned for 7:00 p.m. graduates are encouraged to turn out and support the class as they The service is hosted each make their first appearance in their

The EHS Baccalaureate is open the processional and recessional to the pubic and their is no admission charge. Everyone is invited

Capital Highlights...

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man turned in about 170,000. How more than one county the petition many of these signatures will stick is the question.

may take four to six weeks, the Secretary of State's elections division must follow Elections Code ments prescribed by law. Chapter 277, which says for a petition to be valid, it must contain (in Governor expands session call addition to the signature):

the signer's printed name;

territory from which signatures session.

must be obtained is situated in must contain:

the county of registration; and To verify signatures, which the signer's residence address;

> the date of signing; and comply with any other require-

With the success of his tax reform plan largely realized, Gov. the signer's date of birth and Perry added a few subjects the residence address or voter registra- Legislature may consider in the tion number; Furthermore, if the remaining days of the special

Thank You

I was humbled by the support I received in the recent school board election. My visits with all those citizens that I was able to contact in my district were enjoyable and informative, and I ask for your continued input concerning our school system as I serve you. To all those, both inside and outside of my district, from whom I received encouragement and support - I thank you!

Robert Jay

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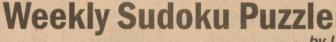
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Club was held at the Civic Center team, Pitcher Artie Montalvo. Monday, May 15th, 2006.

A main course of grilled chicken, beef brisket and sausage was prepared by Booster Club members.

After presentation of Academic gins. All District Certificates and Participation Certificates by head coach Johnny Burleson. Coaches in each sport presented individual awards plus this year's most valuable and dedicated players for the year.

The award recipient's names were engraved on the correspond-Eagle High School Gym foyer. Brown They were:

Fighting Heart Award: se- Ballew niors Chandra Wanoreck and Jeremy Ussery.

- Caleb Nixon.

Most Dedicated - Frank Ed-

Baseball All District: 1st team catcher: Caleb Nixon, 1st team Player - Rachel Joiner

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The All Sports Banquet spon- outfielder Russell Cathy, 2nd team sored by the Eldorado Booster Outfielder Andy Mejia and 2nd

Softball: Most Valuable Player

Karina Sanchez. Most Dedicated Player - Cassandra Buitron and Haley Hig-

Softball All District: 1st team, Cassandra Buitron and 2nd team, Bridgett Mitchell. Honorable mention: Corie Williams and Jessica

Golf-Outstanding Boy Golfer-Cash Lane.

Tennis: Most Dedicated Playing plaques which hang in the ers- Allison Reynolds and Lauren

Most Valuable Player: Michael

Cross Country: Most Dedicated Boy(s) - Josh Hamilton, Baseball: Most Valuable Player David Ramirez; (Girl) Marcela

Most Valuable Players: Jeremy Ussery and Alica Corrales.

Girls Track: Most Valuable

Boys Track: Most Valuable Player - Jeremy Ussery.

Boys Basketball: Most Valuable Player - Frank Wipff Most Dedicated Player - Drew

Girls Basketball: Most Dedi-

cated Player Maxie Holley and Josie Diaz. Most Valuable Player - Taylor

Football Special Awards: Most Dedicated Player - Neal

Higgins. Most Valuable Player - Nester

Hernandez Offensive Back - Russell

Cathey Best Receiver - Caleb Nixon; Offensive Linemen - Joel Es-

Defensive Back - Jorge Bustos Defensive Lineman-Joel Es-

parza, Head Hunter - Luis Huichapa

Middle School Coach Larry Mitchel was presented a plaque from the 2006 Junior High Track teams for his 33 years of dedication to his students.



One last time wearing the Kelly Green — EHS senior Rachel Joiner cleared 5 ft. 2 inches at the State Track Meet in Austin last Friday to place 7th. It was her third straight appearance at the State

Joiner clears 5-2 at State **Track Meet, places 7th**

school high jumping career came inches, but with more misses. to a close Friday, May 12, 2006, in Mike Meyers Stadium at the UIL State Track Meet.

inches and placed 7th overall.

The outing ended a star-studded high school career in which Joiner won four straight District 2-2A titles, then claimed three Region 1-2A titles on the way to three appearances at the State Meet. Along the way, Joiner set District and Regional recores that are apt to stand for years.

Dess Meek of Newton H.S. took the gold medal at the State Meet with a jump of 5 ft. 9 inches.

Allison McNeal of Schulenburg H.S. was 2nd at 5 ft. 6 inches, while Allison Whitehead of Hen-

Individual &

Team awards

Rachel Joiner's stellar high rietta placed 3rd, also at 5 ft. 6

Joiner will now shift her focus from the UIL to the NCAA. She recently signed a letter of intent Joiner cleared 5 ft. 2 inches but with Texas Christian University missed all three attempts at 5 ft. 4 and will be jumping next year for the Lady Horned Frogs.

Rachel Joiner is the daughter of Wayne and Shirley Joiner of Eldorado. Her brother Travis is a student at Texas A&M University.

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Sandwich, Chips, Cookie/Apple Friday, May 26 HAVE A SAFE SUMMER

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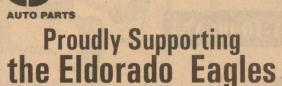
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Josh Chavez, Mark Bybee and Meg Griffin attended the Area II FFA Convention on Friday, May 12, 2006, on the campus of Odessa College.

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(TMBRA) Spring Championship the ages of 6 and 12 need to bring Convention, held on the campus State FFA Convention held in Fort Series Races. The Flat Rock Ranch your bike, a helmet and mom or of Odessa College this past Fri- Worth this July. Congratulations Kids Kup and Shimano Youth Se- dad to sign you up. Registration ries events feature a safety clinic, opens at noon on Saturday May where kids learn the importance of 20, 2006 at the Live Oak Lodge wearing a helmet and maintaining on the X Bar Ranch, activities their bicycles, a skills clinic, where begin at 1 pm. The event is free. the participants learn new techni- For additional information go to cal bike handling skills such as www.tmbra.org or www.XBar-

Local students attend **Area II FFA Convention**

All interested children between members attend the Area II FFA years activities by attending the day and Saturday. Meg Griffin to all of the FFA members for a and Josh Chavez served as voting delegates. The Eldorado chapter also picked up banners for their placing in the various FFA contest held this year. We will be attending the Area II Leadership Camp at Howard College in Big Spring

The Eldorado FFA had three this June and will wrap up the

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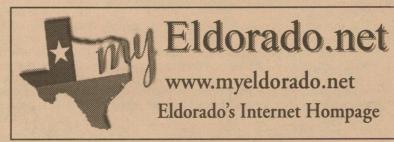
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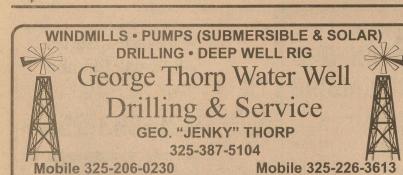


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6th graders send 777 butterflies to the Holocaust Museum

by Ilse Williams SCISD Service Learning Coordinator

Thirty-seven 6th graders and their teachers were mighty proud—their Holocaust Butterfly project resulted in a collection of 777 butterflies made by local students, community members, and even students in other towns and states.

Three large boxes were wrapped and mailed off on May 10th. The mail-off was the final stage in a social studies project the students had worked on for numerous weeks.

After reading books and stories about the holocaust, watching documentaries, and choosing and reciting their favorite poem written by children from the holocaust, the students wanted to help the Houston Holocaust Museum get a step closer to the goal of collecting 1.5 million butterflies.

Why 1.5? This is the estimated number of children killed during the holocaust, children who died for no reason, without a chance to realize their dreams. Thus butterflies became the symbol for the fragile, beautiful lives that were destroyed 1.5 million butterflies are now being created as a memorial to those children.

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Eldorado 6th graders pose with boxes filled with 777 handmade butterflies they are sending to the Houston Holocaust Museum.

Texas Forest Service joins Moment of Silence for wildfire fatalities

has suffered through its worst fire 17th. season ever, burning 1,303,171 being firefighters.

join with other state and federal southern states. wildland fire agencies in the south

acres in 1,458 fires across the state. states' and federal wildland fire of- of Virginia and North Carolina. These fires have claimed nineteen ficials, the pace of this fire season

COLLEGE STATION, Texas to call for a special Firefighter continue in Texas and Oklahoma — Since the first of the year, Texas Safety Awareness Day on May as well as along the entire Gulf Coast and Florida. Another ex-According to the southern treme drought pocket covers much

Firefighters in all of the 13 lives in Texas, with three of those has been of historic proportions southern states will participate in across the entire southern US. the special Fire Safety Awareness This has moved Texas Forest Record wildfires have destroyed Day on Wednesday, May 17th. The Service Associate Director and many homes and businesses in day will start with a moment of State Fire Chief Bobby Young to Texas and Oklahoma and other silence for those firefighters who have lost their lives this year, fol-Significant drought conditions lowed by a 10 minute stand-down

> "We are asking Texas firefighters to take a pause for safety on May 17th to make sure they are focused on safety fundamentals," Young said. "We have an awesome responsibility to protect public safety as well as our valuable natural resources, but one life lost to wildfire is one too many."

> > **Thomas**

22. Dead Sea Scrolls

27. Butler's expletive

31. Champing at the

32. Priest's garment

35. Dudley Moore title

28. Locket shape

29. "If I Had a

Hammer" singer

Property Tax Protest and Appeal Procedures

The law give property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if yo have

The market of appraised value of your prop-

• The unequal appraisal of your property The inclusion of your property on the appraisal

· any exemptions that may apply to you the qualifications for an agricultural or timber

• the taxable status of your property · the local governments which should be taxing your

property

the ownership of property

· the change of use of land receiving special

any action taken by the chief appraiser, appraisal district or appraisal review board that applies to and adversely affects you.

Informal review

Please call the Appraisal District at (325) 853-2617 to schedule a meeting with the Chief Appraiser, Scott Sutton.

Review by the Appraisal Review Board If you can't resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening, Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence that CAD will use to uphold their determination. The CAD may ask you for a copy of the evidence you plan to present.

The hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing. The CAD representative will present evidence about your case. You may cross-examine the CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. The CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by ance of the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office at 1 West Warner, Eldorado

Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

Review by the District Court or an Arbitrator After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. As an alternative and within the same time period, you may file a request for binding arbitration with the county appraisal district in certain cases.

Tax Payment

You must pay either the amount of taxes on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken.

More Information You can get more information by contacting Schleicher County Appraisal District, 1 West Warner, Eldorado, TX. 325-853-2617.

You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division at P.O. Box 13528, Austin, Texas 78711-

Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB*

Usual Deadline

On or before May 31 (30 days after a notice is later)

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protest are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district or more information.

Special Deadlines

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For ARB changes (the ARB has informed of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change didn't result from a protest you filed), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to

The Deadline for protests is Friday, June 23, 2006.

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February 1). The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was

* The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.



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leftover 8. Current styles

13. Interview wear

14. Sharif of film 16. "You kidding!" 17. Swiss artist Paul

18. Flat formation 19. Actress Scacchi

20. Big name in convenience stores

23. Chest muscle. slangily 24. Needing a note,

perhaps 25. Conductor __-Pekka Salonen 26. Potato morsel 27. Chowderheads

30. Early communications satellite 33. Forum greeting 34. "Toodles!"

36. Conger catchers 39. "Do the __!" 41. Daughter of Lear 43. Belle's boyfriend

46. Blunted blade 48. CITY STATE _

44. The N.Y. Mets'

49. "Listen up!" 69. __out (ignore) 51. Rebellious time, 70. Tart taste

71. "Hit the road!" maybe 53. Place for a tack 72. Marked, as a 55. Gold: Prefix ballot 73. Do in

56. Salt, symbolically 58. Sturgeon delicacy 59. Moon's makeup,

in stories 64. Rile up 66. Genesis brother

67. Decked out 68. Michelangelo masterpiece

"Eeeee!"

2. Occupy the throne

DOWN

1. Is inquisitive

3. Ukraine capital 4. TV's Remington 5. Hale-Bopp, for one

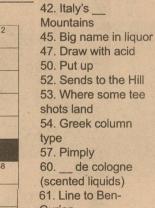
6. Brunch entree 7. Morally low 8. Business bigwig 9. Bruins great

Bobby 10. Intense cold 11. Sign up for

12. Actor Keach 15. "Bolero"

composer 21. Tweed caricaturist

role 37. Drought ender 38. Has a late meal 40. Own, to a Scot



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Pickup trucks rock! But they also roll: Buckle up for safety

And so do a lot of other people. Census Bureau shows that almost paign, she said. one-quarter of the vehicles in Texas are pickups, said Bev Kellner on the "Buckle Up In Your Truck" of Texas Cooperative Extension's Web site (http://www.buckleupin-Passenger Safety program.

may be riding with a false sense of Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and "Buckle Up In Your Truck" of security, Kellner said. Although Arkansas and Louisiana is home to campaigns appear to be working. pickups are larger and heavier more than a million pickup drivers don't provide an extra measure of safety belts. And more than 1,300 rollover crashes.

"Pickup drivers think they often as passenger cars do. And belts reduce the risk of dying in

COLLEGE STATION - Cow- being thrown out of the vehicle a rollover crash by up to 80 per- officials in the five states will be boys don't always ride horses is the most common cause of cent." anymore, but many of them drive injury and death in rollover

In fact, 2002 data from the U.S. "Buckle Up In Your Truck" cam-

But according to information yourtruck.com/), many people Unfortunately many of these aren't listening. Information on the safety belt use saves lives. pickups' drivers and passengers Web site says the five-state region than passenger cars, she said, they and passengers who do not wear safety, especially when it comes to of them die from crashes every 89.9 percent in passenger vehicles even the most rural areas, Ex-

are safer in trucks than in cars, feel safer because their trucks are but they are not," Kellner said. bigger, stronger and sit up higher "According to research from the than most cars on the road," the National Highway Traffic Safety Web site stated. "But half of the injuries and \$600 million will be lifesaver." Administration, in fatal crashes fatalities in pickup crashes were saved. pickup trucks roll over twice as killed in vehicle rollovers. Safety

on the Web site, about 60 percent this year. That's the reason behind the of the region's pickup drivers involved in fatal crashes are between the ages of 15 and 39; about 86 perwere not using a safety belt at the "The goal of the Click It or Ticket time of the crash.

And "The Click It or Ticket" During 2005, vehicle drivers and passengers in Texas increased their use of safety belts to a total of agents around the state covering and 85.5 percent in pickup trucks, tension is focused on getting the "Pickup drivers often say they Kellner said. Because of this, the message out about the Click It National Highway Traffic Safety or Ticket mobilization," Kellner possible 185 lives, 3,000 serious – especially in a pickup – is a real

> To emphasize this point even further, local law enforcement

enforcing the "Click It or Ticket" According to statistics provided campaign from May 22-June 4

According to the Click It Or Ticket Web site (http://www. buckleupamerica.org/CIOTplancent are men; and about 42 percent nermay 05/nmay 05/what.htm),

mobilization is not to give out tick-No doubt about it, Kellner said, ets, but rather to influence people to buckle up and prevent injuries and fatalities. Research proves that the certainty of a ticket and costly fines convinces people to Click It."

"This year, with a network of Administration estimates that a said. "Buckling up in a vehicle



2nd Lieutenant Johnathan Marburger (right) was commissioned into the U.S. Air Force on Saturday, May 13, 2006, following his graduation from Texas Tech University. The new Lieutenant's uncle, Lt. Col. Glenn LeMasters, administered the oath of office. Johnathan Marburger is the nephew of Randy and Kathy Mankin.

Legislature passes teacher pay raise

ture passed a teacher pay raise this \$42,345. Once adjusted for the mined by their employers, which week that will implement a \$2,000 cost of living, Texas teachers will are the local school districts. Unbeginning with the 2006-2007 - ahead of Arkansas, Louisiana, cal districts will have even more school year. The increase came New Mexico, and Oklahoma. with a \$300 million teacher incentive program as part of House Bill 1, which now awaits the governor's signature to become law.

"We have passed record property tax cuts and have reformed our state's school finance plan, so it was appropriate and necessary for us to turn our attention to a salary increase for teachers, who have dedicated their lives to educating our children," said Representative Harvey Hilderbran, R-Kerrville. Hilderbran referenced the cut in local school property taxes for residential and commercial property owners by 33 percent that will occur over the next two years.

"House-passed tax reforms dramatically increase the state's share of public school funding and the burden off of local property taxpayers," he said. "Now we will pump more state resources into Texas schools."

In addition to the \$2,000 pay raise, the teacher incentive program will offer a \$1,000 pay increase to those teachers who help their students make the most academic progress.

AUSTIN - The Texas Legisla- average Texas teacher salary at and pay raises have been deteracross-the-board salary increase rank first in salaries for the region der the tax reform legislation, lo-

Historically, teacher salaries teacher pay raises.

ability and flexibility to fund local



Band Director Jerry Barker (L) presented Senior band member Hope Fuentes (R) with the John Phillip Sousa Award during the This increase will place the Spring Band Concert held Tuesday evening, May 16, 2006.

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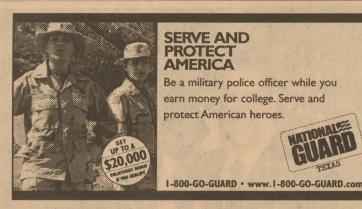
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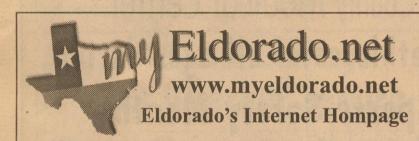
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Sullivan, who will begin on June in Houston. 12, presently serves as presiding Court of Harris County.

be of great value to the agency. He livan has also served on the board management experience and dis- for the Judiciary. tinguished legal expertise to the people of Texas."

AUSTIN - Texas Attorney eral Houston law firms, primarily General Greg Abbott today named handling complex civil litigation. Judge Kent C. Sullivan First As- He began his legal career as a civil sistant Attorney General. Judge trial attorney with Butler & Binion

Judge Sullivan's wealth of judge of the 80th Judicial District experience includes temporary service on the First Appellate "This appointment delivers District Court of Appeals and the message that my office will membership on the Supreme employ talented and experienced Court Advisory Committee. He people with proven ability to serve has been active with the State Texans well," said Attorney Gen- Bar of Texas since 1999, serving eral Abbott. "Kent's judicial and on the Board of Directors and its civil litigation background will Executive Committee. Judge Sulbrings strong leadership, proven of directors of the Texas Center

Judge Sullivan graduated with distinction from the University of Prior to his three years on the Virginia with a bachelor's degree bench, Judge Sullivan worked in in economics. He earned his law private practice for 21 years and degree in 1982 at the University



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ARRESTS

May 10 • Spears, Randy Lee, male age 27, arresting officer SC deputy, offense DWLI. Released on \$1,000.00 Surety Bond.

May 11 • Arroyo, Christopher Lee, male age 19, arresting officer SC deputy, offense DWLI Enhanced.

May 11 • Gamble, Jack, male age 26, arresting officer SC deputy, offense DWLI.

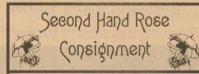
May 12 . Dominguez, Liza Ann. female age 25, arresting officer SC deputy, DWI.

May 12 · Aycock, Anthony Dewayne, male age 34, arresting officer SC deputy, offense War-

May 13 • Ramos, Erick Manuel, male age 25, arresting officer DPS trooper, offense Possession.

May 13 · Gonzalez, Moreno Magaly, female age 24, arresting officer DPS trooper, offense Pos-

May 13 • Hash, Paul, Jr., male age 50, arresting officer SC deputy, offense No DL.



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INCIDENTS

May 9 • 7:37 p.m. Complainant reported an orange motorcycle traveling at excessive speed. Moving south on highway 277. Officer

responded. • 9:30 p.m. Complainant reported a lost dog. Found in her yard. Possible dislocation of right

rear leg. Officer responded. May 10 • 2:20 p.m. Requested to speak to an officer. Officer responded. Officer responded.

· 5:28 p.m. Complainant advised an alarm going off at nearby apartment complex. Officer was dispatched.

• 11:40 p.m. Reported a female subject running her niece off the

May 11 • 7:34 a.m. Caller reported a loose EMU near the Eldorado Place Apt. off of Murchison. Officer notified and attempted to contact possible owner.

• 1:20 p.m. Reported finding a dent on her vehicle, a blue form was issued.

· 4:10 p.m. Complainant advised a fight taking place at the Eldorado Swimming Pool. Officer

May 13 • 1:11 a.m. 911 call was made, Complainant advised a fight involving two parties taking place along Brooks Ave. Officer was dispatched.

· 7:01 p.m. Complainant reported that they had hit a gas line. Officer responded and City was

May 14 • 12:16 a.m. Complainant reported that family member did not arrive at the designated

· 3:12 p.m. Complainant reported stolen items from residence. Officer responded.

· 11:46 p.m. Complainant reported that there was a water leak at the administration office at the school. Officer and SCISD responded.

May 15 • 8:23 a.m. Reported having her wallet stolen from Tom Green County. Officer and Bank official notified.

 8:51 a.m. Reported livestock keep getting out and going to his land. Officer responded.

 5:14 p.m. Complainant reported that subject had overdosed on pills. Officer and EMS responded.

May 16 • 8:53 a.m. Complainant reported stolen license. Officer



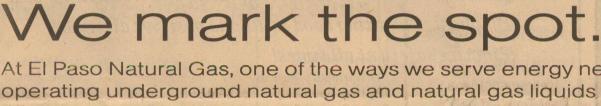


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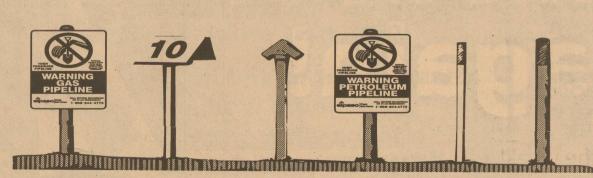
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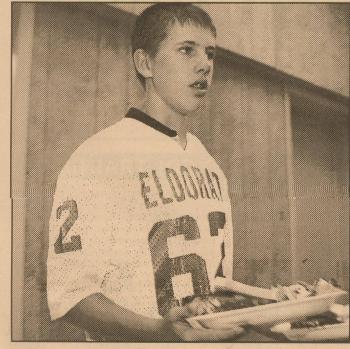
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Eldorado Woman's Club wraps up another productive year

by Noweita Briggs

met Tuesday, May 9, 2006 at 12:00 noon in the Memorial Bldg. Club Sanders and one Honorary memwelcome followed by Mary giving a prayer and Nelva Martin leading table and seating tables were decorated in rosy pink, tall gold candles luncheon so special.

club Constitution.

enjoyed a delicious salad luncheon liams, Program Chairman, who sign all contracts and orders on that was prepared by Hostesses conducted the installation of of- the Treasurers, and perform all to Myrt Williams, Shine Spigarelli, ficers for our new club year of her duties belonging to that office. Cathy Niblett and Jerre Holley plus 2006-2008. Myrt began by saying Mary told the new officers that if half of our members. The serving our officers have very different du- all the links work together their ties but when combined as a whole term will be easy as well as fun. have one purpose and that is to see She closed her initiation by asking and holders. A spring center piece that our meetings are educational, the officers to accept their chair of decorated the serving table. We informative and follow the articles the total link and to report their thank everyone who made our of our Constitution. Each officer is acceptance pledge together. She Following lunch President circle and when linked together of their combined duties that make Roden called for Secretary Doro- form a strong band of leadership. up a perfect team. thy Harris to give her report Myrt started as Historian for our and Treasurer Nelva Martin her new club year as one little link of Myrt and each new officer for acregular report plus her end of the whole and when all are linked cepting their responsibilities and the year summary. Roll call was together they form a perfect circle. encouraged each to look forward next given with members giving Myrt next introduced each officer to a new club year. President suggestion for future meetings. and explained the duties of each Roden next thanked her outgoing officer. Penny Bland stood in for officers for the great job they did Parliamentarian Jean Ann Karm during her Presidency. She pre-Treasurer is Nelva Martin; Doro-sented each with a beautiful patrithy Harris stood in for secretary otic wreath and a special Patriotic Pat Holt; Second Vice-President pin that included the Untied We is Cathy Niblett; First Vice Presi- Stand theme she had selected for dent is Olean Stricklan; and Jerre her Presidency theme. The cover Holley as President. According to of her yearbook was designed by the By-Laws of the club the duties her and Rachel Joiner designed the of each officer are as follows: The pages of the book. We thank both Historian shall keep a scrapbook for their special talents and their containing published articles of willingness to make our yearbook the club together with data she so special. Mary's son spent hours considers of historical value. The searching the internet before he Parliamentarian shall conduct a found the special patriotic pins. Parliamentarian drill as needed. The treasurer shall receive all reciting our club collect. Presimoney, and pay it out subject to the dent Roden was presented with a order of the club. She shall make a beautiful cross from the members written report at the last meeting as thanks for her leadership or and prepare a proposed budget for 2004-2006. the new Club Year. The Secretary shall keep the minutes plus gen- day, September 12, 2006 at 10:00 eral correspondence and preserve a.m. in the Memorial Bldg. Club all letters, reports and papers of Room. A happy summer is wished importance and shall make an to each member.

Some of the suggestions were book annual report. The Second Vice The Eldorado Woman's Club reviews, activities reported by President shall be chairman of school children, information about the Hospitality Committee and the Wellness Center idea, library in the absence of the President or Room. The theme for our meeting happenings and other informative First President shall assume their was "Ending the Year." Fourteen activities of interest following the Presidential duties. The First Vice regular members, two associates clubs objectives that shall be mu- President shall be chairman of Florence Williams and Bobbie tual help and encouragement of all the calendar and program comthose desirous of mental culture, mittee, and in the absence of the ber Ora Dell and one guest were and to cooperation of any work President shall assume her duties, present. President Mary Roden which may advance the welfare and her duties include seeing the opened the meeting with a warm of the community as stated in our yearbook is completed and ready to hand out by the first meeting of President Roden next turned the New Year. The President shall us in pledges to our flags. We next the meeting over to Myrt Wil- preside at all meetings of the club, an important link in the complete gave each a chain circle as a token

President Roden next tanked

We closed our meeting with

Our next meeting will be Tues-

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