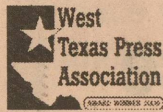


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• Jeffs taken to hospital for emergency treatment

Warren Jeffs, the jailed leader of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints received emergency medical treatment Sunday morning, according to a story in *The Spectrum and Daily News* from St. George, Utah.

Jeffs, who once prophesied that he would die in prison, was transported by Fire and Rescue of Hurricane, Utah at about 6:30 a.m. to the Dixie Regional Medical Center in St. George where he was kept for several hours as he underwent treatment.

Jeffs was returned to his cell at about 10:00 a.m. after doctors cleared him to return to the Purgatory Correctional Facility.

Jail officials note that Jeffs had not previously reported any medical concerns. However, on Sunday morning the jail's medical staff checked Jeffs for "heart problems." The call for an ambulance also reportedly cited heart-related problems after jail personnel found him "distressed."

Jeffs was under heavy guard the whole time, as extra officers, including members of the Washington County SWAT team, were called in to ensure Jeff remained in custody.

Jeffs is considered by Washington

County officials to be a "high profile" inmate which qualifies him to be held alone in a special cell. Before his capture Jeffs was on the FBI's Ten Most Wanted Fugitive's List. He successfully eluded capture for months before being captured during a routine traffic stop on Interstate Highway 15 just outside Las Vegas, Nevada.

Jeffs is being held in the Purgatory Correctional Facility on two charges of Rape as an Accomplice in connection with his role in arranging and performing underage marriages within his fundamentalist Mormon sect. He is facing similar charges in Arizona and is also being held on two federal charges of unlawful flight to avoid prosecution. A district court found last month that Utah has sufficient evidence to hold Jeffs for trial. His trial there is slated to begin in April of this year. It is unknown when Jeffs will appear before an Arizona court.

Most of Jeffs followers live in the communities of Hildale, Utah and Colorado City, Arizona. The two towns are in reality just one that straddles the Utah/Arizona border. Before being incorporated as towns, the community was known as Short Creek. A group

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FNB leaders past and present gathered last week (ABOVE) to commemorate the bank's 100th anniversary. Among those attending were: (Front L-R) Maxine Page, Jo Ed Hill, Danell McCormack, Ed Meador, Jeanne Snelson. (Back L-R) Hyman Sauer, Lynn Meador and Bobby Helmers.

Curt Nelson (L), representing the Independent Bankers Association of Texas, last week presented First National Bank President Hyman Sauer (R) with a resolution (AT RIGHT) recognizing FNB's 100 years of service to Eldorado and Schleicher County.



FNB Eldorado recognized for 100 years of service

One hundred years ago a group of Schleicher County pioneers joined together to found The First National Bank of Eldorado. Today, the institution they established, continues to serve the residents of Eldorado and Schleicher County.

Curt Nelson, senior vice president of the Independent Bankers Association of Texas came to Eldorado last week to recognize FNB's 100 years of service and to honor its shareholders, officers and employees for their dedication to the community.

Nelson met Wednesday, January 24th with First National Bank's president Hyman D. Sauer and presented him with a formal resolution from IBAT denoting the bank's century of service to Eldorado and Schleicher County. (See resolution on Page 7)

The bank held a three-day long anniversary party in conjunction with the event. A number of the bank's current and former leaders and shareholders were on hand to meet and greet Nelson. Among those present was Jo Ed Hill, the bank's former president and director. His father, Ed Hill, served as the bank's fourth president.

Others on hand for the occasion included: Maxine Page, wife of former director James Page and mother of current director Martha Sue Oliver; Danell McCormack, longtime former employee & officer, and daughter of the bank's fifth president Leslie Baker; Ed Meador, former director and grandson of C.L. Meador, who was one of the bank's original stockholders; Jeanne Snelson, former employee and officer, current director and

granddaughter of former president Ed Hill; Lynn Meador, current director and great-grandson of C.L. Meador; Bobby Helmers, current director; and Hyman D. Sauer, the bank's seventh and current president and chairman of the board.

First National Bank of Eldorado came to be in 1907 when it was formed by a group of businessmen. A list of the men's names reads like a Who's Who from Eldorado's early days. Included in the founding shareholders were W.B. Silliman, R.W. Murchison, C.L. Meador, C.C. Doty, John Rae, S.I. Nicks, I.H. Elder, F.L. Cozzens, R.R. Russell, J.B. Christian, Sol Mayer, M.B. McKnight, C.H. Murphy, William Bevans, John F. Isaacs and Abe Mayer.

The men organized the bank and capitalized it with \$30,000. M.B. McKnight was selected as the bank's first president. One of the bank's first transactions was the purchase of land and the construction of a new rock building that would serve as the institution's home until 1942. The original 1907 bank building stands to this day, just across the street from the present bank building on the first block of Southwest Main Street. The 1907 building is presently owned by Bill McCutcheon.

On July 11, 1913, another bank, the First State Bank of Eldorado, was merged into The First National Bank. The old FSB bank building stood at the corner of Southwest Main Street and West Gillis on the site now occupied by Mittel Insurance Agency. Following the merger the bank's capital stock was listed at \$75,000.00.

First National Bank moved out of

its original building in 1942 when it relocated to a new building across the street on the corner of Southwest Main and E. Gillis. That building, along with an addition that was built in 1964, was demolished only last year.

The bank's present building was opened in 1982 and has served as the institution's home for the past quarter century.

The 100 years since the founding of First National Bank have brought steady change to Eldorado. There have been droughts and floods, booms and busts, depressions and war. Through it all FNB has strived to keep up with the changing needs of its customers.

Today, FNB customers have a vast array of banking services available to them. In addition to traditional deposit accounts and lending services that everyone is accustomed to, the bank now offers Internet Banking and Free Online Bill Pay, features that allow customers to take care of their banking business when and where it is convenient for them.

For his part, FNB president Hyman Sauer says the bank will continue looking for ways to meet the evolving needs of its customers.

"As times change and technology advances, it's important that we move forward, too," Sauer stated. "But our primary mission remains the same as it was in 1907 — meeting the needs of our customers in Eldorado and West Texas."

First National Bank of Eldorado has been led by seven presidents since its founding: M.B. McKnight; W.B. Silliman; J.B. Christian; J.E. Hill; Leslie L. Baker; Jo Ed Hill and Hyman Sauer.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Wes Perryman of Red Oak, Texas claimed the "King Award" for best Elvis impersonator during the 1st annual "All the King's Clones" festival held here last weekend.

Elvis look-alikes, wannabes and near-misses descend on Eldorado

Some of them looked like Elvis... sort of. Others only looked like Elvis if you squinted really hard and turned your head just right. But most of them didn't look like Elvis at all. Not the young Elvis, the Las Vegas Elvis, the skinny Elvis or the fat Elvis. Not even Elvis if he had lived. But it didn't matter. Everyone had fun and that was the point of the whole exercise at the first annual "All the King's Clones" festival held last Saturday and Sunday in the Memorial Building.

Jim Runge, the event organizer, said the turnout was better than he had for his first Elgotarod festival in 2003, a fact that he says bodes well for the future of

the festival here in Eldorado.

Elvis impersonators and Elvis fans were on hand from as far away as Houston. Others attended from Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, Fredericksburg, San Marcos, Tulia, Stephenville, Lubbock, Waxahachie and Canyon Lake. And, of course, Eldorado was well represented with Eldorado's own Bob "Elvis" Lester and Jim "Elvis" Runge and a number of winners in several Elvis contest categories.

82-year old Naomi Dodson of Eldorado won the "Best Original Song" competition with her compilation of the events of Elvis' life sung to the tune of

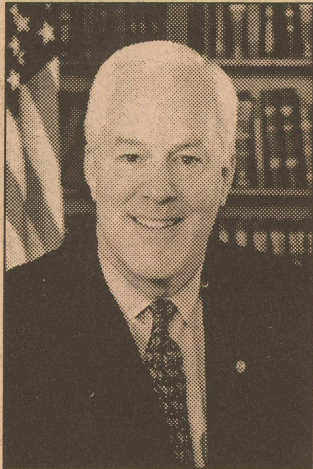
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Controlling Cancer in Texas

by U.S. Sen. John Cornyn

Good news on a subject that often can mean bad news came this month from the American Cancer Society. The downward trend of cancer-related deaths first reported in 2003 continued in 2004.

This positive news should provide hope to Texans that patients can survive cancer—especially if it is detected early.



Commentary

by Senator John Cornyn

What's more, this downward trend indicates that America's grassroots efforts to control the disease are indeed making a difference.

The news media plays a vital role. This month, Harvard University released a study—well-reported in the media—suggesting tobacco companies have increased the rate of nicotine delivered in cigarettes. Information of this nature underscores the grassroots efforts in our state,

ensuring our citizens know of smoking's close link with cancer-related illness and death.

We have many resources in Texas that help educate consumers and researchers about the disease. To name just a few: the renowned M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, the Southwest Oncology Group in San Antonio and the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation in Dallas.

These organizations and their peers across the state have set the standard for cancer prevention, early detection, research and treatment efforts throughout the nation—and even the world.

But additional, significant efforts to educate Americans about this important issue are carried out daily by a dedicated army of less well-known professionals and volunteers. They deserve our deep gratitude.

One clearinghouse in this education campaign is the Texas Comprehensive Cancer Control Coalition, an Austin-based group that unites public, non-profit and private efforts to ensure initiatives to battle the disease are targeted, efficient and successful.

One of the coalition's primary goals is to implement the Texas Cancer Plan. This nationally recognized blueprint was developed by more than 80 cancer experts throughout the state. It aims to reduce the impact of cancer on Texans and their families.

The Plan provides professionals and educators throughout Texas with comprehensive cancer-prevention information to ensure early detection and treatment. It's the basis for many local public education efforts in Texas.

In January, many educators and volunteers have worked to promote Cervical Cancer Prevention Month. Efforts are also underway to ensure women know that cervical cancer is highly preventable through healthy behaviors, screenings and even drug therapy.

Other volunteers have partnered with media outlets to increase awareness about prevention and early detection. These education campaigns are but a few examples of efforts in Texas communities to combat the disease.

The Texas Comprehensive Cancer Control Coalition provides a helpful resource on its Web site, "Inventory of Activities," providing information on community-based cancer education efforts in Texas.

For instance, Texas A&M University System Health Science Center offers the "Spit Tobacco Prevention Network," volunteers working to eliminate spit or chewing tobacco statewide. Nicotine cessation programs are planned this year in East Texas and the Panhandle.

Volunteers from the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston manage the Cancer Nutrition Network, providing rural populations with information about the relationship between cancer prevention and nutrition.

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Advertising doesn't cost, it pays!

We get lots of people in the newspaper office wanting to place a classified ad to sell one thing or another. Occasionally they ask us to help them word the ad. I'm always hesitant to do that and here's why.

Lost: Small apricot poodle. Reward. Neutered. Just like one of the family.

Now there's a family you wouldn't want to marry into. And... here's another.

Dinner Special: Turkey \$2.35; Chicken or Beef \$2.25; Children \$2.00.

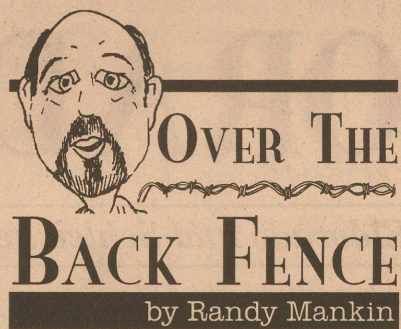
Here are a couple of automobile ads that will leave you scratching your head

For Sale: 1964 Ford pickup. No seat or steering wheel. Perfect for rancher who has lost his butt and doesn't know where to turn.

Used Cars: Why go elsewhere to be cheated? Come here first!

So you want your ad to get attention? Okay. This one is guaranteed to get attention.

FOR SALE: Antique desk. Suitable for lady. With thick legs and large drawers.



Here's another in that same vein.

For Sale One set of mixing bowls. Designed to please a cook with round bottom for efficient beating.

Then there are the animal ads. Animals for sale. Lost pets. All sorts of critters.

For Sale: Eight puppies from a German Shepherd and an Alaskan Husky.

Dog for Sale: Eats anything. Especially fond of children.

LOST: One ostrich. Likes to tear down fences. Last seen headed toward town. If found, please shoot.

REWARD OFFERED. LOOKING FOR cute and cuddly bunny. Missing from hutch. If found please call Hugh Hefner.

Alright, so that last one wasn't for an animal, but you can see how it would end up in the wrong category, right?

Sometimes an ad may say too much. Like this one placed by a mechanic who was probably better with a wrench than he was with words.

Auto Repair Service: Try us once -- you'll never go anywhere else again.

This one leaves me with more questions than answers. Something must have gotten lost in the translation.

Now is your chance to have your ears pierced and get an extra pair to take home too!

I'm not sure if this next one is an employment ad or a personal ad.

Man, honest. Will take anything.

I like to suggest to advertisers that the simpler the ad the better, using only those words necessary to paint a mental picture for the potential customer. For example

RED HOT SUMMER SALE Our bikinis are exciting. They are simply the tops.

Speaker picks chairs, members for House committees

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — It took a couple of weeks to see how House Speaker Tom Craddick's somewhat contentious re-election would play out.

Craddick announced his picks for chairs and committee assignments on Jan. 26.

The Midland Republican survived a challenge that vaporized on Jan. 10, the second day of the 80th Texas Legislature, and was elected to a third term.

Rep. Jim Pitts, R-Waxahachie, made a run against Craddick but bowed out in the 11th hour, before a final vote.

Craddick reassigned Pitts and rewarded loyalists. Pitts served as Craddick's pleasure in the 2005 session as chairman of the state budget-writing House Appropriations Committee.

Craddick named Rep. Warren Chisum, R-Pampa, to replace Pitts as chair and kept Rep. Jim Keffer, R-Eastland, as chairman of House Ways & Means, the committee charged with raising revenue.

Without Craddick's post-challenge support, Pitts used his own seniority to secure a non-leadership post on Ways & Means.

Here are a few of Craddick's other chair appointments:

- Beverly Woolley, R-Houston, Calendars, the committee that serves as gatekeeper for bills to move to the House floor;
- David Swinford, R-Amarillo, State Affairs;
- John Smithe, R-Amarillo, Insurance;
- Rob Eissler, R-The Woodlands, Public Education;
- Mike Krusee, R-Round Rock, Transportation;
- Aaron Pena, D-Edinburg, Criminal Jurisprudence; and
- Patrick Rose, D-Dripping Springs, Human Services.

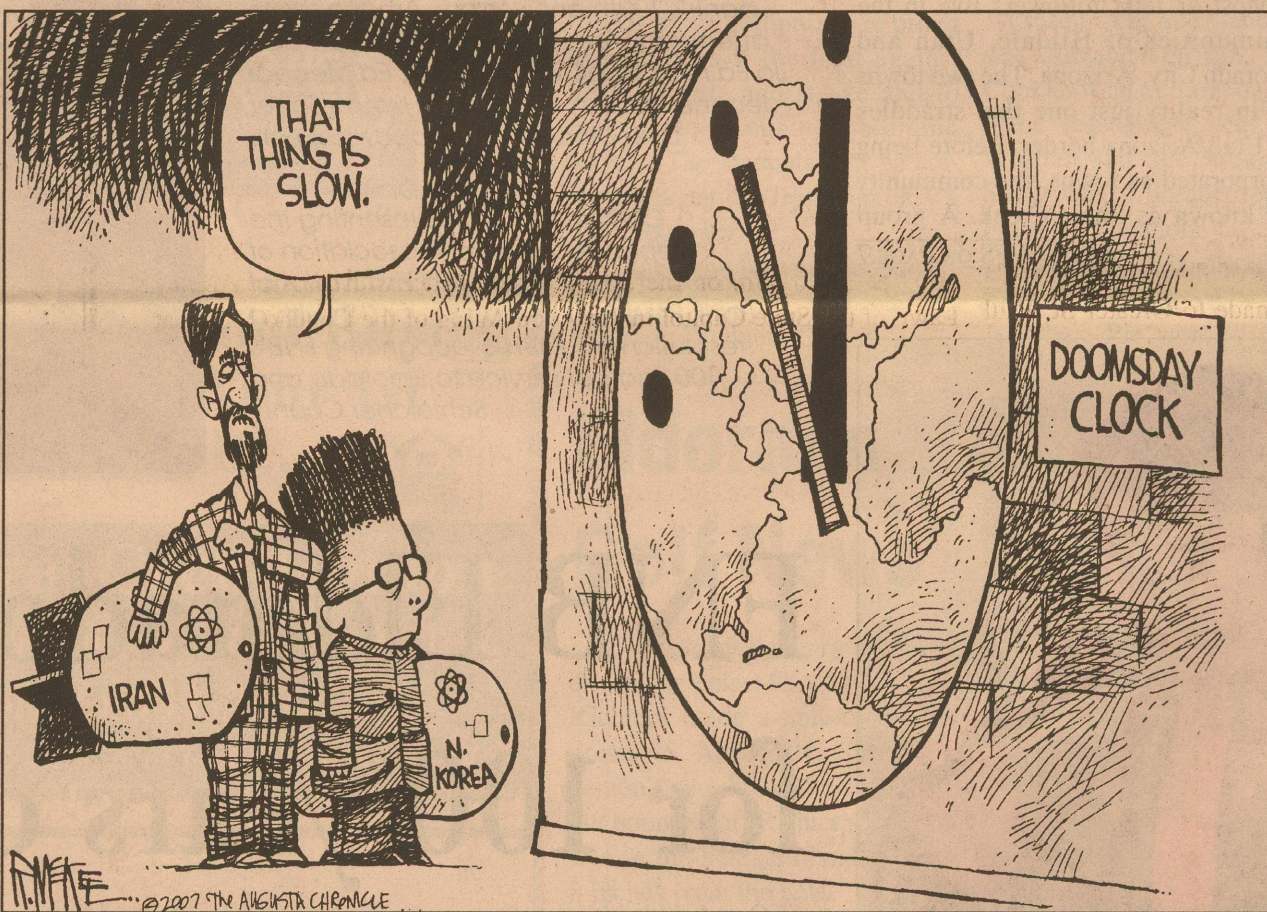
Perry applauds appraisal ideas

Gov. Rick Perry on Jan. 23 praised his Task Force on Appraisal Reform on the release of its report recommending that lawmakers pass five statutory changes and two constitutional changes to fix what some have called a "broken system."

The recommendations, from a governor's office news release:

- Require voter approval for any local taxing entity (excluding schools) to charge or collect revenues from ad valorem taxes in excess of the approved prior year's budgeted tax revenue, plus 5 percent;
- Improve fairness and consistency in the appraisal process. Appraisal boards would be comprised of five members, including two taxpayer representatives, and taxpayers would have new options in challenging property valuations.
- Change the comptroller's property valuation study, which is used to equitably distribute state funding to schools and provide uniformity in local property appraisal practices.
- Prohibit the state from passing unfunded mandates to local governments.
- Require sales price disclosure.
- Pass legislation to change the state constitution to allow taxpayers the option of calculating their property taxes using a five-year rolling average of the

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Making Sheep into Movie Stars

The folks down under have turned agriculture into show business. On two different occasions in New Zealand we saw a sheep show. The first one was at what is called a sheep station. Here it would be called a mansion, with beautiful gardens, tall graceful trees and green grass you could see for acres. It was on an island near Queenstown only approachable by boat.

We dined in the mansion's main dining room beneath crystal chandeliers. The entrée of the gourmet meal was lamb, with a choice of shank or sliced. We were in one of the country's best grape growing regions, so local wines accompanied the meal.

Around sundown we wandered over to the demonstration area. A border collie herded sheep over an immense pasture that had a small mountain at one end. That's where the sheep tried to go, but the Border collie brought them to the two pens in front of the crowd. A man with a microphone gave the dog commands. We heard his whistles and shouts.

He then invited everyone into a small theater and he walked on



by Tumbleweed Smith

stage, put on some leather pants, grabbed a huge sheep and sheared it, giving humorous commentary as he did so. When he finished he took the blanket of wool, all in one piece, and spread it out on a table for the crowd to touch. We then went to a store attached to the theater to shop for woolen items and souvenirs.

The second sheep show was in what is called The Agridome near Rotarua. It is a huge place with seats for more than a thousand. It was a full house. Nearly every seat was taken. Nine different breeds of sheep were tethered on stage in a stair step formation with Merino, the best, being at the top. Again, the sheep shearer was a comedian and got the audience involved in what he was doing. He sheared a sheep, then auctioned it off. The person who bought it was from a cruise ship and had no way of

getting the sheep home. So he gave her a chocolate sheep for being a good sport. He then brought a cow on stage and had different people from the audience come up and milk it. The Agridome is on a huge sheep ranch that has a café and big souvenir store. New Zealand has 40 million sheep, which are the basis for the country's main industry.

We had a fabulous trip. We cruised, took overnight visits to some interesting places, visited friends and made new ones. It was fascinating to see the night sky from a different angle. On-board ship one night we saw the Southern Cross, visible only in the southern hemisphere. We saw The Remarkables, a mountain range where Lord of the Ring was filmed. We saw geysers on the upper island, reminding us of Yellowstone. The country might be the most beautiful place I've ever seen. It is full of lakes and orchards and vineyards and lush green hills and vibrant young people. We've already started thinking about our next trip over there. It's only a 10 hour flight from LA to Auckland.

OBITUARIES

Opal Mae Faull

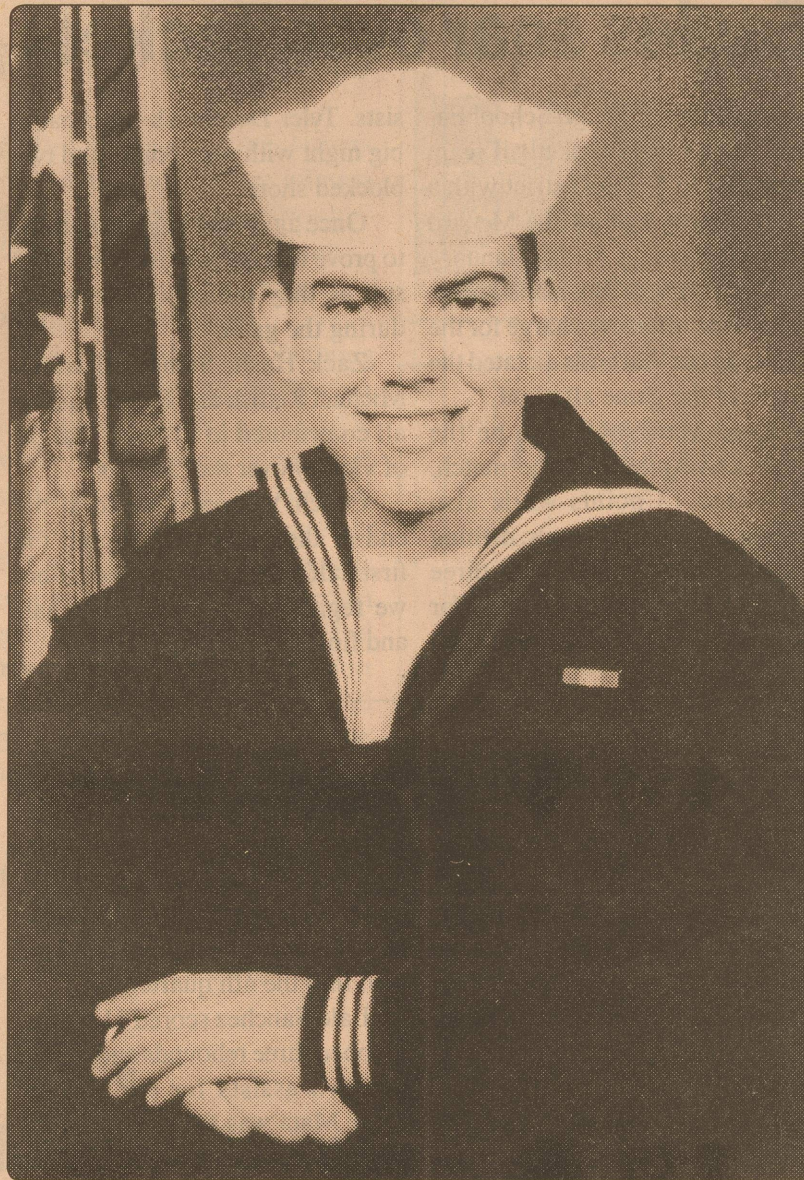
Opal Mae Faull, age 93 of Iredell, Texas, passed away peacefully and went to be with her Lord and Savior on January 23, 2007. She was born on January 16, 1914 in Valley Mills, Texas. In 1932 she married James Howard Faull and lived many years in Eldorado, Texas. In 1994 she moved to Iredell, Texas to be near her children. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Iredell, Texas. Her passion in life was cooking, which pleased everyone she knew. She lived a full and rewarding life, bringing joy to all.

Her beloved husband, James Howard Faull and their son, James Howard Faull Jr. preceded her in death. Five children survive her, Elizabeth Berry and husband Delmer of Comanche, Texas, Margaret Head and husband Hershel of Iredell, Texas, Dorothy Leger and husband Clyde of Austin, Texas, Johnny Faull and wife Marsha of Liberty Hill, Texas, Barbara Cox and husband Ron of Grapevine, Texas.

She was blessed with twelve grandchildren, eleven of which survive her. One grandson, Charles Edwin Stires preceded her in death on June 23, 2001. The eleven surviving grandchildren are Diane Hallford, Janet Robinson and husband Tom, Everett Faught and wife Carla, James Faught and wife Norma, DeAnna Wiley and husband Tim, Lee Van Cleave and wife Laura, Laura Faull, Brian Cox and wife Christie, Cindy Brauer and husband Jay, Kim Mucha and husband Tony, and Steve Cox. Also, surviving are twenty-five great grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday, January 26, 2007 at the Eldorado Cemetery Chapel in Eldorado. Interment followed at the Eldorado, Texas Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the John Marc Camp for children with chronic illnesses and major physical disabilities. (Camp John Marc, 2824 Swiss Ave., Dallas, Texas 75204.)



Seaman Jaaron Crawford

Crawford completes Basic Training

Jaaron Strait Crawford, a 2006 graduate of Eldorado High School, graduated from U.S. Navy Basic Training on January 12, 2007.

Jaaron and 613 other seaman recruits took part in ceremonies conducted at the recruit training Command in Great Lakes, IL.

During boot camp, Jaaron was

awarded a medal for "Enlisting In A Time Of War" and (2) two medals for marksmanship.

He is currently stationed in Gulfport, Mississippi for further training.

Jaaron is the son of Triska Atteberry of Aiken, South Carolina and Blaine Crawford of Eldorado.

Hazel Starks Smith

SAN ANGELO — Hazel Starks Smith, 88, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, Jan. 20, 2007, in a local nursing home.

Hazel was born on March 10, 1918, in San Angelo, Texas, to the late Rev. Archie R. Starks and Maggie Fullylove Starks, who preceded her in death.

Hazel was a graduate of San Angelo public schools and of Houston-Tillotson College in Austin, Texas. She was a public school teacher in Eldorado, Texas, and in San Angelo for over 42 years.

She leaves to cherish her memory four cousins, Robert and Jean Butler of San Angelo, Jimmy Nell Mallory of Amarillo, Texas, Bernice Bailey of San Antonio, Texas, and Daisy Valley of Los Angeles, Calif.

Service was Wednesday, Jan. 24, at Greater St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church with burial in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens, under the direction of Starks Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Greater St. Paul AME Church.

Capital Highlights...

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property's appraised value.

• Pass legislation to change the state constitution to lower the residential appraisal cap on city and county taxes from 10 percent to 5 percent, double the local property tax homestead exemption to \$6,000, and allow local governments the option of conducting an election to enact a half-cent countywide sales tax constitutionally dedicated to property tax reduction. The appraisal cap could be lowered to 5 percent only in counties that vote for a half-cent countywide sales tax increase.

More from governor's office

Gov. Perry announced Jan. 22 that FEMA will extend by six months the housing aid deadline for people displaced by hurricanes Katrina and Rita. The aid was due to expire in February.

Also on Jan. 22, Perry announced the expansion of Operation Wrangler, a border law enforcement project teaming local, state and federal law enforcement. Perry said the effort is structured to stem crime, illegal international drug trafficking and human trafficking.

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Or gave your shoulder to lean on;
Perhaps you just listened
To assure that this memory would live on;
Perhaps you sent or spoke kind words as a friend would say;
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us that day;
Whatever you did to console our hearts,
We thank you so much whatever your part.*

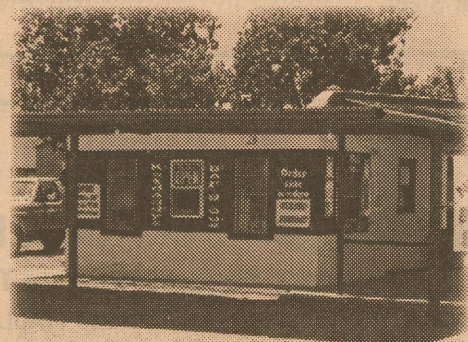
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Senior Day 2007 at the Capitol

Senior Day 2007 at the Capitol is set for Tuesday, February 13, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. on the South Lawn of the State Capitol in Austin, Texas.

Senior Day 2007 at the Capitol theme is "Seniors: The Heart of Texas," which will focus on seniors' past and present contributions to the state, as well as those yet to come.

There is a \$30.00 (non refundable) charge for this trip, which includes a round trip ticket on chartered vans, continental breakfast, your lunch, a visit to the Bob Bullock Museum, and snacks. For

more information on Senior Day 2007 please contact Rosie Quintela or Dale Metz with the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley at 325-223-5704 or 1-877-944-9666 by February 2, 2007.



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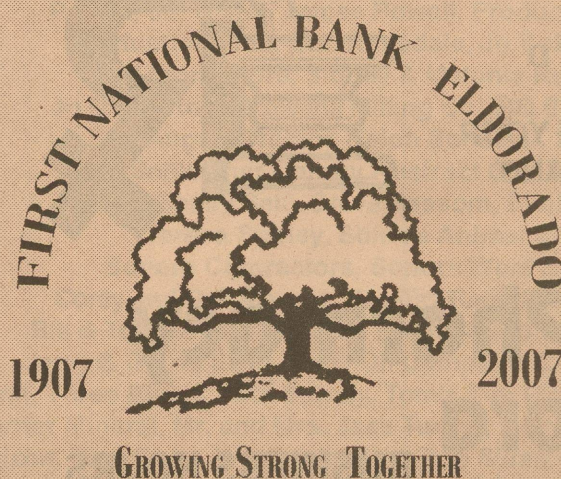
by Linda Thistle

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* Moderate ** Challenging *** Hoo Boy!

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Eagles soar over 'Jackets

The Eldorado High School Eagles varsity boys basketball team improved to 4-0 in District with a 72-41 victory against the Menard Yellowjackets on Friday, January 26, 2007. Drew Bosmans spearheaded the offensive charge for the Eagles as the Warbirds dictated the tempo of the game all night.

Jorge Mata looked to be the most active player in the match. He netted 13 points while also pulling down 11 rebounds, dishing out two assists and swiping three steals. Lalo Sanchez counted for 14 points, 6 rebounds, and 4 as-

sists. Tyler Dombroski also had a big night with nine points and two blocked shots.

Once again the Eagles continue to prove that defense is their strong suit as they tallied 11 takeaways during the game.

Zack Hash, Sammy Estrada, Michael Redish and Rance Cathey all contributed to 31-point margin of victory over the 'Jackets.

Coach Valeriano stated at the end of the game "We started the first half a little over confident but we regrouped in the second half and finished the game strong."

Ft. Stockton slips by Eagles

Spirited play on the part of the Eagles varsity boys was not enough to turn aside the bigger, faster Ft. Stockton Panthers on Tuesday, January 23, 2007 as the visitors left Eldorado with a 68-53

win. The 1A Eagles wouldn't go down without a fight, however, as they hung with the 3A Panthers well into the 4th quarter.

Lalo Sanchez scored 11 points, grabbed three rebounds and dished out two assists for the Eagles. Jorge Mata was aggressive on the boards snagging 14 rebounds. He also added two blocks and eight points.

Drew Bosmans also went to the boards and pulled in more rebounds than the Panthers' total.

The Eagles also tallied three blocked shots on the night.

In the end it would be turnovers, 19 of them, that hurt the Eagles as Ft. Stockton proved to be a tenacious non-district opponent.

Coach Rene Valeriano took the loss in stride. "Ft. Stockton was very physical and they took us out of our game, but on a positive note we can learn a lot from this and hopefully improve on our mistakes and get better."

The loss moved the Warbirds season record to 16-8 and 3-0 in loop play.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Brianah Creek brought the ball down floor for the 7th grade Lady Eagles as they took on Water Valley in Eagle Gym on Monday night. The local girls won the game 31-17.

Lady Yellowjackets pull away from Lady Eagles 48-38

Determined effort on the part of the Eldorado High School Lady Eagles wouldn't be enough to prevent a 48-38 loss to the Menard Lady Yellowjackets on Friday, January 26, 2007 in their home gym.

Chelsey Hill had an 11 point night for the Lady Eagles. So did

Kirsten Stubs. Cassandra Buitron contributed nine points.

The Lady Eagles hammered out 12 points in the first quarter before stumbling on offense throughout the middle of the game. They had another 12 point run in the fourth, but it wouldn't be enough to close the gap on Menard.

The loss drops the Lady Eagles district record to 1-4.

Spring Soccer Season Sign-Up Menard Youth Soccer

Registration for the Menard Youth Spring Soccer Season has begun and will end February 12th. The \$35.00 registration fee includes shirt, shorts and socks. Cashiers checks and money orders are to be made out to Menard Youth Soccer.

The soccer program is open to boys and girls grades Pre-Kindergarten through seventh.

To register or to get more information, call Priscilla Portilla or Parissa Wright at 325-396-4676.

We would also like to invite Brady, Eden, Junction, Mason, Eldorado, Cleo and other youth in the surrounding areas to come and join us. First practice will begin February 12. The first game is tentatively scheduled to begin March 3 on the old Little League fields adjacent to the golf course in Menard.

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- 4th Kirk Griffin, Michael Kent, Rachel Fuentes, Andy Anderson, Yvonne Terry, Homer Minor, Joe Montalvo, Walt Griggs, Josue Chavez, Aiden A. Vallejo
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Comptroller Susan Combs Tells Sprint, "Not So Fast"

Austin—Comptroller Susan Combs asked Sprint this week to stop charging a "Texas Margin Fee Reimbursement" on customers' bills. The charge began appearing on bills this month, in an apparent attempt by the telecommunications company to pass the state's revised franchise tax directly through to Sprint customers.

"It's not unusual for a company to collect an amount identified as a reimbursement for a tax or a fee," Combs said. "But no such reimbursement for franchise tax has ever been

approved by the Comptroller's office."

Combs said the Sprint bill implies that Sprint will pay a one percent tax on its gross receipts. But under the revised franchise tax, the effective tax rate on gross receipts cannot exceed 0.7 percent.

"Companies are prohibited by law from collecting more from their customers than the amount of tax the company will pay," Combs said.

The Comptroller also pointed out that the term "reimbursement" implies that the tax or

fee appearing on customers' bills has already been paid by Sprint. But the state will not begin collecting the revised franchise tax until 2008.

In a letter to company officials, Combs asked Sprint to drop the new charge from its bills until the Legislature has an opportunity to address the issue.

"Failure to comply...could result in both audit and collection action by this office and a possible injunction by the Texas Attorney General," Combs wrote.

Financial Aid for College info session slated Feb. 1

An information session on how to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will be held on February 1st from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. sponsored by Texas Tech University. All students applying for college financial aid must complete the FAFSA forms.

The FAFSA is the main form in the student financial aid ap-

plication process and there is no charge for applying. The information that students and their parents provide on this form serves as the basis for determining their eligibility for a variety of types of student aid. Students planning to attend any college are invited.

A presentation will be shown of a statewide videoconference. "2007 FAFSA Made

Easy" with specific information on completing the form. A Spanish version of the presentation is available on request.

The session will be held at Texas Tech University Center at Junction, FM 2169, Building B, classroom 113. Reservations are requested to ensure enough seating. To attend, call 325-446-2301. Graduating seniors that attend

with their parents will be eligible for one of six statewide \$500 scholarships offered by TG.

Two excellent web sites for college financial aid information are www.collegefortexans.com, sponsored by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, and www.adventuresineducation.org sponsored by the TG group delivering the teleconference.

"Champagne and Diamonds" fundraiser slated

February 14th for Children's Advocacy Center

SAN ANGELO, Texas (January 25, 2007) – The Children's Advocacy Center of Tom Green County, Inc. will commemorate their 15th Anniversary by hosting the "Champagne and Diamonds" Valentine's Fundraising event Wednesday, February 14, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Cactus Hotel.

Board and staff members of the Children's Advocacy Center are encouraging community members to share a romantic Valentine's evening with their special dates while they help the CAC continue to champion the cause of child abuse prevention and serve

as an ally of abused and neglected children. Join us as we celebrate 15 years of impacting the lives of children in our community. Everyone wants to celebrate Valentine's Day in a special way and we're offering an elegant, romantic and fun way for people to make a difference in the lives of children in our community, while celebrating Valentine's Day with that special someone.

The evening will include dinner catered by Susan Ball of the City Café & Bakery, highlighted

by romantic harp and piano music performed by local musicians as well as an open bar. Participants will also have an opportunity to participate in the exclusive "Champagne and Diamonds" one-carat (valued at \$5,000) diamond event. To participate, event-goers will purchase glasses of champagne. One glass will have the one-carat diamond – donated by Legend Jewelers, while the rest will have sparking one-carat cubic zirconium stones.

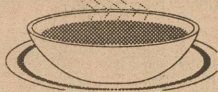
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advance or at the door and the cost is \$60 per person and all proceeds benefit services provided by the Children's Advocacy Center of Tom Green County. Please call 653-4673 for more information or go to www.cactomgreen.org

Federal appeals court ruling makes horse processing illegal in Texas

A decision in the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans makes the processing of horses for human consumption illegal in Texas. The decision, issued January 19, overturns a lower court's ruling last year on a 1949 Texas law that banned horse slaughter for the purpose of selling the meat for food. Two of the nations' three horse processors are located in Texas. Beltex Corp. of Fort Worth and Dallas Crown Inc. of Kaufman may face criminal charges if they don't shut down.

Meals for Friends Menu



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- Wednesday, February 7**
Oven Pork Chop, Noodles, Carrot, Bread, Tossed Salad, Applesauce, Milk
- Thursday, February 8**
Meatloaf w/Tomatoes, Blackeyed Peas, Okra, Cornbread, Banana Pudding, Milk
- Friday, February 9**
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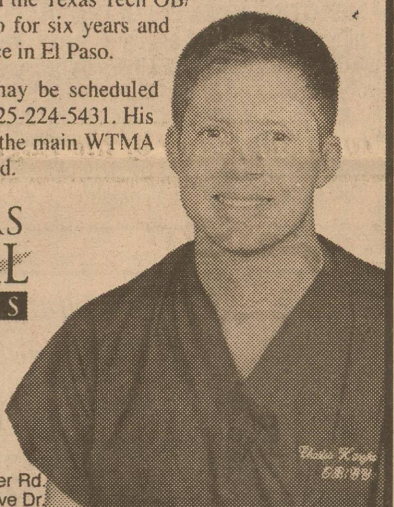
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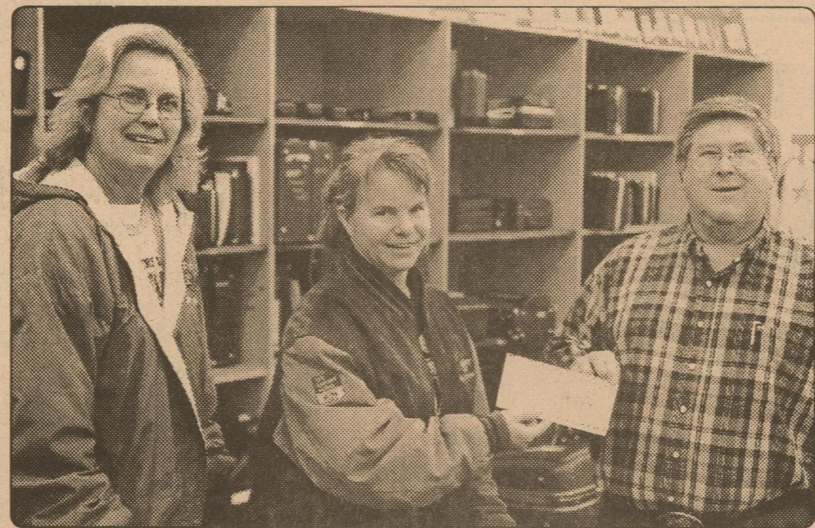
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Band Booster's members Jennie Swyter and Sydonia Pechacek presented Band Director Jerry Barker with a \$1,000 check received through a grant. The funds will go toward a band trip. Band members have been actively raising funds for this trip with bake sales and concession stands.

Nursing Home Chit Chat

Activity Director Annie Arispe

To recognized Super Sensory Stimuli for February on Valentine's Day we are having a Sweet Day. We asked our family members to bring the family member's favorite desert. Please attach the recipes. It will be held in the Nursing Home dining room at 2:00 pm.

We are excited that the Middle School 6th graders are going to be visiting us twice week. They will be visiting residents in the rooms reading, getting to know the residents or playing games and helping out with some the activities.

Will the Groundhog appear? February 2nd, Groundhog's Day, celebrates the legend that if a groundhog emerges from his winter hibernation burrow and sees his shadow, six more weeks of winter can be expected. If not, spring is on the way!

February's Birthday Party will be held on the 22nd at 2:00 pm in the Nursing Home Dining Room.

Quote of the day! Love cannot remain by itself - it has no meaning. Love has to be put into action and that action is service.

Sen. John Cornyn...

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The Cancer Resource Enhancement Program, based in Paris, Texas, raises funds for another statewide organization, the Texas Cancer Council, to help implement the Texas Cancer Plan.

And the Lance Armstrong Foundation in Austin offers one of several toll-free lines for persons who need to talk about their cancer experience. Armstrong, one of Texas's most famous cancer survivors, developed the now easily recognized yellow wristband featuring the words, "Live Strong." Countless people wear these bands in a show of solidarity against the disease.

These stories are a potent reminder about the power of individuals working together in their communities to affect change. These fine examples of volunteerism contribute every day to decreasing cancer-related deaths in Texas.

Sen. Cornyn serves on the Armed Services, Judiciary and Budget Committees. In addition, he is Vice Chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Ethics. He serves as the top Republican on the Judiciary Committee's Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship subcommittee and the Armed Services Committee's Airland subcommittee. Cornyn served previously as Texas Attorney General, Texas Supreme Court Justice and Bexar County District Judge.

1st annual Hound Dog Hustle termed a success

Most of Eldorado was snug in their warm beds Saturday morning as participants of the first annual Hound Dog Hustle did not let the cold and fog deter their objective. Over 40 individuals ranging in age of 17 to 65 took on the challenge of the 1 mile or 3 mile run or walk to raise funds for American Diabetes Association.

Coming across the finish line first was miler Claudia Pasillas with at time of 0:07:35. Cheering Claudia to the finish line were her sisters Jessica and Lupe.

Next crossing the finish line was mile runner Krystal Hamilton, 0:10:06 and Darci Graves, 0:10:54. Mile walkers Annie Arispe, and Maria Hill cross the finish line greeted by Elvis (Jim Runge).

The mile walker Ramon Adame was next in front of overall 3 mile runners Eric Penszyk who had a time of 0:23:19 and Jessica Penszyk with a time of 0:24:46 both of San Antonio.

Times of 3 mile runners and walkers were: Alyssa Cooper-0:24:47; Colby Gordon-0:27:40; Robert Teaff-0:28:53; Sarah Teaff-0:33:58; Sonja Johnson-0:33:58; Beckie Sullivan 0:34:26; Lynna Mikeska-0:34:27; Vicki Farmer-0:35:46; Helen Brame-0:39:11; Cindy McGinnes-0:41:39; Gerylyn Beach-0:41:47; Margaret Guterrez-0:41:58; Teresa Baker-Shirley-0:41:59; Randy Mitchel-0:42:00; Ed Garrison-0:44:03; Jessie Garrison-0:45:00; Branda Gray-0:45:53; Pat Johnson- 0:46:10; Bob Miller-0:46:49; Lisa Johnson-0:47:33; Susie McAlpine- 0:47:34; Edie Niblett-0:48:26; Lupe Vasquez-0:51:49; Jeannie Wipff- 0:52:27; Dana Shriver 0:54:22-Melissa Murr-0:54:23; Billie Mendoza-0:56:07; Jean Karm-0:56:31; Susie Richters-0:56:33; Lana Jones-0:56:34 and Martha Adame-szyk with a time of 0:57:46.



With runners out front and walkers coming from behind, the first annual Hound Dog Hustle got off to a good start as over 40 participants ran or walk for a good cause, the American Diabetes Association. The event raised more than \$600.

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- Shire of "Rocky" films
- Put an edge on
- Toledo's lake
- Military fortification
- Verdi masterpiece
- Baseball bat wood
- Give off
- Leather worker
- Power plant unit
- Chicago exchange, for short
- Hi___ graphics
- HOV lane users
- Coneastoga, e.g.
- Do road work
- "The Haj" author
- Declare frankly
- Gave a hoot
- Place to brood
- Muffin choice
- Dentist's request
- Removable car roofs
- Diamond size, maybe

DOWN

- Being tried, in law
- Sibelius's "___ Triste"
- Islands greeting
- "___em, Fido!"
- Relax a bit
- Loft group
- Boorish sort
- Come___ (lures)
- Was about to collapse
- Financial bureaucrat
- March 17 slogan word
- Tilt-A-Whirl, for one
- Cyclist's choice
- Med. plan options
- Dadaist Jean
- Hong Kong was one
- Expert
- Insertion mark
- Stackable cookie
- Talk like Daffy
- Retired speedsters
- Baylor University city
- Bell-ringing cosmetics company
- Cheney's predecessor
- Half a '60s vocal foursome
- Enclosed, in a way
- Like some hosiery
- The whole ball of wax
- TV Dr.
- Fizzy drinks
- Serenaded the ump
- Artfully dodge
- Come to a point
- Born's partner
- Bar mitzvah, for one
- Screen symbol
- Former capital of West Germany
- Lines of praise
- Seek damages

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- Air Travel-Passport Now Required. U.S. citizens traveling by air are required to have a valid passport for exiting and re-entering the United States, effective Jan. 23, 2007.

- Sea and Land Border Entry Ports-Passport/PASS Card Deadline: June 1, 2009. U.S. citizens traveling by sea and land within the Western Hemisphere- Caribbean, Bermuda, Canada and Mexico-will be required to have a valid U.S. passport or a yet-to-be-determined, new economical travel document known as a Passport Card on or before June 1, 2009. The Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative will not affect

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Obtaining A Passport

For information on obtaining a passport or for an application, U.S. citizens can visit the State Department's Web site at <http://travel.state.gov> or call the U.S. National Passport Information Center at (877) 4USA-PPT. Allow six weeks for processing of the passport application. If you need to travel urgently and require a passport sooner, contact an ASTA travel agent for information about expediting the application process.

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Warren Jeffs receives emergency medical treatment

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of fundamentalist Mormons have called the town home for nearly a hundred years and it is there where the group kept alive the practice of polygamy or plural marriage after it was disavowed by the mainstream Mormon church.

Many of Jeffs' followers now live on the YFZ Ranch just outside Eldorado. It is there that the group has built the FLDS church's first-

ever temple. And, it is there that many FLDS watchers believe Jeffs is attempting to build a perfect society in preparation for the end of the world.

Meanwhile, those closest to Jeffs have refused to comment on his medical condition. Likewise, authorities in Washington County are prohibited from commenting on Jeffs' condition by federal privacy laws.

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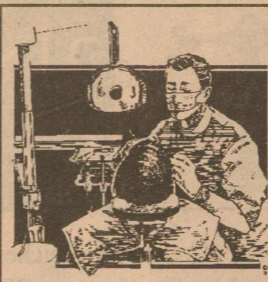
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January 24, 2007

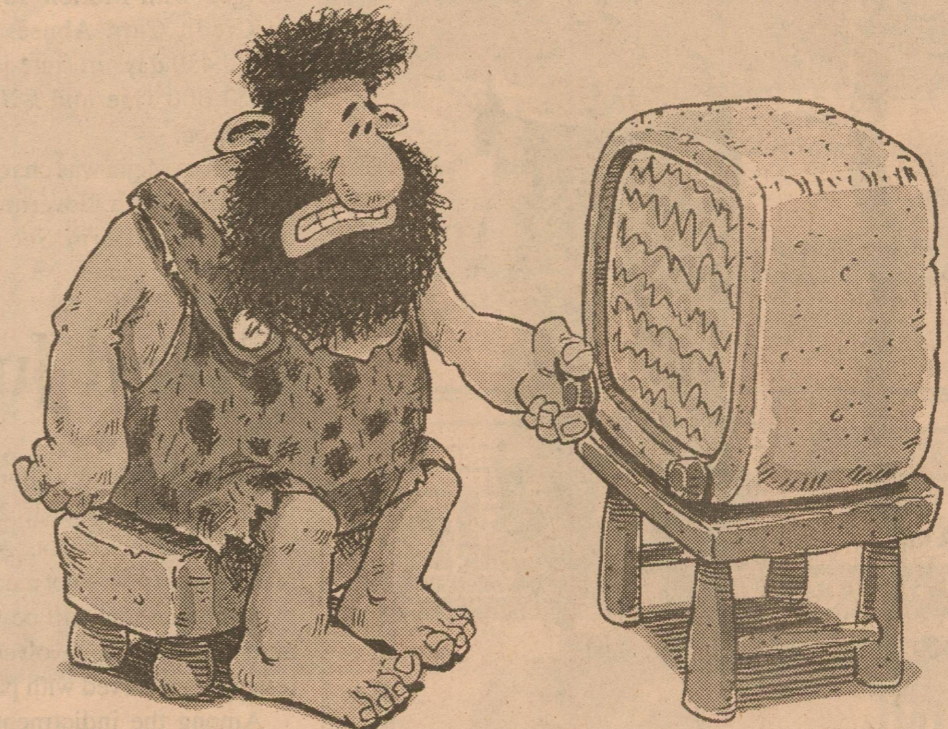


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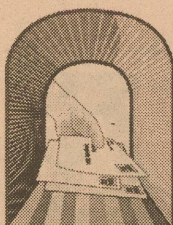


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Blake Chatham showed off her Bundt Cake with Chocolate Covered Strawberries, the Best of Show in the Senior Division of the County Food Show held January 13 in conjunction with the Jr. Livestock and Project Show.

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Jump Rope for Heart to raise funds for American Heart Association and Eldorado Wellness Center

Dear Parents and Students,
Beginning in February, we are planning some exciting things in Eldorado Elementary, Middle School, and High School for this year's Jump Rope for Heart and Eldorado Wellness Center event! As you know, Eldorado is a strong supporter of the American Heart Association's mission of saving lives, as well as supporting our local endeavor of building our own wellness and exercise center.

This year we want to continue our fight against heart disease and stroke in even a bigger way! Heart

disease is our nation's number one killer and stroke is the number three killer. We have two main goals for our heart program this year. First, we want to educate both students and parents about making heart healthy choices when it comes to nutrition and physical activity. Second, we want everyone to continue to understand the importance of community involvement which now includes helping our own facility for exercise.

We ask that you work with your child in setting a goal and collecting the money to meet that goal. This is an easy way to raise awareness about heart disease, stroke and the importance of physical fitness while raising money for these great causes.

Another way you can help us educate about heart disease and stroke is to fill out a red heart with a name of someone that they can honor at this event. This could be someone that is making healthy choices (cooks healthy food, exercises, does not smoke, has survived heart disease, or makes donations.) We have also included a white heart for the memory of someone that has passed away from heart disease. These will be displayed at school for all to see and for your child to jump in honor or memory of that person.

All of our campuses are proud to be a part of the fight against heart disease and stroke and to participate in our new building project. The students will be collecting donations from February 1 until February 16.

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Yssenia Ramirez showed off her Strawberry Iced Cake, the Best of Show in the Junior Division of the County Food Show held January 13 in conjunction with the Jr. Livestock and Project Show.

County Food Show results

On Saturday, January 13, 2007 during the 72nd Schleicher County Livestock and Food Show Franklin Buchholz, Yssenia Ramirez and Blake Chatham desserts offerings each received "Best of Show" in their division.

In the Sub Junior Division, 1st Place Cake and Candy winner was Elizabeth Griffin, 1st Place Cookies went to Sarah Jackson, 1st Place Yeast Bread went to Justin Whitten and Sub Junior Best of Show was a bread prepared by Franklin Buchholz.

In the Junior Division 1st Place Cake winner was Ashby Ragsdale, 1st Place Pie went to Ivie Kate

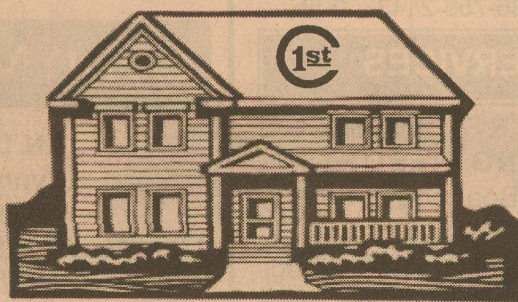
Mynatt, 1st Place Candy went to Lane Griffin, 1st Place Cookie winner was Avery Nolen, and 1st Place Yeast Bread was Addye Chatham. Junior Best of Show was a pink iced strawberry cake prepared by Yssenia Ramirez.

In the Senior Division 1st Place Cake winner was Neal Higgins, 1st Place Pie went to Corie Williams, 1st Place Candy was made by Kaleb Murr, 1st Place Cookie was prepared by Haley Higgins and 1st Place Yeast Bread winner was Marcus Hinojosa

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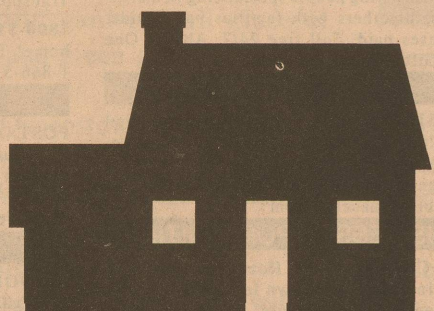
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Eldorado Golf News

On Sunday, January 28, 2007 during the Select Shot Match Don Richters made a hole-in-one on green #5. Apparently Sam Henderson's shot hit in the same hole but bounced off Richter's ball that was in the hole and landed about 3 inches from the hole. This kept his ball from being a hole-in-one also.

Competing in this match was the team of Don Richters, Sam Henderson, Phil McCormick and Bill Wells versus Daniel and David Robledo, Johnny Lee Arispe and Oscar Martinez.



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Nancy Lester, retired County Extension Agent, hosted a "Courtesy Table" for Fatima Contreras, Antonio Contreras, Courtney Espinosa, Emily Bedea and Emelda Arispe. These students received a quick lesson on table etiquette while enjoying a special table setting prepared by Mrs. Lester on Friday, January 26 during lunch at the Elementary cafeteria. The "Courtesy Table" is a special treat for students who earned a courtesy tickets by doing something trustworthy, respectful or responsible. The program, along with character education, is taught in group sessions by elementary counselor Mrs. Kathy Newman.

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The Department recommends that before you hire any person or company in the industry, you ensure he or she or the company is licensed. You should also check our website using the search feature at

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DPS has 27 troopers who investigate violations of the Private Security Act located throughout the state. Among the violations they investigate are allegations of individuals or companies performing security services without a license, which is a class A misdemeanor, punishable by a jail term up to 1 year and/or a fine of up to \$4,000.

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