

## Pesticides, household chemicals and used oil recycling planned at Wall on April 9

On April 9, 2003 at the Wall Co-op Fertilizer Facility unwanted pesticides, home chemicals or used motor oil can be brought to the Wall collection site free for safe disposal. This collection event is open to all Texas residents.

The collection hours will be from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on April 9th at the Wall Coop Fertilizer Facility which is located 7 miles east of San Angelo on Highway 87, south on FM 5769. The

collections, which are free are conducted rain or shine.

This program is also accepting household hazardous wastes from all Texans. Household hazardous wastes are products that can no longer be used and include: automotive waste products, such as antifreeze, brake and transmission fluids; old painting supplies, such as old paint, solvents, varnishes, paint strippers or wood preservatives; garden-

ing supplies, such as pesticides, insecticides, fertilizer, weed killers and rat poison; and cleaning supplies, such as polishes drain cleaners, oven cleaners and degreasers, concentrated cleaners, moth balls, and cleaning concentrates.

Only clean, properly rinsed plastic containers will be accepted for recycling.

The waste material should be handled with care. Inspect the containers before moving. If, upon inspection, you suspect

that a container will tear or rupture when moved, do not attempt to move or load the container for transport. Notify collection site personnel for assistance.

Wear protective clothing and use respiratory protection described on product labels.

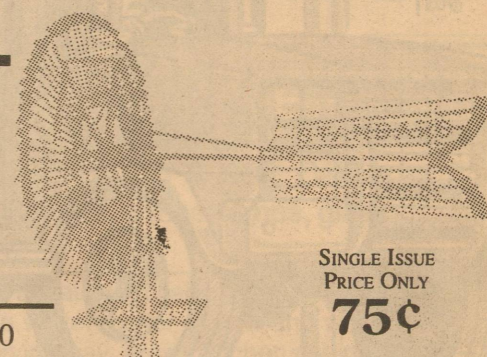
Make use all waste material is securely packaged and line the storage area of the transport vehicle with a plastic sheeting to contain any spillage that

might occur when moving. If possible, arrange the pesticides by hazard class. Make sure labels are securely attached and brace containers to prevent shifting.

Keep containers dry during transport and do not transport pesticide wastes in a manner that will allow fumes from those wastes to enter the passenger compartment of the vehicle. Lastly, drive directly to the pesticide collection program site after you load your vehicle.

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## Bruce and Wren win team roping at Rodeo Houston

Zane Bruce of Eldorado and Brady Wren of Kerrville won the team roping event at Rodeo Houston on Sunday claiming \$14,536.40 in prize money. The pair were among 12 teams reaching the "short-go" money round from among 20 separate performances. Bruce and Wren won the overall average after placing 3rd in the second round of competition and 4th in the short-go. Their cumulative time of 25.1 seconds edged out the 2nd place team of Tee Woolman from Llano and Patrick Smith of Midland whose cumulative time was 25.5 seconds.

Bruce and Wren are currently ranked 4th in the national team roping standings. Winning isn't new to the pair -- they have been teammates for years, dating back to their high school days when they won the

team roping event at the Texas High School State Finals Rodeo in 1996. Interestingly, they still rope from the same horses as in their high school days. Bruce's horse is named Julio.

Rodeo Houston was held for the first time this year in the massive Reliant Stadium, located adjacent to the Houston Astrodome. Rodeo organizers say the move to the new arena was a good one, with record crowds turning out to cheer on the cowboys and cowgirls.

Terry Don West of Henryetta, OK, was the top money winner at the rodeo. In addition to the \$19,426.59 he won in the bull riding event, West received a \$25,000.00 bonus as the top money winner.

Other winners included: Houston

Hutto of Del Rio in tie-down roping; Will Lowe of Canyon in bareback bronc riding; Cody Demoss of Mt. Pleasant in saddle bronc riding; Curtis Cassidy of Donald, Alberta, Canada in steer wrestling; and Kristie Peterson of Chilton, TX in barrel racing.

Highlights of Rodeo Houston will be broadcast on the Outdoor Life Network and may be viewed locally by satellite TV subscribers. It is slated to air Sunday, March 30 at 6:00 p.m. and again on Tuesday, April 1 at 6:00 p.m.

Zane Bruce is the son of Bob and Ima Bruce of Eldorado. His wife, Tina Marie travels with him to rodeos. When he's not making the circuit of pro rodeos, Bruce trains horses and works as a substitute teacher.

## Comptroller Strayhorn delivers sales tax rebates

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn today sent \$280.2 million in monthly sales tax payments to local governments. While state sales tax collections continue to fall, this month's local allocation actually represents a 3.3 percent increase compared to March 2002. This can happen occasionally due to a wide variety of factors that can affect local tax revenue.

This month's increase results largely from additional money gained from successful audits, local sales tax increases (largely composed of new local street maintenance taxes), additional annex-

ations and the creation of a number of new special purpose districts.

Among the jurisdictions receiving payments were the City of Eldorado, Schleicher County and the Schleicher County Health Services Tax which were all increased considerably over the same period in 2002. (see chart below)

Comptroller Strayhorn sent sales tax rebates of \$188.6 million to Texas cities, up 3.7 percent compared to city sales tax rebates in March 2002. However, for the first three months of this year, city sales tax rebates are down 0.7 percent compared to the same period last year.

March sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in January and reported to the Comptroller in February. The state's share of sales tax reported during this period was \$1.1 billion, a decline of 4.7 percent compared to a year ago.

For details of March sales tax payments to individual cities, counties, transit departments and special purpose districts, locate the *Monthly Sales and Use Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports* on the Comptroller's Web site at [www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html](http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html).

March 2003 Sales Tax Rebates						
Local Jurisdiction	Mar '03	Mar '02	% Change	2003 YTD	2002 YTD	% Change
City of Eldorado	\$6,751.98	\$ 5,521.67	22.28% ↑	\$ 22,835.11	\$ 20,633.86	10.66% ↑
Schleicher County	\$6,900.00	\$ 4,412.43	56.37% ↑	\$ 20,892.44	\$ 18,486.06	13.01% ↑
Schleicher Co. Health Services Tax	\$6,850.91	\$ 5,296.56	29.34% ↑	\$ 20,404.24	\$ 13,896.75	46.82% ↑

## Explorers visit Bexar County Medical Examiner office

Eldorado Explorer Scouts traveled to San Antonio on Friday, March 14, 2003, to tour the office of the Bexar County Medical Examiner. The purpose of the one-day field trip was to introduce the Explorers to those aspects of law enforcement involving crime scene investigations and to offer them an exposure to the field of Forensic Science.

Bexar County's chief medical investigator, Steve Hanson, provided a detailed presentation into the roles and responsibilities of the medical examiner's office. He then led the group on a tour of the facility and explained how various departments handle requests from area law enforcement agencies.

Sheriff David Doran, who serves as the chairman of the Explorer post, said afterward that the scouts came away from the experience with a better understanding of the field of Forensic Science.

Among the Explorers making the trip were: Amy Doran, Ashley Doran, David Doran, Gregory Fuentes, Epolo Hernandez, Michael Hill, Taylor Niblett, Anna Rios, Sam Rodriguez and Kyle Taylor.

Advisors who accompanied the Explorers were: Sheriff David Doran, Deputy David Olivan, EMTs Connie Andrews and Belinda Faull, Firefighters Joey Jones and Michael Faull, and advisor Lenette Doran.



COURTESY PHOTO

**Learning about forensics** — Members of the local Explorers post were in San Antonio last week where they toured the office of the Bexar County Medical Examiner. Among those making the trip were (Front L-R) Taylor Niblett, Sam Rodriguez and Michael Hill, (Middle Row L-R) Anna Rios, Epolo Hernandez, Ashley Doran, Gregory Fuentes, Amy Doran, David Doran, (Back L-R) Kyle Taylor and Deputy David Olivan.

crew members of the Space Shuttle Columbia. A barbecue lunch will be provided at noon. Regular park fees do apply for the day.

Fort McKavett State Historic Site is located 23 miles west of Menard, 41 miles northeast of Sonora, 34 miles east of Eldorado and 41 miles north of Junction.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

**Top Cowboy** — Zane Bruce displays the championship saddle he won when he and his partner, Brady Wren of Kerrville, won the team roping event on Sunday at Rodeo Houston.

## Isaacs wants county to build chapel at the local cemetery

Wenona Isaacs, life long Schleicher County resident, is advancing the idea of a chapel at the Schleicher County Cemetery.

She notes that many times graveside services are held at the cemetery during inclement weather. "I been to funerals when the sun was boiling down and to others when it was very muddy," Isaacs says.

Never one to let a challenge go unanswered, Isaacs has taken up the cause to get a chapel built at the cemetery. And, she contacted San Angelo Architect and Eldorado native Gary Donaldson for assistance.

"Gary told me that this is his hometown and he would be happy to design a chapel for free," Isaacs states.

She told the Success it is not her in-

tention to lure families away from church funeral services. She simply wants a small structure to protect family and friends and other mourners who attend graveside services in the cemetery.

The structure Isaacs envisions would have large sliding doors that could be open in the summer to allow a breeze to keep the building cool and closed in winter months to block the biting north wind.

Isaacs plans to meet with the Schleicher County Commissioners at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, March 24th at the courthouse and hopes that any Schleicher County resident who shares her vision for a chapel will join her at the meeting.

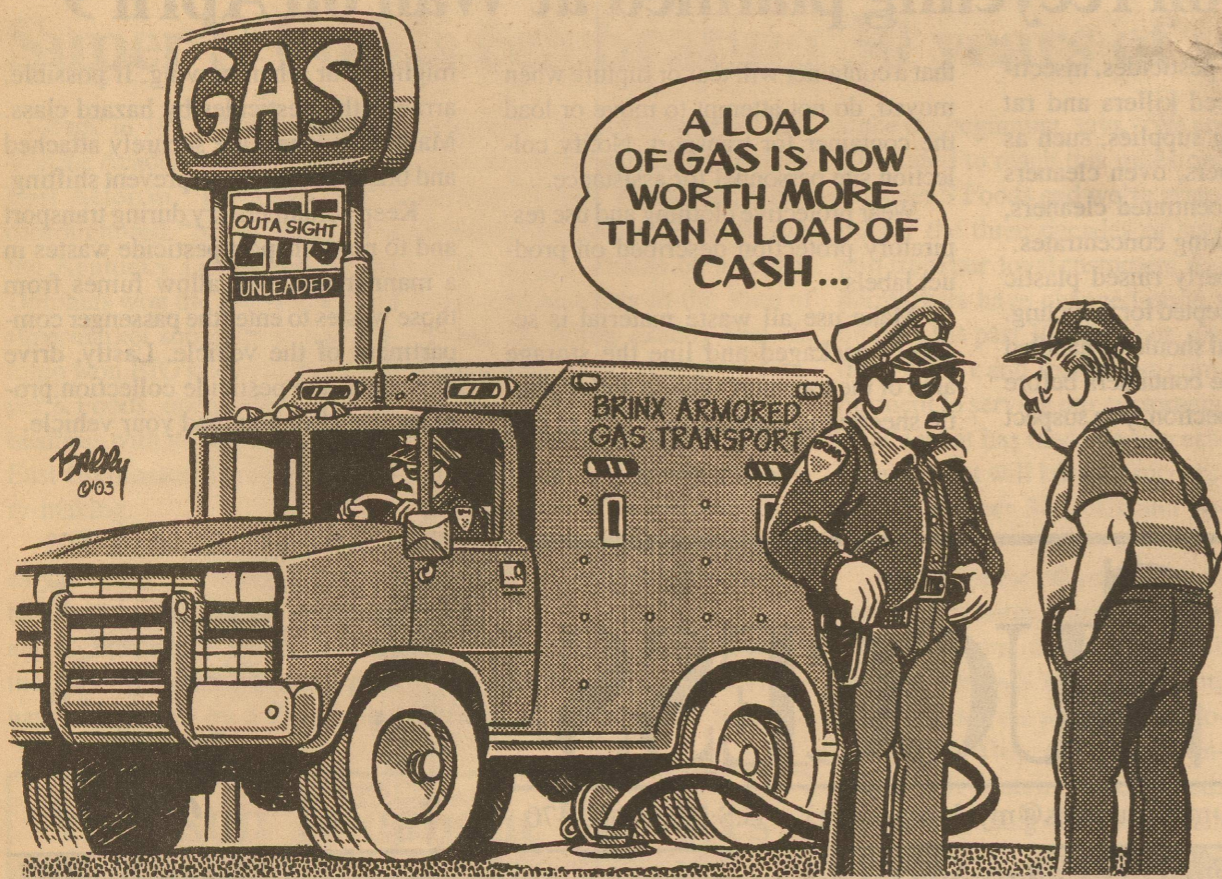
For more information contact Wenona Isaacs at 853-3709.

## West Texas Heritage Day slated at Fort McKavett

Fort McKavett State Historic Site invites everyone to join us in the celebration of our annual Living History Day, Saturday, March 22, 2003. This date will also include the official opening of the Fort McKavett Post Library and Research Center.

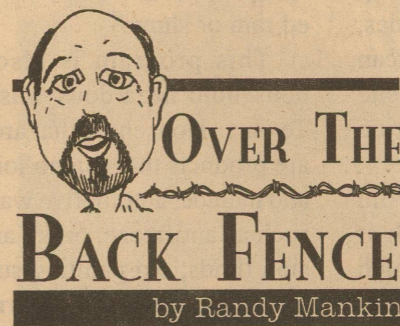
Reenactors and Living Historians

from across the state will help portray the military and civilian life of Fort McKavett State Historic Site. Park gates open at 8:00 a.m. with Flag Raising and Morning Formation at 10:00 a.m. A Special Ceremony will be held at 1:30 p.m. to honor the men and women stationed at Fort McKavett and the fallen



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## Ceiling tiles, they pretty much all look alike



by Randy Mankin

Boy, I wouldn't wish these past three days on my worst enemy. Things starting going bad for me late Monday afternoon. That's when I started feeling a tightness in my chest. The tightness rapidly developed into a crushing pain that I just knew had to be a heart attack.

Well, a quick trip to the clinic found me staring up at the ceiling while Dr. Taylor and his nurses began checking me out. I spent much of the next two days looking up at ceilings as I made my way from the local clinic to Shannon Hospital.

After a little nitro glycerine and some morphine, my pain faded away. The next thing I

particularly appreciated at times like this.

With each test the doctors became more and more convinced that I did not have a heart attack. Finally, Wednesday morning, Dr. Denver Marsh told me that he was convinced and would be letting me go home.

What happened to me then? Well, we still don't know. I've had a cough that has lingered for weeks and it's possible that I coughed so much that I pulled something inside. Still, we're not sure.

One of the side effects of all this is that this week's newspaper is going to be late. But, if you're reading this you've probably already figured that out.

I have determined, however, that the ceiling tiles at Schleicher County Medical Center and the ceiling tiles at Shannon Medical Center look pretty much the same.

Have you ever noticed that hospitals, even hospitals that look quite different, all smell the same. Well, I have a theory about this...it's those ceiling tiles. They all look alike, regardless of what hospital you're in and no matter what department of the hospital you're visiting, the ceiling tiles are identical.

Don't believe me? Just try it. Or, better yet don't try it. Like I said I wouldn't wish these past few days on anyone.

## Merger bill would consolidate 11 state agencies into 3

AUSTIN — Exactly how state lawmakers are going to work their way out of the nearly \$10 billion budget deficit is still taking shape, but when the gavel goes down on June 2, there's no question that the state government landscape will have a different look.

Rep. Arlene Wohlgenuth, chair of the House Committee on Appropriations subcommittee for health and human services, has filed a bill that would consolidate 11 state agencies into three.

Wohlgenuth's bill, which acts on proposals made earlier in the session to save money through state agency mergers, would add the Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, the Cancer Council, the Commission for the Deaf and

### State Capital Highlights

by Mike Cox



Hard of Hearing and the mental health functions of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation into the Department of Health. That agency would be renamed the Department of Health Services.

The Texas Rehabilitation Commission and the Commission for the Blind would fold into a new Department of Aging, Community, Disability and Long-term Care Services.

Finally, the existing Department of Protective and Regulatory Services would be expanded to include family violence services

and long-term care regulation.

These mergers would save an estimated \$75 to \$80 million, which inspired one of the week's best quotes from Rep. Dawna Dukes, D-Austin.

"Seventy-five to 80 million dollars is only a teardrop in the bucket of the needs that this state has for health and human services," Dukes said.

#### Arrows around Robin Hood...

The House Committee on Public Education voted 7-2 last week to end the current school funding system, popularly known as Robin Hood, in two years.

A combination of state assistance, local property tax revenue and federal money, the system got its Sherwood Forest-esque nickname because it forces school districts with a substantial tax base to share with the little guys across the state.

With the same vote on March 11, the committee approved \$1.2 billion more in state funding for schools until the Robin Hood system is phased out. Of course, this was just a committee vote. Whether the "sheriff" finally gets Robin Hood this session is still not a done deal.

#### Observatory funding in doubt...

Used to be one of the biggest worries that officials at the University of Texas' McDonald Observatory had was the problem of ambient lighting. They said growing light pollution was affecting the quality of the world-renown astronomical facility.

These days, the fear is that they may have to turn off their own lights for lack of funding.

Given the observatory's reputation as the best in the continental U.S., not to mention the 100,000 tourists it draws to West Texas each year, it's hard to imagine that UT would let a little thing like not having any money shut it down. Still, the proposal is there to cut \$4 million from its budget, the state funding that covers its day-to-day (night to night might be a better term) operation.

#### Texas History Month...

House Bill 294, which would designate March as Texas History Month, was approved on voice vote by the House last week. The measure's next stop is the Senate.

#### What's cooking?

Tape on the windows doesn't always mean a citizen is playing it safe just in case of a terrorist attack. According to the Department of Public Safety, taped up windows can mean someone is illegally "cooking" methamphetamine inside.

The state law enforcement agency seized 122 clandestine "speed" labs in Texas last year, compared with 19 in 1998 — a 542 percent increase. Statewide, more than 350 labs were located and shut down by law enforcement agencies last year.

Why the boom in homemade chemistry projects? The DPS says it is due to increased demand and easy access to the chemicals needed to produce the drug.

Another way to tell if someone's cooking something other than homemade bread is a strong ammonia odor. That, or somebody forgot to clean the litter box.



## ROLLING ALONG

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### Taxicab Adventures in Houston

"Driving a cab isn't all that interesting. It's real boring. You become well-read, sitting under those trees reading books." Johnny Walker of Rusk drove a cab in Houston for seven years. It's sort of a family tradition with him.

"I guess it's in my blood. My grandfather was a Houston cab driver for fifty years. He was the first person to take me to Las Vegas. I was eight years old. He was something else."

Johnny used to spend summers with his grandpa. "I'd ride with him in his cab. I can remember picking up Frank Sinatra and Frankie Laine. Frankie Laine gave me a twenty dollar tip when I was eight or nine years old. I thought man, this is gonna be great! Twenty dollars bought my and my sister's clothes for the school year."

Johnny picked up lots of fares at the docks in Houston. "Russians always want to go to the mall to buy Levi's. They will buy a trunk load. It doesn't make any difference what size, they just want lots of them. From what I hear they take them back to Russia and sell them for 200 times what they paid for them."

He likes the foreign passengers. "Foreign sailors will not argue with you over the price. They've got to get back on that ship. They don't want to get involved with the police, that's a real no-no. They don't want to miss that ship."

Once he picked up a couple of tug boat pilots at 3 a.m. "They had been partying and they missed their boat, which was going to Lake Charles. They wanted me to take them to Lake Charles. I told them it'd cost two hundred dollars apiece. They said no problem as long as they could be in Lake Charles by 6 a.m. They got in the back and went sound asleep. I woke them up when we got to the docks in Lake Charles. There was a boat pulling in and I asked them if that was their boat. They said it was."

They paid Johnny up front. On a trip like that he always collects first. He says the only passengers who stiffed him were teenage white kids from affluent neighborhoods.

"The stupidest passengers are drug addicts. They flag me down and ask me to take them to a really rough part of town where there's lots of crack houses. They ask me to wait for them while they go in to make a buy. I tell them I will, then as soon as they get out of my cab, I take off. I don't stay in those areas very long. Next day I'll see that same guy and he'll stop my and ask me to take him back to that same neighborhood. I ask him if he remembers me and I tell him that I took him over there and left him the day before. He just tells me he can't remember."

Johnny again tells the guy he'll wait for him, but he again drives off as soon as his passenger gets out of the cab. "They never wise up," says Johnny.

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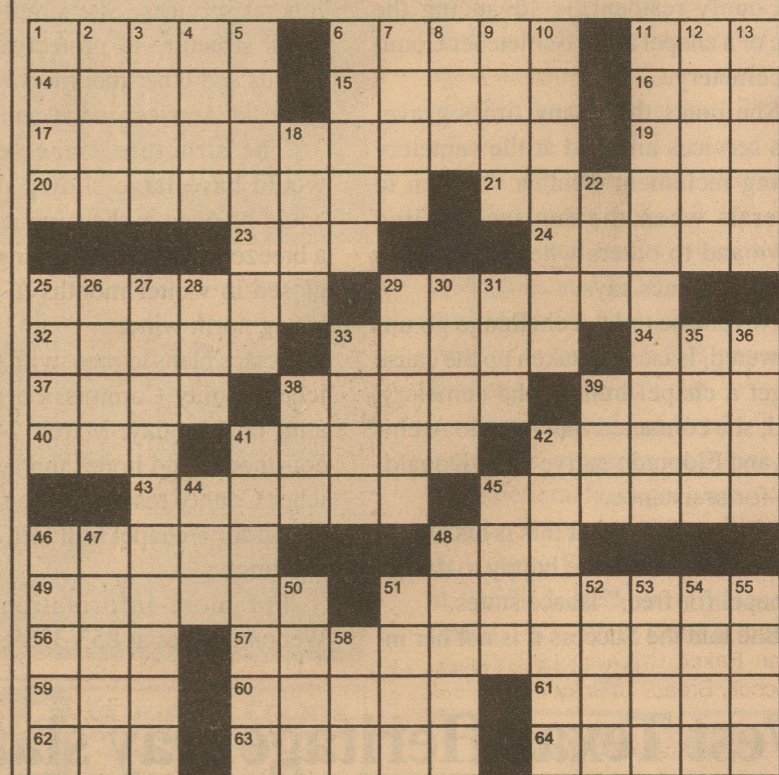


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| 1. Perry's aide                 | 45. "No Exit" playwright      | 25. Way out there                       |
| 6. Potpourri's quality          | 46. Kills time                | 26. With 64-Across, Roy Rogers's wife   |
| 11. Suffix with loyal or royal  | 48. Oscar winner              | 27. Hearty bowful                       |
| 14. Tale of Troy                | 49. Sonnet's ending           | 28. Model T contemporary                |
| 15. John, Paul, and John Paul   | 51. Save for later use        | 29. One who digs 18-Down                |
| 16. ___ Bingle (Crosby moniker) | 56. Writer Fosten             | 30. Actor Epps                          |
| 17. Large, heavy shoes          | 57. Caribbean meat dish       | 31. Minded Junior                       |
| 19. It's opposite IX on clocks  | 59. Earthbound bird           | 33. Theater section                     |
| 20. Hit tune of 1946            | 60. Of earlier vintage        | 35. Harris's ___ Rabbit                 |
| 21. "Romeo and Juliet" setting  | 61. Bed or home attachment    | 36. Insignificant                       |
| 23. Marina del ___ Calif.       | 62. 1/6 fl. oz.               | 38. Cacophony                           |
| 24. Gave an "R" to, say         | 63. ___-eyed                  | 39. Sculler's need                      |
| 25. Is gaga over                | 64. See 26-Down               | 41. Bit of cosmetic surgery, familiarly |
| 29. Zero in acting              |                               | 42. Lack of oomph                       |
| 32. Transmitted, in a way       | <b>DOWN</b>                   | 44. Part of AARP: Abbr.                 |
| 33. Succotash beans             | 1. Desk ref.                  | 45. Adam's third                        |
| 34. Co. called "Big Blue"       | 2. Vogue rival                | 46. Castaway's home                     |
| 37. Choir voice                 | 3. Serengeti predator         | 47. Considers                           |
| 38. Mr. Chips player            | 4. "Shane" star               | 48. Condemn openly                      |
| 39. Cruel dude                  | 5. Clung                      | 50. Prefix with cast or commute         |
| 40. "Citizen X" actor           | 6. Seek admission             | 51. TV Guide info                       |
| 41. Neighbor of Libya           | 7. Forming sticky threads     | 52. John Candy's old show               |
| 42. Politically incorrect       | 8. Reveal, poetically         | 53. Home furnishings chain              |
| Bill                            | 9. Griffin behind the "Wheel" | 54. Dizzy on the mound                  |
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No Rocket Scientists



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# OBITUARIES

## Gloria Schultz Enochs



ELDORADO — Enochs, Gloria Schultz. Her name was perfect because she glorified the Lord with her gift for music and her embodiment of a positive, Christian life on earth. Gloria was born on January 30, 1926 in Somerville, Texas and was given eternal life on March 13, 2003 in Trophy Club, Texas.

Gloria was the only child of Fred H. and Mabel Couch Schultz. She graduated from Somerville High School in 1942 and attended Blinn College in Brenham, and then Tyler Commercial College in Tyler. In 1943 she met J.P. (Pat) Enochs while he was stationed at Fort Fannin in Tyler. It was an instant attraction that would lead to 53 years of romance, devotion and loyalty. They married just six weeks later on August 28, and

## Juanita Gallegos



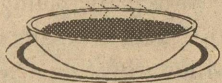
Juanita Gallegos went to be with her Heavenly Creator on Sunday, March 16th, 2003, at her residence in Eldorado, TX. Her family was at her side. She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister as well as her first husband Jesus Gonzales. She is survived by her second husband of thirty years, Salvador Gallegos, and children, Gabriela Trujillo, Olivia Elias, Jesus Gonzales, Isabel Fuentes, Teresa Lugo, Ernie Gonzales, Emma F. Garcia, Salvador Pedro Gallegos, and Altagracia Gallegos, and also 26 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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## Meals for Friends Menu



- Monday, March 24**  
Beef Tips, Rice, Cooked Carrots, Cornbread, Fruit Cup w/ Strawberries & Banana, Lemon Meringue Pie, Milk
- Tuesday, March 25**  
Oven Baked Chicken, Lima Beans, Broccoli, Bread, Chunky Mixed Fruit, Milk
- Wednesday, March 26**  
Ground Beef Steak, Macaroni & Cheese, Corn w/ Peppers, Hot Rolls, Carrot Salad, Apple Sauce, Milk
- Thursday, March 27**  
Vegetable Beef Stew, Green Beans, Cornbread, Pear Half w/ Cottage Cheese, Vanilla Pudding, Milk
- Friday, March 28**  
Baked Ham, Candied Yams, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Carrot Raisin Salad, Gelatin w/ Fruit, Milk

Pat's Army duties took him and his bride to Camp Blanding, Florida. When Pat was called to active duty in 1944, Gloria moved back to Somerville to await his return and the arrival of their baby. Their only child, Patricia Diane, was born in 1945 when Pat was stationed in Italy, but when he returned home from the war, "Tissie" became the light and joy of their lives.

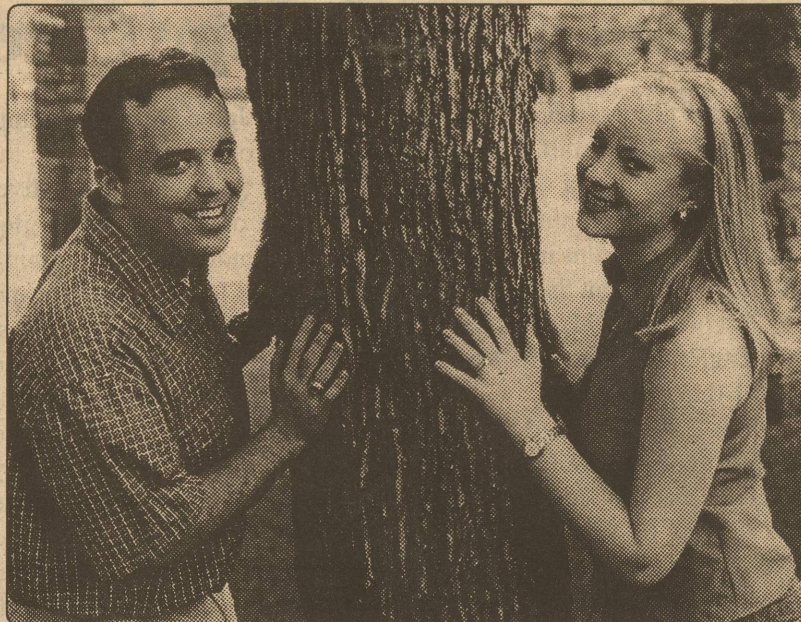
Upon his discharge from the Army, the family spent two years in Somerville, and then moved to Pat's home town of Eldorado, Texas, in 1947, where he was elected County and District Clerk for Schleicher County. During this time, Gloria was employed by the Benton Abstract and Title Company and the Meador Abstract Company in Eldorado. Gloria retired in 1998 as the Veteran's Service Officer for Schleicher County. She established her involvement and influence in the community through her founding membership in the Tuesday Bridge Club and dedicated membership in the First Presbyterian Church. For many years, Gloria's musical knowledge and passionate expertise on the piano and organ graced church services.

Gloria's life revolved around music, family and friends. She loved being at home and in her kitchen, and everyone in the surrounding counties knew they would be welcome at her kitchen table for a cup of coffee. She probably served more coffee than all the Starbucks put together!

In 1997, her life companion and loving husband, Pat died, but after a couple of years Gloria moved to Trophy Club, Texas to live with Tissie and Merlin. For the next 4 years, she was right in the middle of family fun and action, enjoying her granddaughters' college experiences, career life and Kristin's wedding. Gloria's dry humor and tell-it-like-it-is attitude brought laughter and wisdom to the home, and she always had a good story for visitors.

Gloria is now reunited with Pat and many friends in heaven, and will forever be a guardian angel to her family: daughter and son-in-law Tissie and Merlin Hauan of Trophy Club; grandchildren Julie Hauan, and Kristin and Michael Jolly of Lewisville, Texas. She is also survived by sisters- and brothers-in-law Faebelle Harzke, Wenona Isaacs, and Tom Enochs of Eldorado; Pearl Enochs of San Angelo; Ethel Etheredge of Midland; Bus and Erelene Enochs of Oak Hill, Texas; and eight nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were held Saturday, March 15, 2003 at the Eldorado Cemetery. The family asks that memorials be made to Vitas Hospice, 2501 Parkview Dr., #600, Fort Worth, TX, 76102, or to the charity of your choice.



Holly Mankin and Jeff Studer

## Mankin/Studer to wed in June

Mr. and Mrs. Mike L. Mankin of Greenwood, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Studer of Wichita Falls, would like to announce the engagement of their children Holly LeAnette Mankin and Joseph Jeffery Studer.

Holly is a former Eldorado student, having attended school here through her freshman year. She graduated from Greenwood High School in 1999 and is currently a senior at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls. She is due to receive her Bachelor of Music Ed-

ucation degree from Midwestern on May 10, 2003.

Jeff was raised in Wichita Falls and attended Texas A&M University where he earned a degree in Biomedical Science. He is now attending Veterinary Medical School at Oklahoma State University and will graduate from there May 2006.

The wedding is planned for June 7, 2003 at First Baptist Church of Wichita Falls. After the wedding the couple plans to reside in Stillwater, OK while Jeff finishes his degree.

## Chathams welcome baby girl

Jason and Eaby Chatham announce the last addition to their family.

LexiAnn Bryson Chatham was born Tuesday, March 4, 2003 at 12:31 p.m. weighing 7lbs. 11oz.

She received a big welcome home by sisters Blake, Macy and Addye. Her proud grandparents are Ben and Ann McCulloch of Millersview, TX, Jay and Vicki Chatham of Christoval, TX and Calvin Barbee of San Angelo, TX.



## It's a boy

Joshua Ryan Pina was born on March 8, 2003 at 11:40 a.m. at the Odessa Regional Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. 15 oz. and was 20" long.

Joshua's proud parents are Danny and Deborah Pina. His brothers are Jordan age 9 and Jacob age 5.

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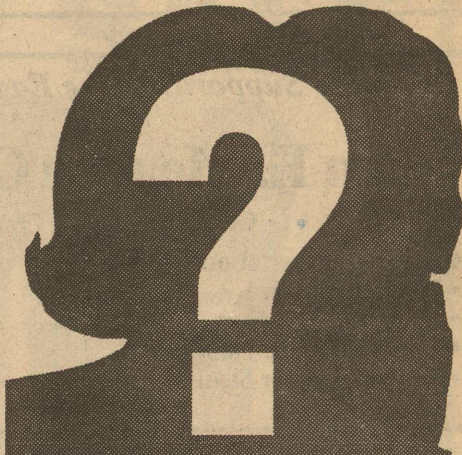
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## Eagles pound Grape Creek to open Dist. 2-2A season

by Coach Gary Grubbs

After a slow start which saw Grape Creek take a 4-2 lead into the top of the 5th inning the Eagles exploded for 11 runs in the 5th and 10 in the 6th to put the game away by a score of 23-11. With the win the Eagles improve to 13-4 overall and 1-0 in district play.

The Eagles scored a pair of runs in the top of the 1st when Trey Chavez reached first on an error by the 1st baseman and Quisto Gonzalez doubled him home. Gonzalez was later driven in by a two out single to left by Joey Hernandez. After some controversial calls Grape Creek was able to build a 4-2 lead entering the top of the 5th inning. A single by Frankie Arispe followed by another single by Philip Martinez plated Arispe to make the score 4-3. With two strikes on him Joey Hernandez blasted a 1-2 pitch over the left field fence to give the Eagles the lead for good. A double by Alan Dykstra, a bean ball to Jared Grubbs, a double by Frankie Arispe, a single by Alan Dykstra,

a single by Jared Grubbs accounted for the other 8 runs of the inning as the Eagles bats came alive. In the top of the 6th the Eagles scored 10 more runs. The inning began with a Joe Arispe single and was followed by a monstrous blast off the bat of Trey Chavez, the home run plated two more runs for the Eagles. A single by Quisto Gonzalez and a double by Joey Hernandez to left center plated the next run. Hernandez then scored on a Homer Hernandez hit to third. Jared Grubbs then followed with a two out single to score Hernandez and Dykstra. By the end of the inning the Eagles had built their lead to 23-10.

Michael Adame got the win on the mound to improve his record to 3-2. Homer Hernandez came into relieve Adame in the 6th and recorded two strikeouts to seal the win. Improving their record to 13-4 and 1-0 on district the Eagles will next face the Lions from Ozona. Game will begin 4:00 p.m. Friday March 21 at the Eldorado High School Baseball Field.



**Ace on the mound** — Eagles pitcher Frankie Arispe is shown on the mound against Miles recently. The Eagles opened loop play this week with a 23-11 win over Grape Creek.

## Eagles nine place 3rd in San Saba baseball tourney

The Eldorado Eagles baseball team ended their spring break by placing third in the Mill Pond Baseball Classic held in San Saba this past weekend. The Eagles were able to win two out of three games they played.

In the opener the Eagles exploded for 30 runs against Lometa and won the game 30-2. The Eagles were hot at the plate banging out 18 hits. Several players had outstanding games at the plate. Frankie Arispe and Jared Grubbs both had 3 hits apiece with Arispe scoring 5 runs. The blast of the game came off the bat of Trey Chavez who hit a home run deep to left field, his second of the year.

On the mound three pitchers Michael Adame, Jared Grubbs, and Trey Chavez chipped in to pitch a two hitter. Jared Grubbs was the winning pitcher recording 4 strikeouts in two innings of work.

In game two the Eagles ran into a hot team from Johnson City and lost 11-1. The Eagles could muster only two hits. The lone run coming on a Philip Martinez RBI single to left driving in Frankie Arispe.

Eagle pitching only gave up 6

hits but that produced 11 runs for Johnson City. Michael Adame started on the mound and recorded 3 strikeouts. He was relieved by Philip Martinez.

In the third place game the Eagles pounded Mason 10-5. This was a good victory for the Eagles after being beaten by the Punchers twice last year in district play. The Eagles scored four runs in the bottom of the first when runs were scored by Quisto Gonzalez, Frankie Arispe, Philip Martinez, and Joey Hernandez. These 4 runs were manufactured by walks a hit batter and passed balls. In the third the Eagles struck again for three runs. Homer Hernandez singled and advanced to third. He was followed by a walk to Michael Adame. Then with a 2-2 count to right fielder Joe Arispe blasted a two run shot over the right center field wall to give the Eagles a 7-3 lead. The Eagles scored 3 more times to make the final 10-5.

Frankie Arispe started on the mound recording 6 strikeouts and getting the win raising his record to 4-0 on the year. Homer Hernandez came in to relieve Arispe and pitched well. This is the first action Hernandez has seen on the mound in a few weeks due to some soreness. The Eagles are now 12-4 on the year completing their non-district schedule. Picked to finish 5th in the district has helped the Eagles to prepare for the upcoming district race. The Eagles will open up district on Tuesday in Grape Creek at 4:00 p.m.

## JV drops close one to Mason

by Coach Gary Grubbs

After digging themselves a 7-0 deficit to the Punchers the Eagles were able to come back and take the lead before falling 15-10 to Mason.

The Eagles started slow falling behind 7-0 before they struck for 3 runs in the bottom of the 3rd, two in the 4th, two in the 5th and three in the 6th to take a 10-9 lead. In the top of the 7th the Punchers scored six runs to make the final

margin 15-10.

Jorge Bustos scored three runs, Caleb Nixon scored twice with two base hits and did an outstanding job behind the plate. Andy Mejia doubled twice, Frank Wipff had a double, and Michael Hill had two singles and did a great job on the mound for the Eagles.

The JV will be back in action Saturday, March 22 playing a doubleheader beginning at noon in Junction.



**Third Place Win** (L-R) Rachel Joiner hands off to Allison Reynolds during the Sprint Relay, on Saturday March 15 at the Sonora Track Meet. The Lady Eagles sprint relay team consists of Clara Herrera, Rachel Joiner, Allison Reynolds and Kasey Boysaw. The team placed third with a time of 53.4. The same team placed 7th in the 800 Meter Relay with a time of 1:56.

## EHS Eagles golf team news

The EHS Eagles Golf Team placed 7th among 10 schools that competed during the Grape Creek Invitational Golf Tournament in Grape Creek.

Playing for the Eagle Golf Team are: Landon Nixon who

scored an (44-47) 91, 8th place medalist Koda Lozano scored an (42-45)87, Michael Hill scored (54-51) 105, Kyle Taylor scored (59-69) 128 and Epolo Herrera scored a (59-68)127. The team total came to 410.

Ozona Lion's placed 1st with a score of 333, Wall placed 2nd with Reagan County coming in 3rd.

Other teams participating were: Eldorado, Eden, Forsan, Grape Creek, Miles, Sterling City and Rankin.

Aaron Garza of Ozona was first place medalist with a score of 74; 2nd place medalist was Michael Benham of Wall with a score of 80.

Coaching the 2003 Eagles Golf Team is Coach Don Richters.

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**Tuesday, March 25**

• Hot Dogs w/ Chili, French Fries, Baked Beans, Cowboy Cookies

**Wednesday, March 26**

• (MS/HS-Crispitos or) Turkey & Cheese Sandwich, Potato Chips, Lettuce & Tomato, Sliced Peaches

**Thursday, March 27**

• Soft Tacos w/ Cheese, Pinto Beans, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Peanut Butter Cookies

**Friday, March 28**

• Cheeseburger, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Mixed Fruit

**Breakfast**

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**Monday, March 24**

• Dry Cereal, Assorted Crackers, Grape Juice

**Tuesday, March 25**

• Pancake on a stick w/ Syrup, Apple Juice

**Wednesday, March 26**

• Scrambled Eggs, Flour Tortilla, Orange Juice

**Thursday, March 27**

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## Hospital administrator address Eldorado Woman's Club

The Eldorado Woman's Club met March 11, 2003 at 2:30 p.m. in the Memorial Building Club Room. President Myrt Williams welcomed thirteen members and one guest. Shine Spigarelli next read "Today is Mine" by Paul Shaw followed by Nelva Martin leading us in pledges to the Flags. Program Leader Penny Bland called on Mary Roden to introduce our guest speaker Sharon Dietz.

Sharon is Administrator of Schleicher County Medical Center and has been here since August 2002. She lives at the country home of Pearl Enochs. She is a native Oklahoman and calls Guthrie her home county. She has three daughters and one son. Her parents also have health care backgrounds as well as ranching/farming and rodeo interests. She told us she enjoys country life and was a barrel racer for many years. She shared

with us that a daughter was to soon bring her horses and she was looking forward to their arrival.

Sharon gave us some of her work related experiences. She was in Financial Management for several years and then decided to get a college degree in Health Care Administration and has many years experience in this type of employment. She said her first home health care job was in rural Iowa at the first home health care facility opened in the U.S.A.

From listening to her tell about her experiences we could feel her love for her chosen career. She has enjoyed getting acquainted with her new job in Eldorado and meeting some local folks. Sharon had many wonderful things to say about our hospital complex, the nursing staff, the doctors, and others connected with the hospital. She invites everyone to come

see the new up-to-date equipment and the improvements that have been made to the dining room. We could feel her excitement on what's happening at SCMC and how proud she is of the medical care offered in Schleicher County. Sharon is also looking forward to new ideas that would make SCMC even more patient usable as well as aiding the staff.

We thank Sharon for being our guest speaker and telling us a few things about herself, her career history and her hopes for our hospital. She said we have a super facility and Schleicher County folks should be proud of what we have. We welcome her to our Community. Go by and tell her hello, introduce yourself, and let her show you around.

Our small town and country probably didn't make a big impression back in August when she flew into Eldorado but we could see she was enjoying everything more each day. Who knows maybe this Oklahoma native will even add y'all, over yonder and a Texas drawl to her way of speaking. Thanks Sharon for being our guest speaker.

Following Sharon's informative talk President Williams called on Dorothy Harris for the Secretary's report and also on Nelva Martin for the Treasurers report. Under new business president Williams reminded us of our April 10, 2003 meeting. It will be our annual field trip. We will leave from the Memorial Building at 9:30 a.m. and travel to Ft. McKavett, Texas for a guided tour of the fort and we will also tour the Episcopal Church and a church member will tell its history. Lunch plans were discussed and approved by voice vote. Secretary Dorothy Harris next said our roll call would be answered with "The Woman I Most Admire". Most of us paid tribute to family members

or great friends. Jerre Holley, Clara Mae Donaldson, Jessie Lee Spencer, Mama Holley, Mother Bolt, Norma Lynn Mund, Aunt Aggie Bradley and Isabel McCutcheon's mother also mentioned were Laura Bush and Mother Teresa. We closed our meeting by reciting our Club Collect.

Delicious refreshment prepared by our hostesses Chairman Linda Spence, Charlene Edminston and Nelva Martin were a special treat. We enjoyed the clever St. Patrick Day theme table appointments.

### BIRTHDAY LIST

**MARCH**  
 20th Kasey Miller, Mabel E. Nance, Michael Lloyd, Pam White, Pat Lloyd, Colten Hunley White, John A. Martinez, Freda Rayvon, Geneva McWhorter, Chasity Willis  
 21st Mason Baker, Javier Iglesias, Jr.  
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 23rd Robert Jay, Garrison Dean, Mari E. Martinez, Darcie Bullard, Annette Santellano  
 24th Fidel Herrera Sr., Kay Creek  
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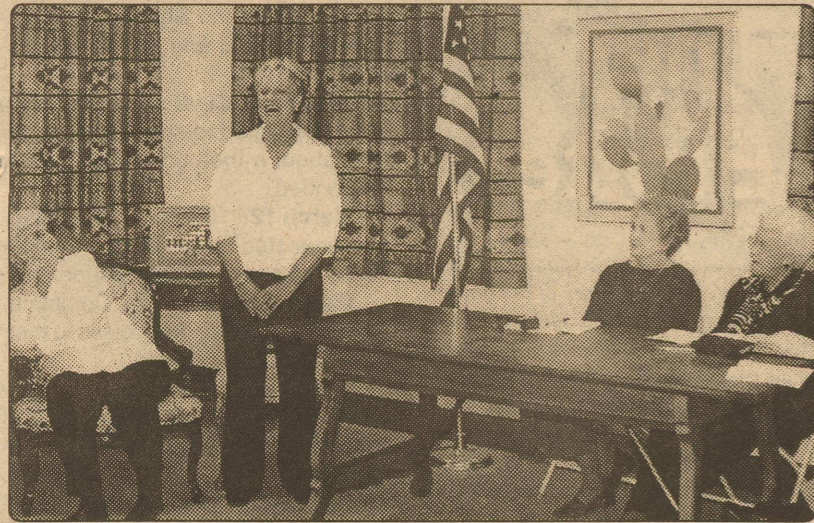


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**Talking about health care** — Hospital Administrator Sharon Dietz met with the members of the Eldorado Woman's Club on Monday, March 11, 2003, and told them about some of the new high-tech equipment available at Schleicher County Medical Center.

## UBS blood drive slated at elementary next Thursday

United Blood Services of San Angelo will be in Eldorado for a blood drive on Thursday, March 27th from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. The drive is sponsored by Eldorado High School HST II class and will be held in the elementary school kitchen. Please call Susie Richters at 853-2770 X231 to schedule your appointment.

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One of it's most important projects is helping to provide educational opportunities for young people. Each year, Super S Foods awards a \$1,000 college scholarship to a deserving high school senior in every community in which they operate a store. This is investing in a community on a vital level.

If, the next 30 years are anything like the first 30, Super S Foods will continue to grow and prosper along with the towns and people they serve. There will always be a need for companies like Super S Foods, who are dedicated to meeting the needs to the Community with a tradition of honesty, integrity, value and total customer satisfaction.



Happy 30th! Manager Rich Harrington and his staff invite you to come by and help Super S Foods celebrate the company's 30th birthday. Pictured above are (Front L-R) Sandra Martinez, Jeannie Olivarez, Manager Rich Harrington, Asst. Manager Ruben Tambunga, Paula Jones; (Back L-R) Frank Martinez, Erik Talamantez and Algene Herms, market manager.

## Eagle Booster Club News

by Club President Bill Hodges

April 12 is fast approaching and the golf tournament is on schedule. There will be two tee off times, one at 8:00 a.m. and the other at 12:30 p.m. A \$10,000.00 (ten thousand) dollar hole in one contest will be included in the entry free along with a 3 day, 2 night vacation celebration and another hole in one prize is a set of fat shaft

irons by Wilson. Entry fee is \$100.00. Lunch and refreshments will be available at the club house.

As of now it looks like the Booster Club roping event will have to wait due to the lack of roping steers. We are still looking but it does not look promising.

The tennis tournament is being worked on at the present and we hope to have a date and detail soon.

## FSA announces deadline for Wool and Mohair assistance

Eldorado, TX - March 17, 2003 - Producers have until March 31, 2003 to request a marketing assistance loan (LDP) on 2002 crop year wool and mohair and unshorn lamb pelts from the Farm Service Agency.

"This is the last chance for eligible producers to apply for either a nine-month, nonrecourse marketing assistance loan or a Loan Deficiency Payment (LDP) for 2002-crop wool or mohair, as authorized by the new Farm Bill," according to Jan Wanoreck, County Executive Director for Schleicher/Sutton/Val Verde County FSA.

"Usually a producer must maintain a beneficial interest in a crop to obtain a loan," Wanoreck explained. "Those producers who sold their wool and mohair crop and lost beneficial interest before the program was implemented are being offered a one-time opportunity to apply for these loans. That means that producers who sold their wool or mohair before Oct. 11, 2002 may be eligible."

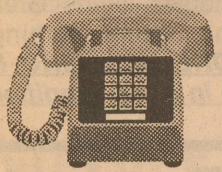
Wool and mohair nonrecourse marketing assistance loans provide producers with interim financing on their production. Instead of selling the wool and mohair immediately after shearing, a nonrecourse loan allows a producer to store the production, pledging the commodity itself as collateral. The loan helps an eligible producer pay bills when they come due without having to sell the wool or mohair at a time of year when prices tend to be lowest. Producers must meet eligibility requirements.

As an alternative to obtaining a loan, producers may request LDPs on graded or ungraded wool. The graded wool loan rates are announced by region according to eight specific micron ranges and apply to wool that, in addition to meeting the criteria above, is skirted, classed, untied, clean and with bellies out, and has a minimum length of three inches.

Wool and mohair marketing loan gains and LDPs received by producers for each crop year are subject to one \$75,000 payment limitation per crop year.

For detailed information on loan rates, program limitations or other Federal farm programs, contact the Schleicher/Sutton/Val Verde County Farm Service Agency at 915/853-3535 or visit the national FSA Web Site at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.

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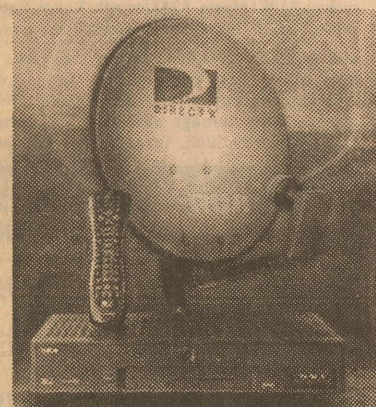
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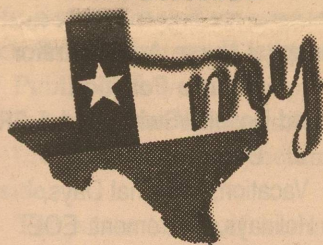
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