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Eldorado Youth Baseball All-Stars

Congratulations on a great summer of baseball!

Both the 13 & 14 year old and 15 and 16 year old competed in the Little League Playoffs.

Reagan County Tourney - Big Lake
Major's - 3rd Place Andy Mejia and Kyle Taylor All Tourney

10 yr. old - 1st Place Chris Chavez, Michael Redish and Manny Gonzales All Tourney
Matthew Hill - MVP
Minor's - 3rd Place Milo Vallejo, Abel Fuentes and David Tirado All Tourney

Plateau Classic - Eldorado
Major's - 3rd Place Andy Mejia and Michael Hill All Tourney

10 yr. old - 3rd Place Manny Gonzales and Matthew Hill All Tourney
Minor's - 3rd Place Milo Vallejo, Abel Fuentes and David Tirado All Tourney

Crockett County Tourney - Ozona*
Minor's - 3rd Place

Junction All Star Tournament
Major's - Tied 6th David Hernandez All Tourney

Heart of Texas Tourney - Brady
Major's - Tied 6th Andy Mejia All Tourney
9 & 10's - Tied 6th Milo Vallejo All Tourney

West Texas Classic - Iraan*
Major's - 2nd Place
Minor's - 2nd Place

*No All Tourney Team Selected

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Eddy Mae Kinser Memorial 4-Lady Golf Tournament

by Mabel Freitag

As usual, we had a wonderful time and turn - out for our annual 4 - Lady Tournament this past Saturday, July 15th. There were 40 ladies from Sonora, Ozona, Big Lake, Mertzon, Water Valley, San Angelo and Eldorado. We started playing at 8:30 and finished at 12:30 before the heat got so intense. This is always a great tournament and we appreciate all the ladies who come and make our tournaments a success.

Championship Flight: 1st Place Score 57; Gooch, Gooch, McKinney and Sexton
2nd Place Score 58: Kollmeyer, Herrison, Bly and Matt

First Flight: 1st Place Score 64; James, Straud, Isam and Hamieton
2nd Place Score 64; Lester, Davidson, Edmonson and Hender-son

Score card play off for 1st and 2nd place.

Longest Drive #7 Miller Harri-son

Closest to Pin #2. Leslie Gooch
Our 4-Lady Partnership Tourna-ment will be October 14th.

Fall sports physicals slated

High school or middle school students needing a physical before the beginning of the 2000-2001 school year should meet in front of the high school gym at 9:00 a.m. Saturday August 5th. Students will be taken to San Angelo for a free physical at the West Texas Sports Medicine Center. The students are slated to return home around 12:30 p.m. Physical forms must be signed and filled out before arriving in San Angelo. Forms may be picked in the administration office or from any of the EHS coaches. Two-a-day workouts begin at 7:00 a.m. August 7th at Eagle Stadium



photo by Kathy Mankin

Pony League 15 & 16 Year Old Allstars — This team finished with a 16-2 Season, they were 3rd in the Western League San Angelo District. Front (L-R) Pedro Hernandez, Joe Arispe, Jorge Bustos, Tony Chavez, Gilbert Arispe, Virgello Escobar, Ray David Buitron; Back (L-R) Coach Arthur Adame, Frank Estrada, Juan Diego Guzman, Mike Adame, Homer Hernandez, Phillip Martinez, Jesse Estrada, Coach Donny Fuentes, Coach Juaquin Rojas and bookkeeper Ramon Adame. Not pictured Tico Robles and Scott Moore.



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Pony League - 13 & 14 Year Olds — (L-R) Kyle Brown, Stephen Arispe, Joey Hernandez, Lance Roberts, Allen Dykstra and Bryce Leggett.

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Laughlin Air Force Base plans "Air Amistad 2000" airshow

A Korean War-era dogfight between a MIG and an F-80 jet, the U.S. Army Golden Knights parachute team and the always popular U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds. These events will highlight the Air Amistad 2000 open house and airshow to be held Oct. 8th at Laughlin Air Force Base near Del Rio, Texas.

"This all-day event is free and everyone is welcome," noted Lt. Col. Cleveland McCray of the 86th Flying Training Squadron, who is directing this year's open house. "Air Amistad gives us the opportunity to show our missions, equipment and people to everyone in our surrounding communities," he explained. "We deal with many businesses daily; however, this event provides a 'grass-roots' opportunity for individuals to see firsthand

what goes on within a military installation."

Many military aircraft will be displayed for everyone to view and photograph. These will include huge cargo and tanker aircraft, plus high-performance fighters and bombers. Entertainment will take place throughout the day and refreshment booths will help quench everyone's thirst and hunger. Recruiters will be on hand to provide information about career opportunities in all branches of the military.

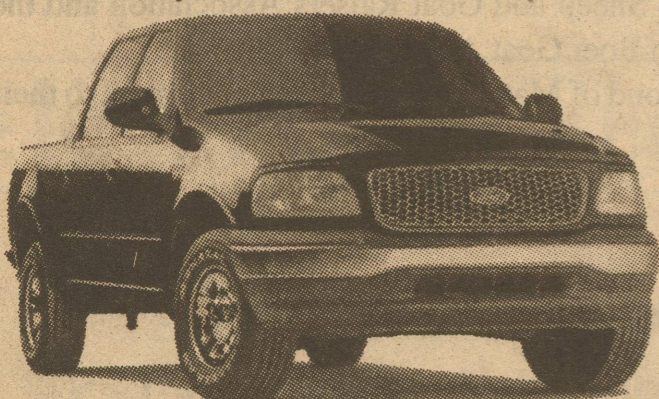
Plan now to attend the largest military airshow and open house along the Texas-Mexico border. Laughlin's gates will open at 9 a.m. Oct. 8th.

For up-to-minute details on the open house and airshow events, visit the Air Amistad 2000 web site available at: www.laughlin.af.mil.

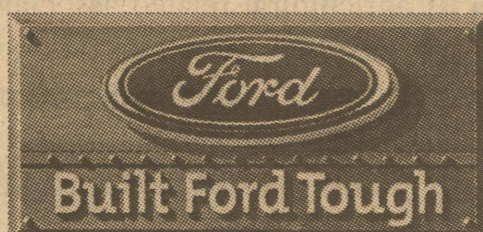
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Sheep, goat and swine validation is just around the corner

by Scott Edmonson CEA-Ag

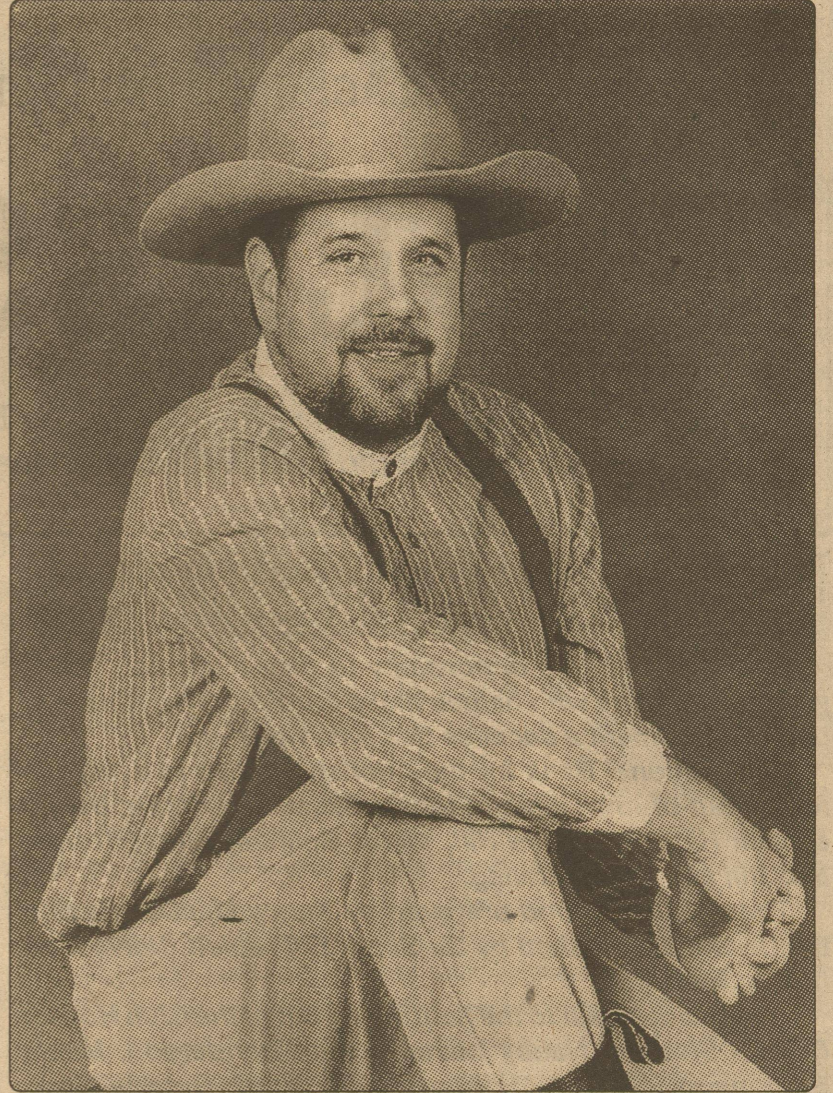
The time is quickly approaching when we need to make orders for this years lamb, goat and swine validation tags. This process has been done for several years in the lamb and swine divisions but this will be the first time for a statewide goat validation. Any 4-H or FFA member who would like to show in the major shows during this upcoming season needs to call the office and let us know how many tags for each animal you will be needing.

This year will see some changes in the validation process which will include DNA, therefore we encourage everyone to have an accurate account of animals as possible because of the costs associated with this new process.

We would also like to have an accurate count of those animals that will be shown only at the county show so we can make plans to validate them as well. As a reminder, once the validation date has passed we cannot validate an animal for the shows.

The validation dates are as follows: Lambs and goats (October 14, 2000, 9: a.m. - 12: noon at the showbarn) and swine (November 18, 2000, 9: a.m. - 12: noon at the showbarn)

The deadline for letting us know the number of tags you will be needing will be August 18th, 2000. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please do not hesitate to give us a call at 915-853-2132.



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A night of fun — Cowboy poet, historian and humorist, Gary Karschner, a.k.a. Zechariah Teague, will entertain guests at the X-Bar Ranch's Dinner Series on August 11th.

10th Annual Silver Spur Ball

The 10th annual Silver Spur Ball on Friday, July 21, raised a record breaking \$21,000 for West Texas Rehabilitation Center, thus pushing cumulative revenues from the event past the \$139,000 mark.

An auction of hand-crafted items and merchandise donated by individuals and businesses accounted for \$6,500 of the total. A hand-pieced quilt, which was won in a drawing by LeRoy Hoelscher of Garden City, added another \$2,000 to the event. Also, a Holland's Jewelry spur pin, commemorating the event's 10th year, was won by San Angelo accountant Grady Harlow.

Underwriting, given in memory of Mark Lipsett by his mother helps defray costs associated with the event held at the Knights of Columbus Hall and allows all proceeds from ticket sales and auction items to go directly to the Rehab Center which annually serves 17,000 children and adults with disabilities at facilities in Abilene, San Angelo and Ozona.

Also providing sponsorship this year was Winn-Dixie Catering which prepared a buffet supper for the 500 attendees.

Originated in 1991, the Silver Spur Ball is coordinated and hosted by volunteers Benny and Sweetie Willerg of Paint Rock; Preston and Pete Dudley of Mertz; Bill and Mabel Freitag of Eldorado; J.D. and Becky Gould of Carlsbad; and Doodle Dankworth, Norman and Linda Dierschke, Floyd and Dottie Freulich, Steven and Jennifer Hoelscher, Dennis Kasberg, Bob and Jean Ann LeGrand, Velma Jo McCully, Pat and Rudy McDonald, Mark and Lou Ann Multer and Al and Clara Nell Waters, all of San Angelo.

X-Bar Dinner Series 2000 to feature Gary Karschner

On a beautiful evening in late June, not far from the main lodge on the X Bar Ranch "Voices of the Past" came alive to tell their stories of life on the frontier as this area was being settled. A cast of seven readers, including locals and costumed soldiers from Fort Concho, told stories of the early days of Schleicher, Tom Green and Menard counties. The first part of the evening was centered around the campfire area on the edge of the Granger Draw valley. The crowd of over 60 was then served a meal at the main lodge, which is also where the last part of the evening's entertainment took place.

Although none was seen, some wildlife was heard in the surrounding bushes as Dr. Dale Rollins entertained guests with his famous animal "Calls of the Wild" program for part two of the dinner series. Dr. Rollins works at the Texas A&M Research Center in San Angelo and has educated and entertained many people in West Texas and across the state.

"We really enjoyed the dinner and entertainment the other night at the ranch," said Kirk Jones, "Until I had to drive my grandson and niece to Menard and back the next morning. I don't know what animal they would have called with the noises they were making, but they sure were trying to copy what they had heard the night before."

Friday August, 11, will be the final evening of the 2000 dinner series at the X Bar Ranch. The evening's entertainment will be presented by Gary Karschner, also known as Zechariah Teague. Karschner is a cowboy historian and poet from San Angelo, and his humor and quick wit captivate and entertain audiences of all kinds. "We are very excited to have Gary out to entertain. He is always a big hit, and I know the guests will enjoy the evening at the ranch. We are expecting our biggest crowd of the summer," said Stan Meador, general manager of the X Bar Guest Ranch. Meador added, "We would also like to thank all of the locals for the support this year. The dinner series is something we look forward to trying to continue in future years."

For additional information contact the X Bar Ranch at 853-2688.

Focus on the Family

by Dr. James Dobson

Sponsored by Community Baptist Church of Eldorado



Fathers Consumed By Work Must Change Their Priorities

QUESTION: What has been your greatest challenge as a father? What did you learn from it?

DR. DOBSON: Raising healthy, well-educated, self-disciplined children who love God and their fellow human beings is, I believe, the most challenging responsibility in living. Not even rocket science can approach it for complexity and unpredictability. And, of course, the job is even more difficult today when the culture undermines and contradicts everything parents are trying to accomplish at home.

Fortunately, we are not asked to do everything perfectly as moms and dads. Our kids usually manage to survive our mistakes and failures and turn out better than we have any right to boast about.

I certainly made my share of mistakes as a father. Like millions of other men of my era, I often had a tough time balancing the pressures of my profession with the needs of my family. Not that I ever became an "absentee father," but I did struggle at times to be as accessible as I knew I should be.

As it happened, my first book, "Dare to Discipline," was published the same week that our second child, Ryan, arrived. A baby always turns a house upside down, but the reaction to my book added to the turmoil. I was a full-time professor at a medical school, and yet I was inundated by thousands of letters and requests of every sort. There was no mechanism to handle this sudden fame. I remember flying to New York one Thursday night and doing 17 television shows and press interviews in three days, returning to work on Monday morning. It was nothing short of overwhelming.

My father, who always served as a beacon in dark times, saw what was happening to me and wrote a letter that was to change my life. First, he congratulated me on my success, but then warned that all the success in the world would not compensate if I failed at home. He reminded me that the spiritual welfare of our children was my most important responsibility, and that the only way to build their faith was to model it personally and then to stay on my knees in prayer. That couldn't be done if I invested every resource in my profession.

I have never forgotten that profound advice. It eventually led to my resignation from the university and to the development of a ministry that permitted me to stay at home. I quit accepting speaking requests, started a radio program that required no travel, and refused to do "book tours" or accept other lengthy responsibilities that would take me away from my family.

As I look back on that era today, I am so grateful that I chose to preserve my relationship with my children. The closeness that we enjoy today can be traced to that decision to make time for them when they needed me most. I could easily have made the greatest mistake of my life at that time.

I'm sure many fathers will read this response and find themselves today where I was back then. If you are one of them, I urge you to give priority to your family. Those kids around your feet will be grown and gone before you know it. Don't let the opportunity of these days slip away from you. No professional accomplishment or success is worth that cost. When you stand where I am today, the relationship with those you love will outweigh every other good thing in your life.

QUESTION: Would you say that most marital problems are caused by sexual difficulties?

DR. DOBSON: No, the opposite is more accurate. Most sexual problems are caused by marital difficulties. Or stated another way, couples that have problems in bed often have bigger problems in the other 23 1/2 hours of the day.

 Dr. Dobson is president of the nonprofit organization Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, Colo. 80903; or www.focus.org. Questions and answers are excerpted from "Solid Answers," published by Tyndale House.
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Smile for the camera - (L-R) Schleicher County Extension Agent Nancy Lester, Corie Williams and Katie Koch attended the District 7 4-H Fashion Revue in San Angelo.

Corie Williams wins at Dist. 7 4-H Fashion Revue

District 7 4-H Fashion Revue was held at Southland Baptist Church in San Angelo on July 17, 2000. Corie Williams won 4th place in the Junior Division Sportswear/Casual Category. Williams was also presented the "Best Model" plaque.

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