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meets up with Eldorado
native Jim Runge**

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TDH feuds with County over Community Resource Center

Center's clients await decision on future of facility

After years of battling to keep the doors of the Community Resource Center open, Schleicher County found itself suddenly evicted from the facility this week. Miguel A. Escobedo, M.D., Regional Director of the Texas Department of Health (TDH) notified Schleicher County Judge Johnny Griffin by letter that the county's Resource Center coordinator, Patsy Kellogg, would no longer be allowed in the building. Escobedo's letter referred to an anonymous complaint and cited an alleged breach of confidentiality.

Only one week ago, Mrs. Kellogg reported finding cash and postage stamps missing from her desk drawer. She reported the incident to the Schleicher County Sheriff's Dept. and Deputy George Arispe carried out the initial investigation.

Schleicher County Judge Johnny Griffin thinks the two incidents may be related and told the Success that he believes a TDH employee, who occasionally works at the center, thought she was being accused of the theft. He speculated that the complaint against Mrs. Kellogg was made in retaliation.

Schleicher County Commissioners, who received their first report of the feud on Monday, ap-

pear to be supporting Mrs. Kellogg. Judge Griffin told the commissioners he planned to contact State Representatives Bob Turner and Rob Junell to see if a solution could be worked out.

At press time, the Success had been unable to contact Dr. Escobedo for comment on the matter.

Schleicher County has operated the Community Resource Center for years. It began as a pilot project, paid for by a grant, to test the feasibility of a central office to house all types of government agencies. When the pilot project ended, the county opted to keep the center open and solicited funds from the various agencies which utilize the center. One such agency is the TDH, which began paying the rent on the building, as its part of operating the center.

"They pay the rent, so they think they run the show," Judge Griffin commented. "I don't think they realize how many other organizations use the Resource Center."

The Judge continued by noting that the Veterans Administration, Texas Department Mental Health and Mental Retardation, the Concho Valley Council of Governments' Rural Transportation Van and the Eldorado Ministerial Alliance's Food Pantry, are but a

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photo by Kathy Mankin

Moving out — Resource Center director Patsy Kellogg spent the last few days removing office supplies and other county-owned material from the Community Resource Center, after the Texas Department of Health evicted the county from the premises.

Longhorn officials tell City pipeline is safe

Company pledges to truck water to town if leak damages aquifer

by Pat Ragsdale

Three representatives of Longhorn Pipeline Company, the company that owns a petroleum product pipeline which crosses the length of Schleicher County, appeared before the Eldorado City Council on Monday evening to offer assurances that the pipeline poses no threat to the Edwards-Trinity Aquifer, which supplies water to the City and all residents of Schleicher County.

Longhorn Pipeline has three

major investors: Exxon-Mobil; BP-Amoco; and Williams Energy. Another group of smaller companies, including Fagan Energy, own minority stake in the company. Representing Longhorn Pipeline at the meeting were Dave Winans, Bill Stein and Stewart Lytle. They told the council of hydrostatic testing and other steps which had been carried out along the 450-mile length of the pipeline, including depth testing every 50-feet. Mr. Winans explained

that in instances where the pipeline was found to need repair, new sections were installed. Also, through many cultivated areas, the pipeline was lowered to avoid being damaged by farm equipment. He also noted that the company had put in place a 37-step mitigation plan, designed to address potential problems on the line.

However, when Mayor John Nikolauk asked if the city council

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Eagles nine play Lockney tonight

by David E. Hill

The Eldorado Eagles baseball team travels to Abilene tonight to take on Lockney at McMurry University's Digger Field at 7:00 p.m.

The District 2-2A Champion Eagles earned a bye in the first round of the playoffs last week. Lockney defeated Tahoka in a 3-game series.

The scouting report on Lockney indicates that they have strong pitching and are a scrappy ballclub. Eagles coach Ronnie Molina said, "They can be down five runs and fight back in a hurry."

Lockney's team doesn't appear to be strong in the infield and is lacking in power hitting, according to te scouts who have seen them play. The Eagles should match up well against them. The winner of tonight's game will play the winner of the Wall/Abernathy series.

Everyone is encouraged to make the trip to Abilene to support the Eagles. Remember, wear your green, and BE LOUD!

F.Y.I.

For Your Information

Tee Off in Texas

The Lone Star State is apopular place of professional golfers, playing host to seven pro tournaments, including four PGA stops, a LPGA tournament and two Senior PGA tour events. In addition to generating tourism dollars, these tournaments raise money for charity. The GTE Byron Nelson Classic raised \$5.9 million for charity in 1999. The Shell Houston Open collected \$3.4 million and the MasterCard Colonial in Ft. Worth raised \$2 million for worthy causes.

On This Date

On this date in 330 the city of Constantinople was founded. In 1864 Confederate General J.E.B. Stuart was mortally wounded at the battle of Yellow Tavern. In 1897 Charlie Farrell, catcher for the Washington Senators, threw out 8 runners attempting to steal a base. In 1916 Einstein's Theory of General Relativity was first presented.

Birthdays of note include: 1888 composer Irving Berlin; 1904 surrealist artist Salvador Dali; 1912 comedian Phil Silvers; 1920 character actor Denver Pyle.

Baccalaureate service planned Sunday evening in EHS auditorium

The annual Baccalaureate service to honor the graduating seniors of Eldorado High School will be held Sunday, May 14, 2000 at 7:00 p.m., in the High School Auditorium. Graduating seniors will process in their caps and gowns, accompanied by the brass ensemble of the Eagle Band, led by Gina Muela.

Baccalaureate speaker this year is Rev. Carlos Estrada, pas-

tor of the Primera Iglesia Bautista of Eldorado. EHS Principal Ken Newman will also present the American Legion award to two graduating seniors.

Baccalaureate services are provided each year by the Eldorado Ministerial Alliance as part of their ecumenical community-wide ministry. The goal, according to Rev. Andy Anderson, the alliance president, is to "give these wonderful

young people a prayerful, spiritual send-off that will encourage them as they step out into the next phase of their lives."

Ministers slated to take part this year include: Rev. Andy Anderson and Rev. Jim Broome, First Baptist Church; Rev. Janice Petty, First United Methodist Church; Glen MacDonald, minister of the Mertzson Highway Church of Christ; Pastor Leandro

Gallegos, Templo Getsemani Assembly; Dr. Byron Orand, Community Baptist Church; Pastor Henry Green, St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church; Pastor Walt Griggs, Agape Assembly of God; Father George Varakukala, Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church; and Rev. Carlos Estrada, Primera Iglesia Bautista.

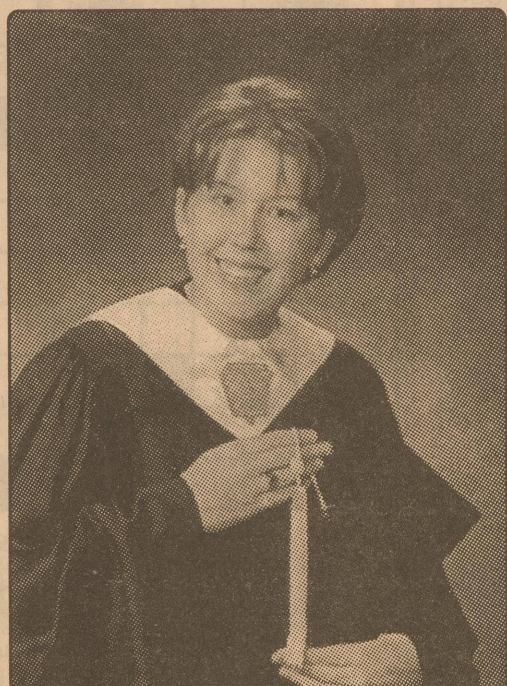
The EHS Varsity Choir is also scheduled to perform during the

service.

Refreshments following the ceremony are being provided courtesy of the Moms in Touch prayer group, headed by Liz Anderson, Carrie Hill, Nancy MacDonald, Judith Samaniego, Edie Niblett, and Penny Whitten. Everyone is urged to attend and join in the celebration as the EHS Class of 2000 takes its first step toward graduation.

EHS Class of 2000 Honor Graduates

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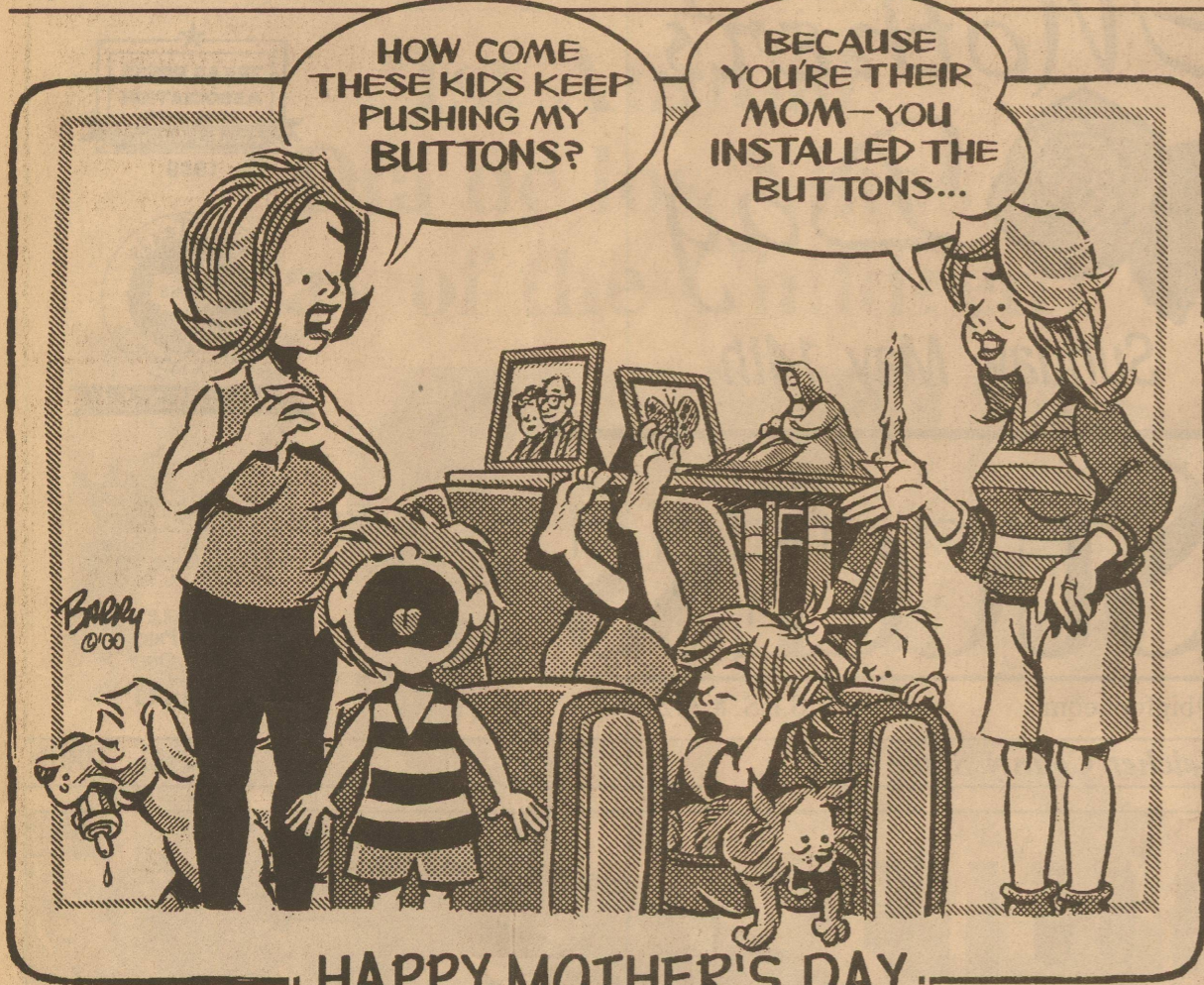
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Haley Edmiston
Magna Cum Laude
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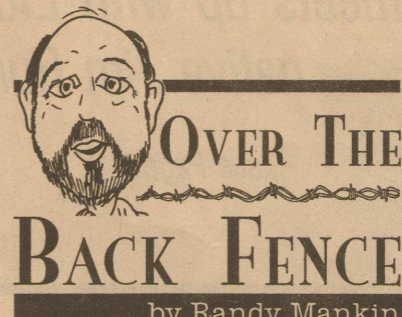


Kayla Kohls
Cum Laude
95.43 G.P.A.



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

A son's remembrances on Mother's Day



OVER THE BACK FENCE

by Randy Mankin

One of my earliest memories is of a birthday party and a new tricycle. It's only a glimmer of a remembrance, since I could have been no more than 3-years old when it occurred. My Mom was there, of course. She was always there, sort of like a fixture in my life. That's the way moms are.

As children, we take our mothers for granted. As adolescents we struggle to live by their rules. As teen-agers we rebel against those rules. Then, as young adults we promise that when we have kids, we'll do things differently...but we seldom do. Maybe that's because, by the time we've matured a little and become parents ourselves, we've arrived at the startling realization that our moms were right all along.

That's what happened to me. It seems that the older I grew, the

Mom must have heard me screaming, because she came running to meet me as I pedaled hard for the house. I don't remember much about the next few days, except that Mom was at my side the entire time, nursing me back to health.

My Mother is a stickler for details. Anyone who has visited her home can attest to the fact that she is picky about how things look. She was the same when I was a boy.

Mom was great to help with science projects or school presentations and insisted that they be better than they had to be. Good enough to get by never was good enough for my Mother.

She'll probably thump me on the head for telling this but Mom's nickname is "Doodle." I think one of her uncles gave her the name when she was a youngster.

My cousins, who are all younger than me, also grew up learning that the rules that my have been place at their homes weren't the same as the rules at Aunt Doodle's house. My cousin Ronnie Rister told me the last time we met, "You just couldn't get away with anything when Aunt Doodle was around."

He was right. But, looking back, Mom's rules, which seemed harsh to a youngster, have proven to be very gentle and loving over time. Mom is 65 now. Her pace may have slowed slightly, but her mind is still as sharp as a tack. I do think she's slipping a little in the discipline department, however. I've noticed that her grandchildren get their way a lot more than I ever could.

Happy Mother's Day, Mom!

wiser my mother became. Funny how that works.

In our home, it was my Mom who had the unenviable task of teaching me right from wrong. It's not that my Dad wasn't involved, just that he worked a 7-day-a-week job which kept him away from home a lot.

So, Mom was judge and jury at our house when it came to discipline. And, she believed in swift justice.

I don't know where you stand on corporal punishment, but I can tell you where my Mom stood...right behind me with a belt. The absolute certainty of punishment, and the fervor with which my Mother administered it, kept me from straying too far off the straight and narrow path.

Once, when I was about 6-years old, I rode my bike down our long gravel driveway to the county road on which we lived. There, I opened the mailbox to see if we had gotten any mail. What I found, however, was a huge wasp nest. The wasps swarmed and stung me several times. The severity of the attack was partly my fault. You see, I wasn't about to leave my new bike laying there, so instead of running, I took time to mount the bicycle and ride away, with wasps stinging me all the while.

Future 3rd-graders must pass reading test to advance

AUSTIN — Automatic promotion of elementary school students soon will disappear.

This year's kindergarten class, when it reaches third grade in the 2002-2003 school year, will have to pass a state reading test to be promoted.

School superintendents, at the direction of Texas Education Commissioner Jim Nelson, are sending parents a brochure outlining new promotion standards.

The brochure also lists steps parents can take to help their children:

- Reduce the child's television time and plan family learning activities that support learning;
- Spend as much time as possible with the child reading a wide variety of books and other kinds

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Compiled by Ed Sterling



of text;

- Ask questions about what they have read, discussing the meanings of new words and comparing one story with another; and
- Keep in regular touch with teachers and school officials.

Arson Hotline Announced

Insurance Commissioner Jose Montemayor and State Fire Marshal G. Mike Davis last week announced the creation of an arson hotline number that residents anywhere in Texas can call to report a suspicious fire.

The new toll-free hotline num-

ber is 1-877-4-FIRE-45 or 1-877-434-7345. Fire departments also may call this number for assistance.

"Arsonists are responsible for more than 10,000 fires every year in Texas," said Montemayor.

"These fires take lives and destroy millions of dollars in property. We want to stop these people before they do any more harm."

UT Turns Away Applicants

The University of Texas last week announced a moratorium on admissions, due to overcrowding, and stopped its online application service.

It's too late for first-time and transfer students and perhaps 1,000 third- and fourth-year students who had planned to enroll next spring.

"I don't think anyone was expecting us to shut off spring admissions," Bruce Walker, director of admissions, told the *Austin American-Statesman*. "We realize this is a stopgap measure."

UT anticipates a record entering freshman class of 7,500 this fall. Last fall, the entering freshman class was 7,040.

Capital City Gives Gun Locks

Austin is the first Texas city to take advantage of a private program to distribute the free gun locks.

Project HomeSafe, a firearm-awareness program funded by the National Shooting Sports Foundation, is providing the locks, which retail for about \$10 each, and paying administrative costs of the program.

The city announced plans to

give away 2,500 locks on May 7.

Study: Inmates More Violent

Texas prison inmates are more violent and less likely to be granted parole.

According to a study released May 4 by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, violent offenders now make up 45 percent of the prison population, an increase from 38 percent from 1994.

"There's a very definite correlation to show the system has hardened," said agency spokesman Glen Castlebury.

"We've got to assume the system will continue to harden, and that makes these jobs more dangerous and stressful."

Castlebury attributed fewer paroles to increased violence against guards, who have been calling for higher salaries and more help. He said assaults on guards have risen from 700 in 1994 to 2,000 last year.

The study also showed that the racial makeup of Texas prisons has changed little since 1994. The inmate population currently is 44.2 percent black, 30.1 percent white and 25.2 percent Hispanic. Five years ago it was 47.1 percent black, 27.4 percent white and 25.1 percent Hispanic. The average inmate still has only a seventh-grade educational achievement score, the study stated.

And, study showed inmates released last year had served an average of 3.8 years, a year longer than the average 2.8 years figured in 1994. Lower parole rates and more prison space have helped

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ROLLING ALONG

WITH TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Llama Kissing With Jim Runge

Jim Runge talked me into judging llama kissing again. It's part of Fredericksburg's BARN TO YARN event held every year at a museum complex on main street. The first time I did it was last year.

Rita Rothenburg lives north of Dallas and she brings llamas down to be a part of the event, which features products made from wool, mohair, alpaca, camel and other animal fiber. The products are displayed. So are the animals that provide the materials for the garments, rugs, drapes and other items.

Last year, people lined up to kiss a llama. No kidding. Young, old, male, female, all kinds of folks. The llama is named Chop. And his mouth is something unique for sure. Chop was attacked by coyotes during his young years. They bit his mouth, leaving it a real mess. Part of his upper lip is missing, and several of his teeth are exposed. But Chop is a lovable animal, very gentle and Rita knows how to make people pucker up and lay one on Chop's screwed up mouth.

"Keep your hands to your side," she warns the kissers. "Hands scare him." She gives the llama kissers peppermint candy prior to the kiss.

"Chop likes sweet breath," says Rita. "And he likes it if you blow on his mouth."

People do strange things. Jim Runge has been putting on this event for half a dozen years. It started out in McKinney, then moved to Fredericksburg a couple of years ago. It moved there be-

cause Jim lives just down the road from Fredericksburg. He has a unique complex in the country near Luckenbach.

I had the privilege of touring Runge's home place. He has a series of small red and white striped circus tents set up around a camp fire. When I got there, a huge live oak log was smoldering in the sunken fire pit. The night before, several of the exhibitors stayed at his place and sat around the fire.

Several skinny live oaks serve as supports for small rooms made of paneling and telephone pole cross arms. A couple of the rooms are bedrooms, one is an office and one is a closet. "I built this place for one hundred dollars," says Jim. "Most of that was for dry wall screws."

He told me he could take apart his dwelling, pack everything up and be ready to move out in four hours.

Some neighbors saw Jim's modest home during the construction phase a couple of years ago and moved away. It scared them. He has an observation tower that only a contortionist can scale comfortably. Once you get up there, the view is spectacular. Jim goes up there when Willie Nelson plays at Luckenbach. "I can see the stage from my tower," he says.

Jim has to stay home during the big concerts at Luckenbach because of the large number of people who might just happen onto his area. For those folks who want to tour his place, he charges a dollar. It's worth it.

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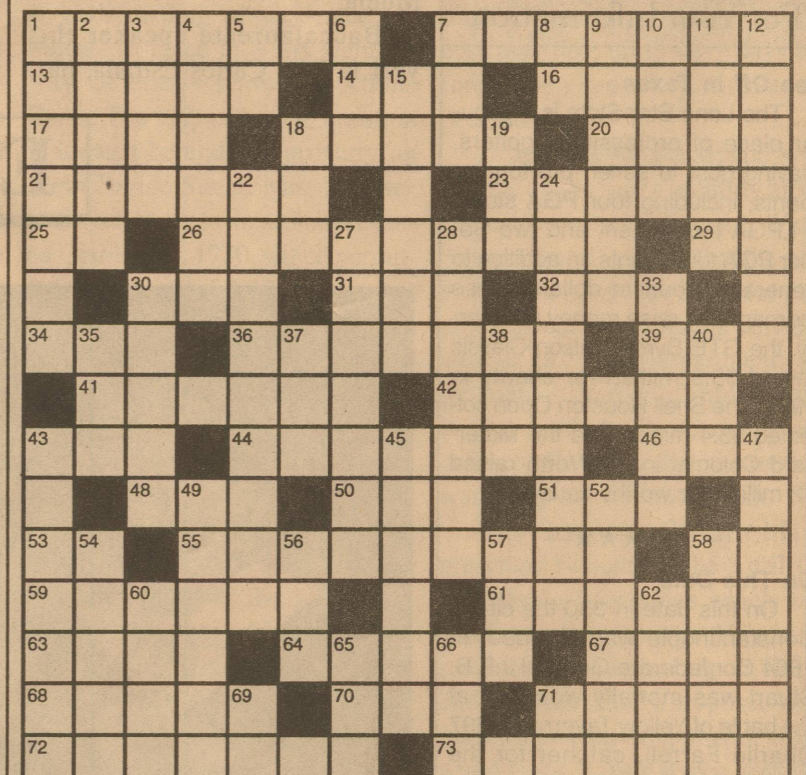
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OBITUARIES

Russell Sallee



oilfield until his retirement and was a stock farmer at the time of his death. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Eldorado and a member of the Masonic Lodge. Russell's favorite pastime was playing dominoes.

Russell was preceded in death by one son, Allan Sallee of Eldorado. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Nevella Sallee; two sons and their wives, James and Bonnie Sallee of Sonoma Calif., Roy Lynn and Bettie Sallee of Lakeside, Texas; a daughter and her husband, Judy and Brownie Wright of San Angelo; a brother, Roy H. Sallee and wife Natalie of Snyder; his mother-in-law, Verda Crumley of Eldorado; daughter-in-law, Vidette Sallee Kennemer and her husband Bub of Menard; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and numerous relatives and friends.

ELDORADO — Russell Sallee died Friday morning, May 6, 2000 in San Antonio, Tex. Services were held Monday May 8, 2000 at First Baptist Church in Eldorado with Kerbow Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Russell was born November 16, 1920 in Brady, Texas. He married Nevella Crumley on June 14, 1941. He served in the United States Navy during World War II and was honorably discharged in December 1945.

Russell and Nevella moved to Eldorado in 1951. He worked in the

Pallbearers were Beau Sallee of Waco, Travis Sallee of Ft. Worth, Adam Sallee of Abilene, Jim Sallee of Santa Rosa, Calif., Andy Sallee of Sonoma, Calif., Steve Foster of Blue Mound, and Steve Bailey of Azle.



Charles Hunter Preston and Carmen Page Joy

Preston/Joy engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Joy announce the engagement of their daughter, Carmen Page, to Mr. Charles Hunter Preston, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Preston, II, of Eldorado. Grandparents of the bride-elect are Mr. and Mrs. John

Wesley Joy of Sonora, the late Carrie Dobrovoly of College Station, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Page of Eldorado. Grandparents of the prospective bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Applewhite of Ozona, Mrs. Dale Preston of Eldorado, and the late Richard Preston. The wedding will be planned for July 1, 2000, at First Presbyterian Church in Eldorado.

The bride-elect is a 1995 graduate of Eldorado High School and is a licensed vocational nurse, receiving her degree from Howard College. She is currently enrolled at ASU and is pursuing a career as a registered nurse. The prospective bridegroom is a 1994 graduate of Eldorado High School and is employed by Rye Supply of Sonora, Texas. The couple will reside in Eldorado.

Thelma Minter Young



Riley officiating. Burial followed in Kermit Cemetery.

She was born July 10, 1925, in Ardmore, Okla. She married Morris Young June 1, 1977, in Wink.

Mrs. Young came to Odessa in 1977. She was a retired nurse and had worked for the hospital in Kermit and later worked for Dr. Ramanathan in Odessa. She was a former resident of Wink. She was a member of Immanuel Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Morris Young of Odessa; sons, Jesse Minter, Johnny Minter and Victor Minter, all of Abilene, Aubrey Young of Buckeye, Ark., and David Young of Garland; daughters, Linda Thomas of Weatherford, Jo Ella Parker of Eldorado and Sharon Richardson of Odessa; fifteen grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren.

Services entrusted to Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

ODESSA — Thelma Minter Young, 74, of Odessa died Saturday, May 6, 2000, at Medical Center Hospital.

Services were held Monday, May 8, 2000, at Immanuel Baptist Church with the Rev. Mark

Ethel C. Hale



ELDORADO — Ethel C. Reed Martindale Hale, 95, of Eldorado passed away on April 16, 2000 in a local nursing home. Funeral services were held in Arkansas.

A Memorial Service will be held Thursday, May 18, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. at the Schleicher County Nursing Home dining room in memory of Ethel C. Reed Martindale Hale.

Community Action Council moving to Memorial Bldg.

The Community Action Council will be in Eldorado Thursday, May 11th from 11p.m.-4p.m. They will not be at the Resource Center.

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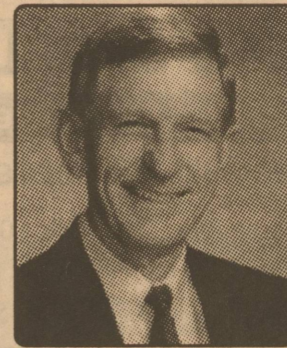
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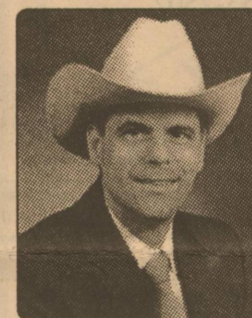
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Nancy began her career with First National Bank of Eldorado in 1996 in the bookkeeping department. She worked as the main drive-in teller before moving to the position of lobby teller.

Nancy is married to Dan Jenkins who is employed with Conoco Industries. The Jenkins moved to Eldorado in 1976. They are the parents of two children, Darla Brown, married to Clifton and living in San Angelo; and Wayne Jenkins, married to Lucie and living in Shallowater. Their pride and joy are their two grandchildren, Lacie Beth Jenkins and Robert Clifton Brown Jr.

Nancy enjoys tennis, softball, walking and collecting angels. Nancy and Dan are members of the Mertzon Hwy. Church of Christ.



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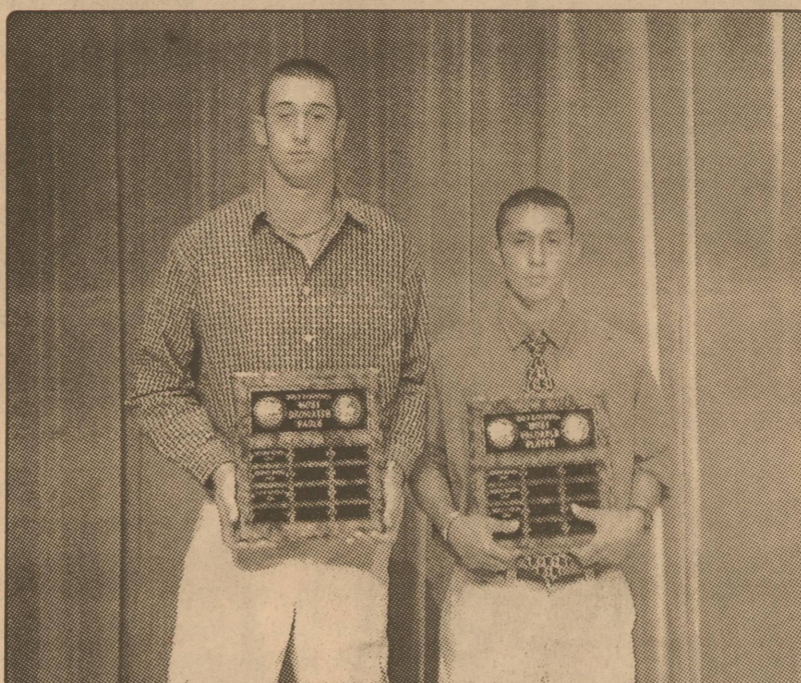


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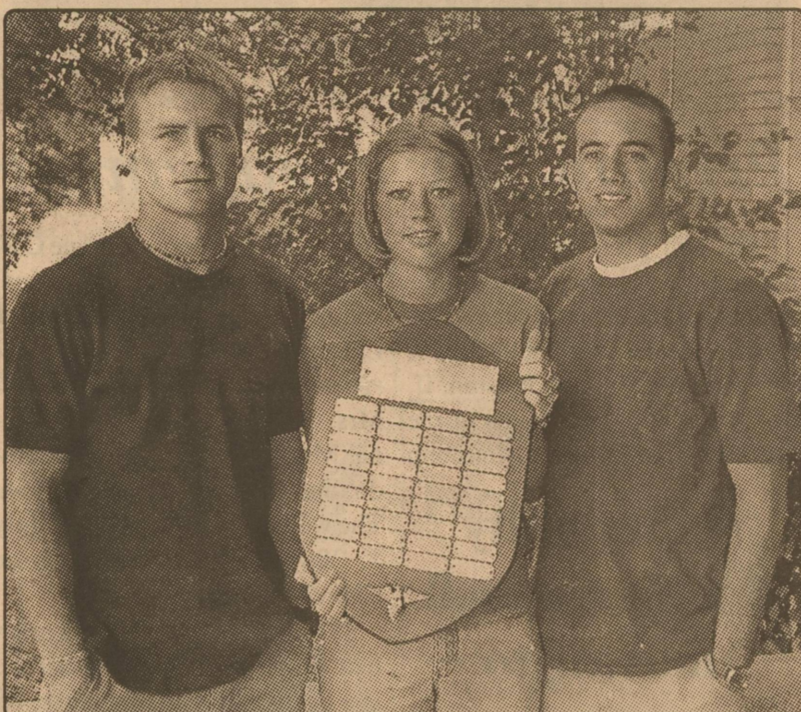
EHS Spring Sports Award Winners



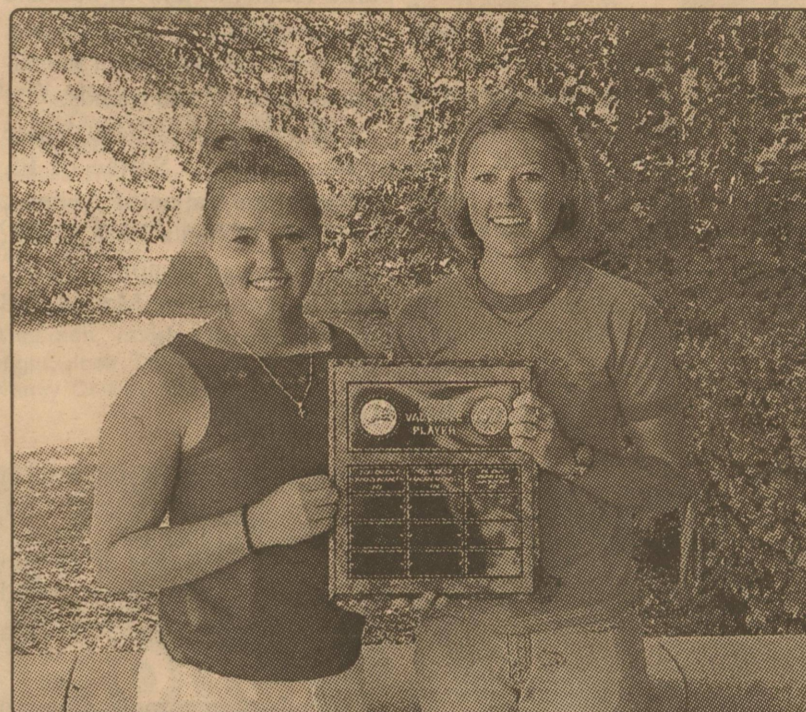
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1999-2000 Fighting Heart Award — (L-R) Lance Mitchel, Kim
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School Lunch Menu



Menu

Milk & Bread Offered
Menus Subject To Change
Cafeteria Line

Monday, May 15th

Spaghetti & Meatsauce, Whole Kernel Corn, Sliced Peaches, Iced Cupcakes

Tuesday, May 16th

Corn Dogs, Tater Tots, Pineapple Chunks, Sugar Cookies

Wednesday, May 17th

Corn Chip Pie, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad, Cornbread, Chocolate Pudding

Thursday, May 18th

Cheeseburgers, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Mixed Fruit

Friday, May 19th

Sack Lunch, prepared by Cafeteria Staff

Breakfast

½ Milk & ¼ Juice Offered with each breakfast

Monday, May 15th

Apple Slices, French Toast Stix/ Syrup

Tuesday, May 16th

Orange Juice, Egg & Sausage Burritos

Wednesday, May 17th

Grape Juice, Buttered Rice/Toast

Thursday, May 18th

Pears, Donuts, Cheese Stick

Friday, May 19th

Applesauce, Banana Nut Muffins, Choice of Cereal

Fast Food Line

Monday, May 15th

Pepperoni Pizza, French Fries, Sliced Peaches, Iced Cupcakes

Tuesday, May 16th

Corn Dogs, Tater Roundabouts, Pineapple Chunks, Sugar Cookies

Wednesday, May 17th

Corn Chip Pie, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Applesauce, Chocolate Pudding

Thursday, May 18th

Cheeseburgers, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Mixed Fruit

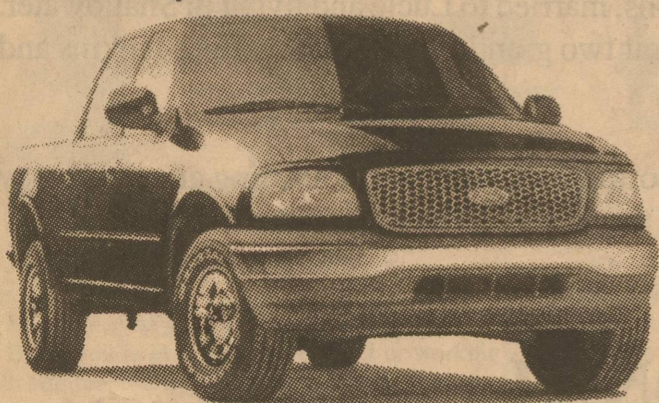
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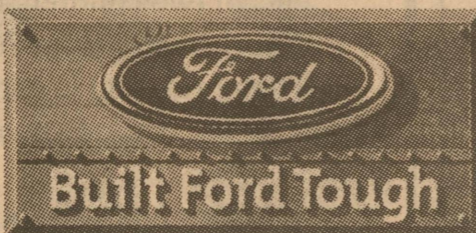
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Peace Officers Memorial Day

Dear Editor:

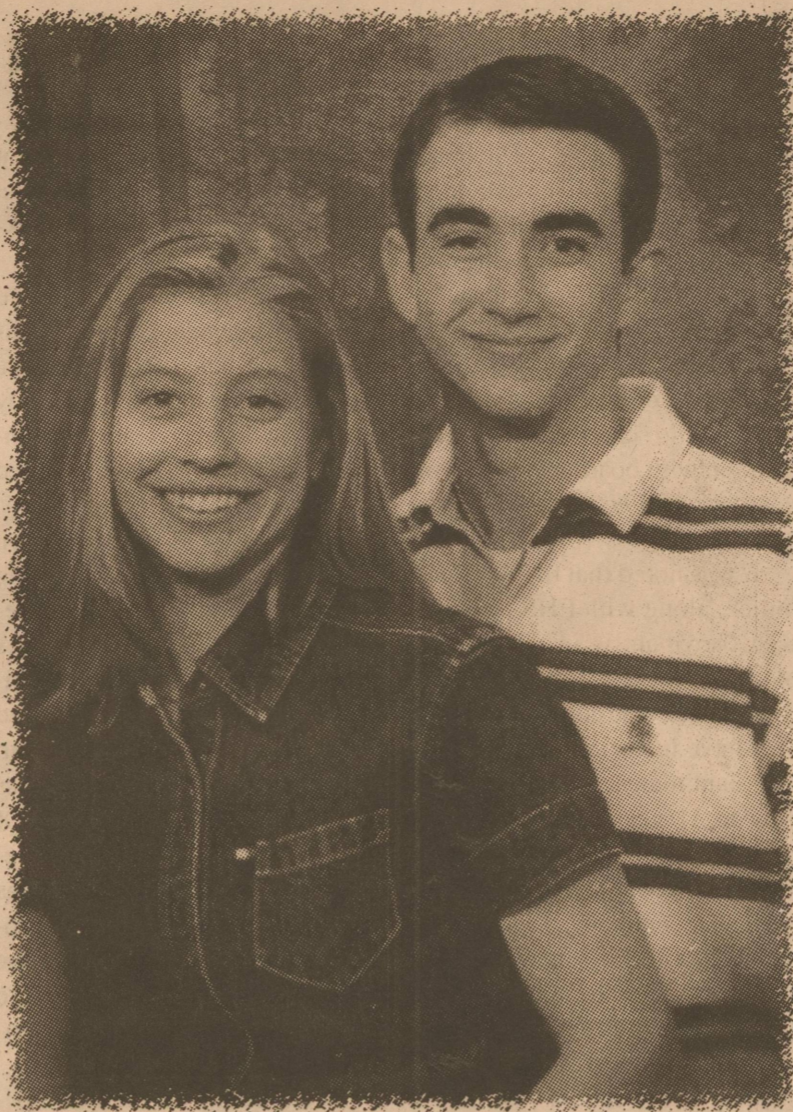
May 15th is, by Act of Congress, proclaimed as "Peace Officers Memorial Day". The week of May 14th to May 20th is set aside as National Police Week. May 15th is, for Law Enforcement, a powerful and important day! At least as important professionally as a birthday or anniversary. In these times when the mass media smears the efforts of police when one or two "bad apples" are discovered, we need to remind our citizens that 99% of the men and women who are career police officers are good and faithful servants. About every three days an officer is killed in the line of duty. Each day 189 officers are injured! Many officers are disabled and some paralyzed for life. This May 15th is a day to remind those we serve of our sacrifice that often goes by with little or no notice.

By Law, U.S. Flags can be low-

ered to half-mast at every public building. Sheriff Department, County Court house, Schools and any place where a U.S. Flag is flown on May 15th. As Sheriff of Schleicher County I urge all citizens, businesses and public buildings to lower their flags at half mast on May 15th in order to honor our fellow police officers that gave their lives in the line of duty for the protection of their communities.

On May 18, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. on the south side of the courthouse square, the Schleicher County Sheriff Department will hold a ceremony honoring those officers who lost their lives in the line of duty followed by an awards ceremony. The community is invited to witness this unique event and honor those that faithfully serve and protect.

Thank you and God Bless,
David R. Doran, Sheriff
Schleicher County



Haley Nichols and Ricky Gibson

courtesy photo

Nichols/Gibson to wed in June

Haley Nichols and Ricky Gibson Jr. will be married on June 23, 2000 at First United Methodist Church.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Danny and Helena Nichols of San Angelo. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Ricky and Sherry Gibson of Eldorado.

Miss Nichols is a 1997 graduate of San Angelo Lakeview High School and is attending Howard College. Her fiance is a 1997 graduate of Eldorado High School and is attending San Angelo State University.

Changes at the Swimming Pool

Dear Editor:

If you haven't driven by the Eldorado Swimming Pool lately, you should. Shelly Phillips is managing the pool for the county this year and making some changes that were really needed. The baby pool has been filled in with cement and they are putting a cover over that area and a picnic table. The health department is requiring that baby pools be fully chlorinated for safety purposes and that was not possible the way this pool is set up.

New stainless steel ladders are

being installed in the pool and new sand in the sand filter. The pool has been painted and Shelly is excited and very anxious to get everything looking nice and the pool filled with water. Drive by and when you see Shelly tell her how great it looks! Also, thank our County Commissioners for supporting Shelly and allowing her to make these changes. I am very proud of what she has accomplished and am looking forward to a fun summer at the pool.

Karan Holley



photo by Kathy Mankin

Headed to the State 4-H Roundup — This group of talented singers will be competing at the State 4-H Roundup June 12-16th. They called their group "Vocal Eldorado" and they won 1st at the District 7 4-H Roundup at Angelo State University last Saturday. The group consists of (Kneeling L-R) Ben Edmiston, Miltzi Sessom, Courtney Sauer (standing L-R) Amy Green, Haley Edmiston and Kate Kosub.

Resource Center future uncertain

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few of the agencies and groups that currently operate from the Resource Center.

At press time it is unclear exactly how many days the Resource Center will be open each week and which agencies will continue to use it. It is also unclear who will take care of scheduling and other day-to-day duties which were once performed by Mrs. Kellogg. It is believed, however, that the Texas Department of Public Safety will continue to offer Driver's License services at the Center for the time being.

The Success will publish agency schedules and meeting places as they become available. Already, the Community Action Council has announced it will be moving its meeting place to the Memorial Building (see notice on page 3)

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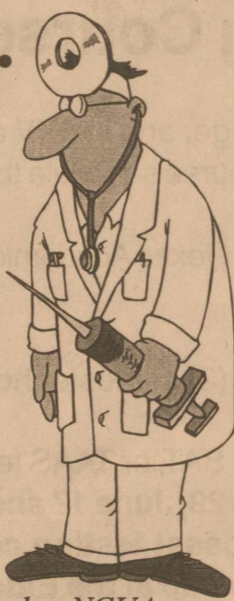
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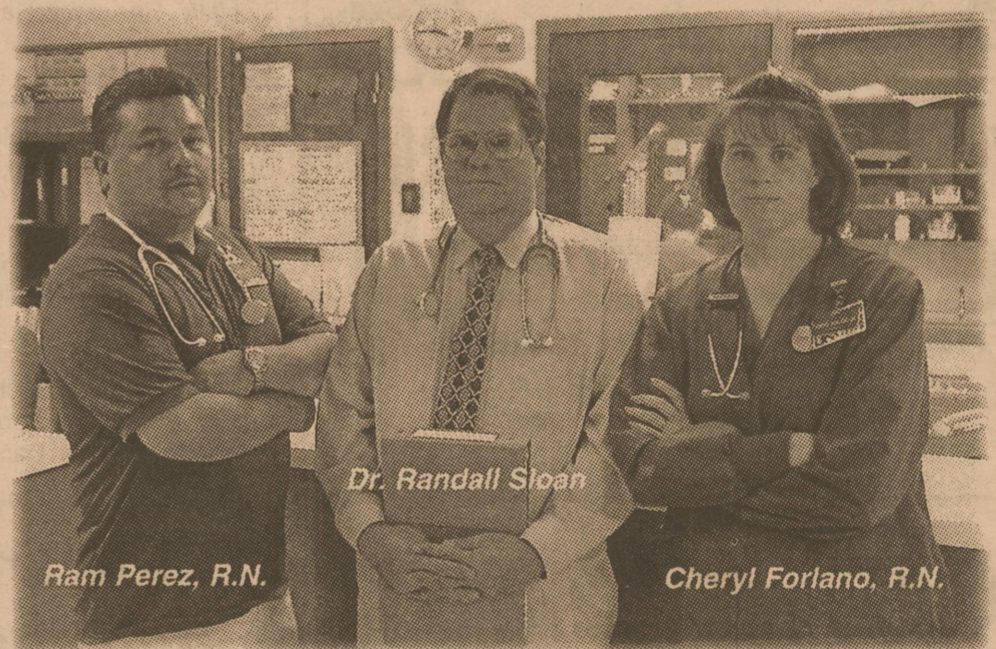
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School trustees meet, elect McCormick as board president

by Kathy Mankin

The Schleicher County ISD board of trustees met May 9, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. in a rare Tuesday night meeting to canvas Saturday's school board election results and conduct other school business.

Present for the meeting were trustees Roxanne Adame, Jo Helen Kotsch, Ilse Williams, Eddie Albin, Berta Nicholson, Steve Sessom and newly elected board member Sam Whitten, Jr.

A canvass of the votes revealed that Raymond Mittel received 9 votes in absentee and 13 votes during Saturday's balloting in Single Member District 2, giving him a total of 22 votes. That wasn't enough to defeat Phil McCormick, who received 11 absentee votes and an additional 20 votes Saturday for a total of 31.

In SMD 7, Kerry Joy received

17 absentee votes and 8 election day votes for a total of 25. Eddie Albin was the clear winner, however, with 23 absentee votes and 33 votes on Saturday for a total of 56.

Loretta Edmiston administered the oath of office to the newly elected board members. And Ilse Williams extended the board's appreciation to departing board member Roxanne Adame, for her dedication and service to the school district.

The first item of business was to elect a new board president. Phil McCormick was elected unanimously with Eddie Albin being elected to serve as vice president. Berta Nicholson will be the board's secretary.

The board then received the resignation of elementary principal Brian Brownlow who is leaving to

accept a position as middle school principal at Post I.S.D. The board entered into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters. Upon emerging into open session the board voted to regretfully accept Brownlow's resignation.

Moving on the board voted to fill a middle school teacher/coach position with board members voting to accept Lee McCown for the position.

It was noted that the Ag Committee, along with EHS principal Ken Newman, is in the process of interviewing for a new agriculture teacher. The committee members have interviewed 5 prospective candidates, ranging from 1 year to 11 years of teaching experience.

The School Calendar Committee then recommended adoption of a new 2000-2001 school calendar and the board voted in unanimously for the measure. The new calendar is similar to last year's calendar with the school year beginning on August 9, 2000. It includes 179 instructional days, 7 preparation/in-service days and 1 waiver day. School will let out for the summer on May 25, 2001.

The board went back into executive session to discuss student discipline at 9:05 p.m. and came out into open session at 9:28 p.m., taking no action.

Next, the board reviewed Howard College's distance learning classes. They expressed the hope that students of all ages may utilize the distance learning technology that SCISD has invested heavily in over recent years.

The board will meet again on May 22 and 23, to begin working on the 2000-2001 budget and reviewing the 1999-2000 budget. A chart, prepared by technology director J.D. Doyle, was presented to the board by Supt. Hal Porter. It outlines the ages and usefulness of the district's 261 computers. Of that number, 79 were listed as being more than 4-years old. It was explained that updating technology equipment will be one of the major expenses for the board to consider during the budget process.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Beta Sigma Phi Report

by Barbara Jackson

Xi Xi Chi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of president Dorothy Clark on May 8, 2000. Mrs. Clark led the opening ritual to begin the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Recording secretary Mary Jenkins read the minutes from the previous meeting and Dorothy Dacy gave the treasurer's report. She also read a thank you letter from the International Fund. Thanking the Chapter for the donation to the Fund.

Scholarship applications from EHS seniors were read by each sorority member who in turn voted on the two \$200 scholarships to be awarded at the end of the school year. These scholarships were begun in 1975 and are based on both need and Character. The chapter had all very outstanding applicants this year. We thank all those students who applied and wish we could award each of them scholarships.

Committees for the upcoming sorority year were chosen with each member signing up for at least two committees.

It was voted to hold the kick-off family picnic on August 12, at the home of Rosemary Ridgeway north of San Angelo. The next meeting will be at the home of Mary Leigh Dunagan on May 22. There will be a ceremony for members who are advancing to another degree at this time.

Mary Leigh Dunagan served strawberry shortcake to those previously mentioned: Linda Lindsey, Nancy McCray, Flora Hubble and Barbara Jackson.



photo by Kathy Mankin
MVP Tracksters — Stacy Nicholson (L) and Michael Mayo (R) were named the EHS 1999-2000 Track Most Valuable Player at the Spring Sports Awards Program held last week.



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BOMFOG — a Christian Rock band named BOMFOG performed in concert at the Home of Clifford and Ann Schooley last Friday at a party for the EHS Class of 2000.

EHS Class of 2000 enjoys Senior Party & Concert

The graduating Class of 2000 was honored at the home of Clifford and Ann Schooley, grandmother of Kasey Griffin on Friday evening, May 5, 2000. Hamburgers and hot dogs were served for dinner. While waiting for the band to start, the Class of 2000 enjoyed playing washers, horse shoes and basketball. After dinner and games there was live concert performed by BOMFOG, (Brotherhood of Man, Fatherhood of God). The concert was sponsored by the Senior Class. The party was a great success.

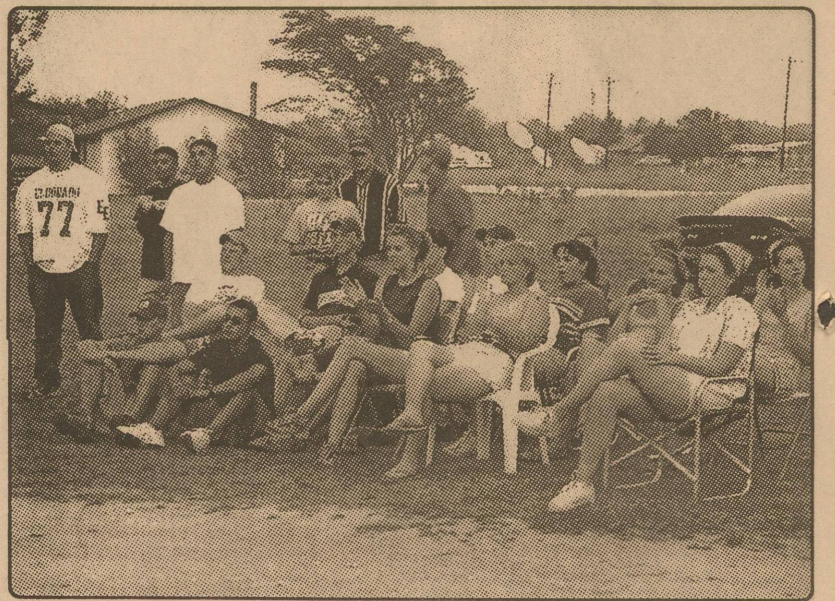


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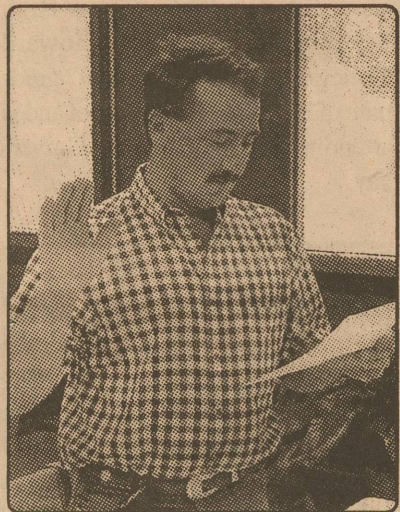


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Oath of office — Sam Whitten, Jr. became the newest member of the Schleicher County ISD board of trustees Monday night when he was officially sworn into office.

Meals for Friends Menu



Monday, May 15
Barbecue Brisket, Baked Potato, Green Beans, Cornbread, Coleslaw, Fresh Fruit Cup
Tuesday, May 16
Steak Fingers w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Slice Tomatoes, Biscuits, Heavenly Hash Cake, Orange Juice, Milk
Wednesday, May 17
Glazed Ham, Cooked Cabbage, Sweet Potatoes w/Apples, Wheat Rolls, Banana Pudding, Milk
Thursday, May 18
Chicken Fried Steak w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Tossed Salad, Milk, White Cake w/ Caramel Icing
Friday, May 19
Chicken Salad Sandwich, Carrot & Celery Sticks, Macaroni Salad, Potato Chips, Fresh Bananas, Milk

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Tuesday, May 16th

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Commissioners meet, discuss insurance & Resource Center

by Pat Ragsdale

Schleicher County Commissioners grappled with two tough issues at their regular meeting on Monday, May 8. One was consideration of an employee health insurance plan for the second time in as many meetings. The other was a dispute between the Texas Department of Health (TDH) and the county over the use of the Community Resource Center. The meeting was called to order 9:25 a.m. with commissioners Ross Whitten, Steve Minor, Johnny Mayo and Bill Clark present. County Clerk Peggy Williams read the minutes of the previous meeting and they were approved as read.

On the subject of insurance, it was noted that the policy which the court voted to purchase at the last meeting, was declined by the company, New England Life, due to the fact that elected officials, like the commissioners themselves, are not covered by the county's worker's compensation insurance policy. This prompted the court to seek

other insurance coverage for the county employees.

Bobby Zesh presented a plan, offered by the Texas Association of Counties (TAC), and administered by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas. The policy has a \$1,000 deductible and offers employees a prescription card plus additional savings on medicine purchased for long-term use. In addition, the plan offers a \$25,000.00 life insurance policy for each employee.

The court voted unanimously to purchase the policy, which will cover county employees only. Coverage of family members will be the responsibility of the employee. It was noted, however, that an additional benefit of the new plan is that it allows the county to offer coverage to employees who aren't employed on a full-time basis.

At the commissioners' request, Bobby Zesch will meet with county employees to answer questions regarding coverage. Although slightly more expensive than the previous plan, the county will still pay

employees the difference between the cost of employee only insurance and the amount previously budget for payment into the West Texas Rural County Association's insurance pool.

The second item demanding most of the court's time concerned a widening rift between the county and TDH over operation of the Community Resource Center. (see story on Page 1) Judge Griffin showed the commissioners a letter he had received from Miguel A. Escobedo, MD, Regional Director of the Texas Department of Health. In this letter Escobedo made allegations concerning breach of confidentiality at the center. Escobedo further stated that the county's employee Mrs. Patsy Kellogg would not be allowed to

return to the building.

Judge Griffin indicated he would contact State Representatives Rob Junell and Bob Turner, and seek their help in resolving the situation.

In other business, the men voted to deny a request for indigent care. They also voted to call for bids for a transport load of "off road" diesel with the bids to be received at the May 22 meeting.

Judge Griffin told the court that repairs to the concrete, electrical service, ladders and safety features at the county swimming pool were being completed and that the pool was to receive a new coat of paint. Before adjourning, current accounts were reviewed and ordered paid. There being no further business, the court adjourned at 3:25 p.m.



photo by Kathy Mankin

Had any black-eyed lately peas Earl? Schleicher County 4-Hers presented a skit titled "Earl Had To Die" based on the popular country song of the same name, at the District 7 4-H Roundup at Angelo State University. The skit won 1st Place and will advance to the State 4-H Roundup in June. Starring in the skit are (L-R) Courtney Brown, Nancy Cawley, Clay Whitten, Lindsay Beach, Whitney Edmiston, Tabitha Lloyd, Kayla McCravy, Gentry Newman and (center stage) Jeff "Earl" Stafford.

Local 4-Hers win at District 7 4-H Roundup

Youth from 23 area counties involved with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service's 4-H program competed in the annual District 7 4-H Roundup held at Angelo State University May 6. The Roundup is the final leg in a series of contests in various disciplines that have been held across the District in recent weeks. Over 500 youth participated in this year's effort.

The Roundup consists of a group of 46 contests designed to test the skills of 4-Hers from 9-19 years old. Contest events ranged from shooting sports to public speaking. The event lets 4-Hers compare their skills with those of others and to their personal past performances.

Senior winners in Saturday's event have qualified for state competition in College Station June 12-16. To qualify for state competition, individuals or teams must place first or second in the District Senior Division for youths 14-19 years old. Juniors, those 9-13 years old, don't compete past the District level.

Schleicher County will sending 3 senior groups to state competition in June.

The team of Hillary Hodges, Brittany Key, Kate Kosub and Dest Sudduth will compete in the Consumer Decision Making Contest. In Share The Fun Contest, Division: Celebrating 4-H the group performing "Earl Had To Die" a skit on spousal abuse starring Lind-

say Beach, Courtney Brown, Nancy Cawley, Whitney Edmiston, Kayla Kohls, Tabitha Lloyd, Kayla McCravy, Clay Whitten, Jeff Stafford and Gentry Newman. In Division: Vocal-the group calling themselves "Eldorado Vocal" sang a medley of 50's tunes. Going to state in this division will be Ben Edmiston, Haley Edmiston, Amy Green, Kate Kosub, Courtney Sauer and Mitzi Sessom.

Junior Division Winners: 1st Place in Consumer Life Skills Educational were: Haley Higgins and Brittani Romero in "All Stressed Up."

Megan Griffin and Bridgett Mitchell gave a 1st place performance with the skit "This is the way we clean the house." in the Housing and the Home Environment Division.

Tracy Brenner and Corie Williams placed 2nd in the Clothing Educational Activity with the skit "Born To Shop."

The Eldorado Dance Group placed 2nd in Share-the-Fun Division with their special choreography and music. Members of Eldorado Dance are Taylor Baker, Lauren Brown, Maxie Holley, Rachel Joiner, Taylor Niblett, Allison Reynolds, Allison Sproul and Chandra Waroneck.

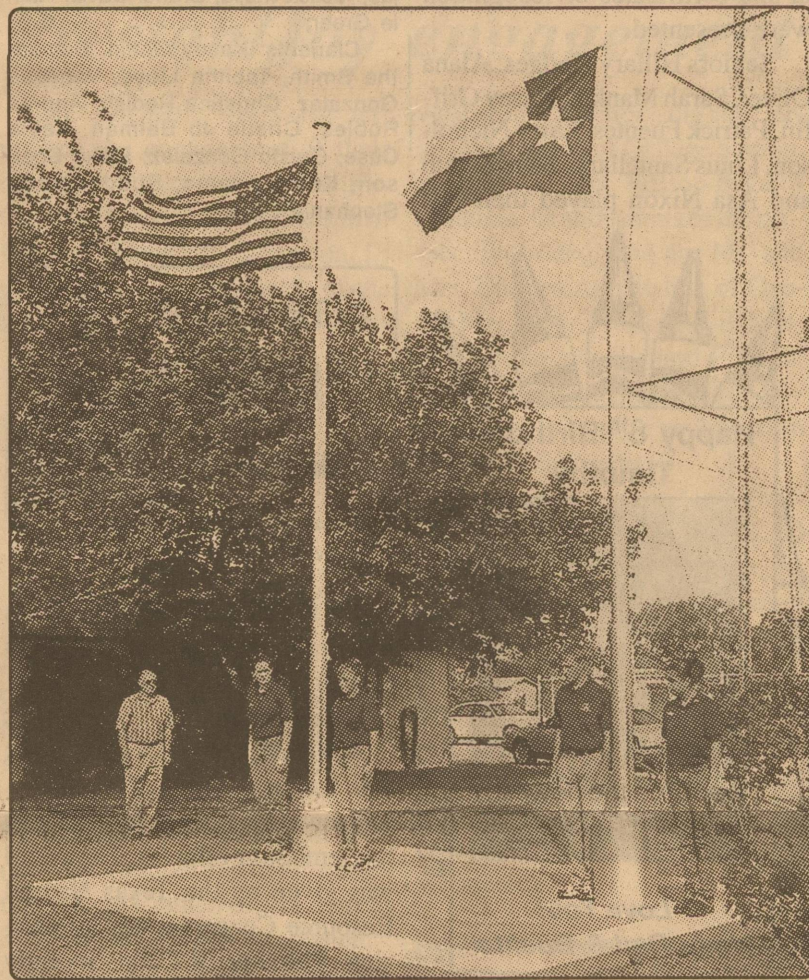


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Attention! Mayor John Nikolauk stood at attention Monday as members of the local Explorer Troop #33 raised the flags for the first time over the newly constructed Pioneer Memorial Flag Court adjacent to City Hall. The Explorers taking part in the ceremony were (L-R) Lindsay Beach, Heather Homer, David Doran and Lilly Vallejo

Schleicher Co. Volunteer EMS minutes for May 1st

Members present - Tim Vasquez, Dr. Dorie, Lee Barajas, Sheila Prater, Mike Faull, T.J. Roduiguez, Bobby Andrews, Susie Richters, Melissa Stanford, Connie Andrews, Joey Jones

Call to order 5:15 p.m.
I. Minutes from previous meeting read and approved. Motion Connie Andrews, seconded Melissa Stanford.

II. Schedules - Discussion of coverage on schedules. Discussion of mandatory weekend shift per month. Summer coverage discussed. Effective immediately all members will be required to take one weekend shift per month (Friday 6 p.m. - Monday 6 a.m.), in addition to the 24 hr. currently required. These must be 12 hour shifts. We will try this for a 3 month period. Melissa asked if she would run from her home 8 miles out. Motion made by Mike Faull, seconded by T.J. Rodriguez, none opposed.

III. Ambulance Shut Off- when shutting down EMS I. Please make sure that you remember to turn off

the battery switch. We had the switch left on the other day and it ran down the battery. Also Connie asked if people could please not crank down the 02 switch so much. She had trouble getting the valve back open.

IV. Baseball Tournament- June 17, 10 a.m. - 10 p.m., we will have an ambulance at the baseball fields. If we cant get crew for baseball the 911 crew will have to do both. Melissa will be putting up sign up sheets soon.

V. Rodeo and Parade - Schleicher County Days - June 9 & 10 we will be putting up sign up sheets soon. We will participate in these as we have in the past, we will not be participating in the "slack" after the rodeo.

IV. Other Business - Contract signed with the county designation our service as the 911 provider for the county. Discussion of slab/ramp in front of the ambulance bays these are to be completed soon. Meeting adjourned 6:05 p.m.

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High School and Middle School bands stage Spring Band Concert

It had been two years since Eldorado had the pleasure of enjoying a Spring Band Concert. But, on Tuesday, May 2, 2000 the award winning Eldorado Middle School and Eldorado High School bands made up for it as they performed to a packed auditorium.

The Sixth Grade Beginner Band under the direction of Tom Hollingsworth opened the concert with two selections: "March for a Festival" by Edmonson and "Prelude to a Folk Song" by Kirch.

Members of the Sixth Grade Beginner Band are:

Flutes: Alison Sproul, Hope Fuentes, Kali Roberst, Taylor Baker, Chelci Rodriguez;

Clarinet: Jaaron Crawford, Melinda Hernandez, Allison Reynolds, Lauren Brown, Taylor Niblett, Karina Sanchez, Angela Fuentes, Ivonne Garnados, Heather Powell, Myra Robles;

French Horns: Josie Diaz, Micaela Gonzalez, Samantha Rodriguez;

Percussion: Chandra Wanoreck, Frank Edmiston, Michael Hill, Caleb Nixon;

Trumpets: Rachel Joiner, Maxie Holley, Charlotte Adame, Michael Ballew, Nester Hernandez;

Trombones: Diego Barrera, Joel Esparza, Jonathon Larez, Simon Duran;

Baritones: Kyle Brown, Armando Moreno, Tony Vasquez;

Tubas: Brence Minor and Luis Marquez.

"Chester Variations" arranged by Del Borgo and "Dixieland Spectacular" by Edmonson was performed by the musicians in the seventh and eighth grade band under the direction of Mr. Tom Hollingsworth. All District Symphonic Band, All-District Concert Band, Solo and Ensembles and Ensembles were presented with a certificate of their accomplishments.

Members of the seventh and eighth grade band are:

Flutes: Janet Gardiner, Mayra Bustos, Amanda Figueroa, Heather Homer, Laurie Almazan, Lacy Ragsdale, Sonia Mills, Jennifer Rojas;

Clarinet: Andrea Leal, Emily Newman, Jessica Robertson, Sheryl Alexander, Courtney Whitten, Shay Parker, Mikinzie Holley, Homero Hernandez;

French Horns: Frank Ortega, Nathan MacDonald, Virgilio Escobar, Jennifer Bybee;

Percussion: Eric Garcia, Kolby Dombroski, Ashley Doran, Selina Rojas, Clara Herrera, Kayli Daniels;

Trumpets: Julie Hight, Daniella Guadarrama, Katey Blair, E. Jay Samaniego, Betsy Green, Tanner Robledo, Adrian Arispe, Tico Rob-

les, Marco Escobar, Neal Brenner, Gus Figueroa;

Trombones: Ashton Murr, Manuel Arispe, Maria Contreras, Logan Neal, Oscar Munoz, Teresa Barajas;

Euphoniums: Alan Dykstra, Bryce Leggett, Rigo Arispe, Daniel Bundick, Robbie Young, Norberto Moya;

Tubas: Will Griffin, Chris Sanchez, Joey Hernandez, Dillion Greer and Danny Sanchez.

The High School Band ended the evening with three selections that they had prepared the previous week under the Band Director Gina Muela. Selections played were "Robin Hood Soundtrack Highlights" by Kamen/Bocook, "Hitsville, USA 40 years of Motown" arranged by Wasson and "John Williams in Concert" arranged by Lavendar.

Region Band, Area Band, All State Band, 1st Division UIL Solo and State Solo and Ensemble Qualifiers were recognized by Ms. Muela and certificates of recognition were presented.

Seniors Hillary Hodges, Alana Oliver, Sarah Mankin, Kasey Griffin, Patrick Fuentes, Larry Nicholson, Louis Santellano, Kate Kosub and Asa Nixon played their last



photo by Kathy Mankin

Glittering horns — The EHS auditorium was packed as the EHS Band played performed its final concert of the year on Tuesday, May 2nd.

concert for the home crowd.

Members of the High School band were: Flutes: Sarah Mankin, Kate Kosub, Georgina Caldwell, Whitney Edmiston, Gentry Newman, Suzie Rojas, Melissa Mejia, Brandi Davis, Hallie Greer;

Clarinets: Kasey Griffin, Samantha Smith, Tabitha Lloyd, Vanessa Gonzalez, Christina Redish, Andrea Robles, Cristie Jo Belman, Kayla Case, Quisto Gonzalez, Blake Snelson, Kristy Adame, Buddy Greer, Stephanie Luna;

Alto Saxophones: Jackie Crawford and Hillary Hodges;

Tenor Saxophone: Alana Oliver; Bass Clarinets: Toni Martin and Jerrie Arispe;

Eb Contra Bass: Brittany Key; French Horns: BreeAnne Davis, Melissa Hinojosa, Michael Ramirez, Courtney Sauer, Elibeth Montalvo, Kristina Prater, Hannah Robledo, Tana Williams;

Trumpets: Maria Hernandez, Mitzi Sessom, Tanner Haynes, Andrew Anderson, Javier Iglesias, Kimberly Hight, Josh Taylor, Aaron Fuentes, Nancy Cawley, Mandi Daniels, Lilly

Vallejo, Liza Sanchez, William Robledo, Jennifer Rodriguez, Ray David Buitron.

Trombones: Ben Edmiston, Rikki Bosmans, Stacy Nicholson, Leigh Ann Neal, Jessie Calcote, Sammy Cabrera, Pascual Esparza, Xochitl Esparza, Louis Santellano, Landon Nixon;

Baritones: Asa Nixon, Dest Suduth, Ross Hodges;

Tubas: Larry Nicholson, Cole Pina, Johnny Herrera, Chris Martinez; Percussion: J.L. Mankin, Benji Gonzalez, Patrick Fuentes, Layna Murr, Wesley Jones, Scott Homer, Matt Curtis.

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bump the average age of Texas inmates from 33 years old in 1994 to 35.4 years old in 1999.

Other Highlights

- Honda Motor Co. last week was honored with a Texas Environmental Excellence Award for its low-emission vehicles. The award was given by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission. The city of Dallas recently ordered 182 of Honda's natural-gas powered Civic GX model.



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

May 2 Moran, Jose Luis, male age 28, hold for Irion County, charge Driving While Intoxicated (2nd Offense). Released on \$1,000 Surety Bond.

May 3 Sanchez, Dora Alicia, female age 23, arrested by SC Officer, charge Driving While Intoxicated. Released on \$1,000 Surety Bond.

May 4 Alvarez, Desiree, female age 20, arrested by SC Officer, charge Theft Class B. Released on \$1,000 Bond.

May 6 Dazey, Carrie Lynn, female age 33, arrested by SC Officer, charge, Possession of Marijuana (less than 2 ounces). Released on \$1,000 Bond.

REPORTS

May 2 • 8:57 p.m. Complainant reported a female subject had threatened them with bodily injury. Officer responded.

• 8:53 p.m. Complainant requested to speak with an officer about some things that may have been stolen from their place of business. Officer responded.

May 3 • 8:35 p.m. Hospital requested EMS for a transfer from the

nursing home to San Angelo. 8:41 p.m. Hospital cancelled transfer.

• 1:05 p.m. Complainant on Popular reported that their front window to their house had been broken. Officer responded.

• 8:59 p.m. Complainant on NE Main requested to speak with an officer. Officer responded.

May 4 • 11:07 p.m. Complainant requested an ambulance. Male subject had a very bad nose bleed. Officer and EMS 2 responded. At 11:20 Hospital called EMS 2 and advised that this subject was at the ER. Officer and EMS 2 disregard.

• 11:50 p.m. Hospital requested assistance with landing zone for Air Med. Two officers, Medic, Border Patrol responded.

May 6 • 8:27 a.m. Complainant reported a vehicle accident five miles out on Hwy. 915.

• 5:39 p.m. Complainant requested an officer to locate a black van headed North from Sonora. Possible drunk driver. Officer responded and was unable to locate.

• 5:49 p.m. Menard Sheriff's Office requested an officer to locate and I.D. the driver of a late blue 70 model Ford pickup. Subject was possibly involved in a domestic disturbance earlier that day. Officer responded.

• 5:50 p.m. Complainant requested Animal Control at E. Brooks. In regard to a large dog. Animal Control was located and given information.

• 9:12 p.m. Complainant reported some kind of disturbance between 2 boys at the Little League Field. Officer responded. All OK.

May 7 • 9:49 a.m. Complainant on Cottonwood reported a snake in their car. Officer responded.

• 4:55 p.m. Complainant requested an officer to speak to a male subject that was making a scene at the courthouse. Officer responded.

• 5:36 p.m. Hospital requested EMS for a Basic Transfer.

• 8:59 p.m. Complainant reported a rattlesnake on Eastfield Drive. Officer responded.

• 10:55 p.m. Complainant reported that some children had been left at home by themselves. Officer responded and parents were home and children were OK.

May 8 • 1:53 a.m. Complainant requested an officer to residence to check out a suspicious red light coming from their back window. Officer responded.

• 8:45 a.m. Complainant requested an officer to go and check on a truck horn going off behind their house. Officer responded and disconnect the horn.

• 6:45 p.m. Complainant requested an officer to unlock their vehicle. The vehicle is running and their child is in it. Officer responded.

May 9 • 9:11 a.m. Hospital requested a transfer to San Angelo. EMS responded.

• 10:59 a.m. Complainant requested EMS transfer a male subject and transport them to the ER. Requested by doctor. Officer and EMS 2 responded.

• 3:05 p.m. Complainant reported that on May 6th at 7:30 p.m., their neighbors 2 dogs entered their yard and attached their pet cat of 12 years, killing it.

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Sincerely,
Ramon Mittel

Clifford and Ann Schooley would like to thank Gary and Kary Gibson for providing a grill and cooking the meat with the help of Mike and Becky Lux for the party held Friday evening for the Class of 2000. Thank you Bill Hodges for setting up and providing horse shoes and washers. Thank you Randy and Kathy Mankin for taking pictures. Thank you to all the parents and students who brought food. And a special thank you to the Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department for standing by for the bonfire, which had to be cancelled due to high winds. Also, thanks to everyone who came to help us celebrate the evening honoring The Senior Class of 2000!

We wish to express our sincere thanks for the support, prayers and acts of love extended to Russell and his family during his illness and death.

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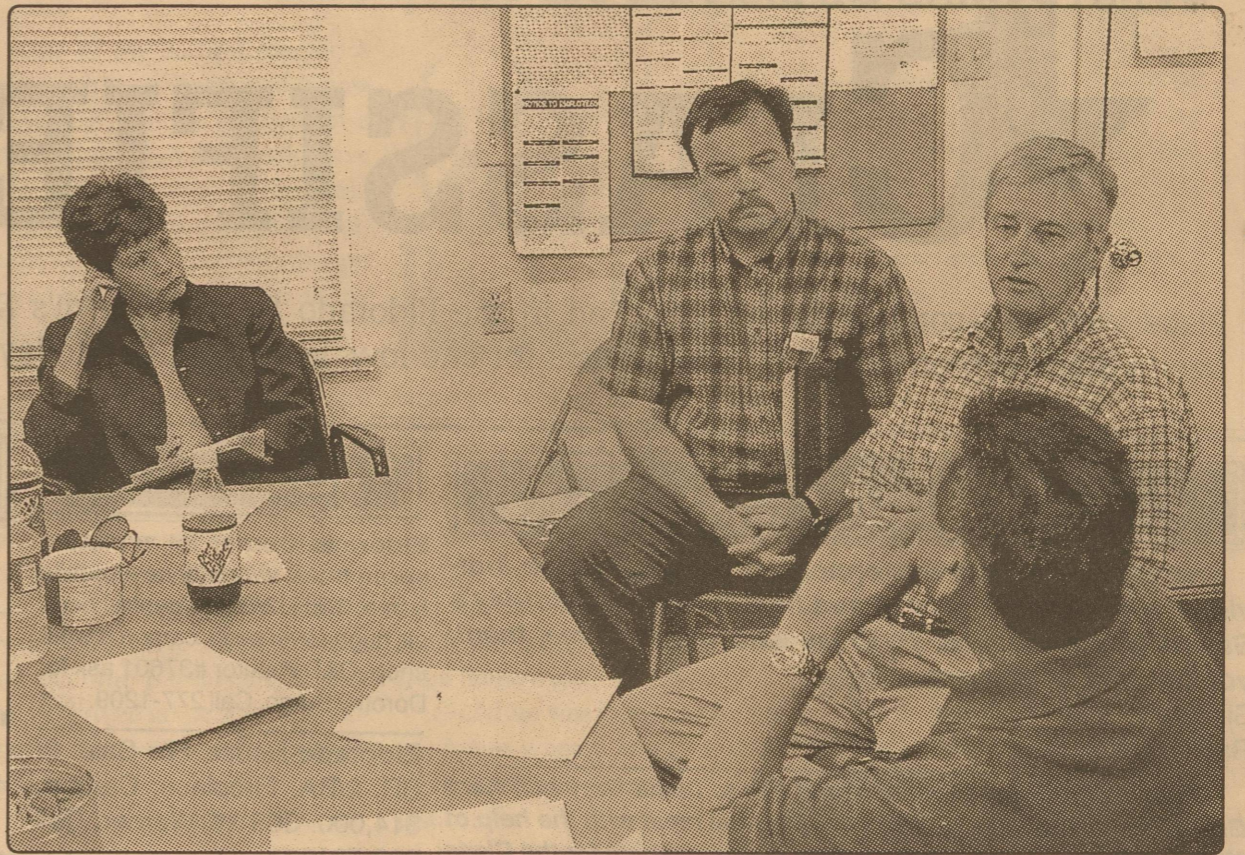


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Environmental concerns — Meeting City council members Toni Sudduth (left) and Richard Mendez (lower right) listen as Bill Stein (left) and Dave Winans (right), representing Longhorn Pipeline Company, explain the steps their company is taking to guarantee the company's pipeline doesn't leak and contaminate the Edwards-Trinity Aquifer.

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could have a copy of the plan, Winans replied that the plan was only a proposal and that the company was fine-tuning it.

The mayor then told the men that the city didn't want to stand in the way of progress, but that it was essential that the Edwards-Trinity Aquifer, the city's sole source of water, be protected.

At that point, Winans noted his company has established a liability trust fund totaling \$15 million, to guarantee the payment of claims against the company.

City Administrator Randy Mankin then spoke to say that one of the men, Stewart Lytle, had promised him that the company would haul water to Eldorado if the pipeline contaminated the aquifer. Mankin asked Winans if Longhorn Pipeline was serious about such a commitment, since it could involve as many as 168 transport loads of drinking water per day.

Winans assured Mankin that the company was aware of the promise and would be willing to "put it in writing."

Discussion then turned to the section of the pipeline which passes through the city's two landfills. Mayor Nikolauk asked the men why the company installed new pipe and deepened the line through neighboring farmland but didn't do the same in the landfill area. Nikolauk said city employees operate earth-moving equipment near the pipeline on a daily basis. "I would think your company would want to replace and lower the line in that area," Nikolauk concluded.

Winans replied that his company would be willing to consider replacing and lowering the pipeline in the area of the landfill and offered to stay in contact with Randy Mankin concerning that issue.

Winans also informed the council that his company would not transport any fuels containing the controversial additive MTBE. He said the company had been in contact with the EPA and had promised to keep the product out of the line, if approval is granted for the pipeline to go into service.

Winans concluded by saying that Longhorn pipeline is committed to bringing the entire length of the pipeline up to the standard of a "new" pipeline. He reminded the council that progress on the pipeline is currently being blocked by litigation and said that the company is using the additional time to ensure that the pipeline meets or exceeds all federal safety standards.

"We want to be a good neighbor and citizen," Winan said. "Not just now, but fifty years from now."

The meeting began with the council dedicating the city's new Flagpole Court and Pioneer Memorial. Following an invocation by Rev. Walt Griggs, pastor of Agape Assembly of God, members of the local Explorers Post carried out a flag raising ceremony. The court was erect-

ed over a time capsule which was buried during Eldorado's Centennial in 1995. A granite marker indicates the spot where the cylinder was buried and indicates that it is to be un-earthed in 2095.

Following the ceremony, Mayor Nikolauk recognized the efforts of Mr. Harris Napier and Mr. Jim Martin in constructing the flagpole court. He presented Martin with a commemorative pen as a token of the city's appreciation. Napier was unable to attend the ceremony. The mayor also recognized Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative and the Schleicher County Sheriff's Department for their assistance in construction.

Before returning to City Hall to continue the meeting, Nikolauk read aloud a proclamation declaring the week of May 14-20 as "Senior Class of 2000 Week" in honor of Eldorado High School's first graduating class of the 21st Century. He presented copies of the proclamation to three EHS seniors, Sarah Mankin, Patrick Fuentes and Michael Mayo.

Following the flagpole ceremony, the council adjourned to the council chamber for its regular monthly meeting. Mayor John Nikolauk officially called the meeting to order at 5:48 p.m. with council members Richard Mendez, Eddie Rodriguez, Robert Bybee, Sheri Lux, Tommy Minor and Toni Sudduth in attendance.

Several short items were addressed including a public hearing and adoption of Ordinance #103-00. The ordinance closes a section of the alley connecting South Cottonwood Street to Nance Street. It was noted the ordinance merely closes the alley to traffic and that the city retains ownership and control over the right-of-way which contains city utilities.

Vivian Sanchez came before the council to ask for a reversal of an earlier ruling which denied her request to fence in a city right-of-way, otherwise known as Atkins Drive. The strip of land in question is located behind her property on north Divide Street. Mrs. Sanchez made reference to an ordinance dated October 14, 1980, which permitted the closing of Atkins Drive, but was informed by Mayor Nikolauk that the ordinance she was citing only closed the street to traffic. He also pointed out that the ordinance clearly stated that there would be no construction allowed in the right-of-way.

The council did, however, grant Mrs. Sanchez's request for a 60-day extension of the order to remove fence posts which have been placed in the right-of-way.

City Administrator Randy Mankin gave a report to the council concerning several items. Mankin stated that a new replacement pickup truck had been ordered from Jim Bass Ford and was due to be delivered in the next few weeks. He also asked the council to consider changing the hours of operation at the landfill. Mankin pointed out that the landfill received "very little business" on

Saturdays and that it is difficult to justify keeping the facility open on that day. He suggested the council consider opening the landfill one Saturday per month for the convenience of those who cannot use the facility during the week. Mankin said he would provide the council with a daily landfill log for their consideration.

Mankin then reported that the new "Dura-Patcher" pothole patching equipment the council had approved is due to be delivered this week. He indicated that training of personnel to operate the machine will begin immediately and that the process of patching potholes will begin within the next few days.

Mankin also reported that the wastewater plant is still not in compliance with state standards. He indicated that fish, intended to assist in the control of algae are due for delivery within the next couple of weeks. He further stated that he planned to visit the wastewater plant in Menard, where a new aeration device was being placed in use. This device is designed to add oxygen to the effluent water and to stir the water in an effort to prevent stagnation.

A new City Logo was presented for the council's approval. A logo is required to be placed on every vehicle displaying exempt license plates. The new logo is red, white and blue and features a five pointed star as its focal point.

City Superintendent Jack Dean reported that he had been in contact with Daniel Sidell, paving contractor on the East Street paving project. Sidell is to send rollers to Eldorado to assist in bringing the East Street project to completion. Dean noted that the oil used on the street requires hot days and warm nights to cure and that the fluctuation in temperature this spring has prevented the cure and set of gravel into the asphalt. Dean estimated that the process may take up to sixty days before the new street surface meets expectations.

Dean requested the council to allow the city to host a monthly meeting of the area Ft. Concho Water Association. He stated that the purpose of this organization is for purposes of communications between various city water departments for the mutual sharing of information. Upon a motion by Toni Sudduth, seconded by Robert Bybee, the request was approved without dissent.

City Secretary Carolyn Mayo presented minutes of the April 10, and April 17 meetings which was unanimously given. Mrs. Mayo then presented the April tax report, financial statement, and a proposed budget amendment for approval. Upon a motion by Robert Bybee, seconded by Richard Mendez the item was approved.

Upon a motion by Eddie Rodriguez, seconded by Robert Bybee, all bills presented for payment were approved. There being no further business, the council adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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