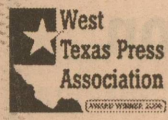


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Three years later and YFZ story still fascinates

Three years ago this week, Eldoradoans awoke to find their town overrun with reporters and the courthouse square surrounded by satellite TV trucks. The headline on that week's edition of *The Eldorado Success* asked the question that was on everyone's mind, "Corporate Retreat, or Prophet's Refuge?"

Since that day, locals have learned that the 1,756 acre ranch, now known worldwide as the YFZ Ranch, was never intended as a corporate hunting retreat, but instead was meant to house the most faithful of Prophet Warren Jeffs' polygamous flock as they sought to flee the increasing glare of public scrutiny shined on them by a ravenous national media and anti-polygamy activists like Flora Jessop.

In fact, it was a phone call from Jessop, a woman who escaped from the polygamous lifestyle within the Fundamental Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (FLDS), that sounded the alarm that Jeffs and his followers were on the move. She explained to *Success* publisher Randy Mankin on the evening of March 15, 2004, that the man who fronted the purchase of the YFZ Ranch, David Steed Allred, was actually a cousin and close lieutenant of Warren Jeffs. And, it was Jessop who came to Eldorado, with several TV news crews in tow, to bring the first national attention to the YFZ Ranch.

Since that day, and over the ensu-

ing three years, Eldoradoans and the town they call home, have become part of the growing national debate about polygamy.

New words and phrases have crept into the local lexicon. Words such as Priesthood, Plural Wife, and Celestial Kingdom, that are seldom if ever used in the remainder of West Texas.

And, Eldoradoans have learned more about Mormon history, mainstream, fundamentalist, or otherwise, than most of them ever cared to know. They have also become versed in the complex inner workings of the United Effort Plan (UEP) trust, a once charitable trust that was supposed to manage the property in the twin cities that the FLDS once called home, the towns of Hildale, Utah and Colorado City, Arizona.

They have also learned how Warren Jeffs, a man who succeed his father Rulon Jeffs as head of the FLDS church in 2003, used his position of power over the church — and the UEP Trust — to excommunicate or disfellowship any man who challenged his authority and kick them off the property they once called home. Jeffs would then "reassign" the men's plural wives and families to other, more loyal men.

Even as Eldoradoans struggled to learn about their new neighbors' unconventional lifestyle, they were also inundated with stories about the legal woes of Warren Jeffs and many of his



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Massive residential structures, grain silos, warehouses and shop buildings are just a few of the structures built in the past three years on the YFZ Ranch. The property, located four miles from Eldorado on County Road 300, is home to followers of Prophet Warren Jeffs, the jailed leader of the Fundamental Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. The group is famous for holding to the teachings of early Mormon prophets, particularly those concerning the practice of polygamy or plural marriage.

male followers. Those legal problems prompted Jeffs to go on the run as charges were filed against him in Utah and Arizona. Then came word that he had been named to the FBI's Ten Most Wanted List and Jeffs' days as a free man began to dwindle.

On August 28th of last year, Jeffs was caught and arrested in Nevada. He remains behind bars in Purgatory Correc-

tional Facility in Hurricane, Utah where he awaits trial on charges of Rape as an Accomplice for his role in arranging and performing under age marriages.

This week word comes that Jeffs' trial has been postponed as his attorneys challenge evidence seized when he was arrested. There's no word about when a new trial date might be set, leaving those of us here in Eldorado to wonder

if the story of Warren Jeffs and the YFZ Ranch will continue for yet another three years.

By all appearances, the workers at the YFZ have built a town, complete with a white limestone temple. They apparently believe there's more to this story. Only time will tell if it is Jeffs, or the legion of enemies he has created for himself, who will write the final chapter.



SUCCESS FILE PHOTO

The Day it All Began

Sheriff David Doran and anti-polygamy activist Flora Jessop fielded questions from reporters on March 25, 2004, after news of the FLDS compound broke on the front page of *The Eldorado Success*. Since that day, the story has rarely been out of the national spotlight as newspaper and broadcast reporters from around the world have focused on the story.

Public performance of one-act-play Dearly Departed slated March 25

Eldorado High School's One-Act Play "Dearly Departed" will have a community performance Sunday, March 25 at 2:30 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. Admission is free and all are encouraged to attend this delightful comedy.

Sign up now for Relay for Life

The American Cancer Society is hosting Eldorado's 1st annual Relay for Life scheduled for May 18-19 at the high school track. The event will start at 7:00 PM Friday night with the survivors and caregivers kicking off the event with the first lap.

If your organization would like to enter a team please email Helen Brame at l.h.z.brame@att.net or call her at 853-3036.

We are also in need of sponsors and underwriters for the event. If interested please email Evelyn Gordon at ggordon06@verizon.net or call at 853-4010.

The next meeting is schedule for April 3, 6:30 in the high school foyer.

The walk takes place overnight and raises funds for the American Cancer Society.

Elgoatarod '07 to feature helicopter rides

by Jim Runge

Ever trying to bring new entertainment to the area, the latest version of the Eldorado Elgoatarod will present helicopter rides as another new attraction for visitors. A six passenger chopper from the Good Times Helicopter Company out of Oklahoma will offer rides above Eldorado both days of the Elgoatarod weekend. Visitors will be able to get a view of Eldorado, the goat races and the festival site not often seen, and for only \$10 per person. If time and demand dictates, longer rides will be available to view a wider portion of the community and county. Two lines will form for the different options.

The event is just one of the many offerings of the Eldorado Olympic Bid Organizing Committee, and includes a courthouse lawn full of inflatable bounce houses and apparatus, arts and crafts vendors, a wide assortment of food vendors, and this year, even a shoe shine booth. The Elgoatarod began in 2003 and is beginning to rival the other EOBOC festival, The Running of the BULL, as one of the premier events in "the middle of Nowhere." In fact, efforts are underway to name Eldorado as the capital of the 32,000 square mile area which includes over 200 small villages, many miles from the other metropolitan areas of Texas. This fun and distinctive event is just another attempt by the EOBOC to provide Schleicher County residents and visitors to Eldorado, with another entertaining diversion for their weekend pleasure, to keep them from getting bored.

As always, the featured attraction on Saturday, March 31 will be the goat races, which spoof the just finished Alaskan Iditarod. Local ranch goats are

hooked up to an eclectic assortment of race carts. These contraptions include a space ship, covered wagon, Roman chariot, bathtub, three wheeler and various other odd vehicles. As could be expected, some of these goats become reluctant participants, some earlier than others. That is just part of the show as some balk at being harnessed, while some wait until right before crossing the finish line to "lay down on the job." Bring your cameras as photo ops abound at the unpredictability of these cute, but sometimes smelly, four legged creatures.

The featured event on April 1 is the April Fools Day parade. This event holds true to its name and offers some interesting gag sights. Last year's winner was the "Goat of many colors that my momma sprayed for me," led by a Dolly Parton look alike. The parade will begin at 3:30 PM on Sunday and will

form in the famous Hysterical District at the southern entrance to Eldorado, then proceed down Main Street to the festival site. Many other entries adhere to the "foolish" theme. There is no entry fee and additional entries are always welcome. The most appropriate entries gain distinctive April Fools trophies.

As always, the local Hysterical District will be open 24/7 and offers a good hour's entertainment just in and of itself. This five year old attraction continues to draw visitors from around the state, plus numerous impromptu stops by passers by. And besides the plethora of food booths at the festival, festival goers can opt to avail themselves of the sit down restaurants around town for a relaxed meal. For more information, contact Jim Runge at 325-853-3678 or eoboc@hotmail.com. Admission and parking are free and more arts and craft vendors are accepted until March 26.



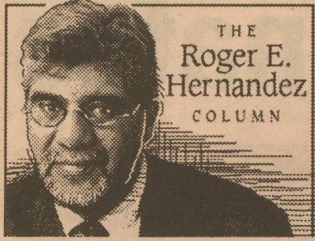
COURTESY PHOTO

Festival will be able to get a bird's eye view of Eldorado and the surrounding countryside during the annual Elgoatarod festival slated here next weekend. Trips to see the YFZ Ranch will also be offered.

Latin America must save itself

Before leaving on a six-day Latin America trip meant to counter leftist Venezuelan strongman Hugo Chavez, President Bush tried to play the mild-mannered diplomat.

The purpose of the trip, he said gently, is to "find ways to work together for the common good." When asked about Chavez, who has made it a habit to insult him personally, Bush did not take the bait but merely observed that "government-run industry is inefficient and will lead to more poverty."



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The president was trying to sound respectful of Latin America's touchy sovereignty.

Too late. Six years of bullying and incompetence have shredded U.S. prestige throughout the world, Latin America being no exception.

If you are a citizen of the United States, you should be appalled. But if you are a citizen of a Latin American country, you should be more concerned about your own leader.

The main responsibility for Latin America's scary leftward lurch does not lie with George Bush, no matter how unhelpful his policies. The responsibility lies with Latin Americans themselves. And only Latin Americans can change course.

Will they? Do they even want to?

One hopeful sign is that the people of the region describe themselves as political moderates. A December survey by the Chilean pollster Latinobarometro asked interviewees (from every country in the region except Cuba) to identify their political stance on a scale of 0 to 10, with 0 the extreme left and 10 the extreme right. Surprisingly for a region said to be marching leftward, the overall score was 5.4 -- the classic center-right. Venezuela came in at 5.6, slightly more right-leaning than the regionwide average.

So why did Venezuela elect Chavez?

Latinobarometro speculates that although conservative and liberal parties address what matters most in Latin America -- inequality, corruption, poverty -- "the right, although it is more numerous, has simply not been credible. ... The left appears to have conquered the center and, with it, power."

Which is fine when the left is moderate, like Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva in Brazil. Which is not so great when the left is like Chavez's.

What Latin American moderate -- center-left or center-right -- can help the region step back from the abyss on the left and move toward political pluralism and Euro-style social democracy?

President Nestor Kirchner of democratic Argentina seems more interested in twitching Uncle Sam's beard. Brazil's Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva would have to fight off the far left of his political party. Chilean Michelle Bachelet, whose country has gone furthest in the race to modernity, is busy helping Chile stay on course. Colombia's Alvaro Uribe has his hands full fighting guerrillas and drug gangs.

There's Nobel Peace Prize winner Oscar Arias, but he is from little Costa Rica. Which leaves Mexico's Felipe Calderon. He has the opportunity to lead his country, and then the region, toward a political maturity that rejects reflective anti-Americanism and embraces the modern world -- even if George W. Bush is the American president.

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A Matter of Want-To

People talk about barriers a lot these days. Income barriers. Language barriers. Racial barriers. Immigration barriers. Social barriers.

It's common for us to consider other people as barriers. Our husband, wife, parent, child, brother, sister, neighbor, teacher, boss or police officer is standing in our way.

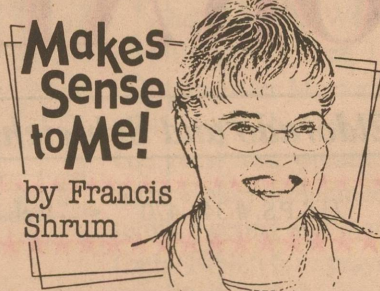
This is a common complaint among young people, but the barriers they are usually talking about involve access to checking accounts, credit cards and car keys.

I've been taking notice of another kind of barrier recently. It's becoming rampant at every age level, not just our youth. The only name I can use to appropriately describe it is a "want-to" barrier.

Now, consider in history what would have happened if the really big movers and shakers had suffered from a lack of want-to -- even if what they wanted wasn't always good for them.

Conversely, let me draw you a picture of what a want-to barrier looks like. In this case, it was afflicting a middle-aged man, slightly balding and a little on the heavy side, putting away produce in a grocery store.

That's not the way all want-to barriers look, of course. The real identifying sign is in the eyes and the expression.



by Francis Shrum

I was attempting to find a specialty food item I had bought often at this particular store, but I wasn't finding it. Enter the fellow with the barrier. I go over and ask him if he knows where I can find it. He doesn't even look up. "Nope," he says flatly. "We don't carry that."

I check the other refrigerated sections of the store. Still no luck. So I ask the attendant in the deli section. He says sure, it's in the produce department.

So the deli man goes with me back to this man who said they don't have it. When he sees me, he gets this deer-in-the-headlights look. My deli guy says, "She wants such-and-such. Will you get it for her?"

The deli man leaves and the produce man looks at me out of the corner of his eye. Then he says: "They just came in on the truck."

What, during the past 10 minutes? He doesn't strike me as a real speed-stocker. He leads me

to a corner of the produce section where my prize is buried under some pre-packaged salad. It has clearly been there a lot longer than 10 minutes.

The four bucks that I spent on my special produce is small potatoes, no pun intended, but if this man behaves this way with other customers -- and you can bet he does -- his want-to barrier will eventually create a hefty overall loss to his employer.

Americans love stories about people who overcome great obstacles. Christopher Reeve was one of our favorites, as is Lance Armstrong and the little surfer girl, Bethany Hamilton, who got her arm bitten off by a shark and still went back in the water to become a champion again. We cheer long and loud for those with the courage to overcome barriers in their lives, but we're all too quick to accept mediocrity in our own, even though every minute of every day offers every one of us an opportunity to shine by taking one more step toward a tangible goal -- if we want to.

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An Artist in Work and Life

"I don't know how people get bored. There's too much to learn to do and to do."

Jackie Zweiger of Monahans has traveled the world, made friends wherever she went and painted scenes of places far and near. Her watercolor works have won big prizes but she works in other media as well: pencil, oil, acrylic, wood, clay and bronze. She has illustrated two children's books.

After a 29-year teaching career, she is enjoying doing art fulltime. Her Spanish-style home in Monahans is filled with art pieces she has created and books she has read. Some of her art could not fit in her house. She has hand-carved giant crosses for church sanctuaries in Monahans, Midland and Pecos. Each cross is different and each one took a year to complete.

"A church in Pecos asked me to design a cross," says Jackie. "They had someone who would carve it, but they needed a design. I carved an 18 inch model and



by
Tumbleweed
Smith

when they saw it, they wanted me to do it."

She got interested in making pottery when she saw a man throw a bunch of clay on a potter's wheel and make a pot. She knew she had to learn how to do that. Some of her pots are small, about the size of an orange or grapefruit.

"I carve on them and draw pictures or designs on them and fix them up really good. I put turquoise on them and feathers and beads, just whatever I want to put on there. I'll maybe sculpt a little turtle and stick it on the pot."

Jackie started whittling after her dad gave her a pocketknife when she was a child. She carves fish from mahogany and redwood. They are extremely smooth and realistic.

"I make them life-size. You could put them on a hook and they'd look like something you just caught."

Jackie grew up in Port Arthur and maintains longtime friendships.

"I was a campfire girl and I still am. We have ten of us that grew up together and we still have meetings once a year. We go somewhere and spend a week together. We all finished high school and went our separate ways to colleges. Most of us married and raised children, but in about 1977 we started having our reunions. It has gone on every year since then."

The group came to Monahans a few years ago.

"We went out to the Sandhills Park just before dark. The moon was coming up on the east and the sun was setting in the west. We saw them both happen. They loved sitting on top of a dune at sunset."

Jackie has helped make Monahans a place where art is appreciated. She was active in converting an old church into an art center.

Interim director takes charge of Youth Commission

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — The Texas Youth Commission board of directors resigned March 16 under pressure from the Texas Legislature.

The board's final act was to submit a plan to fix problems at the agency that led to recent reports of sex abuse, beatings and neglect of confined youths. After submitting the plan at an emergency meeting, the board turned over its duties to the agency's acting director, Ed Owens.

Even before lawmakers gave the board votes of no-confidence and filed related legislation addressing failures of the agency to meet its obligations, perhaps the loudest voice for swift change was that of Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst.

"I believe the resignation of the Texas Youth Commission board and the submission of a rehabilitation plan will finally allow us to begin making real progress toward reforming the TYC," Dewhurst said.

The lieutenant governor, who is co-chair of the Legislative Audit Committee, said the plan will be reviewed, as will the just-released state auditor's report on the TYC.

Officials will take "whatever action is necessary to protect the children and restore the public trust in this agency," Dewhurst said.

Owens publicized a list of pledges he intends to fulfill as interim director. A few of those pledges are these:

- To centralize human resource functions to include criminal background checks for new hires and to collaborate with the Department of Public Safety in conducting monthly notifications of employee arrest;
- To make it so new employees are hired through a central hiring office instead of at TYC facilities.
- To demand that abuse, neglect and exploitation, and complaint policies be redrafted to include review and approval by designated executive staff with notification to the executive director; and
- To restructure programs to be age appropriate and match the psycho-social stage of confined youths.

Speaker creates education panel

House Speaker Tom Craddick on March 16 announced the formation of the House Select Committee on Higher and Public Education Finance.

The nine-member, bipartisan committee's task will be to improve public and higher education finance policy so Texas will do a better job of preparing students for college and entering the workforce.

Craddick said improving college and workforce readiness "is immensely important for increasing Texas' competitiveness in the global market."

Committee Chairman Dan Branch, R-Dallas, said, "It's critical that we get this right. We must continue to supply an educated workforce, so employers will keep relocating to Texas."

Senate passes utility reforms

The state Senate on March 15 approved a package of electric utility reforms lawmakers hope will bring more affordable rates to many Texas households.

The legislation, authored primarily by Sen. Troy Fraser, R-Marble Falls, also discourages market price manipulation and has safeguards to protect low-income, elderly and critical-care customers from having their power cut off.

"Electric rates are out of control and we need to reel them back in," said Sen.

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OBITUARIES

David Vaughn Raby

ELDORADO — David Vaughn Raby, 58, of Eldorado, died Monday, March 19, 2007, in Eldorado, Texas, after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

A graveside service was held Tuesday, March 20, in Eldorado Cemetery, under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home, with Pastor Jean Ann Karm officiating.

He was born May 25, 1948, in Bertram, Texas, to Charles Hubert Raby and Suzie Pearl Raby. He married Patricia Darlene Hukill on Feb. 9, 1984, in Rankin, Texas.

David was an avid musician. He drove trucks and worked in the oil field industry most of his life. He moved to Eldorado in 2000 and worked for B.J. Services.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Raby; four sons, David Waylon Raby of Eldorado, Texas, Dane Lee and wife Renee of Rankin, Texas, Brett Lee and wife Tish of Sundance, Wyo., and Jimmy Hukill of San Angelo, Texas; three daughters, Kerri Than of Bimedje, Minn., April Espino of Gardendale, Texas, and Carla Landes of Brady, Texas; two brothers, J.W. Raby and wife Patsy of Forney, Texas, and Larry Raby and wife Marlene of Albuquerque, N.M.; one sister, Doris Sylvester of Crowder, Okla.; 12 grandchildren; and numerous cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles Hubert Raby and Suzie Pearl Arrington; and brothers Tommy Raby, Claude Raby, Cullen Raby and Douglas Raby.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice of San Angelo.

Ruth T. Shurley

SONORA — Ranch woman Ruth T. Shurley, 95, (Mrs. E.D.) née Ruth Loretta Tipton, from Jacksonville, Texas, died on Tuesday, March 13, 2007, in Eldorado, Texas.

Her memorial service was Saturday, March 17, at the Sonora First United Methodist Church.

Sonora had been home to Ruth since her first teaching job at Sonora's Old Rock School Building in the 1932-33 school year.

Ruth was born on Feb. 1, 1912, in Mount Enterprise, Texas, attended Jacksonville schools, including Lon Morris College, and graduated from Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas. Able to sing, play the piano and the organ, Ruth taught music and elementary class-

es, joined the Methodist Church, and was a 1933 charter member of the Sonora Music Club and the third president.

At that time, married women were not allowed to teach in the public schools, so after a Methodist choir practice romance and marrying rancher E.D. Shurley, the widowed father of Billy Riffe Shurley, one of her students, and beginning life with them at the ranch, Ruth opened a private kindergarten. Dr. King Vivion, president of Southwestern University, officiated at their Jacksonville wedding ceremony on Jan. 6, 1935.

Ruth taught an adult Sunday school class for 45 years, and in the 1950s, with daughter Derry Kay attending school, Ruth and Ed began a 30-year fall tradition of hosting a ranch barbecue and potluck supper for the public school staffs. Ruth loved attending Sonora Bronco games.

She wanted her hands to be busy and tried her hand at sculpting, oil painting, furniture refinishing, and metal and needle crafts. She adored sunrises, moon rises and sunsets. Ruth enjoyed playing bridge, swimming and yard work. Ruth wanted people to have fun. She enjoyed giving dinner parties and making gifts of angel-food cakes and peanut brittle. The Ruth Shurley Jewelry became the career love of her life from 1959 to 1979.

Ruth delighted in traveling on business for the ranch and the store. Trips included South Africa, China and the Holy Lands. Ruth's advice was, "Never pass up an opportunity to take a trip."

Ruth adored mohair goats, and the shearing floor at the barn is patterned after one she saw in Australia.

Sadly, Ruth became a widow in 1963, at which point she took up the reins at the Shurley Ranch.

She often accepted Sonora club leadership positions and became a Methodist Lay Speaker. Her favorite volunteer efforts were helping The Bank and Trust distribute Life Line phones and, later, taking church bulletins to homebound parishioners until she was 89.

Mrs. Shurley's affiliations include the First United Methodist Church of Sonora, the Sonora Lions Club, the Sonora Chamber of Commerce, two bridge clubs that evolved from the 1930s, the American Meat Goat Association, the Independent Cattleman's Association of Texas, the Literacy Council of Tom Green County, Hospice of San Angelo Inc., and the San Angelo Alumnae Chapter of Delta Delta Delta.

Ruth T. Shurley is survived by Derry Kay Bosch, and by Billie Riffe Shurley and wife Louellen; and her grandchildren, who affectionately called her "Mimi." They are Alison Bosch, Bridget Adell and husband Matt, Michael Bryant Shurley and wife Suzanne and their four adult children, Patricia Bodenhamer and husband Lee and

their two children, and Rachael Nixon and husband Gene and their three adult children. There are Shurley great-great-grandchildren; plus nieces and nephews who descend the Shurley brothers: Eric, Ira, Merton, Collier and their half-brothers, Gene and Jerry. Surviving Tripton nieces and a nephew are Patricia Carol and husband Don Wilcox, Hilde Kathleen Tipton and husband David Lark, and retired U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. William Franklin Weaver Jr. and wife Chris.

Preceding Ruth Tipton Shurley in death were her husband, Edgar Derry Shurley; her parents, Edward Baxter and Margaret Hodnett Tipton; and her siblings, Lois Tipton, Margaret Elizabeth Weaver and husband William Franklin Sr., Edward Baxter Tipton Jr. and wife Gertrude, and Ralph Linebaugh Tipton and wife Ella.

Ruth's family extends her appreciation to the many friends and professionals who assisted her through the years. They encourage charitable donations in memory of Ruth T. Shurley to churches, for elder care and to Ruth's most recent caregivers, Hospice of San Angelo, the Schleicher County Nursing Home and Hospital, and the Schleicher County Hospital Auxiliary.

Juan Martinez

SAN ANGELO — Juan Martinez, 83, of San Angelo passed away on Monday, March 12, 2007, at 3:45 p.m. in his home, surrounded by his children.

Funeral service was Wednesday, March 14, in the Robert Massie Riverside Chapel with graveside service following in Fairmount Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Robert Massie Funeral Home.

Juan was born June 23, 1923, in Oregano, Coahuila, Mexico, son of Felicitas Martinez. He moved to Acuna at age 14. He would later meet Juanita Sandoval there and marry on April 17, 1951. They had three girls, Velia Martinez, Maria De La Luz Martinez and Yolanda Mendez; and boys Jose Luis Martinez, Hervey Martinez and Juan R. Rodriguez.

He began working in Texas in 1960. He moved his family to San Angelo from Mexico in 1972. He ran his own landscaping business for 18 years. He retired at the age of 75. He would go on to live his days at home, surrounded by the love of his family.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Felicitas; wife Juanita

Sandoval Martinez; brother Augustin Torres Martinez; and sister Concepcion Torres Martinez.

He is survived by his children, Juan R. Rodriguez of Eldorado, Texas, Velia Martinez, Jose L. Martinez, Maria De La Luz Martinez and Yolanda Martinez De Mendez, all of San Angelo, and Hervey Martinez of Tampa, Fla.; sisters Anita Torres, Celia Lopez, Maria Torres and Estella Torres; brothers Celestino Huerta and Jose M. Mendoza; 17 grandchildren, Juan R. Rodriguez, Donnie Rodriguez, Manuel Rodriguez, Andres A. Gomez, Alvaro Gomez, Lucia Gomez, Joshua Martinez, Juan L. Martinez, Griselda Huerta, Mayra Martinez, Derek Gonzales, Jonathan Gonzales, Javier Mendez, Brian Mendez, Jessica Y. Mendez de Rodriguez, Monica Martinez and Angelica Martinez; and 17 great-grandchildren.

He will be remembered by his family as the dedicated, loving son, brother, husband, father and grandfather and his friends who called him "Don Juan."

Meals for Friends Menu

Monday, March 26
Beef Tips, Rice, Cooked Carrots, Cornbread, Fruit Cup w/ Strawberries & Banana, Lemon Meringue Pie, Milk

Tuesday, March 27
Oven Baked Chicken, Lima Beans, Broccoli, Bread, Chunky Mixed Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, March 28
Grd. Beef Steak, Macaroni & Cheese, Corn w/Peppers, Hot Dinner Rolls, Carrot Salad, Applesauce, Milk

Thursday, March 29
Vegetable Beef Stew, Green Beans, Cornbread, Pear Half w/ Cottage Cheese, Vanilla Pudding

Friday, March 30
Baked Ham, Candied Yams, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Carrot Raisin Salad, Gelatin w/Fruit, Milk

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Capital Highlights...

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Eddie Lucio, D-Brownsville.

The Senate passed a Lucio amendment that would require power companies to refund any unfair overcharges to customers, pending review by the Public Utility Commission and the state attorney general.

Customers reportedly paid \$70 million in overcharges because of market manipulation by power company TXU in 2005.

The legislation next moves to the House for consideration.

Effects foreseen in CHIP funding

The way some House budget writers see it, increasing funding for the Children's Health Insurance Program by \$78 million means cutting other programs that mostly benefit the needy.

According to figures by the House Appropriations Committee, cuts of about \$25 million to Medicaid, plus cuts to breast and cervical cancer programs, community mental health crisis centers, substance abuse programs, foster care programs, and independent living centers would make up the difference.

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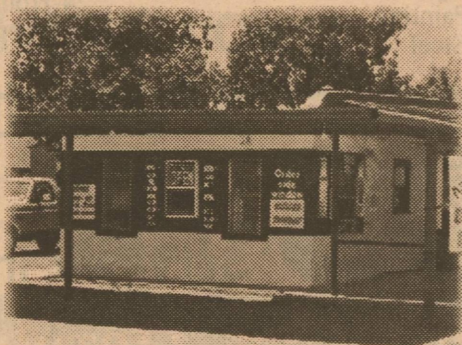
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by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: **
* Moderate ** Challenging *** Hoo Boy!

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 3-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.
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Eldorado Youth Basketball 5th & 6th Girls' Blue Team: (Front L-R) Amber Shipman, Lupe Pasillas, Miranda Arispe, (Back L-R) Coach Lynna Mikeska, Lori Escobar, Marisa Espinoza, Mary Lou Martinez, Macy Mikeska, Jessica Pasillas, Coach Lyndi Harris & (not pictured) Katelynn Parsons.



Eldorado Youth Basketball 5th & 6th Girls' Green Team: (Front L-R) Nikki Herrera, Stacy Valeriano, (Back L-R) Coach Farah Fennern, Veronica Fuentes, Megan Reel, Jordan McCulloch, Abriana Islas, Sasha Rodriguez, Coach Jimmy Rodriguez, (not pictured) Addye Chatham & Adriana Rios.

School Lunch Menu



Milk & Bread Offered
Menus Subject To Change
½ pt. Milk & 4 oz.
Juice offered w/each

BREAKFAST MENU

Monday, March 26
Biscuits / Sausage, Choice of Juice, Jelly, Milk

Tuesday, March 27
Blueberry Muffins, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk

Wednesday, March 28
Nutrigrain Bar/Graham Crackers, Choice of Juice, Milk

Thursday, March 29
Cinnamon Toast, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk

Friday, March 30
Uncrustables (PB&J), Applesauce Cups, Choice of Juice, Milk

BASKET LINE

Monday, March 26
McRib Sandwich, Baked Chips, Cucumber Salad, Pineapple Slices

Tuesday, March 27
Chili Dogs/Cheese Cup, Fritos/Pork-n-Beans, Mixed Fruit

Wednesday, March 28
Crisptos/Cheese Sauce, Ranch Style Beans, Carrot Stix/Dip, Apple Halves

Thursday, March 29
Chef Salad/Dressing, Diced Ham/Cheese Cup, Crackers(8), Strawberry Jello/Topping

Friday, March 30
Cheese Pizza, Tossed Salad, Orange Halves

CAFETERIA LINE

Monday, March 26
Pork Chops/Gravy, Green Beans/Hot Rolls, Tossed Salad/Creamed Potatoes, Pineapple Slices

Tuesday, March 27
Chili Dogs/Cheese Cup, Fritos/Pork-n-Beans, Mixed Fruit

Wednesday, March 28
Burritos, Spanish Rice, Cucumber Salad, Apple Halves

Thursday, March 29
Cheese Burgers, Burger Salad/Pickles/Chips, Strawberry Jello/Topping

Friday, March 30
Cheese Pizza, Tossed Salad, Orange Halves

Lady Eagles fall to SA Central

It took a 5A team to do it, but someone finally poured water on the 1A Eldorado Lady Eagles hot streak. The Eldorado girls dropped only their second game of the season last Friday to the San Angelo Central Lady Bobcats by a score of 9-4. But the game was much closer than the score would make it seem.

The Lady Eagles led 4-3 going into the bottom of the 5th when a string of uncharacteristic errors befell the team, skewing the game, and the score in favor of Central.

"Anytime you give up 7 unearned runs, it's hard to win," coach Brian Daniels stated.

Amika Gonzales padded her season stats with a triple, and Cassandra Buitron and Haley Higgins both added a double on the night.

"We need to be a little more aggressive at the plate and limit our errors if we want to capture the district title," Coach Daniels said after the game.

The Lady Eagles traveled Eden Tuesday and have a big home game Friday against Winters. That game is slated for 5 pm.

Lane medals at Sonora Golf Tourney

Eldorado High School Boy's Golf Team place 7th in the Sonora Tournament held on March 15 at Sonora's Golf Course.

Cash Lane was 2nd place individual medalist with a score of 75.

Richmond Adame shot a 100, Clayton Sauer

shot a 101, Dustin Ramos tallied a 115 and Garrett Lux shot a 114.

The Eldorado Lady Eagles competed on March 13, 2007 at Sonora's Golf Course. Each participated individually. Katherine Johnson shot a 121 and Maureen Martinez shot a 133.

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23rd Robert Jay, Garrison Dean, Mari E. Martinez, Annette Santellano, Addye Chatham

24th Fidel Herrera Sr., Kay Creek, Stephanie Crofoot, Jesus Fuentes

25th Geralyn Beach, Ronnie Middleton, Dick Williams, Kathryn Shipman, Joey Faia, Leonel Martinez,

26th Mindy Haynes, Brenda Weaver, Jessie Weaver, Dylan Wilson, John Lozano, Jr., Santa Hernandez

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Building Permits – The Best Bargain Around!

by Carolyn Mayo
Eldorado City Secretary

Building Permits have been required for additions or new construction in Eldorado since August, 1954. Failure to get a Building Permit can result in a fine of \$100 plus court costs, but failure to get a building permit can cost both the property owner and the City thousands of dollars and lost services! Here are a few reasons why you should get a Building Permit:

1. Identifies availability of water, gas and sewer services. This allows both City and property owner sufficient advance notice to check availability, plan, estimate and meet needs in a timely manner. The City will extend water, gas and sewer services for the first 100 feet and tap into City service mains. Anything over that amount will be the responsibility of the property owner and must meet City standards as to size, depth, type of pipe, etc. This can be costly, especially if rock is

encountered.

2. Subdivision standards and zoning stipulations must be met. A little information obtained at City Hall can be worth the inquiry and keeps the neighbors happy.

3. Setback lines must be observed. In order to properly determine setbacks property lines must be determined. Although the City does not employ a certified surveyor, City Hall has record of lot dimensions, and some plats have been filed at the Courthouse which could be helpful. No structure construction may be made within 12 feet from the front property line, 3 feet from the side property line, and 6 feet from the back property line. It is better to comply early than tear down later.

4. Encroachments on the City and utility rights-of-way can be not only a costly issue but also a safety issue, especially if dealing with gas, sewer, or traffic! In addition, there are some buried electric and telephone lines in City rights-of-way. Hit one of those and you

will pay heavily.

5. A quick inquiry at City Hall can keep construction out of Flood Plains. We know it doesn't rain often, but sometimes it rains enough to jeopardize construction within a low lying area. Castles need moats, not homes or businesses in Schleicher County!

6. Records of Building Permits are required by the Census Bureau. Each year construction costs and categories are supplied to data banks used by grant administrators and various community service organizations.

7. Getting a Building Permit doesn't take but a few minutes and the items requested on the form are pretty simple - (1) name of owner, (2) physical, mailing and legal addresses, (3) size of building, (4) estimated cost and time of completion.

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Beta Sigma Phi Report

by Barbara Jackson

Seven members of Beta Sigma Phi met in the Club Room of the Memorial Building on March 13, 2007 as Maggie Lloyd received her Ritual of the Jewels Ceremony moving her from a pledge to full membership of Kappa Delta Chapter XP 2840. Kim'et Nelson read the beautiful ceremony assisted by President Glenda Harris.

Following the ceremony a business meeting was held. It was voted to send a donation to Project Graduation and the upcoming Founder's Day Banquet in April

was discussed. A possible bake sale sometime in the future was also discussed. This is a ways and means project to help support donations and scholarships offered each May to two graduating seniors.

Flora Hubble was hostess and brought refreshments of tuna salad, deviled eggs, chips and drinks. Other members present to enjoy refreshments were Barbara Jackson, Dorothy Dacy, Linda Delvelchia, and Laura McCutcheon. Linda Delvelchia won the Sunshine gift.



Manton William Farrar

It's A Boy!

Melonie and Sidney Reynolds are very proud to announce the arrival of their first grandson Manton William Farrar. He made this appearance on March 6, 2007 at 8:58 p.m. Baby Manton weighed in at 7 lbs. 8 oz., 19 1/2 inches long. Parents are Ginger and G. W. Farrar of Livingston, Texas. Also there to welcome him home was special Auntie Alli. Great-Grandparents are Irene and Billy Jack Reynolds.

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Colorectal Cancer Screening

The fight against colon cancer

As part of the health initiatives presented for community awareness, and since March is colon cancer awareness month, it is prudent for all adults to be aware of their options in providing for their health. Colorectal cancer (CRC) is the fourth most common newly diagnosed internal cancer in the United States. Breast cancer, prostate cancer and lung cancers lead over CRC.

Screening options include colonoscopy every 10 years, annual fecal occult blood testing, flexible sigmoidoscopy every 5 years, or double contrast barium enema every 5 years. The average risk patient should begin screening at age 50. If you are African American then the age lowers to 45. Colonoscopy is preferred to sigmoidoscopy because it can detect proximal neoplasms and has the longest protection interval. High-risk patient include those with a family history of CRC, a genetic

syndrome, or inflammatory bowel disease. These persons should begin screening at age 40.

It is important to note that most polyps form into CRC within 5-10 years after development. But if your cancer is a hereditary type, the polyps can become cancerous within 1-2 years after formation.

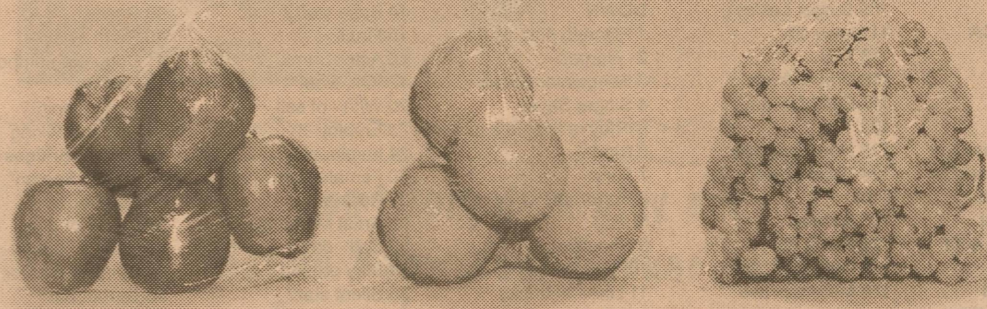
CRC can be considered curable if detected early. For further information concerning cancers or other health concerns, contact us at the Schleicher County Family Clinic. Dr. Day, Dr. Johnson, or Rebecca Sullivan MSN, RN, FNP will be eager to discuss your concerns with you.

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Work fruits and vegetables into the daily routine, aiming for the goal of 5 servings a day. Make it easy for your child to choose healthy snacks by keeping fruits and vegetables on hand and ready to eat. Other good snacks include yogurt, peanut butter and celery, or whole grain crackers and cheese.
Limit fat intake by avoiding deep-fried foods and choosing healthier cooking methods, such as broiling, grilling, roasting, and steaming.
Limit fast food and other low-nutrient snacks, such as chips and candy. But don't completely ban favorite snacks from your home. Instead, make them "once-in-a-while" foods, so your child doesn't feel deprived.
Limit sugary drinks, such as soda and fruit-flavored drinks. Serve water and milk instead. By drinking milk, kids also boost their intake of calcium, which is important for healthy bones. That means 800 milligrams (mg) a day for kids ages 6 to 8 and 1,300 mg a day after age 9.
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Eldorado Youth Basketball 5th & 6th Girls' Gold Team: (Front L-R) Taylor Carter, Elizabeth Olivares, Avery Nolen, Madison Albin, (Back L-R) Coach Craig Nolen, Brooke Guerrero, Maria Reyes, Kimberly Sanchez, Odette Barrientos.



Eldorado Youth Basketball 5th & 6th Girls' Red Team: (Front L-R) Felicia Harrington, Nancy Iglesias, Shelby Daniels, Morgan Bridges, Mikayla Ramon (Back L-R) Coach Anna Buitron, Ysena Ramirez, Kasey Gonzalez and Britany Galan.

Card of Thanks

Schleicher County ISD and the Schleicher County Sheriff Department would like to thank the following donors and persons who help make the program "What Parents Need To Know About Their Kids and Drugs" program held Wednesday, March 21 possible.

We would like to thank the following for their donations and help: Super S, Pat's Hair Salon, Rosa's Casita Restaurant, Mi Sueno Restaurant, KatDaddy's BBQ, Dollar General, Martha's Angels, Eldorado Sheriff's Department, Eldorado Success, Sandra Robledo-Administration, Dorothy Dacy-1st Community Federal Credit Union, EHS National Honor Society, Syllas Politte, Mr. Will Self's Class, Linda Gonzales and the Eagle Arcade Youth Center, Maureen Hodges, Margaret Gutierrez, Judith Samaniego, Abbie McCormick, Sylvia Belman and Cindy McGinnes.

The Blotter

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

ARRESTS
March 18 • Gauna, Tonya Sue, female age 37, offense Theft By Check. Released on \$1,000 Surety Bond.

March 20 • Chavez, Chris, male age 17, offense JP War-rant/Theft.

INCIDENTS
March 14 • 11:18 a.m. Com-plainant reported a loose pig on Old McIntosh Road. Officer responded.

• 11:55 a.m. Female caller requested to speak with an officer about harassment. Officer responded.

• 3:08 p.m. Complainant came to Sheriff Department and reported they are traveling and ran out of money and was asking for a job or a way to get some money. Dispatcher notified church.

March 15 • 8:28 a.m. Female caller requested an officer check on an elderly person. Officer responded.

• 1:23 p.m. Caller reported loose livestock on FM 2129. Sheriff Of- fice was successful contacting the owner of the livestock.

• 6:56 p.m. Subject requested to speak with an officer.

March 16 • Caller on Del Rio Street reported a black wallet was taken out of their vehicle. Officer

notified.
 • 4:12 p.m. Complainant re-ported a domestic dispute and requested an officer at residence.
 • 4:42 p.m. Complainant re-ported a vehicle traveling north on Hwy. 277 traveling at a high rate of speed. Officer responded.
 • 7:45 p.m. Subject reported phone harassment and requested to speak with an officer.

March 17 • 12:02 p.m. Caller reported a broken sewer ling in the alley off of Mills Street. City notified.

March 18 • 12:40 p.m. Hos-pital requested an ambulance for a ACLS transfer to a San Angelo hospital.

March 19 • 11:45 a.m. Com-plainant stopped by Sheriff's Office to report physical assault by daughter. Complainant filed a statement. Officer notified.

7:03 p.m. Caller reported a black calf on Hwy. 190 East. Dep-uty located animal and contacted owner.

• 11:17 p.m. Caller reported two missing dachshunds from residence on Highland.

March 20 • 10:28 a.m. Caller requested an officer to report phone harassment. Officer re-sponded.

Two men cited in pair of auto accidents

The Success learned last week that Herman Jones, 67, an attorney from Conroe, was cited for failing to yield right-of-way after the 2001 gold Toyota pickup he was driving entered the intersection of U.S. 277 and U.S. 190 during the early morning hours of March 1, 2007. Jones' pickup entered the roadway and was broad sided by a 2004 Freightliner tractor-trailer rig driven by John Spivey. Both Jones and Spivey were taken by EMS ambulance to Schleicher County Medical Center for treatment.

David Wayne Grant of Durant, Oklahoma, was cited for driving on the wrong side of the road for his part in a two vehicle accident that occurred Wednesday, February 28, 2007, two miles north of Eldorado on U.S. 277. Several members of the Owen family of Sonora were taken by ambulance and AirMed-I ambulance for treatment at SCMC and hospitals in San Angelo.

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 49 Mrs. Nick Charies
 50 Parent
 51 Folklore figure
 52 AAA offering
 53 - the Dog ('97 film)
 54 Ballroom dance
 55 Fabric ornament
 57 Mil. honor
 60 Casanova, for one
 62 Caviar
 63 Wagner's -. Rhein-gold"
 64 Vaudeville's Tucker
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 70 Frank or Dweezil
 74 Greet the general
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 77 "A mouse!"
 80 Biblical city
 82 Nice season
 83 German shepherd
 85 Cropped up
 86 Goal
 88 Pub order
 89 Elbow
 90 Quindlen's "One-Thing"
 91 Paper quantity
 93 Trauma aftermath
 94 "Die Fledermaus" maid
 95 Part 4 of remark
 100 Prospector's prize
 101 Time to evolve?
 102 Travel with Tonto

103 "Tell - About It" ('83 hit)
 105 Mideastern mall?
 109 Singer Lesley
 111 Iowa city
 113 Task
 116 Prayer finale
 117 End of remark
 122 Tilt
 123 Hood's handle
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 128 Mars has two

129 Gnat or brat
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 4 Singer Sayer
 5 They're kept in a quiver
 6 Rind
 7 Fury
 8 Robert of "Quincy, M.E."
 9 Chou En -
 10 "Beetle Bailey" dog
 11 Like - of bricks

12 Rib
 13 Diva Renata
 14 Base stuff?
 15 Final
 16 Actor Burns
 17 "Oh, woe!"
 20 With - of salt
 23 Employ
 24 Imminent
 30 Female fowl
 31 Reside
 32 Artist Magritte
 33 Call - day
 34 Play ground?
 35 Silent star?

36 Wed in haste
 38 Torrent
 39 Speck
 40 Right away
 41 Concrete component
 42 Fuming
 43 Bottled spirit?
 44 Cartoon Viking
 45 '82 Jeff Bridges film
 46 TV's -. Search"
 47 Coasted
 54 Pro - (for now)
 56 Doha's country
 57 Holmes' creator
 58 Teapot part
 59 Coal conveyance
 61 Must-haves
 64 Police hdqrs.
 65 - de France
 68 More pallid
 69 Jacket type
 70 Bernardo's boss
 71 Romance
 72 Puzzling problem
 73 Affix meaning "before"
 76 Delany or Wynter
 77 Duck down
 78 Bald bird
 79 Patella's place
 80 Gangsters' guns
 81 Composer Copland
 83 Fruit-tree spray
 84 English dynasty
 87 Welcome item?
 88 Lot size
 92 Udall or West
 93 Lay down the lawn
 96 Nay opponent
 97 Setup
 98 Appearance
 99 Automobile, informally
 104 Kreskin's letters
 105 Bound bundle
 106 Author Kingsley
 107 Gusto
 108 Relative of
 109 Prepare to bear it
 110 - even keel
 111 Choir member
 112 Chow -
 113 Boxer LaMotta
 114 Model Carre
 115 Crooked
 116 Sewille shout
 119 Chew it!
 120 - - Cat
 121 Peke's perch

Don't Be Alarmed

See solution on Page 8

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Answer to Sudoku on Page 3

8	9	5	2	6	3	4	1	7
2	4	3	8	7	1	9	5	6
7	6	1	5	9	4	8	3	2
6	3	9	7	2	8	5	4	1
4	1	7	3	5	6	2	8	9
5	2	8	4	1	9	7	6	3
3	7	2	1	4	5	6	9	8
1	5	6	9	8	2	3	7	4
9	8	4	6	3	7	1	2	5

Solution to puzzle on Page 6

DAHL	APRIL	OAKS	DEJA
ALOE	REATA	ATTIC	AXEL
IF	WREG	OMING	TODG
SAT	SOLIE	IRON	THAMES
DREW	RIGA	STE	
HEW	SOMETHING	TONIGHT	
SALES	NINA	NORA	REAR
TROLL	RTE	WAG	TANGO
APPLIQUE	OSC	VENETIAN	
ROE	DAS	SOPHIE	EMEER
FIHAT	YUULL	BI	
ZAPPA	SAUIT	OOD	EER
GOMORRAH	ETIE	ALSATIAN	
AROSE	AIM	ALE	NUDGE
TRUE	REAM	SCAR	ADELE
SORRY	FORTOM	MORROW	ORE
EON	RIDE	HER	
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AMEN	MORNING	SLEE	PLATE
LIST	ALIAS	UNTIL	AKIN
ESTE	TEINN	MOONS	PEST

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SPECIAL ELECTION MAY 12, 2007

PROPOSITION 1 (SJR 13)

SJR 13 would amend the Constitution to authorize the legislature to adjust the public school ad valorem tax or tax rates for taxpayers who are aged 65 or older, or are disabled, and who are owners of an exempted homestead. The amendment would thereby allow the legislature to provide tax relief to such elderly or disabled taxpayers who did not receive tax relief as a result of the school tax rate reduction passed in the 79th Legislature, 3rd called session.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a reduction of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for public school purposes on the residence homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect any reduction in the rate of those taxes for the 2006 and 2007 tax years."

Published by Secretary of State Roger Williams.

Eldorado Womans' Club members see program on Wellness Center

The Eldorado Womans' Club met Tuesday, March 13, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. in the Memorial Building Club Room. Thirteen members and one guest were present. President Jerre Holley welcomed everyone to the meeting and then called on Cathy Niblett for a prayer and Jean Ann Karm led us in pledges to our flags. In the absence of Secretary Pat Holt, Cathy Niblett gave the secretary's report and then Treasurer Nelva Martin gave her report. Roll call was answered by members and guest giving their daily exercise practices. Some of these were walking; using a stationary bike; walking on a treadmill; putting clothes in the washer and dryer; exercising to a tape and doing house work.

President Holley next asked Myrt Williams to report on her committee's recommendation regarding the club's interest in giving a scholarship to a female senior who would be going to college. They thought the idea was in keeping with the aims of our club's service to our community. A one-time five hundred dollar scholarship would be given to a graduating senior girl who would be attending college and who met the necessary qualifications set down in our scholarship requirements. A motion was made and seconded that our club accept their proposal and was given a unanimous oral approval by members. President Holley asked Myrt Williams and her committee to present the name of the girl to the club for our approval and vote. Our next business was a report by Cathy Niblett on our April Field Trip destination. Various places were given and after a discussion it was decided the Christoval Hermitage would be our destination. A motion was made for approval and was passed by an unanimous voice vote by members.

Following our business session Program Leader Penny Bland introduced our guest speaker Nancy Lester. Nancy's program was about the Wellness Center project and the progress to date. Nancy said the proposed location of the 3,700 foot building would be located on the Hospital grounds and would be left of the nursing home in the direction of their back door. The Board of Directors and others have worked very hard putting it all together. Nancy showed us a diagram of the building and the number of rooms and their approximate sizes and locations inside of the building. Nancy said they had made trips to several of the Centers located in towns in our area. The Center would have a meeting room, physical therapy room and other rooms. Christi Brown would oversee the therapy and any instructors would have to be licensed. The Center would not be built with taxpayer dollars

and the approximate cost would be \$350,000. Two grants have been sought through USDA and San Angelo Health Foundation. Other ways to raise funds through various fund raising events are in motion.

We thank Nancy for her very informative talk and all her hard work. If it wasn't for the hard work of many members of the community the things needed to make life easier for each of us here would never be brought to reality. We thank each and every one who has worked so hard on this particular project.

We closed our meeting by reciting our Club Collect. Our refreshment time was hosted by Nelva Martin, Jean Ann Karm, and Jerre Holley. The table appointments were very festive with a St. Patrick's Day theme. There were even lots of small green leprechauns dancing over the green tablecloth and there was green cookies and green tea.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, April 10, 2007. We will meet at the Memorial Building at 10:00 a.m. and travel to Christoval to the Hermitage for our field trip. Our dinner will be Dutch Treat.



COURTESY PHOTO

Sara Rangel celebrated her 93rd birthday, Saturday, March 17, 2007, at the Regency House in San Angelo. She was surrounded by her love ones from Lubbock, Seguin, Snyder, San Angelo and grandsons and daughter from Eldorado.

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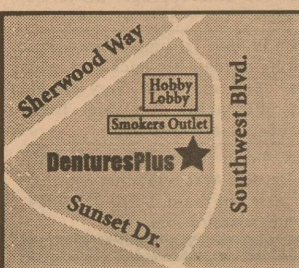
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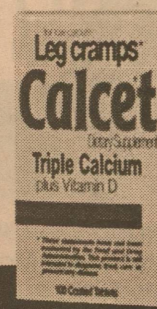
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