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Eldorado's water gets A+ on Consumer Confidence Report

Reports to customers mailed out this week

Eldorado residents have long prided themselves on the town's great tasting water. Now, with the release of the annual Drinking Water Quality Report, water customers are assured that the water's quality goes beyond its good taste.

While there are trace amounts of contaminants in all groundwater, Eldorado's water is better than most, according to the report, with no level of specific contaminant

even approaching reportable levels. For example, nitrates are found in the water at 2.73 ppm (parts per million), that's well below the 10 ppm which is identified as the maximum contaminant level goal for nitrates.

Levels of barium, fluoride, lead and copper each fell far below regulated levels.

(See complete report on Page 6)
The city will mail more than 950

copies of this second annual water quality report this week to every water billing address in the city. As part

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) requires all public water utilities to send the reports to keep people informed about the quality of the water they drink.

City Administrator Randy Mankin said that the report was prepared by TNRCC and that its format may be confusing to city customers.

"We have good water and the report reflects that," Mankin stated.

Anyone with questions about the report are encouraged to contact Eldorado City Hall at 853-2691 for further explanation.



photo by Lori Stricklan
Giant killer — Blaine Markell let go a wet sponge at a 9-ft. tall picture of Goliath during Community Baptist Church's Vacation Bible School last Saturday.

F.Y.I.

For Your Information

Mosquito Trivia

Only female mosquitoes suck blood and they only do it when absolutely necessary since they are immediately subject to being swatted when they strike.

There are currently about 2,700 species of mosquitoes.

More than 50 species of mosquitoes are currently resistant to insecticide?

The average mosquito weighs between 2 to 2.5 milligrams.

The average mosquito drinks about 5 millionths of a liter of blood per bite.

Mosquitoes locate their victims by sight (they observe movement); by detecting infrared radiation emitted by warm bodies; and by chemical signals (mosquitoes are attracted to carbon dioxide and lactic acid, among other chemicals).

Human scent can attract mosquitoes from 20 to 35 meters away.

The average mosquito can fly an estimated 1 to 1.5 miles per hour.

A film of oil on water kills mosquito larvae by clogging up the snorkel through which they breathe.

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On This Date

On this date in 1613 Shakespeare's Globe Theater burned down. In 1899 the Brazos River flooded 12 miles wide causing \$10 mil damage. In 1949 South Africa began implementing apartheid by forbidding mixed marriages. In 1956 the Federal interstate highway system act was signed. In 1967 Israel removed barricades, re-unifying Jerusalem. In 1989 Susan Lucci lost the daytime emmy for the 10th straight year.

Birthdays of note include: 1858 engineer George Washington Goethals; 1919 actor Slim Pickens; 1936 baseball player Harmon Killebrew; 1944 actor Gary Busey; 1949 sportscaster Dan Dierdorf.

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Fireworks Tips

- Only adults should handle fireworks
- Discuss safety procedures with children
- Read labels and carefully follow directions
- Never use fireworks indoors
- Never aim or throw fireworks at others
- never try to reignite fireworks that malfunction
- Keep a bucket of water handy
- Light fireworks on a smooth, flat surface away from buildings, dry vegetation and flammable materials



photo by Randy Mankin

Still a winner — For the fourth time in as many years the Eldorado Success was a winner in the Better Newspaper Contest sponsored by the Texas Press Association. Here, Kathy Mankin and Lori Stricklan display this year's batch of awards.

Eldorado Success recognized by Texas Press Association

The Eldorado Success received three awards at the Texas Press Association's summer convention in Arlington last weekend. The newspaper won 4th Place honors in Feature Writing and Page Design and placed 3rd in the General Excellence category.

Last year, the Success won the TPA's Sweepstakes Award as well as 1st Place honors in three categories. Those honors meant the Success moved up this year to compete against larger newspapers in higher circulation divisions.

"We are pleased to see that we fared this well," Editor Randy Mankin said after the awards ceremony. "Competing against larger newspapers is a bit scary. They have more resources and bigger staffs."

Mankin, who divides his time between the Success and his part-

time job as City Administrator, credited his wife Kathy for holding down the fort at the newspaper office when he is away. "Kathy has done a remarkable job," Mankin said. "On top of that, she is the best weekly newspaper photographer working today."

Mankin also went on thank Lori Stricklan, who works at the Success three days a week in advertising sales and as a typesetter. Also, he extended his appreciation to Pat Ragsdale and David Hill who regularly write stories for the newspaper.

Each year the TPA's Better Newspaper Contest is held during the group's summer convention. The purpose of the contest is to encourage TPA members to continually strive to improve the quality of their newspapers.

Commissioners vote to buy new phone system

by Pat Ragsdale

Schleicher County Commissioners voted unanimously Monday to purchase a new telephone system for the courthouse. The system, built by Lucent Technologies will cost the county \$7,886.00. It will provide the officials and employees who work in the courthouse with a modern, digital phone system similar to the one in use at the hospital and the school.

Lucent representative Jeremy Stallings of Midland was present at the meeting to explain some of the new phone system's capabilities which include voice mail and an "automated assistant." The sys-

tem will provide service for six incoming lines and has the capacity to serve at least two additional lines should they be required in the future. It was explained that a citizen calling to speak with the Justice of the Peace office would hear a menu and be directed to dial a specific number for that office.

Otherwise, the caller could remain on the line to speak to the courthouse operator.

The meeting began at 9:06 a.m. and was called to order by County Judge Johnny Griffin. Present were commissioners Bill Clark, Ross Whitten, Steve Minor and Johnny

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Girls Home in Eldorado?

by Pat Ragsdale

The long-rumored possibility of Girls Home opening in Eldorado became a matter of public discussion this week when the topic came up at the regular meeting of the Schleicher County Commissioners Court. Also, a quarter-page public notice was placed in the Success this week (see page 5) by the Concho Valley Home for Girls/Children's Emergency Shelter, stating that there is no connection between their facility and the Eldorado Home for Girls, which the ad claims is operated by Vivian Sanchez.

Mrs. Sanchez declined comment on the matter when contacted by this reporter and closed her remarks by saying that she would never make a comment to the Success because of the newspaper's owner.

Randy Mankin, owner and publisher of the Success, works part-time as City Administrator for the City of Eldorado. He wrote a letter to Mrs. Sanchez and her husband Jose in December directing them to remove fence posts they had erected in a public right-of-way

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TDH grants City permission to spray for mosquitoes

The Texas Department of Health (TDH) this week gave approval for the City of Eldorado to spray Malathion insecticide along city streets and alleyways in an effort to control the exploding mosquito population following recent rains. Units of the Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department began spraying the insecticide Tuesday evening.

City Administrator Randy Mankin noted that federal and state regulations had prohibited the city from spraying in recent years. However, under a recently adopted program through the TDH, municipalities like Eldorado may obtain a permit to spray for insect control.

Mankin said that he had received permission from TDH representatives in Austin on Monday and ordered the insecticide im-

mediately after getting the approval.

However, Mankin noted that the City may only spray along streets and alleyways and may not spray outside the city limits. He further urged individual citizens to take steps to control mosquitoes on private property. "We can't do anything about the playa lakes which have filled up around town," Mankin said. "But we can each inspect our own property and eliminate standing water in old tires and other such places."

Mosquitoes can carry and transmit a number of diseases like Malaria and Dengue Fever. That concerns Hospital Administrator Ann Fagan-Cook who says that spraying to control mosquitoes is only part of the solution. "Getting rid of the places where mosquito larvae may incubate is also important," she stated.



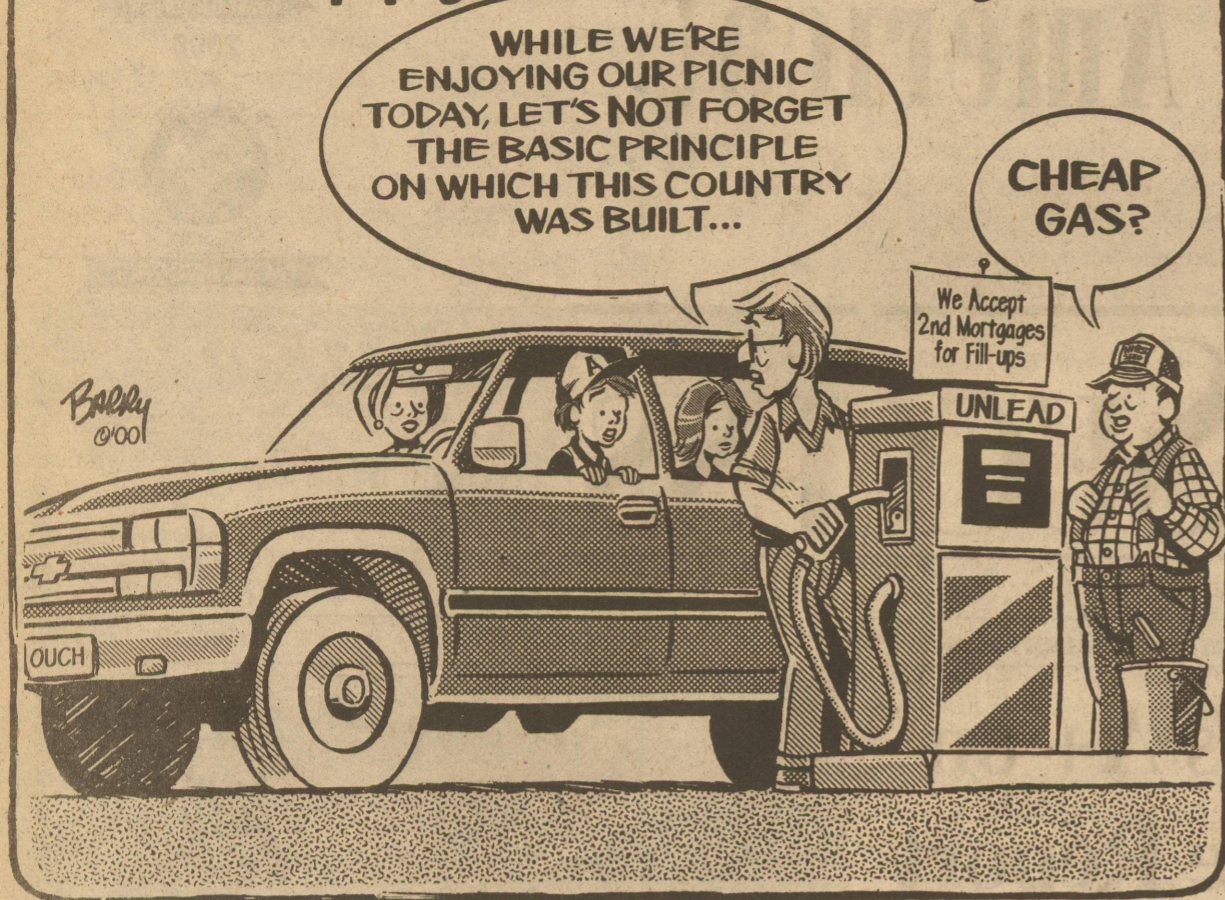
photo by Kathy Mankin
Bug spray — The Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department sprayed for mosquitoes Tuesday evening after the City received permission from the Texas Dept. of Health to use Malathion insecticide.

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The Success prints renewal dates on the top line of all mailing labels. Our readers can help us hold the cost of subscriptions down by mailing in renewals in the appropriate month. Thank you!

Happy 4th of July!



My friend D.W. --- a foot soldier in the Battle of the Sexes



OVER THE BACK FENCE

by Randy Mankin

My old friend D.W. stopped by the office last week and left the following item. It's titled, "The difference between men and women."

MONEY: A man will pay \$2 for a \$1 item he wants. A woman will pay \$1 for a \$2 item that she doesn't want.

BATHROOMS: A man has six items in his bathroom: a toothbrush, comb, shaving cream, razor, a bar of soap, and a towel from the Holiday Inn. The average number of items in the typical woman's bathroom is 337. A man would not be able to identify most of these items.

ARGUMENTS: A woman has the last word in any argument. Anything a man says after that is the beginning of a new argument.

EATING OUT: When the check arrives at a restaurant, four men will each toss a \$20, even though it's only for \$32.50. None of them will have anything smaller, and none will actually admit they want change back. When the girls get their bill, out come the pocket calculators.

CATS: Women love cats. Men say they love cats, but when women aren't looking, men kick cats.

FUTURE: A woman worries about the future until she gets a husband. A man never worries about the future until he gets a wife.

SUCCESS: A successful man is one who makes more money than his wife can spend. A successful woman is one who can find such a man.

MARRIAGE: A woman marries a man expecting he will change, but he doesn't. A man marries a woman expecting that she won't change and she does.

DRESSING UP: A woman will dress up to go shopping, water the plants, empty the garbage, answer the phone, read a book, and get the mail. A man will dress up for weddings and funerals.

NATURAL: Men wake up as good-looking as they went to bed. Women somehow deteriorate during the night.

CHILDREN: Ah, children. A woman knows all about her children. She knows about dentist appointments and romances, best friends, favorite foods, secret fears and hopes and dreams. A man is vaguely aware of some short people living in the house.

MISTAKES: Any married man should forget his mistakes. There's no use in two people remembering the same thing.

Editors note: All you irate women out there should address your replies to:

D.W. is a Male Chauvinist Pig
c/o The Eldorado Success
P.O. Box 1115
Eldorado, Texas 76936

or email: dw@dummys.com

State Rep. Turner chairs Ag policy committee meeting

The Joint Agriculture Policy Committee met for its third hearing in Abilene, Texas at the West Central Texas Council of Governments on June 20. This committee is made up of Legislative members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor Rick Perry and the speaker of the House Pete Laney.

The Agriculture Policy Committee was giving an interim charge that may develop a sound agricultural policy for Texas in the 21st Century.

By comprehensively studying the condition of agriculture, the state's current programs in support of agriculture, and the role of the state preserving the agriculture industry.

Co-Chairmen Senator Tom Haywood and Representative David Swinford, who chairs the Agriculture Committee, temporarily relinquished his chair to Representative Bob Turner. Turner stated

"The importance of an Ag policy is to design a road map to protect agriculture and its future. Since only 2% of Texas citizens are involved in agriculture production and yet generate the 2nd largest economic impact of any industry in Texas. I feel it is especially important that we have an agricultural policy in the Texas statutes."

The top issues that were discussed were the availability of water, protection of property rights and the right to farm, the promotion of Texas agricultural products,

transportation issues regarding farm market roads, eradication of pests and diseases, and the availability of capital for livestock and crops from state loans and grants authorized by the Texas Constitution.

The next tentative Joint Agriculture Policy Committee is scheduled for July 10 in Austin. This will be the last hearing for members to listen to testimony of Ag producers before the final report is proposed to the Senate on Natural Resources on August 1.

Glickman details \$30 million help for sheep and lamb producers

WASHINGTON — As part of the Clinton Administration's three-year, \$100 million assistance plan to help U.S. sheep and lamb farmers, Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman announced today that sheep and lamb producers will receive a total of \$30 million in direct cash payments to help improve their production efficiency and the marketability of lamb meat. Sign up for the program is underway.

During the first year of the program - July 22, 1999 to Sept. 30, 2000 - payments may be made for rams, sheep improvement, and facility improvement. The maximum combined payment per farm is \$5,500, according to the interim final rule for the program that will be published in the Federal Register on June 21, 2000. Sheep and

lamb farmers whose gross income for 1999 was greater than \$2.5 million are not eligible for payments.

For years two and three, farmers are eligible for payments of \$3 for each feeder lamb, \$5 for each slaughter lamb, and \$8 for each slaughter lambs marketed during the June 1-July 31 period. There will be no maximum payments or herd limits during years two and three of the program. However, feeder lamb producers whose gross income for 2000 or 2001 exceeds \$2.5 million are not eligible for payments.

A 30 day comment period will follow publication of the draft program regulations. A final rule will be published later this year. Additional information can be found on the website at: www.fsa.usda.gov/dafp/psd.



ROLLING ALONG

WITH TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Texas Musicians

Texas probably has more musicians than any other state. Many of them were introduced to the techniques of music in school.

The first nationwide internet survey of school music education programs has just been completed and it indicates that Coppell, Texas is the best community for music education in America. The Plano Independent School District came in 4th in the survey. Lubbock is in the top 25 and Austin ranks 35th. Other Texas school districts ranking among the best 100 in the nation are those in Abilene, Aldine, Birdville and Burkburnett.

The survey was the project of four national organizations devoted to education and music: the American Music Conference, the National Association for Music Education, the Music Teachers National Association and the National School Boards Association.

In the survey, conducted on the World Wide Web, questions were directed to parents, teachers, school officials and community leaders. More than 5,800 individuals participated in the survey, which was conducted in February and March of this year.

The participants answered detailed questions about funding, enrollment, student-teacher ratios, participation in music classes, instruction time, facilities, support for the music program, participation in private music lessons and other factors regarding the communities' quality of music education.

The survey results show that

successful music programs are to be found in communities that balance measurable resources, such as budgets and buildings, with less tangible assets such as the will to make quality music education a reality. The top schools for music education are to be found in both urban and rural communities, in wealthy and not-so-wealthy ones. The common thread is they enjoy the support of parents, teachers, school decision-makers and community leaders who place a high value on music education.

The results of this survey correspond well to the findings of a recent nationwide survey by the Gallup organization which found increasing participation in and support for music making across the country. In that poll, more than 9 in 10 Americans said they believe music education should be a part of every student's day.

One of the best ways to judge the quality of life in a community is to look at how that community works to develop its young people. This survey indicates that several communities are providing a creative outlet for students, giving them a chance to develop their talents and become involved in the arts. It takes a partnership between parents, teachers and school officials to achieve the goal of training our young people to look beyond the structured courses of math, science and history and take a broader view of the world around them.

It has been proven that students in music programs are high achievers.

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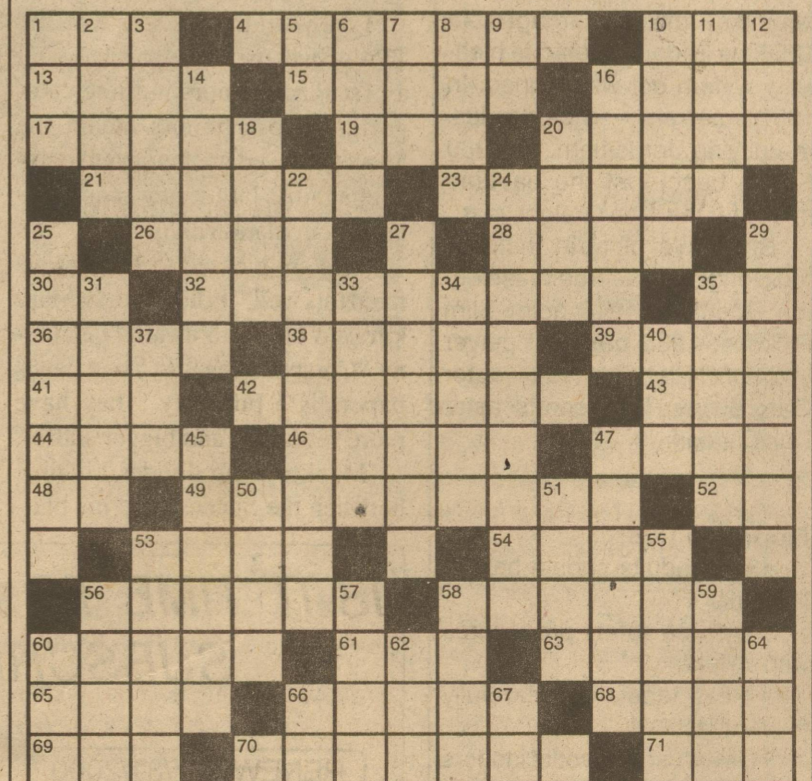
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OBITUARIES

Amelia Torres

SAN ANGELO — Amelia Torres, 77, of San Angelo died Saturday, June 24, 2000, at her residence.

Prayer service was held in Gutierrez Chapel of Prayer. Funeral service was Tuesday at Templo Getsemani, Assembly of God Church in Eldorado with burial in Eldorado Cemetery. Arrangements were by Gutierrez Funeral Chapels-Knickerbocker.

She was born Jan. 27, 1923, in

Del Rio. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include two sons, Roberto Torres of Fruit Heights, Utah, and Ruben Torres of Lubbock; a daughter, Lupe Salazar of Ruidoso, N.M.; three brothers, Donato Patino and Raul Patino, both of Del Rio, and Gregorio Patino of Ogden, Utah; two sisters, Rosa Cirilo of Levelland and Beatriz Martinez of Eldorado; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

John Holcak

ELDERADO — John C. Holcak, 92, of Eldorado died Thursday, June 22, 2000, in a local hospital.

No services are planned. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

He was born Jan. 15, 1908, in Collinsville, Okla. A Merchant

Marine veteran, he was a hotel owner and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include a sister, Lillian Mikeska of Grandview, Wash.; and several nieces and nephews.



courtesy photo
Our Redeemer Youth Ministries. -Front (L-R) Sammy Cabrera, Veronica Martinez, Sonny Castillo, David Gallegos and Daniel Sanchez; Middle (L-R) Kristy Adame, Dee Martinez, Valerie Uribe, Kathy Gonzales, Patrick Fuentes, Gregory Fuentes, Lisa Sanchez, and Reyes Sanchez; Back (L-R) Tony Martinez Sr., Tony Martinez Jr., Enrique "Tweety" Guadarrama, Fabian Ramirez, Michael Gallegos, Chris Sanchez and Ryan Adame;

Our Redeemer Youth Ministries return from Kansas trip

by Dee Martinez

Our Redeemer Youth Ministries, recently returned from Dumas, Texas and Garden City, Kansas where they hosted revivals. Twenty-three soldiers of Christ, two from Big Lake, ministered to the lost and invaded the darkness, in which many lives were touched and brought back to Christ. Pastor Nick Robledo of Primera Asamblea de Dios visited Templo Gersemani back in March. Seeing that the youth had such a fire for the Lord, he decided to invite Our Redeemer Youth Ministries to minister to the Youth of his church and show how God can move in young peoples lives.

In the 14 years that Nick Robledo has been the Pastor at Primera Asamblea he has only invited two other pastors to come and preach. Our Redeemer Youth Ministries were honored to be the third invitation.

By word of mouth, the youth sponsor in Dumas, Texas, Isaac Calbera invited the youth ministry, on the way to Kansas to minister to his youth. Like Pastor Robledo, his youth needed the ignition of their fire. While in Dumas, God not only touched lives of their youth, He also extended His hand to one of the biggest and most feared "Drug Dealers", in Dumas. "I didn't know God visited the parks" the man said. He was grateful of our time spent with them.

While we were at Garden City, Kansas God also moved in a miraculous way. In such away where we received blessings until 2:00 a.m. Saturday, June 10. After we returned from the park service God chose His warriors to be on the front line of battle. Out of nowhere, God brought forth the purpose of

selecting His warriors. A young girl, at the age of 19, walked into the Sanctuary led by her family. She had been diagnosed with throat cancer and through the preparation of His warriors the girl was healed and set free of her illness. Garden City, Kansas will not soon forget what God did for them through Our Redeemer Youth Ministries.

Through all the preparation before taking the trip, all the hardships, the sacrifices and attacks from Satan were all well worth it. Through this experience we have gained many valuable assets that will help us throughout our lives as a ministry. Throughout the entire week God saved 36 lives and 43 rededication and baptized 22 in the Holy Spirit. As you can see, God can move anywhere there is a "humble heart." "They over came him by the Blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony." Revelations 12:11 Praying for you, Our Redeemer Youth Ministries

Rep. Lamar Smith's aide to visit Eldorado Friday

A member of Congressman Lamar Smith's staff will be in Eldorado Friday, June 30, to assist Schleicher County residents with problems or questions they may have involving federal agencies or programs.

JoAnne Powell will be available to meet with constituents from 9 a.m. until noon in the Schleicher County Courthouse. No appointment is necessary.

Mrs. Powell, who is based in Congressman Smith's San Angelo District Office, will also be available to answer questions concerning federal legislation. Congressional staff members routinely assist residents who have difficulties in dealing with federal agencies, programs or policies. Common requests include those involving Social Security and Medicare benefits,

veterans programs, passport applications and Department of Agriculture programs.

Congressman Smith's District Office is located in the O.C. Fisher Federal Building, room 302, 33 East Twohig, San Angelo, Texas 76903. The telephone number is (915) 653-3971.

Contacts: O'Lene Stone District Director (210) 821-5024 or JoAnne Powell Staff Assistant (915) 653-3971

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- 30th Charissa Sheppard, Ed Meador, DeAnn Rodriguez, Maureen Hodges, Colt Ashton, Ashton Murr, Alex Cardenas
- July
- 1st Eric Loomis, Jimmy Doyle, Glyn Hutto, Debbie Joy, Kristen Gray, Betty Smith
- 2nd Jennifer Lee, Ruth Finnigan, Lauren Lloyd, J.C. Bumgardner, Thelia Mayo, Marissa Barrera, Ross Whitten, Stephanie Thomas, Sue Glidden, Crystal Sherrod, David Wike, Jennifer Stafford
- 3rd Bernell O'Conner, Ashlie Whitten, Jimmy Saldivar, Maxie Holley, Stephanie Nolen, Tommy Johnson, Chris Barajas, Chris Pena, Abbie Mayfield
- 4th Gordon Jones, Kathy Newman, Kimberly Jones, Rudy Saldivar, Ryan Bass, Kurtis Homer, Jason Charboneau, Gertrude Webb
- 5th Corene Draper, Dan Griffin, Betty Richardson, Lonnie Middleton, A. Jean Kuykendall, Wayne Bybee

ANNIVERSARY LIST

- June
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- July
- 2nd Jack & Lou Ann Turner
- 4th Mr. & Mrs. Joaquin Rojas
- 5th Mr. & Mrs. Emilio Vallejo

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Mackenzy Alena Rojas

It's A Girl

Mackenzy Alana Riojas was born May 23, 2000 to her proud parents Marcus and Jessica Riojas of Eldorado. She arrived at Shannon Medical Center and weighed 7 pounds 9 ounces and was 20 inches long.

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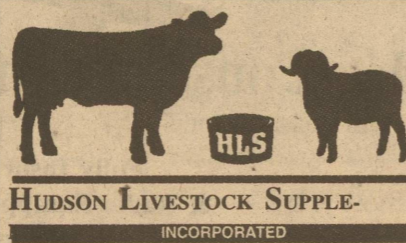
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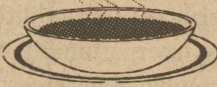
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Tuesday, July 4

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Wednesday, July 5

Chicken Strips, Baked Potato, Broccoli w/Cheese Sauce, Dinner Roll, Peach Cobbler, Milk

Thursday, July 6

Soft Tacos Meat and Cheese, Pinto Beans, Corn w/Sweet Pepper, Flour Tortillas, Chopped Lettuce & Tomatos

Friday, July 7

Beef Liver-Fried Onions, Beef Gravy, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Snap/String Beans, Country Rolls, Fresh Fruit Salad, w/Citrus, Milk.

Matt and Amy Rutherford Educators in our community



Home is where the heart is, and Matt and Amy Rutherford have chosen to make Eldorado their home. After moving here as both single teachers, they met at Eldorado High School in 1997.

Although Matt was raised in the area, he is a 1988 graduate of Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Amy is a 1993 graduate from Texas Lutheran University in Seguin, Texas.

She now teaches high school math and is the sponsor of the National Honor Society. Matt is the high school English teacher and the varsity tennis coach.

Amy and Matt are not only educators of our youth, they educate themselves by reading, watching, listening and exploring. They value their summer time off and take full advantage of it by traveling cross-country by car. When at home, they are dedicated to Eldorado's youth always teaching and helping students inside and outside the classroom.

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Local students attend 4-day Government and Law Camp

Eldorado High School Government teacher Alan Gillespie held a Government and Law Camp on June 20 through 23. Ten local students participated. They included: Kristy Adame, Whitney Edmiston, Trey Chavez, John Fay, Jordan Fay, Thomas Ballew, Samantha Smith, Kristina Prater, Elibeth Montalvo, and Quisto Gonzales. Wesley Jones was able to attend on Thursday in the place of an absent student. The group had a great week. Activities included:

Tuesday, June 20 - We traveled to San Angelo for tours and presentations of the Juvenile Detention Center, the Tom Green Coun-

ty Jail, and the San Angelo Police Department. The students will definitely remember many of their experiences. At the Juvenile Detention Center Officer Almand showed us all of their facilities and described their entry procedures and a typical day. We were shut in a cell for a "real-life" experience.

The Tom Green County Jail was a real eye-opener and certainly had an impact. We saw all of the facilities including the odiferous "drunk-tank", various cells, the visitation area, the booking area and other areas. We were able to meet and talk with some inmates and trustees. Whitney Edmiston was used

to demonstrated proper hand-cuffing techniques. The jail was an unforgettable place.

After lunch, the group was treated to a tour and presentation of the San Angelo Police Department by Officer Forrester. He described many of their procedures, experiences, responsibilities, career opportunities, and allowed us to walk through the entire station. Observations included the evidence room, the crisis center, and the multi-modern dispatch center with its high-security and high-tech equipment. It was a great day.

Wednesday, June 21 - We got an early start and traveled to Stone-wall and Johnson City for tours of the LBJ State Historical Park and the LBJ National Historical Park. We saw many things including videos, the LBJ ranch, LBJ's boyhood home, some of his old vehicles. The scenery was spectacular and the weather was great. We ate lunch at Johnson City and supper at Menard.

Thursday, June 22 - We got another early start and traveled to Del Rio to visit and tour the United States Border Patrol Station there. It was extremely interesting. They allowed us to try on and use their night vision goggles and night flashlight goggles (\$2,500 a pair).

We toured the facility, discussed their training (5 months and they have to take extensive tests over the law and Spanish), and looked inside their video operations center, detention units, and a vehicle equipped with a large night vision camera. We watched a 75th anniversary video and took a break to eat lunch.

After lunch we toured the Del Air Station of the Border Patrol. We saw helicopters that were in use during Vietnam plus more modern equipment. We saw the planes they utilize and observed their engineers building a new plane. All of their aircraft are equipped with night vision and the pilots with heavy infrared and night vision helmets. Their helicopters have a spotlight that is so powerful it will catch the grass on fire if they fly closer than 15 feet to the ground! We learned many interesting facts such as a set of three helicopter blades

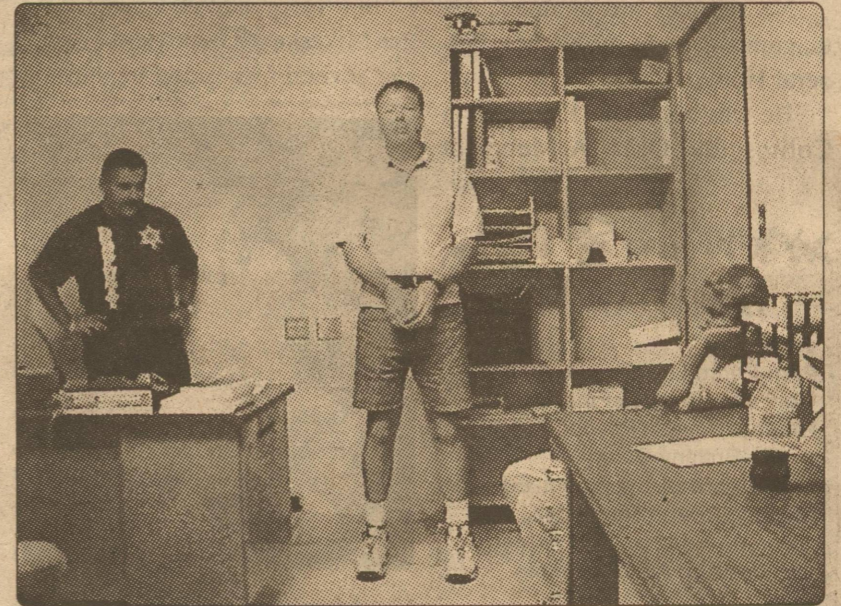
on one of their models costs \$140,000! They discussed extensively with us about their careers, qualifications and education. I was excited when they said they would be delighted to come to Eldorado High School to do a presentation for my classes.

Friday, June 23 - Officer Eddie Rodriguez had set up our time and it was well spent. We talked with Mr. Rodriguez about many things including field and office procedures, equipment, qualifications, wild stories, drug-interdiction, and other things. Quisto and Coach Gillespie allowed themselves to be handcuffed and shackled just for the experience. We looked at some interesting books that Mr. Rodriguez had about drugs and drug concealment. We took a tour of the jail, talked with some inmates who gave us valuable advice about proper choices in life and consequences. Later we walked to the courthouse to visit with Judge Doyle and County Attorney Marian Overstreet. They told us great stories and educated us about procedures, the law, qualifications and many other issues. We found these great resources that close to home. We did not have time to visit with Judge Griffin but they will all come speak to my classes this school year. Our last activities involved group reflection about all of our experiences and completion of an evaluation form for records purposes.


These are only a few of the activities we completed during the week. We all had a great time. We learned a great deal about government and law, and about each other.



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Gov't & Law Camp — Among the students attending Alan Gillespie's Government and Law camp were (L-R) Samantha Smith, Jordan Fay, Elibeth Montalvo, Quisto Gonzales, John Fay, Wesley Jones, Whitney Edmiston, Kristina Prater, and Thomas Ballew.




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In custody — Deputy Eddie Rodriguez looked on last week when EHS government teacher Alan Gillespie was handcuffed and ankle-cuffed during a 4-day long Government and Law Camp he led for his students. Of course, he was released moments later, but the students enjoyed the demonstration anyway.



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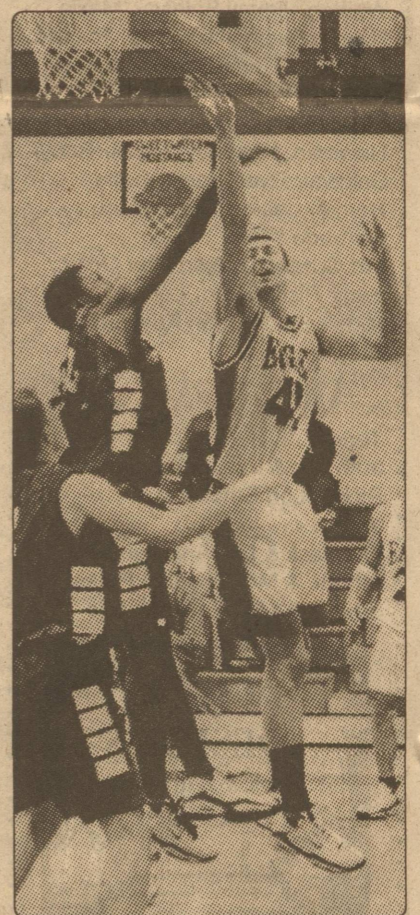
HOUSTON — Michael Mayo, a recent graduate of Eldorado High School has been selected as a 2000 Southwestern Bell/Texas High School Coaches Association (THSCA) Basketball All-Star. As an All-Star, Mayo will participate in the Southwestern Bell All-Star Games to be held July 31 - August 1, in conjunction with the Southwestern Bell Texas High School Coaches Association annual convention in Houston.

The high school seniors that will represent Texas' best will include 70 football players and six managers/trainers and 24 basketball players and four managers/trainers. The All-Stars were chosen not only for their athletic ability and sportsmanship, but also for their conduct off the field.

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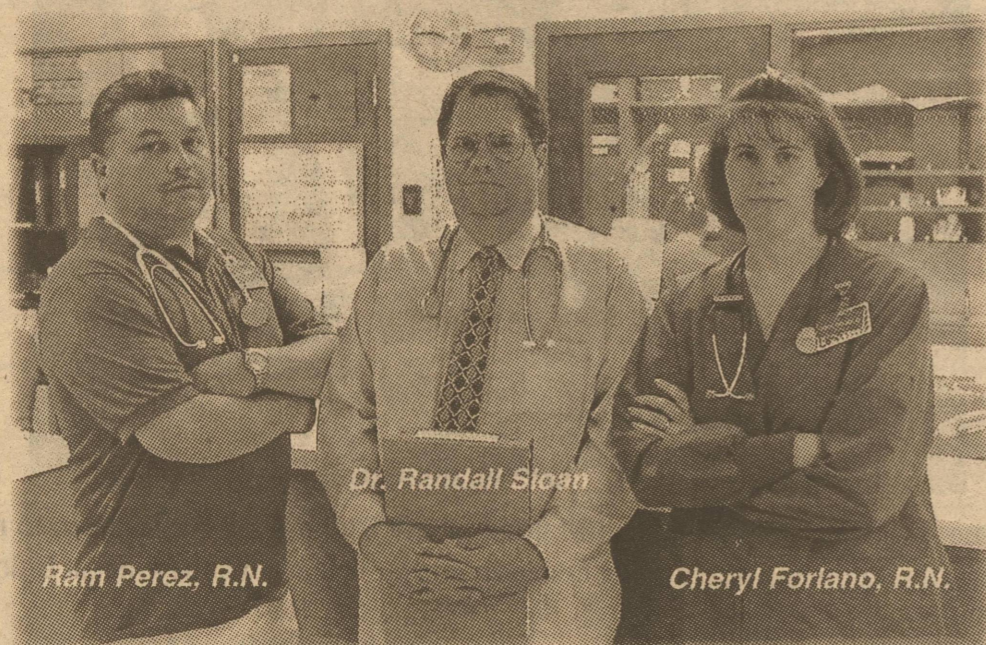
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All-Star — EHS grad Michael Mayo will travel to Houston in July to play in the 2000 Southwestern Bell/Texas High School Coaches Association (THSCA) All-Star Basketball game. Mayo will play for the ASU Rams next season.

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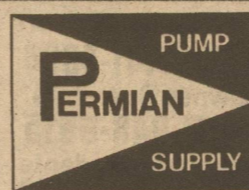
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Class of 1950 — The EHS Class of 1950 returned to Eldorado for their 50th anniversary during the 70th annual Mias Amigas reunion last Saturday. Class members present included (Front L-R) Mary Dell Edmiston Baskin, Jane Craig Walters, Nelva June Bolt Martin, Ernestine Clark Adair; (Back L-R) Billy Ray Jones, Jackie Napier, Jonnie Lee Dickens Barrows, Earl Lloyd, Gloria Henshaw Burleson, Joyce Burks Whitten, Earl Dean Clark, Euda B. Isaacs Forehand, Dale Waddel



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Class of 1980 — The EHS Class of 1980 returned to Eldorado for their 20th anniversary during the 70th annual Mias Amigas reunion last Saturday. Class members present included (L-R) Janet Bradshaw, Kelly Charboneau, Gwen Gunstead Meisner, Curtis Griffin, Albert Buitron, Jeanie Nicholson Jones, Lori Sudduth Jones, Kimberly Higdon Lewallen, Kendra Dunham Sutton, Charlie Bradley, Randy Morrison, Mickey Nixon and Chuck Jones.

Schleicher County Meat Goat Classic slated July 8th

The Schleicher County Meat Goat Classic will be held in Eldorado on Saturday, July 8, 2000 at the Ag Barn 1 mile South on Hwy. 277. This will be a Junior Meat Show Circuit sanction show and will also be a sanctioned showmanship show. Entry deadline is June 30. Entry fee is \$15.00 per goat entered.

The Junior Meet Goat Showmanship Show will begin at 9:30 a.m. with the Senior Division. The Junior and Peewee Divisions will follow. Money and/or awards will be offered through 10th place.

The Meat Goat show will start after the showmanship show.

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Golf Play Day

by Mabel Freitag

A great Afternoon, a super group of friends for our annual Mias Amigas Play Day on Saturday, June 24th. We were unable to play #3 as we have a "Lake of Water", which we are thankful for the wonderful rains we have received. Am sure when the lake dries, there will be lots of golf balls which have been mishit into the water. We had 47 golfers out to join us- we played 8 holes- 3 times

for a total of 24 holes for a total pair of 81.

1st place score 70: Jon Cartwright, Curtis Griffin, Doc Hubble Phil McCormick, and Matt McCormick.

2nd place score 73: Ronnie Sauer, Wayne McGinnes, Gordon Jones, Cindy McGinnes, Mabel Freitag and Michael Hill

3rd place score 74: Joey Kirkland, Alex Luna, Jerry Nix, Sherry Nix, Mathew Nixon and Landon Nixon

We had two teams with a score of 75 - two teams with a score of 76 and one team with score of 77.

We are already looking forward to our Mias Amigas get together in 2001. Its great fun and so nice to visit with friends we see once a year.

Our next regular Play Day will be Sunday, July 2nd. Come on out and join the great fellowship. We love having everyone. Looking forward to out youths joining us this summer.

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Officers witness "deadly conduct" accident

Schleicher Sheriff David Doran and Chief Deputy George Arispe had been planning to enjoy a few peaceful hours away from the job last week, but the sound of squealing tires and crashing metal abruptly ended all such thoughts. On Tuesday evening, June 20, 2000, the two officers were visiting in the yard of Arispe's home where he had been working in his yard. That's when they witnessed a two vehicle accident at the intersection of Lea St. and Ave. C in the Orient Heights addition.

When the driver of one of the vehicles, a brown Ford sedan, left the scene the two men rushed to their patrol cars and gave chase. Christopher Lee Moreno, 19, was stopped and placed under arrest in the parking lot of the Eldorado Place Apartments.

No one was reported injured in the incident.

Deputy Arispe reported to the Success that he witnessed Moreno's car strike a maroon Nissan pickup, driven by Moreno's wife, Lynn Sloan. Arispe stated

that Moreno seemed to be chasing Sloan on Lea St. and that his car struck her pickup as she attempted to turn right onto Ave. C.

Moreno was taken to the Schleicher County Jail by Deputy Jason Chatham, who also responded to the scene. Moreno was booked into the jail and charged with Deadly Conduct.

Both Sheriff Doran and Deputy Arispe reported that they believed Moreno deliberately collided with Sloan's pickup and gave that as a reason for the Deadly Conduct charge.

Moreno was also found to be driving with a suspended driver's license and was charged with that offense, too. He was later released on two surety bonds totaling \$3,000.00.



photos by Kathy Mankin

Two eye witnesses — The brown Ford sedan above, was involved in a wreck last week with the maroon Nissan pickup pictured below. The driver of the car, Christopher Lee Moreno, 19, was booked into Schleicher County Jail and charged with Deadly Conduct after Sheriff David Doran and Deputy George Arispe witnessed his car collide with the pickup driven by his wife, Lynn Sloan.

United Blood Services coming here tomorrow

United Blood Services will be at the Schleicher Country Medical Center Friday, June 30 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. The blood drive will be located in the lobby of the hospital.

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Is Eldorado getting a Girls Home?

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 behind their property in the 600 block of North Divide. Mrs. Sanchez appeared before the Eldorado City Council and contested the letter. The City Council has given her until July 8th to remove the fence posts behind the property.

That property, once known as McCormick's Grocery, is believed to be the site of the proposed girls home. Chris Galan, who lives next door to the property, told the Success that she had learned from Mrs. Sanchez that the girls home could open within the month. That prompted Mrs. Galan to contact Schleicher County Judge Johnny Griffin as well as the Concho Val-

ley Home for Girls in San Angelo.

Galan said that she eventually spoke with a representative of Therapeutic Family Life (TFL), an Austin-based company which operates shelters in other towns. According to Galan, a woman named Suellen informed her that Mrs. Sanchez's property in Eldorado had been rejected as a site for a TFL home in December of 1999. The rejection was based on three criteria, Galan said. First, the building did not meet minimum standards. Second, there wasn't a sufficient need for a girls shelter in Eldorado. Third, the company had chosen to open homes in Brownwood and Brady.

In October of 1999, a woman named Suellen with Therapeutic Family Life placed an advertisement in the Success seeking "nurturing families" to aid "hurting children in Texas." The ad also promoted other TFL programs such as Foster Parents, Respite Workers, Yesterday's New Tomorrow Girls Group Home and TFL Sex Offenders Program for Boys. At that time the woman told Kathy Mankin, office manager of the Success, that her company was

working with Mrs. Sanchez to open a group home in Eldorado.

Repeated calls to Therapeutic Family Life weren't returned on Tuesday. However, late in the day, Eli Bell, an attorney for TFL, phoned to say that the company is has no involvement with Mrs. Sanchez or any group or individual claiming to have a license to operate under TFL's permit.

A spokesperson for the Texas Department of Protective Regulatory Services, Residential Child Care Licensing Department, revealed that no applications have been approved for Mrs. Sanchez nor by any verifying licensee acting on behalf of Mrs. Sanchez. Information regarding facilities licensed to other individuals wasn't immediately available.

In the process of tracking down information for this story, this reporter contacted several community leaders about the issue. Hospital Administrator Ann Fagan-Cook reported that no person or agency had been in contact with the hospital regarding health care for children in foster care programs. She expressed concern about state requirement that prescription medications must be dispensed by qualified personnel in group homes. In addition, Fagan-Cook had questions about the hospital's obligation to provide medical care to residents of such facilities and if private insurance would be carried by the home or if the children in a group or foster home would be considered indigent.

School, city and county officials were also contacted for comment. SCISD board president board president Phil McCormick noted that the school district has not been approached concerning educational requirements for youths in a foster home. Mayor John Nikolauk reported that no one in city government had been contacted regarding the establishment of a girls home and that no official endorsement had been given to such a home. Sheriff David Doran stated that he had not been contacted either, and had no knowledge about the home except for "rumors going around town."

Solution to puzzle on Page 2

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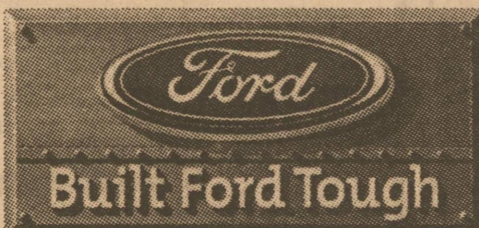
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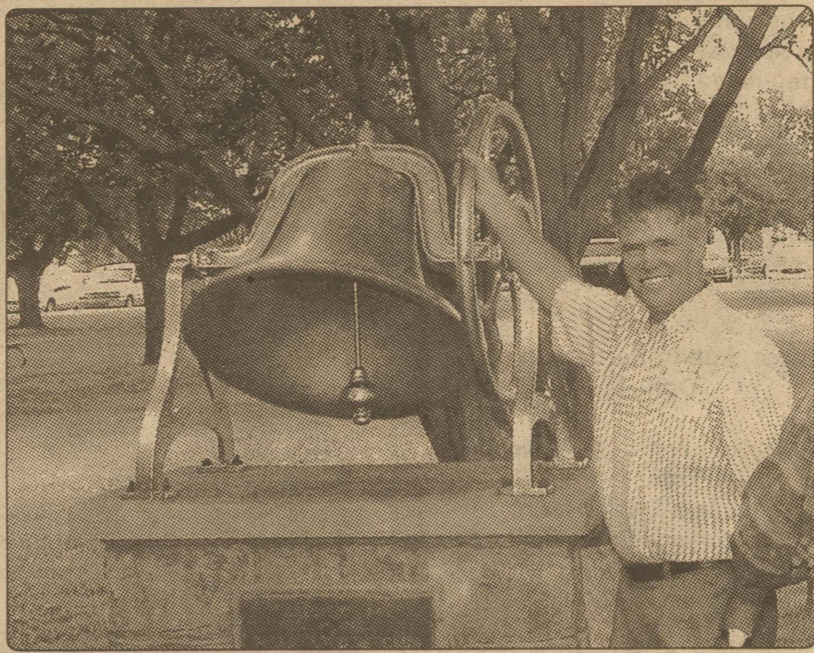
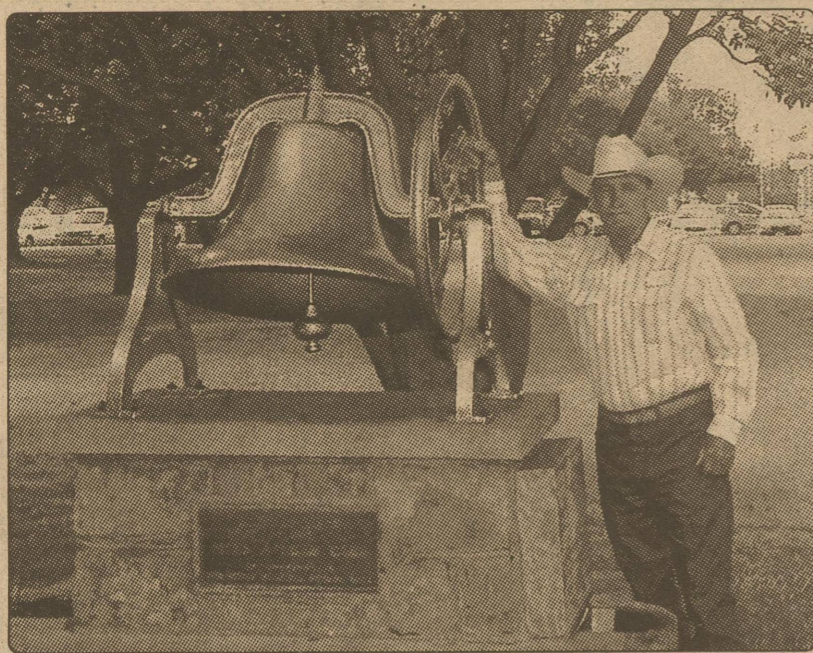


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School is in session — Earl Dean Clark (L) representing the EHS Class of 1950 and Charlie Bradley (R) representing the EHS Class of 1980 rang the old school bell last Saturday to officially begin the 70th annual meeting of the Mias Amigas Club.

County Commissioners okay old firetruck for convent

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Mayo were all present. Minutes of the meeting of June 12 were read by County Clerk Peggy Williams and were approved as read.

Among items discussed by commissioners was the possibility that a girls home may open in Eldorado. Judge Griffin informed commissioners that he had learned that Mrs. Vivian Sanchez is planning to open a foster home for girls and that he was making inquiries into the possibility. (see related story page 1)

David Hill, representing Eldo-

rado Youth Baseball, met with the court to report that restroom facilities at the little league fields had proven to be inadequate during the recent Eldorado Plateau Classic baseball tournament. He noted that the facility's existing restroom facilities had backed up and overflowed. Hill requested that the court give serious consideration to the situation. Upon hearing Hill's report, Commissioner Bill Clark offered a motion to explore the possibilities of building new restroom facilities to serve the little league park, the county park and the golf

course. The motion was seconded by Ross Whitten and passed without opposition.

The court then passed resolutions offered naming Hibbs and Todd Engineering of Abilene and Kay Howard representing A&J Howco of Lubbock, to serve as agents for the county in obtaining and managing Texas Community Development Program Grant Contract for Program during the 2001 - 2003 grant funding cycle.

An item on the agenda concerning the naming of election judges and alternates was postponed awaiting nominations to be made by Schleicher County Republican Party Chairman Bessie Jones and Schleicher County Democrat Party Chairman Sherry Lux.

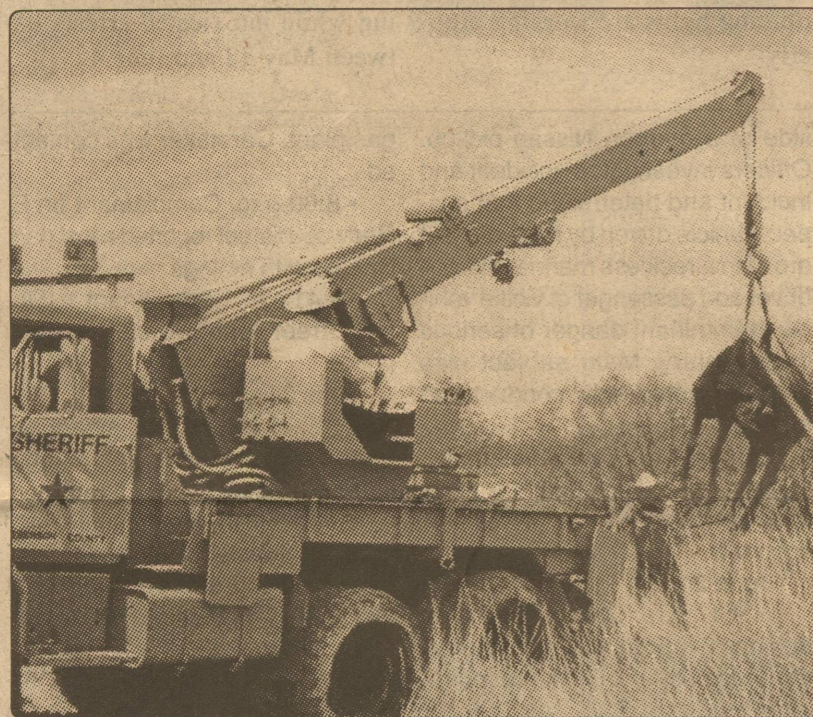
Fire Chief Jerry Jones reported that at least three firemen were planning to attend the Texas A&M fire school. This training is budgeted for each year and is jointly paid by county and city governments. Jones also asked the court to allow the department to park the surplus 1951 Chevrolet Pumper Fire Truck in a space provided by the Carmelite Sisters at their new facility located on the Pierce Holt ranch. Jones said the new convent had been constructed without fire protection. He further advised that travel time of approximately one hour is required for trucks leaving the fire hall in Eldorado to arrive at the convent. The court agreed to allow the truck to be housed at the site provided that the Order would be willing to sign an agreement freeing the county from liability.

Approval was also give for individual commissioners and Judge

Griffin to attend the Far West Texas Conference of Commissioners and County Judges. Judge Griffin then announced that an additional continuing education program for the court would be held on July 13 in San Angelo.

A request from the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation concerning the rate of Road and Bridge Tax was decided. The court elected to leave the rate unchanged from the previous year.

County Treasurer Karen Henderson next requested approval to transfer funds from various accounts to pay for the meals program and for fuel for the Sheriff's Department. The transfer requests were approved by order of the court. In other business, Johnny Mayo announced that the local airport was on the TxDOT agenda for a meeting to be held in Ozona. Commissioners will be contacted concerning time, place and date. A request from Texas Forest Service regarding a ban on fireworks within the county was denied. Following review, all accounts were ordered paid. There being no further business, court adjourned at 11:55 a.m.



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How often do you see something like this? Schleicher County Sheriff's personnel used a hoist truck, belonging Culberson County, to free a cow which had become stuck in mud during recent heavy rains. The cow, which had been trapped for almost a week was lifted with the hoist and placed back over the fence on dry ground. Culberson County's truck is being stored at the local field operations unit as part of the STAR (Sheriffs of Texas Agreed Response) program.

School trustees search for superintendent

Kurtis Homer takes oath of office, joins board

The Schleicher County I.S.D. board of trustees met Sunday night, June 25th. New trustee Kurtis Homer took the oath of office and assumed his seat on the board. He replaces Ilse Williams who resigned earlier in the month. In addition to Homer, trustees present included Phil McCormick, Eddie Albin, Berta Nicholson, Steve Sessom and Jo Helen Kotsch. Trustee Sam Whitten, Jr. was absent.

The board then voted unanimously to accept the resignation of assistant band director Tom Hollingsworth. It was noted that Hollingsworth is leaving to attend Chiropractor school.

The trustees briefly reviewed the revised Student Code of Conduct for the second time before voting unanimously to adopt it. Board president Phil McCormick reported that the only notable change in the code requires boys to keep their shirt tails tucked in while on campus.

Next, McCormick explained to

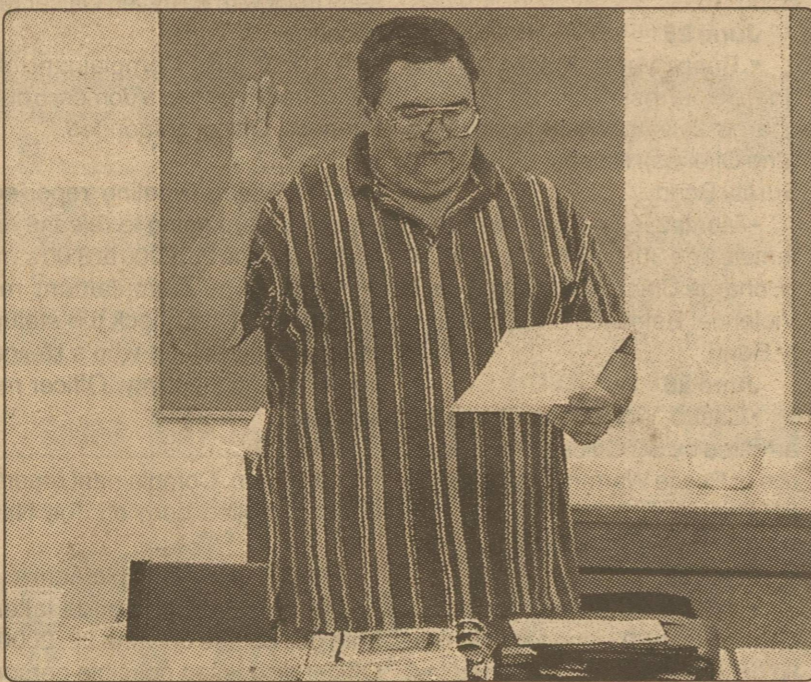


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Swearing him in — Kurtis Homer took the oath of office and became the newest member of the SCISD board of trustees last Sunday evening.

the board that 28 applications had been received for the position of superintendent of schools. The board then entered into an executive session for the purpose of reviewing the applications. They

emerged into open session taking no action on the matter. However, a special meeting is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. tonight for the purpose of reviewing applications and possibly interviewing candidates.

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(Consumer Confidence Report)

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Our Drinking Water Meets or Exceeds All Federal (EPA) Drinking Water Requirements

This report is a summary of the quality of the water we provide our customers. The analysis was made by using the data from the most recent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required tests and is presented in the attached pages. We hope this information helps you become more knowledgeable about what's in your drinking water.

En Espanol

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Where do we get our drinking water? Our drinking water is obtained from Ground water sources. It comes from the following Lake/River/Reservoir/Aquifer: EDWARD S TRINITY. TNRCC will be reviewing all of Texas' drinking water sources. The source water assessment process will be completed within three years. It is important to protect your drinking water by protecting your water source.

ALL drinking water may contain contaminants.

When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791). About The Following Pages

The pages that follow list all of the federally regulated or monitored constituents which have been found in your drinking water. U.S. EPA requires water systems to test up to 97 constituents

Secondary Constituents Many constituents (such as calcium, sodium, or iron) which are often found in drinking water, can cause taste, color, and odor problems. The taste

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Public Participation Opportunities

Date: July 10, 2000 (Monday)
Time: 5:30 P.M.
Location: City Hall, 6 S. Cottonwood St. Eldorado, TX 76936
Phone No: 915/853-2691

DEFINITIONS

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) The highest permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety

Treatment Technique (TT) A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Action Level (AL) The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Units

MFL - million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos)

psi/l picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

ppm - parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l)

ppb - parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/l)

ppt - parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter

ppq - parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter



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Be careful little ears what you hear — These children were among those attending Community Baptist Church's Vacation Bible School last Saturday.

Boaters urged to use caution during holiday

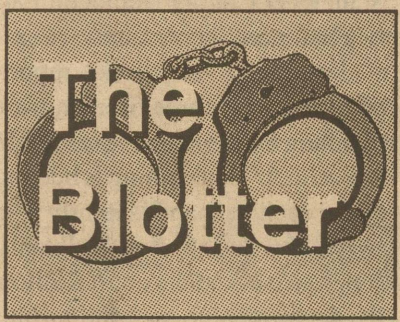
AUSTIN — Three boating-related fatalities were reported in Texas over the Memorial Day weekend, compared to none the same weekend in 1999. The Fourth of July goal for Texas Parks and Wildlife game wardens is that all boaters return home safely.

"Nighttime fireworks shows tend to bring more boaters out on

the water at night during the Fourth of July weekend," said James Robertson, TPW law enforcement director. "We'd like everyone to be careful on the water this holiday weekend, and for those out on the water at night we stress that they avoid alcohol, wear their life jackets, and be sure that their running lights are working properly."

This is the first summer in which a new blood alcohol content law is in effect for Texas boaters. Legislation went into effect Sept. 1, 1999, which lowered the blood alcohol content limit from 0.10 to 0.08 for boat operators as well as automobile drivers.

Game wardens made 41 boating while intoxicated arrests between May 22 and June 4.



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. Incidents 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

June 20

• Moreno, Christopher Lee, male age 19, arrested by SC Officer, charge Deadly Conduct/Driving While License Suspended. Released on \$2,000 Surety Bond and \$1,000 Surety Bond.

June 22

• Matthew, Michael Roy, male age 40, hold for Irion County, charge Driving While Intoxicated (2nd Offense). Released on \$1,000 Surety Bond.

June 25

• Roop, Verna Frazer, female age 36, arrested by SC Officer, charge Driving While Intoxicated (2nd Offense). Released on \$2,000 Surety Bond.

• Montez, Genoveva Martinez, female age 30, hold for Irion County, charge Class A, Assault Family Violence. Released on \$500 Surety Bond.

June 26

• Castro, Victor Jr., male age 24, arrested by SC Officer, charge Justice of Peace Warrant. Released on PR Bond.

REPORTS

June 20

• 6:18 p.m. Complainant on County Road 203 reported a domestic disturbance that happened last evening at their residents.

• 8:34 p.m. Officer observed a brown Ford sedan cut through a bar ditch of intersection of Lea and Ave. C and strike the right passenger

side of a maroon Nissan pickup. Officers investigated accident and incident and determined that suspect vehicle driven by male subject drove in a reckless manner placing driver and passenger of victim vehicle in imminent danger of serious bodily injury. Male subject was charged with deadly conduct and arrested.

• 8:16 p.m. Complainant requested an officer standby while they get their vehicle. Officer responded.

June 21

• 9:47 a.m. Owner of grocery business reported a possible attempted burglary. Officer responded to call.

• 11:58 a.m. Complainant reported a cow was stuck in the mud up to its belly on County Road 408.

• 3:30 p.m. Complainant notified the Sheriff's Officer that her ex-husband stated to her that he was not bringing back their daughter. Complainant advised she wants to file kidnapping charges on him. Officer responded.

• 4:25 p.m. Complainant reported a burglary of a building. 6 dozen golf balls were stolen. Est. value of \$250. Officer responded.

• 7:52 p.m. Complainant reported a possible drunk driver in a white semi truck with no trailer. Officer responded.

• 10:58 p.m. Complainant on East Street reported a domestic disturbance. Officer responded.

• 3:47 p.m. Pipeline reported that they were going to release nitrogen on June 23, 2000 at 8:00 a.m.

• 6:36 p.m. Complainant requested an officer check the status of an elderly patient who's lifeline was showing inactivity. Officer responded.

• 9:15 a.m. Complainant reported a controlled burn on Toe Nail Trail.

• 12:00 p.m. Complainant reported golf clubs had been taken from golf course on June 22, 2000. Officer discussed possible person responsible. Officer advised he would check out complaint. Value \$800.

• 12:35 a.m. Alarm sounded at

gas plant. Caretaker was contacted.

• 8:00 p.m. Complainant on E. Redwood Street reported a lost dog, Beagle with no tags.

• 9:41 p.m. Complainant on Depot Street reported a controlled burn.

• 12:35 a.m. Complainant reported a possible drunk driver 5 miles on North Hwy. 277.

• 12:35 a.m. Complainant on E. Hill requested the Fire Department respond to a vehicle fire at residence. Officers and Fire Department responded.

• 12:10 p.m. Complainant reported that some furniture had been stolen from a apartment. Windows were broken and a dresser was taken. Residents of apartment have moved out with no forwarding address.

• 2:00 p.m. Complainant reported new graffiti on side of a local business. Happened between 6/24 & 6/25. Under investigation.

• 5:26 p.m. Complainant reported a minor vehicle accident at local convenience store. Officer responded.

• 5:58 p.m. Complainant reported missing 13 goats and 8 lambs. Animals reported missing 1/2 mile South Hwy. 277.

• 6:10 p.m. Complainant reported a female had assaulted her at Eldorado Place Apartments.

• 9:46 p.m. Complainant requested an officer to check on a suspicious vehicle on Rabbit Road. Officer responded.

• 7:30 a.m. Complainant requested an officer to go to the Elementary. Subject believed televisions had been stolen. Officer responded. Television was found later out of its box in the Elementary.

• 10:00 a.m. Complainant reported a running locked vehicle with a small child inside. Officers responded and unlock vehicle.

• 4:36 p.m. Subject reported a controlled burn.

• 5:46 p.m. Complainant on McIntosh Road reported a possible control burn. Two deputies responded and found a controlled burn that was not reported to the Sheriff's Officer or Fire Department.

• 6:11 p.m. Complainant on McIntosh Road reported to Sheriff's Office a controlled burn.

• 6:25 p.m. Two females were driving recklessly in an older white Jimmy Blazer around the Eldorado Place Apartments. Officer responded.

• 10:10 p.m. Convenience store on S. Divide reported a gas drive off in the amount of \$5.03. Officer responded.

Inorganics

Year	Constituent	Highest Level at Any Sampling Point	Range of Detected Levels	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
1997	Barium	0.131	0.1310-0.1310	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
1997	Fluoride	2	2.0000-2.0000	4	4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
1997	Nitrate	2.73	2.7300-2.7300	10	10	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
1998	Gross alpha adjusted	6.4	6.4000-6.4000	15	0	pci/l	Erosion of natural deposits.
1998	Gross beta emitters	4	4.0000-4.0000	50	0	pci/l	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.

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Unregulated Contaminants

Year	Constituent	Average of All Sampling Points	Range of Detected Levels	Reason for Monitoring
1999-1999	Bromoform	1.7	0.0000-4.4000	Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants
1999-1999	Bromodichloromethane	0.28	0.0000-0.7000	Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants
1999-1999	Chlorodibromomethane	0.98	0.0000-2.5000	Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants

Lead and Copper

Year	Constituent	The 90th Percentile	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
1999	Lead	9.5900	0	15	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.
1999	Copper	0.0990	0	1.3	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.

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Accountability is an important part of an elected official's job description. As the Representative of the 21st Congressional District in Washington, accountability means listening to the concerns of my constituents and then discussing the votes I have cast with them in person. During the past several months I have crisscrossed the 400 mile-long district to hold a series of town meetings, a practice I have followed since I was first elected to Congress.

Town meetings are invaluable. The opinions and concerns of constituents are unfiltered. Public opinion polls can show how people feel, but they don't convey the intensity of opinions and concerns in the same way as talking with constituents.

My activities at recent town meetings included awarding replacement medals to the family of a veteran whose dying wish was to leave to his children real symbols of his sacrifice and decorated military record. His original medals had been stolen.

I also held my first-ever Seniors' Forum to explain the challenges facing Social Security and Medicare and what Congress has proposed to address them. During my Senior's Forum, I had the opportunity to describe the three options facing Congress for Social Security. In order to fend off pending bankruptcy we can reform So-



Lamar Smith
 U.S. Representative,
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cial Security, increase the payroll taxes that fund it, or reduce benefits. Real reform is the only acceptable option and I continue to support Social Security reform in Congress.

Immigration remains one of my constituents' top concerns. Texans are aware of the impact on our state of 70 percent of illegal drugs entering the U.S. across the Southwest border. As Chairman of the House Immigration Subcommittee and a member of the Crime Subcommittee, I continue to support laws that reduce crime, protect jobs, and save taxpayers billions of dollars.

My legislation to protect national security by establishing a new exit tracking system for foreign citizens who visit the U.S. recently became law. It will also speed legal crossings at the border and will increase Texas' growing share of international trade.

I have also reported on Congress' record on cutting taxes. We repealed the earnings limit that penalized many Social Security recipients who choose to work. We have given tax relief to married couples who pay up to 40 percent more in federal taxes than those who are single and file individual returns.

And Congress is working to repeal the death tax that has forced many farmers and ranchers to sell their family homestead to pay federal inheritance taxes.

Reporting directly to constituents on the issues facing the nation is an essential part of our representative democracy.



Trashy business — Sheriff David Doran looked through trash dumped in the ditch adjacent to County Rd. 301 (Rudd Rd.) recently in hopes of finding a clue about the identity of the violator.

Illegal dumping on the rise

Illegal dumping along County Rd. 301 (Rudd Road) and FM 2596 (McIntosh Hwy.) has become an increasing problem for Schleicher County law enforcement officers. Items discarded such as tires, yard waste, animal carcasses and a variety of other items have prompted local investigations into the identity of violators.

Illegal dumping is a violation of the Texas Health and Safety Code Art. 365.012 and can carry a maximum fine of \$500 for a Class C violation. It should be noted that 15 pounds or more waste dumped is a Class B misdemeanor and carries a maximum fine of \$2,000 and

a jail term not to exceed 180 days. The Schleicher County Sheriff's Department encourages all citizens to report any sightings of illegal dumping activity, include vehicle description and license plate number if possible. Your assistance will help us to maintain a clean healthy community for all to enjoy.

Dewhurst pushes alternative fuels

AUSTIN—Texas Land Commissioner David Dewhurst, as Chairman of the Texas Alternative Fuels Council (TAFC), today announced three grants from the TAFC to improve air quality by using clean-burning alternative fuels. The grants were approved at today's meeting of the TAFC in Austin.

"The air in Texas under Governor George W. Bush is better today on a per capita and per square mile basis," Dewhurst said. "We still have a smog problem which we're all working to solve, and these grants will bring us closer to clean air in Houston, Galveston, and other non-attainment areas." Grants include:

- \$200,000 to the Houston Advanced Research Center for a demonstration project using an electrochemical fuel cell to produce electricity for docked cruise ships at the Port of Houston Authority (POHA). "Visiting cruise ships can generate up to a ton of nitrogen oxide (NOx), a prime constituent of smog, plus substantial amounts of other airborne toxins, each 12-hour period. That's a real problem for Houston, Galveston, and our port cities. The fuel cell uses clean-burning propane or natural gas for fuel, and can clean up our air."
- \$25,000 to POHA to buy five propane-powered 'yard husters,' heavy-duty tractors used to move freight from ships. Propane reduces pollution emissions by more than 50 percent compared to diesel engines.
- \$150,000 to the Southwest Research Institute in San Antonio to develop a prototype of a propane-fueled tractor engine which will primarily be used in non-attainment areas, such as Houston/Galveston, Beaumont/Port Arthur, Dallas/Fort Worth, and El Paso.

TAFC was created by the Texas Legislature in 1993 to promote the use of environmentally beneficial alternative fuels. Funds were provided from a \$4.5 million settlement with companies that had underpaid oil and gas royalties to the state.

Focus on the Family

by Dr. James Dobson



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Rewards For Kids Can Work For Some Parents

QUESTION: I am uncomfortable using rewards to influence my kids. It seems too much like bribery to me. I'd like to hear your views on the subject.

DR. DOBSON: Many parents feel as you do, and in response I say, don't use them if you are philosophically opposed to the concept.

It is unfortunate, however, that one of our most effective teaching tools is often rejected because of what I would consider to be a misunderstanding of terms. Our entire society is established on a system of rewards, yet we don't want to apply them where they are needed most: with young children.

As adults, we go to work each day and receive a paycheck every other Friday. Getting out of bed each morning and meeting the requirements of a job are thereby rewarded. Medals are given to brave soldiers, plaques are awarded to successful business people and watches are presented to retiring employees. Rewards make responsible efforts worthwhile.

The main reason for the overwhelming success of capitalism is that hard work and personal discipline are rewarded materially. The great weakness of socialism is the absence of reinforcement; why should a person struggle to achieve if there is nothing special to be gained?

This system is a destroyer of motivation, yet some parents seem to feel it is the only way to approach children. They expect little Marvin to carry responsibility simply because it is noble for him to do so. They want him to work and learn and sweat for the sheer

joy of personal accomplishment. He isn't going to buy it!

Consider the alternative approach to the "bribery" I've recommended. How are you going to get your 5-year-old son to behave more responsibly? The most frequently used substitutes are nagging, complaining, begging, screaming, threatening and punishing. The mother who objects to the use of rewards may also go to bed each evening with a headache, vowing to have no more children. She doesn't like anything resembling a "bribe," yet later she will give money to her child when some opportunity comes along.

Since her youngster never earns his own cash, he doesn't learn how to save it or spend it wisely or pay tithes on it. The toys she buys him are purchased with her money, and he values them less. But most important, he is not learning the self-discipline and personal responsibility that are possible through the careful reinforcement of that behavior.

Yes, I do believe the judicious use of rewards can be very helpful to parents. But they're not for everyone.

QUESTION: I have always been a good student, and I want to go to either law school or medical school. That means I could be in my mid or late 20s by the time I graduate and get on with my life. But I also want to be a wife and mother and stay home with my children. I can't figure out how to reach both these goals. How can I be a professional and a mother, too?

DR. DOBSON: You've de-

scribed a dilemma that millions of young women struggle with today. Three competing choices lie before them — whether to have a career, be a wife and mother, or attempt to do both. It is a decision that will have implications for everything that is to follow.

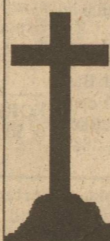
Since you don't yet have plans to get married, I would recommend that you press ahead with your academic goals. Once your training is complete, you will still have all the options available to you. If by that time you are married and want to become a full-time mother, you can put your career on hold for a few years or leave it altogether. Remember, you can always return to it after the children are older.

Only you can decide what is best for yourself, of course. I would strongly suggest that you make it a matter of prayer as you seek the Lord's will for your life.

 Dr. Dobson is president of the nonprofit organization Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, Colo. 80903; or www.fotf.org. Questions and answers are excerpted from "Solid Answers," published by Tyndale House.
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