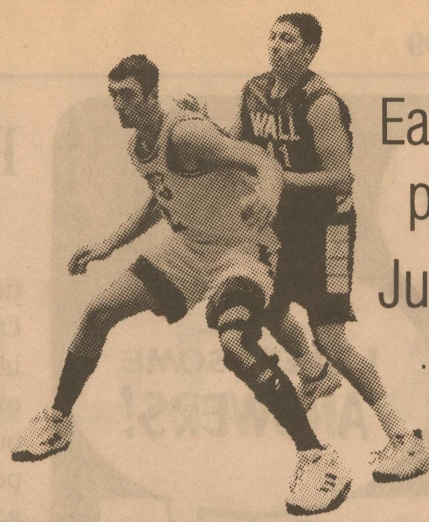


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past Wall &
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For Your Information

February is...

February is African-American History Month. A number of Texan African-Americans have made their mark in various professions. Including: Lt. Henry O. Flipper, first African-American graduate of West Point; Scott Joplin, King of Ragtime; Doris Miller, hero at Pearl Harbor; and Bill Pickett, first African-American inducted into the National Rodeo Hall of Fame. There are many, many others, of course.

—★ ★ ★ ★—

On This Date

On this date in 1913 inventor Louis Perlmutter of New York received a patent for "demountable tire-carrying rims"...we call them wheels. In 1932 the United States hosted its first Winter Olympics at Lake Placid, NY. In 1987 Dennis Conner returned yacht racing's crown jewel, the America's Cup, to American Soil by winning the Australian regatta in Stars and Stripes. In 1987 legendary pianist Liberace died at Palm Springs, CA.

Birthdays of note include: 1902 aviator Charles Lindbergh; 1912 golfer Byron Nelson; 1918 actress Ida Lupino 1945 comedian David Brenner; 1948 rock singer Alice Cooper.

—★ ★ ★ ★—

Odds and Ends

Though legends and fears concerning bats are many, they may also be the single best controller of the insect kingdom. Bats may eat as many as 600 mosquito-size insects in an hour. An average size bat colony may eat a million insects in one evening.

—★ ★ ★ ★—

News of Yesteryear

The Feb. 7, 1952 edition of the Success reported:

The family of J.E. Estes are holding Open House at his residence Sunday afternoon from 3:00 to 5:00 in honor of Mr. Estes' 100th birthday.

This aged man, who has well over 100 grandchildren, and a number of great, great, greats, realizes that he is in the twilight of his life.

"Tell them all to come and see me," he says, "I know my time is short, and it will be the last time some of us will meet."

Right now he holds a number of records — oldest man in Schleicher County, oldest Mason in Eldorado, oldest Missionary Baptist in Schleicher County and probably in Texas — to mention a few.

Right now he looks shorter than his six feet two inches. He spends most of his time in his chair, just sitting there, and chewing tobacco. "The tobacco is company for me," he says, "and it gives me something to do."



photo by Kathy Mankin

Headed to State — EHS sophomore BreeAnne Davis will represent Eldorado in the ATSSB All-State Band this week. She played with the All-Region Symphonic Band in Abilene on Jan. 16th.

BreeAnne Davis named to All-State Band

BreeAnne Davis, a sophomore at EHS, was chosen to participate in the ATSSB (Association of Texas Small School Bands) All-State Band in San Antonio. The concert will be held at the Scottish Rite Auditorium on Saturday, February 13th at 11:30 a.m.

Davis, who plays a French Horn, was one of nine Eldorado musicians who auditioned at the Region Band contest in Abilene on Jan. 16. Davis was named to the All-Region Symphonic Band. In qualifying for the All-State Band, she received a \$100 ATSSB scholarship.

Accompanying Davis to the

State contest will be EHS band director Gina Muela and assistant director Tom Hollingsworth.

Other EHS students who participated in the Region Band contest in Abilene were: Vanessa Gonzalez, Andrea Robles, Cristie Jo Belman, Tana Williams, Sarah Mankin, Kate Kosub, Kasey Griffin and Juan Montalvo.

The ATSSB was formed to support band programs in smaller Texas schools. One of the founders of the state organization was former EHS band director Mike Marsh who served as the organization's first president.



photo by Kathy Mankin

Just like icing a cake — Greg Charles, Manuel Martinez, Arthur Hernandez and Bud Cate labored to pour a concrete curb Tuesday as work progressed on the street near the school.

Robinson elected to board of Baptist Memorials Ministries

An Eldorado resident was elected to a position for 1999 on a major Texas Baptist board during the annual meeting of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Mary Barton Robinson, was elected to the board of the Baptist

Memorials Ministries.

With about 2.7 million members in 5,700 churches and missions, the BGCT is the largest state Baptist convention that works in voluntary cooperation with the national Southern Baptist Convention.

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Behrens receives Scout's Silver Beaver Award

The Concho Valley Boy Scout Council honored Barbara Behrens of Eldorado last week with the prestigious Silver Beaver Award. The award was presented during the Council's annual meeting and banquet which was held in San Angelo. Behrens is only the 11th woman in the history of the council to receive the award. She was recognized for "noteworthy service of exceptional character".

The Silver Beaver Award is the highest volunteer award presented by the Concho Valley Council. Also receiving the award this year were Jimmy E. "Butch" Simpson, Jr. of San Angelo and Gary Burt of Uvalde.

Last year, Behrens was honored by the Permian Basin District. This year's award is the highest recognition she has received since she began volunteering 29 years ago.

Behrens scouting career began in Kerrville where, in 1970, she served as a Webelos Den Leader. She became active in Eldorado's scouting organization in 1987 and has served as Den Leader, Cubmaster and Committee Chairman for Troop and Pack 18.

Behrens volunteer work isn't limited only to Boy Scouts, however. She has also been active in Girl Scouts where she served as Service Unit Director, Troop Leader, Assistant Troop Leader and Cookie Chairman. She chaired the Friends of Scouting Campaign and has served as a trainer on the District committee.

Behrens and her husband,

David, are active members of Community Baptist Church where she is employed as the church's secretary. She represents the church on the Executive Board of the Concho Valley Baptist Association and has served on numerous committees within the church.

Behrens also served two terms as the Chairman of the Schleicher County Republican Party.



courtesy photo

Scout's Honor — Barbara Behrens displays the Silver Beaver Award and certificate she received Saturday from the Concho Valley Boy Scout Council.

Funding for rural health facilities is among State Representative Turner's top priorities

AUSTIN — In a legislative week with several important issues, Rep. Bob Turner, says he plans to make the passage of legislation to fund capital improvements for rural health facilities a priority. "Most of our rural hospitals are built in the late 1960's under the Hill-Burton program. Thirty years of use have left these facilities in need of repair. Yet, these hospitals cannot borrow money from banks and other financial institutions to make these needed repairs," said Rep. Turner. The bill would create a "Rural Health Facility Capital Improvement Fund" to provide low-interest loans to fund repairs on these facilities. After initial "start up" funding, the program would generate its own revenue through the repayment of the loans-so the fund would receive principal plus interest as a result of the repaid loan.

The House Appropriations Bill, sponsored by Chairman Rob Junell of San Angelo, presently has \$50 million allocated to fund health care facility capital improvement. "We hope the legislature will support funding this program when they adopt the final version of the state's budget," Turner said. Rural representatives hope to secure the funding from last year's multi-billion dollar tobacco suit settlement.

Rep. Turner feels the consequence for ignoring this problem could further hospital and clinic closures across Texas. According to the Texas Department of Health, there were 37 counties without licensed hospitals in 1985. Today that number has grown to 66 counties.

"It is not simply an issue of how

many miles rural Texans may have to drive for medical care if their local facility must close; it is also an issue of economic development," Rep. Turner continued, "Businesses won't locate and people don't want to live where lo-

cal access to medical treatment doesn't exist." According to Rep. Turner, in his experience businesses would not have located in rural areas had a local hospital not been located in those particular communities.

Mata and Cabrera named to TT&F All-State Team

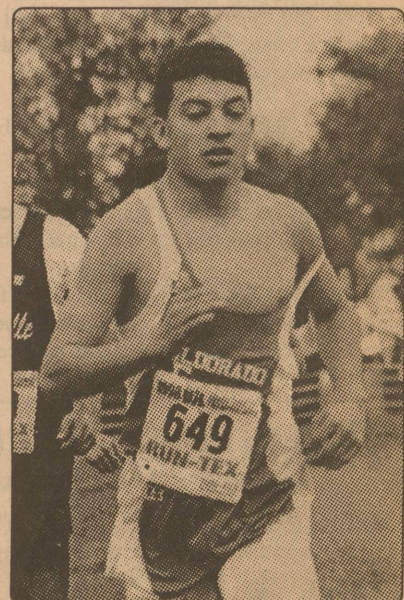
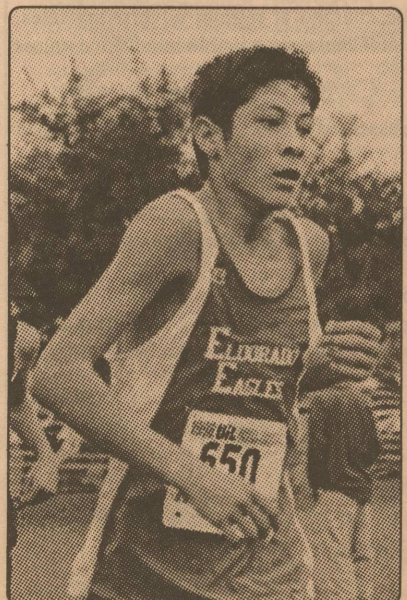
Daniel Mata and Sammy Cabrera of Eldorado were named to "Texas Track & Field's" Class 2A All-State Team recently. The team, which features Cross-Country runners from across Texas was announced in this month's edition of the magazine which focuses on track and field news.

Joining Mata and Cabrera on the team was Julio Cazares of Stanton. Lori Sanchez of Ozona was the only girl from the area 2-2A making the team.

In Class 1A, the Rocksprings

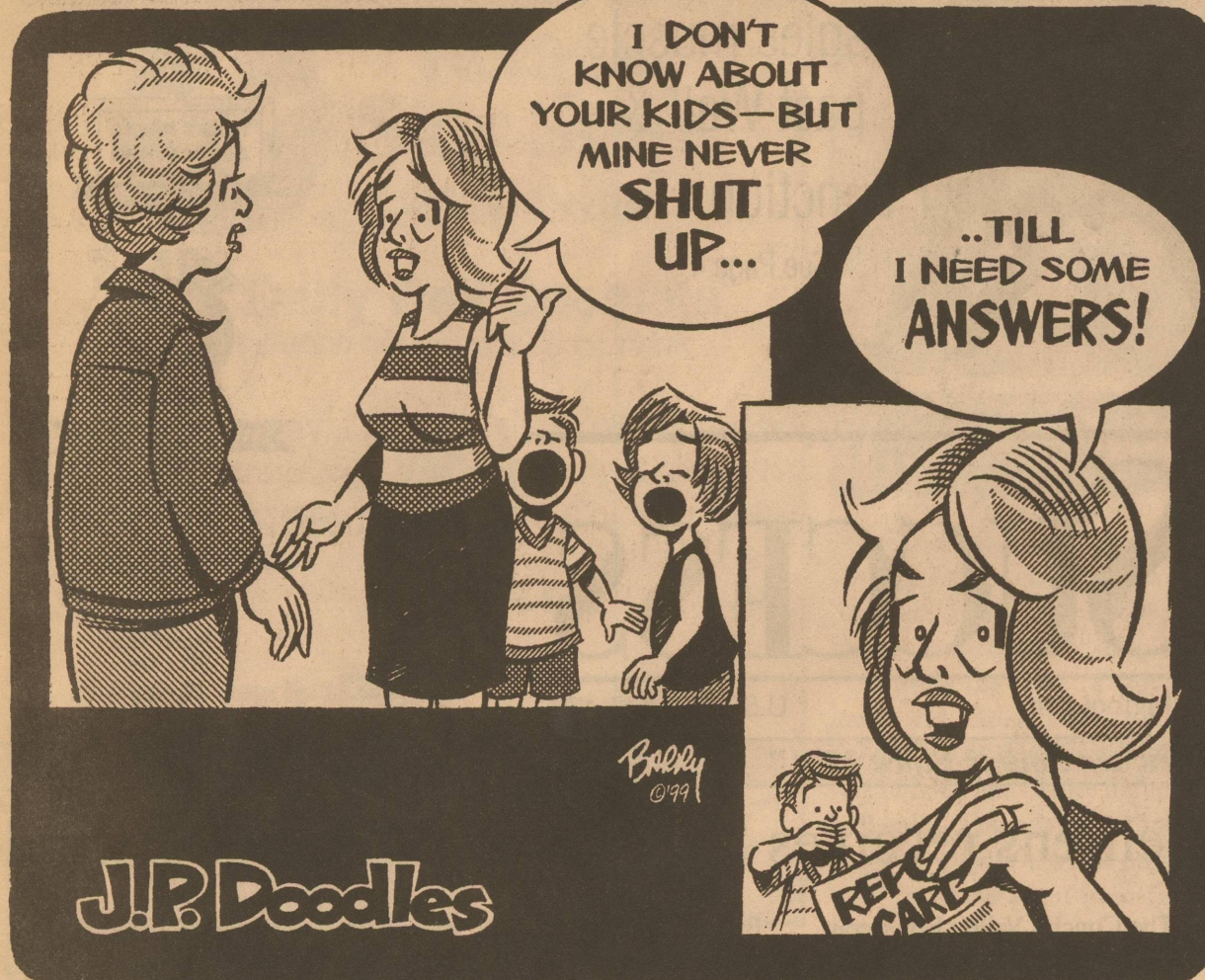
Angoras placed four runners on the team, Gandy Hernandez, Lito Hernandez, Armando Lopez and Juan Reyes. Tara Jernigan of Miles and Katherine Duncan of Roscoe claimed spots on the Girls 1A team.

Mata and Cabrera paced the Eagles Cross-Country team which advanced to the State Meet this season. Mata placed 10th in the meet while Cabrera finished 11th. The Eagles team placed 6th overall. It was Eldorado's second consecutive trip to the State Meet.

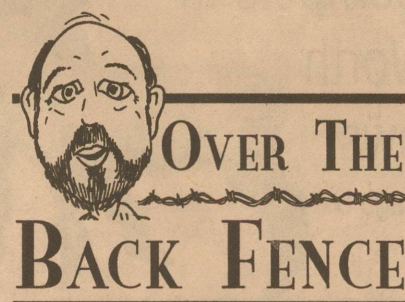


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Among the very best — Daniel Mata (L) and Sammy Cabrera (R) were named to the "Texas Track & Field" magazine's Class 2-A All-State Team.



Pickups, Politicians and Chicken Manure



doesn't promote you just because you've had a birthday."

About God, "Most folks ask for His help right after they ignore His advice."

About pecking order, "Somewhere near the bottom of the barrel is a politician standing on a lawyer's shoulders."

About women, "Women! Where would men be without 'em?..In Eden."

About Aggies, "You can always tell an Aggie...you just can't tell if he's listening."

About politicians, "Politicians are like diapers...they should both changed often and for the exact same reason."

About getting old, "People are like wine, the older they get the better they are...right up to the moment they turn to vinegar."

About driving Fords, "The reason I drive a Ford is it's the best pickup there is...and I can't afford a GMC."

About the cream of the crop... whenever my Granddad would see or hear anything advertised as the best, or the greatest or any other superlative he would say, "Yep, sorta' like the white stuff on the top of chicken manure."

To which I was expected to ask, "What is that white stuff?" He would always reply, "Just more chicken manure."

My old Granddad was a practiced observer of human nature. Once, on the courthouse square in Anson, he and I sat on a bench one afternoon and watched people. Actually, he watched people, I watched him as he watched them.

"That guy looks like he just lost his best friend," my Granddad said, pointing to a man who was walking up the sidewalk toward the courthouse. "I doubt if he'll find him in there."

I've always thought my Granddad was a something of a philosopher. I seriously doubt if he would have cared for the comparison. Because, as he said, "Fancy titles are what people give you when they really don't want to pay you."

Below, I have listed a few of

my Granddad's observations. I hope you enjoy them.

About grandchildren: "It's impossible to spoil a grandkid."

About committee meetings: "When it's all said and done...there's generally more said than done"

About vindication, "He who laughs last, laughs longest"

About hypocrites, "The folks who think you shouldn't keep score are the ones who yell the loudest when their kid makes a point."

About unpleasant sights, "Two things which aren't pretty to look at: 1) a butcher making sausage; and 2) Congress making laws."

About public apathy, "When an ostrich sticks his head in the sand, what part of his anatomy is he showing the rest of the world?"

About gossip, "Gossip is like toothpaste...hard to put back in its tube once you've squeezed it out."

About education, "Experience is the best teacher...it

Bush lauds education in State of State address

AUSTIN — Re-inaugurated Gov. George W. Bush on Jan. 27 focused on education in his annual State of the State address.

"TAAS scores have increased across the board for every ethnic group in every subject at every grade level tested," Bush said. ...

"Our curriculum is one of the most rigorous in America. ... [and] "We are proving that when you raise the bar, people rise to the challenge."

Bush said he will submit a balanced budget and propose a \$2 billion property tax cut amounting to 13 cents for every \$100 of property value.

He also proposed:
• Eliminating consumer taxes on diapers, over-the-counter medicines and Internet access;
• Cutting small-business taxes; and
• Enacting a research-and-development tax credit to foster innovation and new technology.

Bush's address contained repeated references to "the national spotlight." And although the governor may have been speaking only of Texas, his words resounded with a "presidential" ring.

Better Scores, Fewer Transfers

Fewer schools are subject to a law allowing students at "poor-performing schools" to transfer to better schools, the Texas Education Agency reported last week.

That's because more students are passing the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills — the math, reading and writing test by which schools are rated.

Two hundred and 81 of Texas' 7,053 schools appear on the list of poor-performing schools. Improve-

State Capital Highlights

Compiled by Ed Sterling

ment is the trend: In 1998, 575 schools made the list, while 1,150 schools were listed in 1997.

Slower Growth Predicted

The Texas Index of Leading Economic Indicators points to slower growth in 1999 than in recent years, according to new Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander.

"As I pointed out to the Texas Legislature in my biennial review estimate, the Texas economy is healthy, but future economic growth will occur at a slower, more moderate pace," Rylander said.

Texas' economy, however, will continue to grow at a faster rate than the U.S. economy, she said.

State Rep Seeks Ban on Ads

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department would be prohibited from mentioning the name of any brand-name alcoholic beverage in campsite catalogs and park brochures under legislation filed by state Rep. Leo Berman, R-Tyler.

Banning commercial messages would blow a hole in funding the agency has been receiving from corporate sponsors.

But Berman says mixed messages are inappropriate. "If they're going to advertise on television against drinking while boating or hunting, then it's a double standard when they display Budweiser signs all over the place," Berman was

quoted by the Austin American-Statesman.

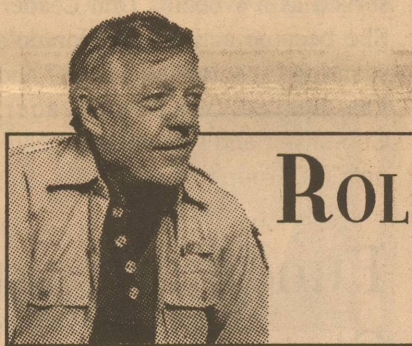
Judges Get More Respect

A study released last week by the Texas Office of Court Administration shows 71 percent of Texans consider judges "very" or "somewhat" honest and ethical.

Lawyers fared not as good — 40 percent — while journalists were slightly better at 48 percent.

Politicians, however, drew an honest-and-ethical rating of 26 percent from the 1,215 Texans who responded last summer to the poll conducted by the Survey Research Center at the University of North

Texas.



ROLLING ALONG

WITH TUMBLEWEED SMITH

The Texas Heritage Hall of Honor

Not many Texans know about it. It doesn't get much media attention. It's called the Texas Heritage Hall of Honor. Every other year, outstanding people in agriculture are inducted into it. They form an elite group. Since its beginning seven years ago, only thirty people are members.

In 1992, the board of directors of the State Fair of Texas, recognizing the important role livestock and agriculture have played in the history of both the state and the fair, voted to honor achievement in those areas by establishing the Texas Heritage Hall of Honor.

Cattle shows and livestock sales were the centerpiece of the first State Fair held in Dallas in 1886 and continue to be a major attraction at the annual exposition.

Any individual, living or dead, who has made a significant contribution to the agricultural heritage of Texas, is eligible. Every other year, the selection committee considers between 50 and 60 nominees.

Twenty one people are on the selection committee: fifteen representing the agricultural extension service, four from the state fair board and one representative from the Dallas historical society. The honorary chairman is the agriculture commissioner of the state of Texas. To date, 200 people have been nominated. Once a person is nominated, he or she remains eligible for selection.

Photos and biographies of the inductees are on display at the Hall of State at Fair Park in Dallas.

This past year, five people were inducted into the Texas Heritage Hall of Honor: Dr. Perry Adkisson, entomologist at Texas A & M University; John Louis Merrill, direc-

Other Highlights

• Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, wants to curb unwanted telemarketing calls. He has filed legislation that would allow the state to fine telemarketers who call Texans who have placed their names on a no-call list.

• Public school teachers rallied outside the Capitol last week, calling for a \$6,000 across-the-board pay raise.

• Joblessness plagues the oil industry. Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Asso-

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

1. Fermentation broth
5. Chicken or egg
10. PDQorJS
14. This may be minor
15. Big bug
16. European capitol
17. Some computers
18. Donates
19. Sgts. and Cpls
20. Dirty dancing?
22. Defame
23. Employ
24. Clawed
26. Belarus city
30. Japanese noodle
32. Coldest
34. Helmsman's heading
35. Pride follower
39. None (Prefix)
40. Perilous: seat at a round table
42. Dies
43. Smug one
44. Anecdotal collection
45. Summer tv fare
47. "Across Five" Hunt
50. Moore and others
51. Keep at

DOWN

1. 'Crimson tide'
2. A Biblical king and a Gray
3. A Little
4. Opposite of fern.
5. Does this on the
6. Clerical vestments
7. Liquid rock
8. Working for another
9. MS-
10. Hot Chocolate?
11. From a spore
12. Word with out or down
13. Wet with down
21. Cold water divers
22. Baba or McGraw
25. Moslem prince

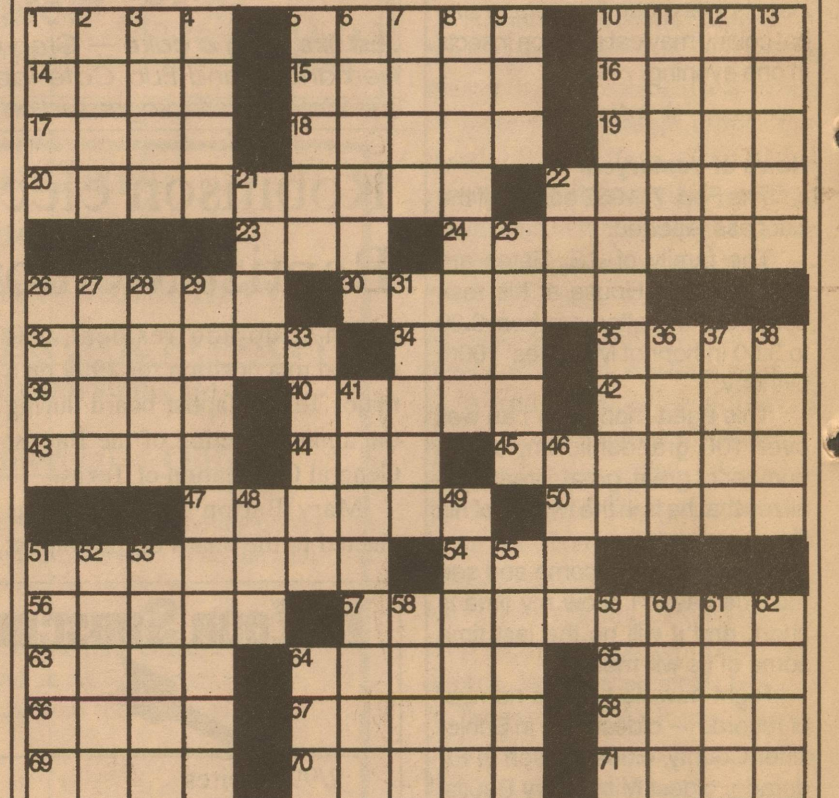
26. Needles' companions

27. Sacred image
28. Christmas current with el
29. Piscatorial entree with lager
31. Anoint old style
33. Peter and Paul
36. Jack-in-the-pulpit
37. Guinier
38. This can be more
41. Start
46. Redact
48. Apple or humble
49. Singing Wonder
51. Norman Vincent
52. "Love truth but
53. Wading bird and train track
55. Love deeply
58. Auel's cave bear group
59. Soak up the sun
60. Kind of hygiene
61. Baseball team
62. Robt.
64. Estonia once

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by John Sheridan



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OBITUARIES

Bo V. Hunt

SAN ANGELO — Bo V. Hunt of San Angelo went to be with her Lord and Savior Thursday, Jan. 28, 1999, after a prolonged illness.

Bo was born in New Home, Oct. 28, 1927, to Franklin and Ailie Blair. She had three sisters and five brothers, Virginia, Betty, Jean, Delwood, Garland, Bobby, Brooks and Charles.

She married David Dee Hunt in 1946. They had five children, Lynn and wife, Kathy, David, Art and wife, Naomi, Kenneth and wife, Lizette, and Alison and husband, Richard Ramirez. She had 15 grandchildren, Kym, Kristi, Konni, Kyle, Sheri, Jenny, Jon, David Kenneth, Sarah, Caitlyn, Rebecca, Amos, Seth, Nicole Bo and Ty; and 11 great-grandchildren.

David, her husband, and son, Lynn and grandson, David Kenneth, preceded her in death.

Bo often told friends, visitors, and her family that she appreciated the time they took to come see her and

for their many prayers. She told many not to be sad for her, but rejoice that she would be in a better place soon. She had great comfort in her final days knowing that the Lord would take her in His loving arms.

Bo was a friend and mother to all. She had such caring and nurturing ways. Although she was suffering with her illness, she was concerned for others. Bo and her loving kindness will be missed dearly.

Bo's family thanks all that visited, called, and prayed for her. It made her very happy.

Services were held Monday, Feb. 1, in the First Baptist Church Chapel. Burial followed in Concho Cemetery in Concho County. Arrangements were by Johnson's Funeral Home.

Before Bo passed away, she made it known that she would like any memorials be given to the First Baptist Church Building Fund, Salvation Army, Hospice of San Angelo or to a favorite charity.



courtesy photo

Rhodes/Hollingsworth engaged

BRADY — Jennifer Lynn Rhodes of San Angelo and Thomas R. Hollingsworth III of Eldorado will be married March 12, 1999, at the home of T.R. Hollingsworth Jr.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mrs. Glenda Rhodes of Port Lavaca and the late Dr. Jack Rhodes. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. T.R. "Holly" Hollingsworth Jr. of Brady and the late Lanice Hollingsworth.

Miss Rhodes is a 1994 graduate of Calhoun High School in Port Lavaca. She received a bachelor's degree in psychology in 1998 and is pursuing a master's degree at Angelo State University. Her fiancé is a 1993 graduate of Brady High School and received a bachelor's degree in music education from Angelo State University. He is the assistant band director at Schleicher County I.S.D.

Elta Redford

GRANBURY — Elta Mae Redford, 86, of Hamilton died Monday, Jan. 25, 1999, in a Hamilton nursing home. Services were held Thursday, Jan. 28, 1999, at the Presbyterian Church in Fort Davis. Burial followed in Hillcrest Cemetery in Fort Davis. Arrangements were by Martin's Funeral Home.

She was born May 29, 1912, in Schleicher County and had lived in San Angelo and Fort Davis. She was a homemaker and a Presbyterian. Survivors include her children, Samuel D. Redford, June Redford and Nancy Jean Redford; five sisters, Nookie Mayo, Corene

Draper and Alma Corbel, all of Eldorado, and Sammie Pruett and Edna King, both of Hobbs, N.M.; 12 grandchildren; and 29 great-grandchildren.

Meals for Friends Menu



Thursday, Feb. 4, 1998

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

Friday, Feb. 5, 1998

Smother Chicken Breast, Baked Potato, Fried Okra, Hot Roll, Peaches

Monday, Feb. 8, 1998

Porkchops w/Gravy, Noodles, Carrots, Bread, Tossed Salad, Applesauce

Tuesday, Feb 9, 1998

Meatloaf w/Tomatoes, Blackeyed Peas, Okra, Cornbread, Banana Pudding

Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1998

Beef Burritos, Pinto Beans, Spinach, Coleslaw, Gelatin w/Pears

Thursday, Feb. 11, 1998

Spanish Meatballs on Rice, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Sliced Tomatoes, Pineapple Rings.



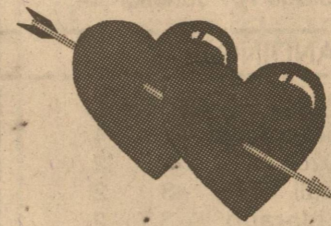
photo by Kathy Mankin

Quality Control — At the Sr. Citizen Center on Monday, Paula Arispe, Georginio Lozano, Louella Sauer and Ives Swain sampled the first meal prepared by the Sheriff's Department for the Meals for Friends Program. They gave the meal an A+.

Looking for a few good volunteers!

The Friends For Meals is seeking volunteers who have a vehicle and can spare one hour per week delivering meals to home-bound senior citizens. The program needs someone for town delivery on Tuesdays and in the Barrio on Fridays. If you are interested in volunteering please call Cindi Stuckey Director of the Meals Program at 853-2123 or at home at 853-2812.

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- 6th Gene Rojas, Kiarra Trevino, Branda Barton, Carmen Joy, Gina Sauer, Jessica Valero
- 7th Doris Jay, Lindsey Griffin, Lola Squyres, Kayla McCravey
- 8th Candi Homer, Skip Nichols, Enrique Rocha, Haley Higgins
- 9th Cy Griffin, Felix Ramos
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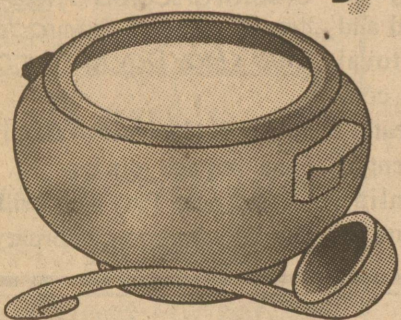
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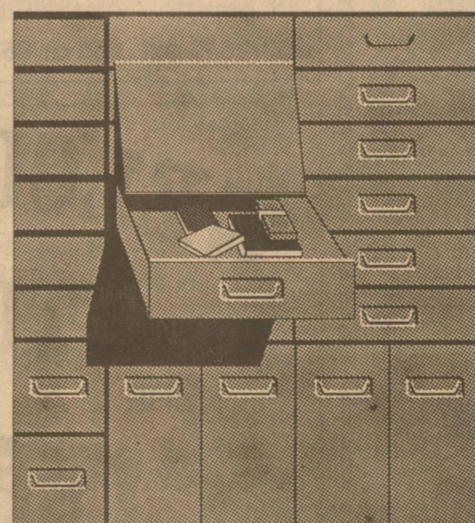
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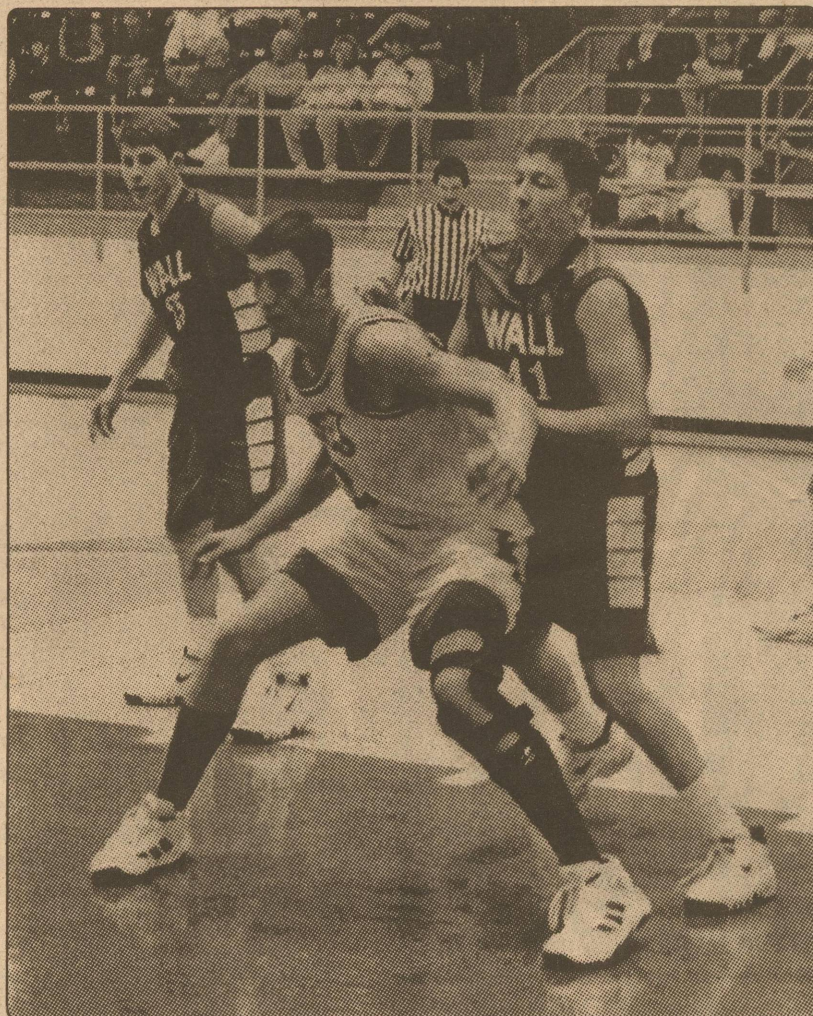


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Shoving match — #42 Michael Mayo fought for position during the Eagles 69-61 win over Wall last week. Mayo tallied 10 points and 12 rebounds for the Eagles in the game.

Eagles win two in district, prepare for stretch run

The Eldorado Eagles closed out the first half of their district season last week with a pair of wins over district foes Wall and Junction.

The game with Wall looked to be well in hand as the Eagles pulled out to a 14 point lead in the second quarter. But the Hawks fought back in the second half, taking the lead in the third quarter. Wall extended their advantage to 10 points before the Eagles came roaring back to win by eight. Final score Eldorado 69 - Wall 61.

Turnovers were the difference in the game as the Eagles scored 36 points on takeaways. The Eagles also dominated at the free throw line, tallying 11 points. And, Eldorado shot well from the perimeter, notching up 6 3-pointers.

Anthony Pina led scoring for the Eagles with 19 points. Will Robledo and Joey Bullard each hit

for 16 and Michael Mayo added 10. Dusty Nolen and Kenny Covarrubiaz each made 3 while Joseph Wink made 2 points.

The game with Junction was never in doubt as Eldorado coasted to an easy 76-49 win.

The Eagles tallied 17 points from the charity stripe and 15 from three point range with four players in double figures.

Michael Mayo and Anthony Pina each scored 19 points. Kenny Covarrubiaz added 14 while Will Robledo hit for 10. Joey Bullard scored 7, Dusty Nolen tallied 5 and Tony Fay counted for 2 points.

The Eagles were scheduled to play Ozona in Ozona on Tuesday night. A game with Sonora is slated for Friday. Everyone is encouraged to make the trip to Sonora and support the Mighty Eldorado Eagles! Remember to WEAR YOUR GREEN!

Lady Eagles launch final push toward playoffs

The task for the Eldorado Lady Eagles basketball team is simple, beat Sonora tomorrow night and clinch a playoff berth. "We win and we're in," Coach Kane Harris said of the upcoming contest. "Our girls understand that...they know it's an important game."

The Lady Eagles arrived at this point in the season by defeating the Lady Broncos here two weeks ago. Now, with the Wall Lady Hawks appearing to have the District 2-2A Championship locked up, and with two remaining playoff berths on the line, the Lady Eagles travel to Sonora for the all important game.

Tuesday night of last week, the Lady Eagles hosted the Wall Lady Hawks in Eagle Gymnasium. Eldorado kept the game close into the 3rd quarter when the Hawks pulled away for good. Foul trouble haunted the Lady Eagles late in the game as well. Final score 45-33 Wall.

"We played a hard fought ball game but we had trouble shooting the ball all night," Coach Harris commented after the game.

That shooting trouble was evidenced by the fact that none of the Lady Eagles shooters made it into double digits. Ashley Finley led scoring for Eldorado with 7. Kim

Jones and Kayla Kohls each hit for 6. Stacy Nicholson and Angela Ballew scored 4 each and Kayla McCravey and Meagan Poynor each connected for 2 points.

Last Friday night the Lady Eagles boosted their season record to 17-10 and moved their district mark to 4-3 by defeating the Junction girls 70-44. Eldorado's shooters were hot that night with three in double figures. Kayla Kohls led all scorers with 17, Ashley Finley hit for 14 and Angela Ballew counted for 11. Kayla McCravey and Stacy Nicholson each contributed 8. Kim Jones hit for 5, Meagan Poynor made 4, Lycinda Halbert counted for 2 and Meg Anderson scored 1 to round out the scoring for the Lady Eagles.

"The girls played very hard and forced many Junction turnovers. After taking a 7 point lead into half-time the girls responded with a 21-7 3rd quarter to blow open the ball game," commented Coach Harris after the game.

The Lady Eagles were scheduled to play in Ozona on Tuesday night. The big game with Sonora is slated for Friday. Everyone is encouraged to make the trip to Sonora and support the Eldorado Lady Eagles! Remember to WEAR YOUR GREEN!

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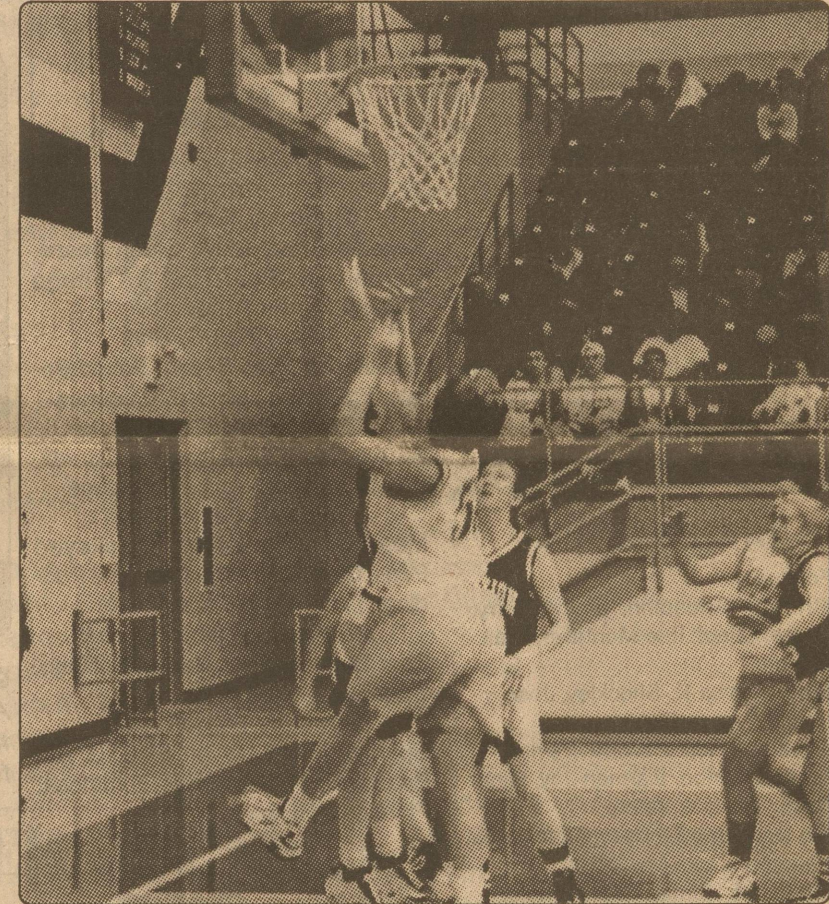


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Up and in — #50 Angela Ballew went to the bucket against Junction last week as the Lady Eagles won and easy one 70-44. Ballew scored a total of 11 points in the game

Golf Play Day
by Mabel Freitag

A beautiful Sunday afternoon for our Play Day on January 31, 1998. We had 34 golfers with 4 youths; Jennah Richters, Andrew Anderson, Chris Hegefeld and Rocky Robles. We finished up in time for everyone to watch and enjoy the Super Bowl.

1st Place Score 55 - Melissa O'Harrow, Curtis Griffin, Howard Ledbetter and Mike Hegefeld.

2nd Place Score 55- Chris Phillips, Eddie Hill, Keith Nolen and Mabel Freitag. Score card playoff.

3rd Place Score 58 - Stephen Whitten, Chris McCravey, Victor Guitierrez and Tommy Hunley.

Tip Van Court, our friend and golfing buddy from Christoval made a Hole-In-One on #6, congratulations Tip, that was great!

Our first regular tournament of the year will be a Valentine Couples Tournament on Saturday,

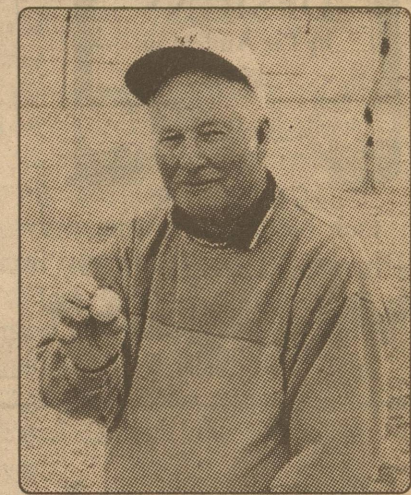


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Hole-in-One — Tip Van Court of Christoval scored a hole-in-one on #6 during Eldorado Golf Club's Play Day last Sunday.

Feb. 13. Get your Valentine and come out and join us.

Our next Play Day will be on Sunday afternoon, February 28th.

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by Scott Edmonson

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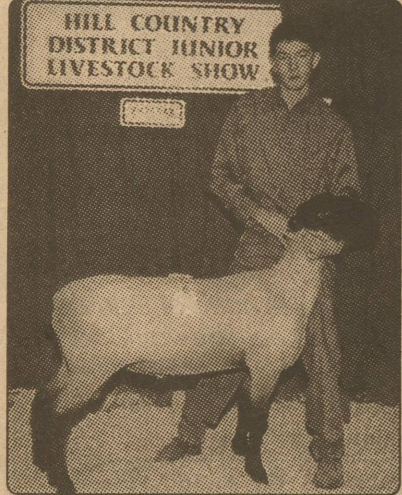
On January 22-23, six 4-H members exhibited their livestock at the Hill Country District Junior Livestock Show in Kerrville. Lambs were exhibited by Whitney Edmiston, goats were exhibited by Courtney Brown, Lauren Brown, Ginger Reynolds and Allison Reynolds and breeding sheep were exhibited by Thomas Ballew. These 4-Hers were accompanied by their parents Jed Edmiston, Matt

and Christy Brown, Sidney and Melanie Reynolds and Ray Lewis Ballew.

Lauren Brown took Reserve Champion honors with her 1st place goat while Allison Reynolds had a 3rd and 14th place, Courtney Brown had a 6th and 14th place and Ginger Reynolds had a 14th and 15th place with their goats. There were over 400 goat in the meat goat show. In the Breeding Sheep show, Thomas Ballew took Reserve Champion Suffolk Buck honors with his 1st place ram lamb and also had a 3rd place with his Suffolk ewe lamb.

Also, on January 22, Haley, Ben and Frank Edmiston exhibited their meat goats at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth. There were approximately 700 goats in this show with six classes resulting in over 100 goats per class. Haley took 11th place honors with one of her entries. Accompanying these 4-Hers was Dr. William Edmiston.

We are very proud of all of the exhibitors and the fine job they do representing 4-H and Schleicher County. We are preparing to go to the San Antonio, Houston, and San Angelo shows so keep an eye out for the results of these upcoming shows.



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Reserve Champ Suffolk Buck — Thomas Ballew is pictured here displaying his Reserve Champion Suffolk Buck at the Hill Country District Livestock Show in Kerrville recently.



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Reserve Champion Meat Goat — Lauren Brown had the Reserve Champion Meat Goat at the Hill Country District Livestock Show in Kerrville on January 22-23. She is show here (center) displaying her winning entry. Also pictured are (L-R) Allison Reynolds, Ginger Reynolds, Courtney Brown and Matt Brown.

Reading volunteers needed

Eldorado Elementary is looking for good volunteers to help children read. Each Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, students from second, third, and fourth grades come to read to a volunteer from the community.

The program, called STAR, is designed to help these students become better readers. Since its beginning a year ago, students have improved their reading skills tremendously, according to their teachers.

At present, there are 13 volunteers, but more are needed. In fact, the school would like to have as many as 10 each day, with a total of 30.

STAR meets from 3 PM to 3:40 PM in the elementary library. The students bring a book and read it to the volunteer. Then the students take a test on the book on a computer to get points which can be turned in for prizes in the AR book

store. Volunteer can come any of the three days.

Anyone wanting to volunteer for any of these days, contact Brian Brownlow or Nell Edmiston at 853-2770, Extension 521.

Financial Aid clinic planned

Lyn Wheeler, Assistant Director of Financial Aid at Angelo State University will be in Eldorado Monday, February 8th to meet with students and parents. A 3:45 meeting with students is planned. A parents meeting is slated for 6:00 p.m. Both meetings will be held in the Eldorado High School auditorium.

Lady Eagles Basketball
CATCH THE EXCITEMENT
Mighty Eagles Basketball

K of C. free throw champs



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Good shooting — Frank Edmiston, Charlotte Adame, Christina Redish, Chris Sanchez and Trey Chavez were among the winners of the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship held here Saturday.

Eight boys and girls from Eldorado, ages 10 to 14, were named local champions of the 1998 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship and have earned the right to compete at the district level. The Knights of Columbus Council #11282 of Eldorado sponsored the local competition at Eldorado Middle School Gym on January 30, 1998. All youngsters ages 10 to 14 were eligible to participate.

Kimberly Ann Samaniego was the 10-year-old girls champion and Russel Cathey was the winner of the 10-year-old boys division.

In the 11-year-olds bracket, Charolette Adame was the girls champion and Frank Edmiston was the boys champion.

12-year-old winner in the boys division was Chris Sanchez.

The 13-year-old girls division was won by Christina Redish and the boys' by Trey Chavez.

14-year-old boys champion was Bobby Phillip.

Each contestant was allowed 15 free-throw attempts in the contests. Ties were settled by successive rounds of five free throws per contestant until a winner emerged.

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pete in the district competition to be held on February 13, 1999 in Ozona, Texas with an eye toward moving on to the state and international levels.



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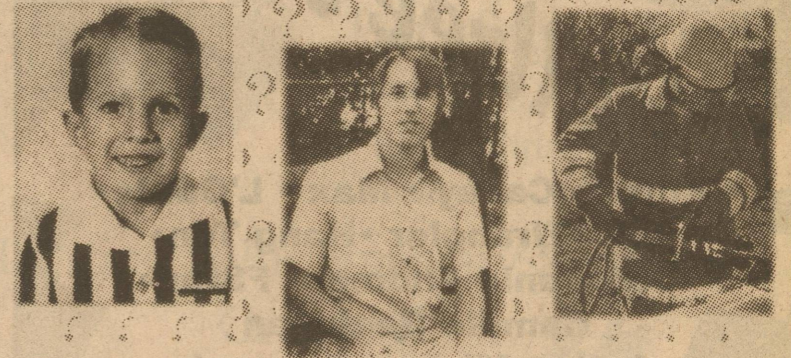


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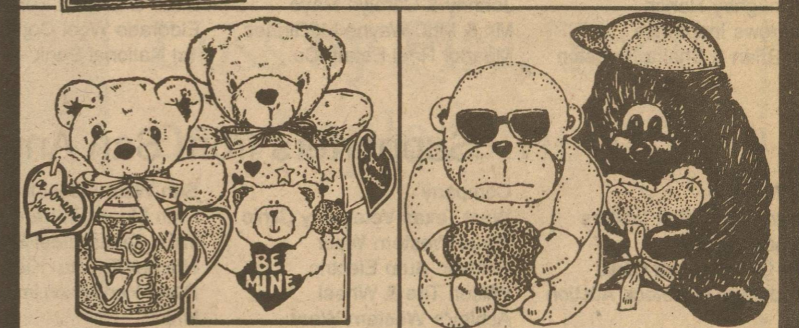
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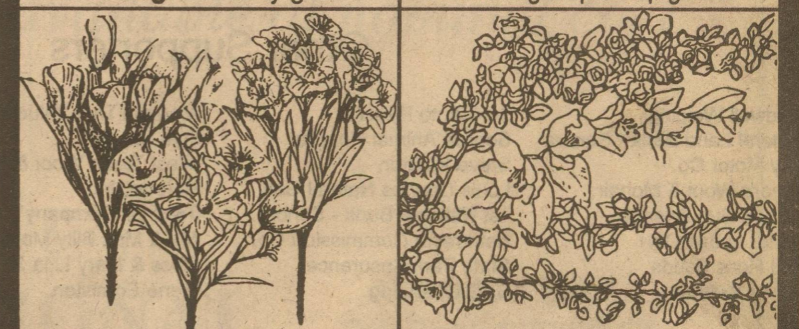


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Focus on the Family

by Dr. James Dobson

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Unfocused Anger is the Worst Form of Discipline

QUESTION: What is the most common error made by parents in disciplining their children?

DR. DOBSON: I would have to say it is the inappropriate use of anger in attempting to manage boys and girls. It is one of the most ineffective methods of attempting to influence human beings — of all ages.

Unfortunately, most adults rely primarily on their own emotional response to secure the cooperation of children. One teacher said on a national television program, "I like being a professional educator, but I hate the daily task of teaching. My children are so unruly that I have to stay mad at them all the time just to control the classroom." How utterly frustrating to be required to be mean and angry to do a job year after year. Yet many teachers (and parents) know of no other way to manage children. Believe me, it is exhausting, and it doesn't work!

Consider your own motivational system and your own response to the anger of others. Suppose you are driving your automobile home from work this evening and you exceed the speed limit by 40 miles per hour. Standing on the street corner is a lone police officer who has not been given the means to arrest you. He has no squad car or motorcycle; he wears no badge, carries no gun and can write no tickets. All he is commissioned to do is stand on the curb and scream insults as you speed past.

Would you slow down just because he turns red in the face and shakes his fist in protest? Of course not! You might wave to

him as you streak by. But his anger would achieve little except to make him appear comical and foolish.

On the other hand, nothing influences the way you drive quite like seeing a black-and-white vehicle in hot pursuit with 19 red and blue lights flashing in the rearview mirror. When you pull your car over to the curb, a dignified, courteous officer approaches the window. He is 6 foot 9, has a voice like the Lone Ranger and carries a gun on his right hip.

"Sir," he says firmly but politely, "our radar unit indicates you were traveling 65 miles per hour in a 25 mile-per-hour zone. May I see your driver's license, please?" He opens his leatherbound book of citations and leans toward you. He has revealed no hostility and offers no criticism, yet you immediately go to pieces. You fumble nervously to locate the license with that ugly picture on it. Why are your hands moist and your mouth dry? Why is your heart thumping in your throat? Because the course of action that John Law is about to take is notoriously unpleasant. It is that action which dramatically affects your future driving habits.

Alas, children think and respond in much the same way you do. Disciplinary action influences behavior; anger does not. When it comes to boys and girls, in fact, I am convinced that adult anger incites a malignant kind of disrespect in their minds. They perceive that our frustration is caused by our inability to control the situation. We represent justice to them, yet we're on the verge of tears as we flail the air with our hands and shout empty threats and warnings. Let me ask:

Would you respect a superior court judge who behaved that way in administering legal justice? Certainly not. This is why the judicial system is carefully designed to appear objective, rational and dignified.

I am not recommending that parents and teachers conceal their legitimate emotions from their children. I am not suggesting that we be like bland and unresponsive robots who hold everything inside. There are times when our kids become insulting or disobedient, and our irritation is entirely appropriate. In fact, it should be revealed, or else we appear artificial and insincere.

My point is merely that anger often becomes a tool used for the purpose of influencing behavior. It is ineffective and can be damaging to the relationship between generations. Instead, try taking action that your children will care about. Then administer it with "cool."

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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Imagine taking a 2-blade Sikorsky helicopter into the shop and asking the mechanic to check the propeller bolts, "I kin set it down, but I won't be able to shut off the engine." If you've ever tried to give a grizzly bear a haircut, you might be able to relate.

First off, it is fairly dangerous. Kneeling along side the squeeze chute with the bottom side panel down, you are a short arm's length from four lightning quick slashing hooves that can make Mike Tyson's best punch feel like a kitten's paw.

Then the procedure calls for you to palpate the testicles. Remember where they are? Between two of those lightning quick slashing hooves. It's always struck me as odd, that if people can invent window squeegees that can reach the second story,

submersible robots that can photograph the Titanic and machines that can shake the nuts out of a pecan tree, they could dang sure invent a tool that could palpate a bull's pecans. But no, we reach in and grab them.

I have mashed many a finger, but broken no wrists or arms. However, I have suffered several scalp lacerations from the side bars comin' loose and bangin' me on the head. I actually wore a hard hat often but they were not fool proof. Some of those squeeze chutes had the side bars attached by a short chain. The bull would rattle the cage, the bars would blow out and swing in a wide arc cracking my eyebrow or bloodying my ear.

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And when you ask the doc if the bull's okay, he'll say yep. "How do you know?" you ask. "Oh," he'll say with an inscrutable look in his eye. "It's a combination of things. But you can rest assured his gun is loaded."

Texas game warden field notes

AUSTIN, Texas — Following are some excerpts from recent field reports filed by Texas Game Wardens.

It's a boat, no it's a car... The Midland Texas Parks and Wildlife Law Enforcement office received a telephone call from a couple asking how to register a six-wheel ATV. When they were advised to contact the Department of Motor Vehicles about titling the vehicle, the woman informed the office personnel that she was planning to drive it into the lake and fish from it. After further investigation, it was discovered that the vehicle was amphibious and could, indeed, float on the water. Eventually, it was determined that the ATV should be registered and tilted through TPW so that TX numbers could be issued.

Here come da judge... A Gray County game warden received a call in November about shots fired from a roadway. At the location he met a deputy along with the husband and wife landowners who had reported the violation. They had apprehended a father and one of his sons, with another son hiding in the brush. After some coaxing from the father, the other son soon appeared and led everyone to the doe they had shot. Upon returning to the warden's vehicle, the father noted how mad "the lady landowner" seemed to be and asked what would happen? The warden explained that they would have to go see the judge. Now sounding worried, the father asked, "Well, how bad do you think it's going to be?" The warden calmly stated that he thought it was going to be pretty bad. "Why is that," the father asked. The warden replied, "Because 'that lady' IS the judge."

Rude behavior at the feeder not tolerated... During the opening weekend of deer season, a Travis County warden was called to respond to a hunter harassment complaint. The person doing the harassing was able to see a deer blind and deer feeder from his house. When he would see deer at the feeder, he would jump in his car, drive around honking his horn, discharge fireworks, whistle loudly, and anything else that would scare the deer away. The warden tried to persuade the guy to stop the harassment, but to no avail. A case was filed against the man for the harassment of a person while hunting.

Funny, you don't look like granny... A Lufkin man was cited for hunting under the license of another person—his 91-year-old grandmother. Interestingly, the man had been cited for that exact violation by the same warden seven years earlier when he was using the grandmother's tag.

Can't say they weren't warned... Just after Christmas, a Willacy County warden encountered two men in Port Mansfield and one of the men asked, "What's to stop someone from shooting a deer off the highway, because there are so many?" The warden replied, "Only the game wardens, and that would not be a good idea." About 30 minutes later, warden Martinez apprehended the same two men for shooting deer from a public road. The local judge assessed fines totaling \$1,000 and a stern lecture.

Yes, that would be a problem... A Grayson County warden recently cited a duck hunter for hunting with an unplugged shotgun and confiscated the illegal weapon. While explaining the procedure for retrieving the gun, the man asked, "What if the shotgun is stolen? Would I be in trouble?" A computer check revealed the gun was indeed stolen. Additional charges are pending.

Noninsured Crop Assistance Program

The Noninsured Assistance Program (NAP) replaced the Disaster Payment Program. NAP was designed to reduce financial losses that occur when natural disasters cause a catastrophic loss of production or prevented planting of an eligible crop by providing coverage equivalent to CAT insurance. Statute limits NAP to each commercial crop or agricultural commodity, except livestock, for which CAT is not available and is produced for food or fiber. Statute provides that the term "eligible crop; specifically include floricultural, ornamental nursery, Christmas tree crops, turfgrass sod, and industrial crops. April 4, 1996, the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 added seed crops and aquaculture, including ornamental fish, as eligible crops.

NAP payment eligibility is based on an expected yield for area and the producer's approved yield based on APH, or a T-yield, if sufficient production records are not available. Production for both the applicable area yield and individual producer approved yield must fall below specified percentages to be eligible for payments. NAP benefits are limited to \$100,000 per person per crop year.

An area can become eligible for NAP when a natural disaster causes greater than a 35 percent loss to one or more noninsurable crops. The local FSA County Committee closely monitors weather and crop conditions in the area to determine when to recommend that NAP assistance be made available for damaged crops. Approval for NAP must come from Washington, DC.

Acreage must be reported timely to be eligible for benefits. The final dates are May 1 for small grains, July 15 for spring seeded crops and Native Pastures, or 15 calendar days prior to the onset of harvest or grazing of the specific crop acreage being reported, September 30 for ornamental nursery and aquaculture. All losses must be reported to the county office within 15 days of occurrence.

A producer must complete all required pay limit and highly erodible forms. Verifiable evidence of interest in commodity or control of land—signed lease agreements are required and a producer must not have a gross income of more than \$2 million.



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