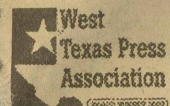


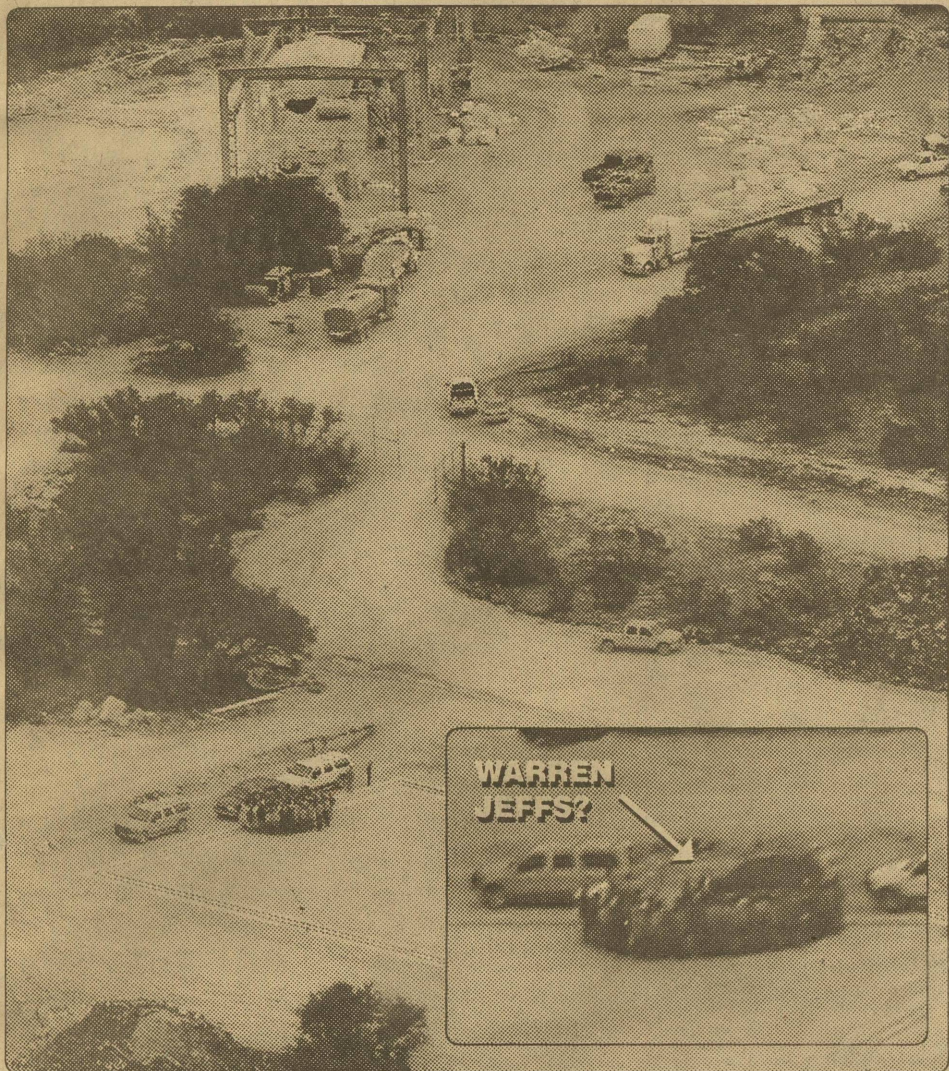
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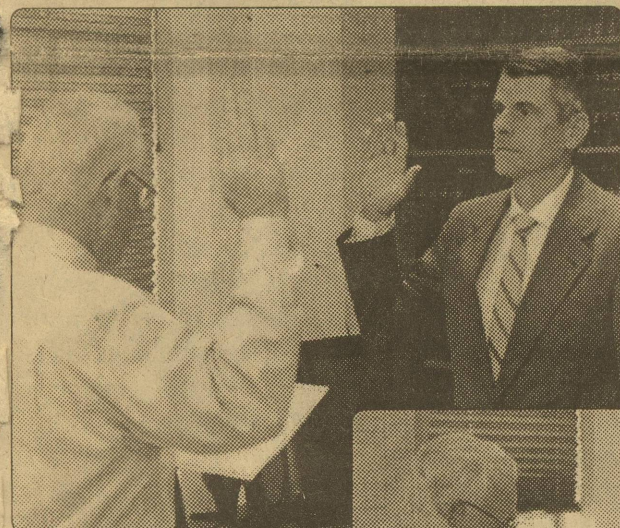
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PHOTOS BY JON KRAKAUER

This aerial photo, taken on New Year's Day, shows a group of people gathered at the east end of the foundation where many believe FLDS Prophet Warren Jeffs plans to build the group's first-ever temple. Best-selling author Jon Krakauer, who snapped this shot, believes he captured a dedication ceremony in progress. He suspects that Jeffs and other FLDS leaders were present in the group. (See inset)

## County officials sworn in



County Attorney Raymond Loomis takes the oath of office from Schleicher County Judge Johnny Griffin Monday to begin his first term of office.

PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Tax Assessor/Collector Jeanne Snelson takes the oath of office Monday from Schleicher County Judge Johnny Griffin.

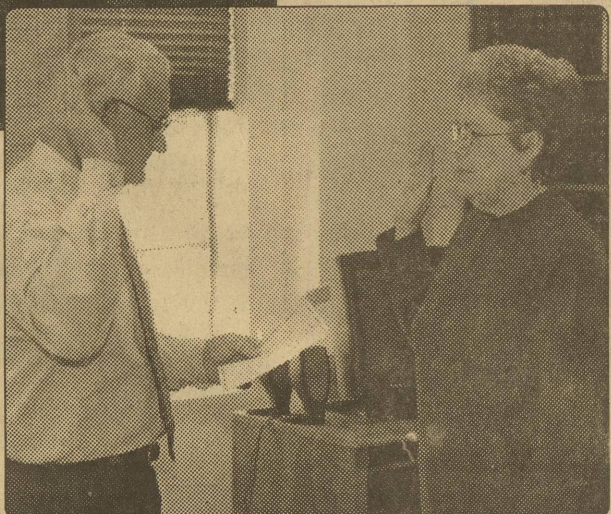


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Newly elected and recently re-elected county officials took the oath of office Monday at the Schleicher County Courthouse. Jeanne Snelson was sworn in for her first term as County Tax Assessor/Collector. Likewise, Raymond Loomis began his first term as County Attorney.

Sheriff David Doran and County Commissioners Johnny Mayo and Kirk Griffin each received the oath of office from County Judge Johnny Griffin.

Sheriff's deputies, as well as deputies in the various county offices where also sworn in as were other county officials

requiring a bond.

Snelson election to the Tax Assessor/Collector position in November with a win over Leann Higgins. David Doran won election to his third term by defeating Robert Bybee in the November General Election. Raymond Loomis defeated incumbent County Attorney Marian Overstreet last March in the Democratic Primary. He had no opponent in the General Election.

Commissioners Mayo and Griffin were each unopposed in their bids for reelection.

## Source: Warren Jeffs dedicates FLDS temple site at YFZ Ranch

### Jon Krakauer watches ceremony from overhead

Jon Krakauer came to Eldorado last weekend, not to celebrate the new year, but to be nearby the YFZ Ranch where Prophet Warren Jeffs and the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ are said to be building a temple. Of particular interest to Krakauer was a recent spate of rumors that Jeffs was predicting the end the world and that he had ordered his followers in Utah, Arizona and Canada to stay in their homes throughout the weekend.

Krakauer, who wrote the best-selling book *Under the Banner of Heaven, a Story of Violent Faith*, has long been a vocal critic of Warren Jeffs. He has followed developments at the YFZ Ranch since the story broke here last March, maintaining close contact with Sheriff David Doran and Success editor Randy Mankin.

Krakauer arrived in Eldorado last Friday evening and spent part of the evening monitoring traffic in and out of the YFZ Ranch gate. The following day, he flew over the YFZ where he managed to witness and photograph what he believes was a dedication ceremony at the temple site on New Year's Day. (See photo at left)

Krakauer snapped a series of photos that clearly show a group of people gathered at the east end of the temple foundation. In the first photo the group is arrayed in a semi-circle, facing an individual who Krakauer believes to be Warren Jeffs. As the plane approached the site the people gathered around the individual in a tight huddle.

"I think they heard the plane and huddled around Warren to protect him," Krakauer said.

A magnified, but very grainy, version of the first photo (see inset photo at left) seems to bear out Krakauer's theory. A lone figure, taller than the rest of the group appears to be facing a group of about fifty people, who quickly gather around in subsequent photos.

Krakauer says he was once skeptical that the YFZ Ranch would ever be home to more than a handful of the FLDS faithful. Now, he says he is convinced that Warren Jeffs is building a new town in Schleicher County and that he is planning to move many of his

followers here.

"Schleicher County is clearly the new world headquarters of Warren Jeffs' enterprises," Krakauer told the Success. "After seeing Warren himself conducting what appeared to be a consecration of the temple foundation on January 1, and considering the incredible pace of new construction on the YFZ property, there can no longer be any doubt."

Other FLDS-watchers agree with Krakauer's assessment. Richard Holm, a Utah businessman and former member of the FLDS Church says he has no doubts that the first photo shows Warren Jeffs addressing his followers.

"It all matches up," Holm said. "His height — the way he is dressed — they way they all gather around him in order to shield him from the plane."

Interest in the temple site grew this

"Schleicher County is clearly the new world headquarters of Warren Jeffs' enterprises."

— Jon Krakauer

week as word leaked out of Colorado City, AZ and Hildale, UT that Jeffs had prophesied the end of the world would coincide with the new year and with the laying of temple cornerstone. His followers in the twin-cities, as well as those in Bountiful, British Columbia, were reportedly told to stay in their homes and stay in prayer throughout the weekend.

Krakauer says he now believes Jeffs wanted his followers praying for the consecration of the Schleicher County temple.

Interestingly, on Thursday of last week, Schleicher County Appraisal District personnel visited the YFZ Ranch where they were allowed to measure several new buildings, but were denied access to the temple site. Chief Appraiser Scott Sutton, his secretary, Janie Mitchell and appraisal district President

Phil McCormick were accompanied to the ranch by Sheriff David Doran. They were permitted to document a number of newly completed buildings, including a large meeting hall and a large apartment style building, each with more than 28,000 square feet.

"Those are rough numbers," Sutton told the Success. He said it will take several weeks to convert his measurements into drawings and noted that none of the new buildings will be taxed until the next tax year.

While the group was on the ranch gates leading to the temple site were closed and pickup trucks containing two men each were backed up to the gates. "It was clear to me that they didn't want us in there," Sutton said. "We didn't push it." While Sutton may not have been able to measure the temple foundation, Krakauer's photos give some insight into the size of the structure. Using a Ford Excursion SUV that was parked nearby as a reference, the width of the foundation very closely approximates the 88 ft. width of the Latter-Day Saint Temple at Nauvoo, IL. The Nauvoo temple, is said to be a favorite of Warren Jeffs.

By comparison, the sanctuary of First Baptist Church in Eldorado is 52 feet wide, according to Rev. Andy Anderson who enlisted the help of FBC youth minister Silas Polite in measuring the building. Anderson noted that it is 125 ft. from the pillars in front of FBC to the back of the church's Fellowship Hall, some 3 feet shy of the length of the temple at Nauvoo.

If the building being planned at the YFZ follows the Nauvoo plans, its walls will stand 60 ft. high topped by a domed tower soaring 165 ft above the ground.

Other photos taken earlier in the week reveal a large number of stone blocks stored in a crescent-shaped area adjacent to the temple and nearby a large stone cutting mill. Many of the stones are covered with tarpaulins but several are visible. It is unclear if all the stone is being quarried on the YFZ Ranch. Jon Krakauer reports following a truck load of shaped stone on County Road 300. He said the truck entered the gate to the YFZ.

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COURTESY PHOTO

Stone blocks are being stored in this crescent-shaped area near the stone-cutting mill at the YFZ Ranch. The stone is being kept adjacent to a large foundation (upper left) where many believe FLDS Prophet Warren Jeffs intends to build the church's first-ever temple.

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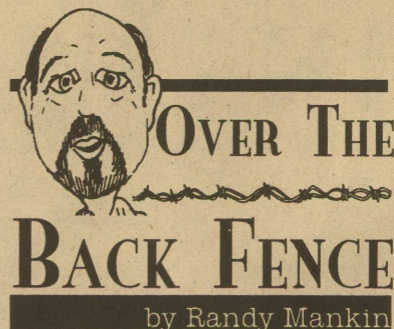
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## A little teen-aged wisdom for the New Year

While some look to the philosophers and statesmen for words of wisdom at times like the coming of a new year, I thought it might be fun this year to listen to what some of America's teenagers are thinking. Here for your consideration are a few select gems.



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**OVER THE BACK FENCE**  
by Randy Mankin

*I believe you should live each day as if it is your last, which is why I don't have any clean laundry because, come on, who wants to wash clothes on the last day of their life?* — Tommy, age 15

*My favorite saying is... Give me the strength to change the things I can, the grace to accept the things I cannot, and a great big bag of money.* — Yvette, age 13

*It sure would be nice if we got a day off for the president's birthday, like they do for the queen. Of course, then we would have a lot of people voting for a candidate born on July 3 or December 26, just for the long weekends.* — Breanne, age 17

*Okay, here's how to understand the idea of infinity. Think of the biggest number you can. Now add five. Then, imagine if you had that many Twinkies. Wow, that's five more than the biggest number you could come up with?* — Carter, age 18

*My little brother asked me what happens after we die. I told him we get buried under a bunch of dirt and worms eat our bodies. I guess I should have told him the truth, that most of us go to Hell and burn eternally, but I didn't want to upset him.* — Andrew, age 16

*There are no stupid questions. Well, maybe you shouldn't ask, "Don't you think it is about time you audited my return?" or "Isn't it morally wrong to give me a warning when, in fact, I was speeding?"* — Lindsey, age 15

*When I am reading a good book, I stop and thank my teacher. That is, I used to, until she got an unlisted number.* — Samantha, age 15

*Imagine, if we could just get everyone to close their eyes and*

*Wouldn't it be terrible if the*

*visualize world peace for an hour. Imagine how serene and quiet it would be until the looting started* — Tyler, age 14

*My sister Amy is really okay. I asked her one time not to tell Mom I was going to my boyfriend's house when she thought I was going to the mall. Amy came through for me. She didn't say a word. She just layed there and sucked on her pacifier.* — Britney, age 13

*I don't know about you, but I like watching paint dry. I pretend that the wet paint is a big freshwater lake that is the only source of water for some tiny cities by the lake. As the lake gets drier, the population gets more desperate, and sometimes there are water riots. Once there was a big fire and everyone died.* — Meagan, age 16

*Ever since my little sister was born, my parents have been talking about moving down the street into a bigger house. I don't think it will work, though. She will just follow us.* — Liam, age 14

*When Dad asked me what part I got in the school play I told him, "play a man who has been married for twenty years. He told me to study my lines and pay attention at rehearsal and maybe someday I would get a speaking part."* — Michael, age 17.

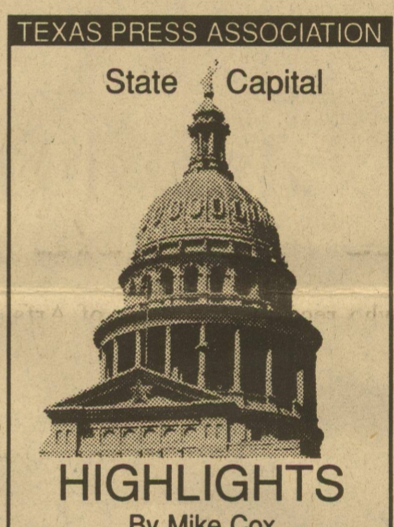
## Bill redials proposal to ban cell phones while driving

AUSTIN — An effort during the last regular session to ban behind-the-wheel cell phone use did not connect, but one pre-filed bill for the coming session is redialing the issue.

House Bill 237 by Rep. Jose Menendez (D-San Antonio) would prohibit use of traditional cell phones while driving, but allow hands-free usage with headsets or voice-activated speakers. Sen. Rodney Ellis (D-Houston) is carrying the Senate version of the bill.

The fine for violating the ban would range from \$25 to \$100, with the range increasing to \$125 to \$200 if the violation occurs in a school crossing zone.

The most-recent Department of Public Safety statistics are some three years old, but they show that from 2000 to 2001, traffic crashes related to driver inattention from cell phone use grew from 716 to 1,032 — a 44 percent increase.



government along with various other states and private livestock associations across the nation in developing a National Animal Identification System.

Under the NAIS, livestock facilities such as ranches and feedlots will receive unique premises identification numbers. A pilot program of electronic ear tags for livestock also is about to begin, with 80,000 tags to be placed on animals in Texas and Oklahoma.

The idea behind the effort is to facilitate government's ability to track animals in the event of an animal disease outbreak (as in Mad Cow disease) or some other animal health emergency, including terrorism.

Interested owners can get a facility identification number by contacting TAHC at 800-550-8242. Later this month, ranchers and facility owners will be able to register through the agency's Web site at [www.tahc.state.tx.us](http://www.tahc.state.tx.us).

### Livestock IDs high-tech...

Texans have been notching ears or burning brands on the hides of their livestock for years, but the Texas Animal Health Commission is looking at a new, high tech way of identifying cattle, swine and poultry.

In something of an animal version of "1984," the state agency is working with the federal

### "SO"...what'd you get for Christmas?

State Rep. Norma Chavez (D-El Paso) has been given the first "State Official" license plate for a motorcycle.

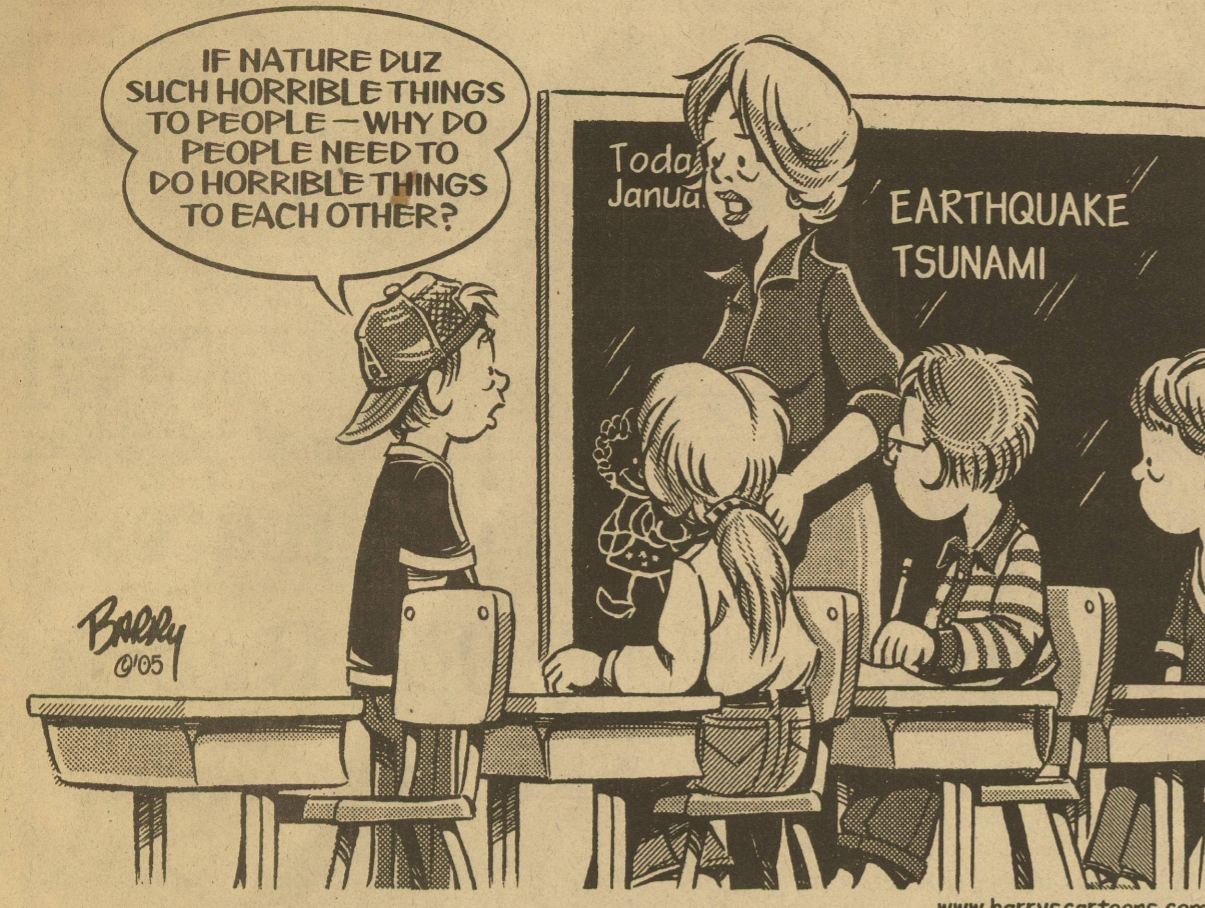
The Texas Department of Transportation has been issuing elected state officials (SO) license plates since 1938. But no one ever asked for a SO plate for a motorcycle until avid motorcyclist Chavez requested one for her two-wheeler. TxDOT officials presented the plates to Chavez in El Paso last week.

You have to be an elected official to get a SO plate, but motorcyclists have been able to buy other specialty license plates since last May. Specialty plates for cars have been offered since 1965.

For information on the more than 100 specialty plate choice; and how to apply, check the agency's Web site at [www.dot.state.tx.us](http://www.dot.state.tx.us).

### Start the New Year with a courthouse calendar...

This year's Preservation Texas fund-raiser calendar features images of historic Texas courthouses restored with support from the Texas Historical Commission. Calendars can be ordered by calling 512-472-0101 or visiting [www.preservationtexas.org](http://www.preservationtexas.org).



## Lorraine's bird-loving-couple

Earline and Lionel Crisp have a pet sparrow that flies around the inside of their house in Lorraine.

"We've had all kinds of unusual pets," says Earline. "A woman was at our house onetime and noticed our china hutch and she got a funny look on her face, then looked at me and asked if that was a snake in that jar up there. I told her it was a coachwhip snake that had lost its mama so we took care of it and raised it."

One day her husband brought home a small jackrabbit. "We raised it on a bottle and kept it about three years. We called it Twinkles."

The Crisps have had pet roadrunners. Their mother had been killed in a storm. "You've got to have lots of grasshoppers and lots of bugs."

Those roadrunners ate four quarts of grasshoppers a day. All the kiddos in the neighborhood would get out and hunt grasshop-



by Tumbweed Smith

pers and bring them to us. We were living in Wink at the time."

They have had a pet crow, wren, dove and quail. They've also had a tubful of cottontail rabbits.

"We watch for all kinds of animals, even horned toads. We're careful not to hit them with the lawn mower or weed eater."

Earline and Lionel have raised several mockingbirds.

"When I brought in the first one, Earline didn't know it was a baby," says Lionel. "We had a hard rain at Wink and the little bird was floating down the gutter. We fed him and he got all right. When we finished raising him, we took him out and turned him loose."

Lionel found a nest full of hummingbirds in his front yard.

"I call one of them Fussbudget. If that feeder runs out, she'll come land on me and fuss at me. Either the feeder was empty or it had a wasp in it and she wants me to get it out."

Their pet sparrow has the run of the house. Lionel says he always thought sparrows were pretty dumb birds.

"We know these birds aren't raised being loved. But two or three times a day that bird will get in Earline's hand and she'll close it over the bird and bring her hand to her chest and the bird will stay there for a long time. When I tell my wife I think I'll just pull the bird's tailfeathers, that little bird will get under the table."

When the Crisps are reading the newspaper, the bird will get right there with them. Maybe that's what makes the bird smart.

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**ACROSS**

- Sgt. Friday's force
- Sonny & Cher, et al.
- Surgery souvenir
- Jai
- Park, Colorado
- Bit of vocal fanfare
- Locomotive's front
- Touched ground
- Kennedy Shriver
- Contest charge
- Fouls up
- Sigh of satisfaction
- Coffee, slangily
- Former Secretary of State Madeleine
- "Star Trek" helmsman
- Bud's comic buddy
- Rid of rodents
- Hostess Perle
- Shed one's skin
- Letter embellishment
- Picket line defier
- Book of maps
- Brownie camera maker
- Tell a whopper
- Membership fees
- Chain serving
- Mexican food
- "The Simpsons" storekeeper
- Tit for
- Shakespearean king
- Graph consisting of parallel rectangles
- Singer Estefan
- Jewish youth org.
- Tower of London
- guards
- Duke it out, in practice
- Missionary Junipero
- Radio hobbyists
- "Time, Next Year"
- Coal-rich German region
- Launched a watermelon seed
- or Felipe
- One of sixteen on a chessboard
- More chancy
- Cleanses
- Football rival of UCLA
- Will...wisp
- "... like you've just ghost"
- Collar support
- Something an athlete might pull
- "See you"
- Gave four stars to, say
- Sp. misses
- Sharp-smelling
- Baba au
- Movie ogre
- mater
- Pirate's haul
- Costner baseball film
- Fortuneteller's card
- Guitar pioneer Paul
- wave
- Comet or kite feature
- Cain's victim
- Greek T
- Kind of toothed disk
- Younger brother of 38-Down
- Aussie eucalyptus muncher
- Swedish imports
- Clear soups
- Bottomless pit
- Argentine plain
- Orchard units
- Give a hoot
- Trillion: Prefix
- Gather up
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The driver of this 1991 Chevy Blazer was arrested on Thursday, Dec. 30, 2004, and charged with DWI following a collision at the intersection of S. Divide and W. Gillis. DPS Trooper Danny Nunez reports that Carolyn I. Melcher, 49, of San Angelo, attempted to cross S. Divide when she collided with 2001 Chevy pickup driven by Marsela Mejia of Eldorado. Trooper Nunez reports that Ms. Mejia was taken by private vehicle to Schleicher County Medical Center where she was treated and released. Ms. Melcher was taken into custody and book into the Schleicher County Jail. She was later released on \$1,000 surety bond.

PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN



## Griffin chosen as Coca-Cola Scholars semifinalist

ATLANTA – William Curtis Griffin, a student at Eldorado High School has been selected from more than 100,000 applicants nationwide as a semifinalist for the 2004-2005 Coca-Cola Scholars Program. The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation, a joint effort of Coca-Cola bottlers across America and The Coca-Cola Company, is one of the largest corporate-sponsored, merit scholarship programs of its kind in the United States. The program recognizes a diverse group of extraordinary high school seniors who have demonstrated academic and civic excellence in their schools and communities.

He is among 2,600 seniors who are in the running for \$1.8 million in college scholarships that the

Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation will award in spring 2005. Students are selected to advance to this next phase based on the level of academic excellence, leadership and achievement demonstrated in school and community activities. The Class of 2005 Coca-Cola Scholars will mark the seventeenth year Coca-Cola will award these scholarships.

As semifinalists, students must submit additional information that will be reviewed in February 2005 by a committee comprised of 30 educators from high schools and universities throughout the United States. If advanced, William Griffin will be among a total of 250 Finalists who will travel to Atlanta April 14 – 17, 2005 to

attend the Coca-Cola Scholars Weekend. During their visit they will attend a final interview process that will determine whether they are designated as either a National or Regional Scholar. The 50 National Scholars will each receive a \$20,000 scholarship award, while the 200 Regional Scholars will receive a \$4,000 scholarship.

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation was created in 1986 to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Coca-Cola and to establish a legacy for the education of tomorrow's leaders through college scholarships. To date, the Foundation has provided nearly \$25 million to assist 3,000 young scholars nationwide in the pursuit of their educational goals.

## Sul Ross State University Fall commencement held

Two hundred and thirty-eight students received their degrees from Sul Ross State University during the fall semester commencement held on Saturday morning Dec. 18 in the Pete P. Gallego Center on the Alpine campus. Included among the graduates was Jamile Lea Hardy of Eldorado

who received a Master of Arts degree in Public Science-Political Administration.

Texas State Representative Joaquin Castro, San Antonio, was the commencement speaker in Alpine, and Maverick County Judge Jose A. Aranda, Jr., was the guest speaker at the Eagle Pass event.

## IRS: avoid headaches, prepare tax return early

Earlier is better when it comes to working on your taxes. The IRS encourages everyone to get a head start on tax preparation. Not only do you avoid the last-minute rush, early filers also get a faster refund.

There are seven easy ways to get a good jump on your taxes long before the April 15 deadline rolls around:

1. Gather your records in advance. Make sure you have all the records you need, including W-2s and 1099s. Don't forget to save a copy for your files.
2. Get the right forms. They're available around the clock on the IRS Web site, [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov), in the Forms and Publications section.
3. Take your time. Don't forget to leave room for a coffee break when filling out your tax return. Rushing can mean making a mistake - and that can be expensive!
4. Double-check your math and Social Security number. These are among the most common errors on tax returns. Taking care on these reduces your chances of hearing from the IRS.
5. Get the fastest refund. When you file early, you get your refund faster. Using e-filing with direct deposit gets you a refund in half the time as paper filing.
6. E-filing is easy. E-filing checks math problems, provides affirmation your return has been received and gives you a faster refund.

7. Don't panic. If you have a problem or a question, remember the IRS is there to help. Try the IRS Web site at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). Or call the toll-free customer service number at 1-800-829-1040.

## 4th annual Gospel Bluegrass Show set in Grape Creek

The 4th Annual Gospel Bluegrass Show hosted by Grape Creek Baptist Church, 9781 Grape Creek Road in Grape Creek will begin jamming at noon, Saturday, January 22. Show time begins at 6:00 p.m. Admission is free and everyone is welcome. A meal will be served around 4:30-5:00 p.m.

with donations toward sponsorship of the Grape Creek Baptist Church G.A.'s going to camp.

Featured groups will be the Concho Grass from San Angelo, Cat Claw Creek and Salt Kreek from Abilene and The Womack's from Colorado City, Texas.

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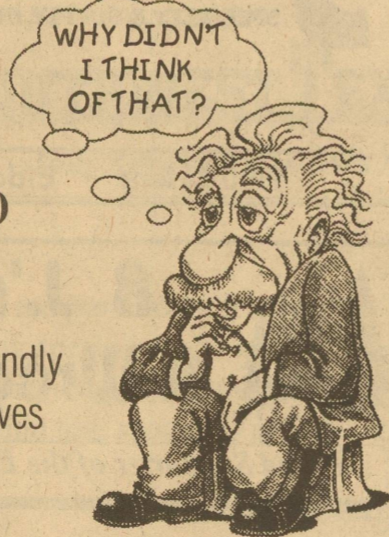
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**VARSITY GIRLS**  
 December 17, 2004  
 Eldorado 02-04-03-06=15  
 Wall 17-09-14-17=57  
 Playing for the Lady Eagles: Maxie Holley (2), Katey Blair (7), Jessica Robertson (2), Taylor Baker (4); Also playing for the Lady Eagles: Karina Sanchez, Chelsey Hill, Chandra Wanoreck, and Josie Diaz.

**Junction Tournament**  
 December 27, 2004  
 Eldorado 13-08-19-11=51  
 Comfort 05-15-05-11=31  
 Playing for the Lady Eagles: Chelsey Hill (2), Maxie Holley (2), Katey Blair (17), Karina Sanchez (5), Chandra Wanoreck (12), Josie Diaz (7), Jessica Robertson (3), Taylor Baker (2). Shooting 3 points: Katey Blair (2) and Chandra Wanoreck (2).

**Junction Tournament**  
 December 27, 2004  
 Eldorado 05-13-06-16=40  
 Bandera 12-12-09-14=47  
 Playing for the Lady Eagles: Chelsey Hill (2), Maxie Holley (3), Katey Blair (19), Chandra Wanoreck (7), Josie Diaz (2), Jessica Robertson (5), Taylor Baker (2); Shooting 3 points: Maxie Holley (1), and Katey Blair (2). Also playing for the Lady Eagles: Karina Sanchez.

**Junction Tournament**  
 December 28, 2004  
 Eldorado 10-20-08-10=48  
 Hondo 06-16-08-16=46  
 Playing for the Lady Eagles: Maxie Holley (11), Katey Blair (18), Chandra Wanoreck (3), Taylor Baker (6); Shooting 3 points: Maxie Holley (1), Katey Blair (1) and Chandra Wanoreck (1). Also playing for the Lady Eagles: Karina Sanchez, Chelsey Hill, Josie Diaz and Jessica Robertson.

**December 31, 2004**  
 Eldorado 03-13-14-18=48  
 Mason 16-14-19-24=73  
 Playing for the Lady Eagles: Chelsey Hill (5), Maxie Holley (12), Katey Blair (12), Karina Sanchez (1), Chandra Wanoreck (12), Josie Diaz (1), Jessica Robertson (2), and Taylor Baker (2). Shooting 3 points: Chelsey Hill (1) and Maxie Holley (2).

**JV BOYS**  
 December 07, 2004  
 Eldorado 05-09-07-18=39  
 Iraan 04-08-14-11=37  
 Playing for the Eagles: Michael Adame (2), Russell Cathey (10), Lalo Sanchez (9), Michael Redish (2), Manny Gonzalez (2), Jorge Mata (8), Tyler Dombroski (6). Also playing for the Eagles: Abel Montalvo, Lane Cash, Clayton Sauer, Armando Moreno, and Adam Dominguez.

**HOOP SCORES**



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN  
 Katey Blair brings the ball down the floor against the Reagan County Lady Owls in varsity girls action here Tuesday night. Blair was named to the All-Tournament team in Junction last week where the Lady Eagles placed 3rd.

**JV BOYS**  
**Iraan Tournament**  
 December 07, 2004  
 Eldorado 14-11-12-08=45  
 Marfa 03-07-05-11=26  
 Playing for the Eagles: Russell Cathey (12), Lalo Sanchez (7), Michael Redish (5), Manny Gonzalez (1), Abel Montalvo (3), Jorge Mata (8), Cash Lane (3), Clayton Sauer (2), Tyler Dombroski (4). Also playing for the Eagles: Michael Adame, Armando Moreno, Adam Dominguez and Clark Meyer.

**JV BOYS**  
**Iraan Tournament**  
 December 10, 2004  
 Eldorado 00-07-10-18=35  
 Irion County 15-10-13-10=48  
 Playing for the Eagles: Russell Cathey (6), Lalo Sanchez (8), Michael Redish (6), Manny Gonzalez (11), Jorge Mata (4). Also playing for the Eagles: Michael Adame, Abel Montalvo, Cash Lane, Armando Moreno, Clayton Sauer, Tyler Dombroski, and Adam Dominguez.

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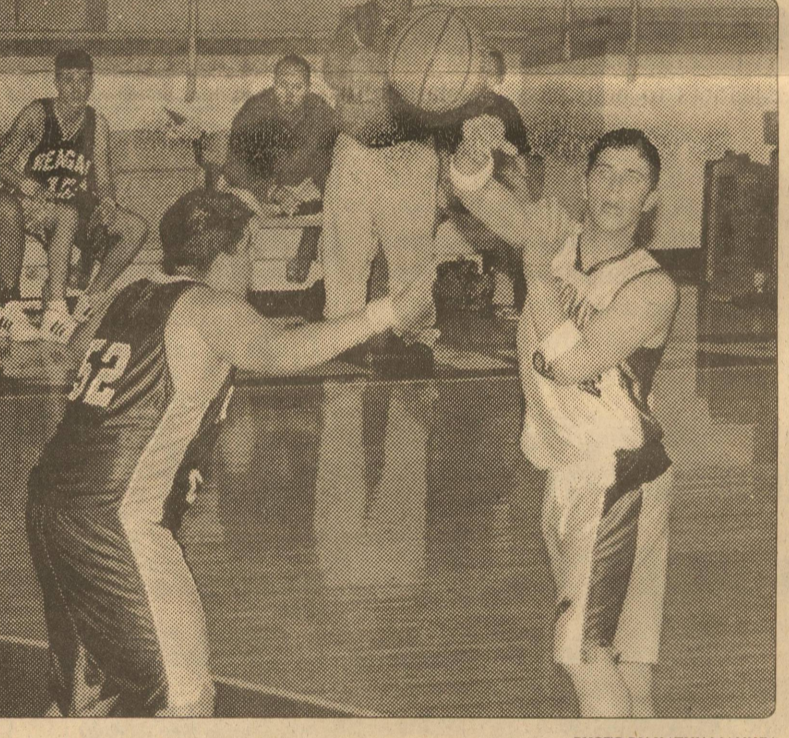


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 Frank Wipff mad this cross-court pass Tuesday night against the Reagan County Owls in varsity boys action in Eagle Gym.

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**VARSITY BOYS**  
 December 14, 2004  
 Eldorado 09-19-14-16=58  
 Del Rio 11-11-26-16=64  
 Playing for the Eagles: Terrell Boysaw (25), Drew Bosmans (4), Michael Ballew (2), Samuel Estrada (5), Jared Grubbs (6), Kolby Dombroski (6), Jeremy Ussery (4), Frank Wipff (6). Shooting for 3 point: Terrell Boysaw (4), Samuel Estrada (1) and Jared Grubbs (1). Also playing for the Eagles: Jorge Bustos.

**December 17, 2004**  
 Eldorado 09-07-15-08=39  
 Ft. Stockton 18-20-25-16=79  
 Playing for the Eagles: Terrell Boysaw (16), Jorge Bustos (8), Jared Grubbs (2), Kolby Dombroski (2), Jeremy Ussery (4), Frank Wipff (7). Shooting for 3 point: Terrell Boysaw (2) and Jorge Bustos (2). Also playing for the Eagles: Drew Bosmans, Michael Ballew and Samuel Estrada.

**Big Lake Tournament**  
 December 27, 2004  
 Eldorado 12-05-12-21=50  
 Midland Christian 22-22-17-11=72  
 Playing for the Eagles: Terrell Boysaw (22), Michael Ballew (6), Kolby Dombroski (7), Jeremy Ussery (5), Frank Wipff (10). Shooting for 3 point: Terrell Boysaw (2) and Jeremy Ussery (1). Also playing for the Eagles: Jorge Bustos, Samuel Estrada and Jared Grubbs.

**Big Lake Tournament**  
 December 28, 2004  
 Eldorado 15-09-04-09=37  
 Midland Classical 21-17-17-06=61  
 Playing for the Eagles: Terrell Boysaw (12), Michael Ballew (5), Jorge Bustos (4), Kolby Dombroski (7), Jeremy Ussery (5), Frank Wipff (4). Shooting for 3 point: Michael Ballew (1). Also playing for the Eagles: Samuel Estrada and Drew Bosmans.

**Big Lake Tournament**  
 December 29, 2004  
 Eldorado 07-18-15-16=56  
 McCamey 11-19-06-13=49  
 Playing for the Eagles: Terrell Boysaw (15), Michael Ballew (8), Drew Bosmans (4), Jorge Bustos (3), Jared Grubbs (6), Kolby Dombroski (6), Jeremy Ussery (5), Frank Wipff (11). Shooting for 3 point: Michael Ballew (1), Jorge Bustos (1) and Jeremy Ussery (1). Also playing for the Eagles: Samuel Estrada.

**December 31, 2004**  
 Eldorado 18-10-15-08=51  
 Mason 12-16-09-21=58  
 Playing for the Eagles: Terrell Boysaw (22), Michael Ballew (2), Drew Bosmans (4), Jorge Bustos (2), Kolby Dombroski (9), Jeremy Ussery (5), Frank Wipff (7). Shooting for 3 point: Terrell Boysaw (1) and Jeremy Ussery (1). Also playing for the Eagles: Samuel Estrada and Jared Grubbs.

**School Lunch Menu**

**Milk & Bread Offered**  
 Menus Subject To Change  
 1/2 pt. Milk & 4 oz. Juice offered w/each

**BREAKFAST MENU**  
**Monday, January 10**  
 Banana Nut Muffins, Choice of Cereal, Peaches, Orange Juice, Milk  
**Tuesday, January 11**  
 Cream of Wheat, Buttered Toast, Jelly, Pineapple Tidbits, Choice of Juice, Milk  
**Wednesday, January 12**  
 French Toast Sticks, Syrup, Peaches, Choice of Juice, Milk  
**Thursday, January 13**  
 Cinnamon Rolls, Apple Juice, Milk  
**Friday, January 14**  
 Cheese Toast, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk

**BASKET LINE**  
**Monday, January 10**  
 Corn Chip Pie, Cole Slaw, Pork-n-Beans, Peach Slices  
**Tuesday, January 11**  
 Pepperoni Pizza, French Fries, Carrot Sticks, Dip, Apple Halves  
**Wednesday, January 12**  
 Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Chips, Lettuce and Tomato Salad, Mixed Fruit  
**Thursday, January 13**  
 Steak Burger, Fries, Sandwich Salad, Peach Halves  
**Friday, January 14**  
 Hamburgers, Spicy Fries, Hamburger Salad, Pickles, Orange Halves

**CAFETERIA LINE**  
**Monday, January 10**  
 Chili Dogs, Fritos, Cole Slaw, Pork-n-Beans, Peach Slices  
**Tuesday, January 11**  
 Crispy Taco's, Pinto Beans, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Apple Halves  
**Wednesday, January 12**  
 Pork Chops, Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Early June Peas, Hot Rolls, Mixed Fruit  
**Thursday, January 13**  
 Chicken Fajitas, Refried Beans, Tossed Salad, Peach Halves  
**Friday, January 14**  
 Hamburgers, Spicy Fries, Hamburger Salad, Pickles, Orange Halves  
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# Krakauer expects Jeffs to face criminal warrant

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Krakauer says he expects there will be increased traffic through the YFZ gate. "More and more of Warren's most committed followers will certainly be moving to Texas in the months to come," Krakauer said. "From here on out, it also seems likely that Warren will be spending most—maybe even all—of his time on the YFZ ranch."

"For over a year now, law enforcement authorities in Utah, Arizona, and British Columbia have been slowly but surely been collecting criminal evidence against the prophet," Krakauer continued. "I don't know whether it will happen in a week or in a month or in six months, but I am confident that a felony warrant will soon be issued for Warren's arrest, which is going to make him afraid to venture beyond the YFZ gates. It also means, for better or worse, that Eldorado is going to be ground zero in the effort to bring Warren to justice."

## TCEQ update

Wendy Cooper, an attorney representing the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality told the Success this week that she is not yet prepared to file a motion with TCEQ Chief Clerk

LaDonna Castanuela regarding environmental violations at the YFZ Ranch. Cooper said that she will be reviewing the case in the next few weeks and expects to be filing a complaint, along with recommended fines, in the next few weeks.

Locally, complaints from neighboring ranchers about dust and runoff from the YFZ have made it to the TCEQ offices in San Angelo. No word whether those complaints are being investigated.

## Legal update

Residents in Colorado City, AZ and Hildale, UT (Short Creek) are reportedly concerned that their homes, built on land owned by the United Effort Plan Trust, are in jeopardy now that the UEP, the FLDS Church and Prophet Warren Jeffs have fired their attorneys and are no longer mounting a defense in lawsuits brought against them by Brent Jeffs and a group of young men known as the "Lost Boys."

A press release issued by the law firm of Hoole & King, which represents Brent Jeffs and the Lost Boys, states that their clients brought the lawsuits in order to preserve the UEP Trust and to "stop the improper sale of its assets."

The statement continues saying, "We want to ensure that families



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN  
Sheriff David Doran (L) reviews a photo with Jon Krakauer (R) after the best-selling author returned from a flight over the YFZ Ranch where he photographed a gathering at the temple site. Krakauer says he believes he witnessed a consecration ceremony being performed by Prophet Warren Jeffs.

are secure in their own homes and can preserve their property interests. We also hope to make it possible for all people living on UEP Trust land to understand the choices becoming open to them so that they can freely make decisions regarding their futures, homes and families."

Hoole & King plan to hold a meeting in Short Creek or St. George, UT in February and meet with concerned residents of Short Creek.

## New end-of-world date

If you are reading this, then the latest end-of-the-world prediction

associated with FLDS Prophet Warren Jeffs has come and gone. Journalists in Canada contacted the Success on Tuesday to say that FLDS faithful in Bountiful, BC reported hearing from their leaders that the apocalyptic end of time previously expected on Jan. 1st was actually going to occur on Jan. 5th, a prediction confirmed by two contacts in Short Creek.

*The Eldorado Success invites Warren Jeffs and/or other leaders of the FLDS church to comment on this or any other story surrounding the FLDS and the YFZ Ranch.*

# Conaway takes oath of office

WASHINGTON D.C. — Congressman Mike Conaway (R-TX) was officially sworn into office Tuesday by the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, Dennis Hastert. The ceremony took place inside the Capitol on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives. Congressman Conaway will join 38 other new members of Congress as they begin to take on a series of significant legislative issues in the 109th Congress.

"I'm looking forward to doing what the people of District 11 sent me here to do," said Conaway, who was recently elected with 77% of the vote. "We have the opportunity to pass significant reforms

in regards to the tax code, social security and immigration. There is a lot of work to be done in the 109th Congress and I'm excited to take part in the debate."

Prior to his arrival in Congress, Conaway was appointed to the position of Assistant Whip by Majority Whip Roy Blunt (R-MO). As a member of the Whip Team, Congressman Conaway will work closely with Congressional leaders to help pass legislation. In a session that is shaping up to be full of substance and spirited debate, Congressman Conaway's role in the leadership promises to keep Texans at the forefront of the agenda.

"Working with the leadership will enable me to accomplish more for my constituents," said Conaway. "There are energy, agricultural and military interests that are vital to the economy of District 11. Now that I'm here in Washington, I plan to work hard on behalf of the people of my district."

Congressman Mike Conaway is the first Congressman from the Permian Basin since 1964, and the first Congressman from Midland, Texas.

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Clinical Nurse Specialist: Angelo State University 2004

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7th Ray David Buitron Sr., Dillon Greer, Bryce Leggett, Steve Parker, Steven Farrell

8th Delia Herrera, Candi Homer, Thelma Bosmans, Gene C. Rojas, Dan McWhorter, Anna Troy

9th Tata Belman, Raymond Riley, Keith Nance, Rocky Huichapa, Ricky Huichapa

10th Micah Grelle, Selina Rojas, Richard Harris, George Scott, Billy Williams, Carisa Porter

11th Ricky Jones, Sharon Spinks, Carolyn Hamilton, Manny Gonzalez, Rosa Trevino, Larry Marshall, Clayton Mack Edmiston

12th Edward Barajas, Teresa Thomas, Allen Kuykendall, Teresa Lux, Mike Lux, Jerry Jones, Mary Nolen

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#### JANUARY

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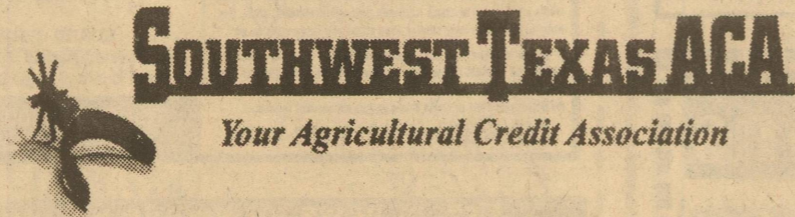
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PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN  
Raymond Bowden, 41, was taken to Schleicher County Medical Center for treatment after rolling his 1993 Ford pickup early Monday morning on FM 2129. According to Deputy Kevin Herbert who investigated the wreck, the driver lost control on a curve before crossing the northbound lane and overturning in the ditch. Bowden was arrested later and charged with DWI, 2nd Offense.

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Please submit your proposal of services and a statement of qualifications for these proposed services to the address below:

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 City of Eldorado  
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Proposals must be received by the City no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2005 to be considered. The City reserves the right to negotiate with any and all individuals, engineers or firms that submit proposals, as per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and the Uniform Grant and Contract Management Standards. The City of Eldorado is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

## January is School Board recognition month

Governor Rick Perry has proclaimed January as School Board Recognition Month and Schleicher county ISD is joining other districts across the state to gratefully acknowledge commitment to our communities and schools.

"Texans benefit every day from the dedicated energies and countless hours devoted by a group of more than 7,000 men and women the state. These public servants are elected to serve by local citizens and receive no compensation for their tireless efforts. These men and women are the local school board members of Texas," said Superintendent, George Blanch.

"These people unselfishly contribute their time and talents toward the advancement of public education," Blanch said. "They represent a continuing commitment to local citizens control and decision making in education. Even though we are making a special effort during January to show appreciation to our school board members, we recognize their

contributions reflect a year-round commitment on their part."

"We proudly salute these education advocates as they provide leadership for student achievement, academic programs, district funding, and school facilities. Their service ensures that decisions about local public schools are made by those most familiar with the needs of the community's children and families," said Blanch. "These individuals deserve recognition and thanks for their dedication to the continuing success of our students and schools."

The men and women serving Schleicher County ISD:

Jo Helen Kotsch - President, Eddie Albin - Vice President, Berta Nicholson - Secretary, John Paul Joiner - Member, Kurtis Homer - Member, Jan Wanoreck - Member, and Lupe Sanchez - Member.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Steven McDonald, 36, of Eldorado, reportedly fell asleep and lost control of this 1999 Ford pickup some 6 miles north of Eldorado at about 1:15 a.m. Tuesday morning. A dazed McDonald climbed out of the truck and started walking. He was found hours later walking northward, 5 miles south of Christoval. Deputy Kevin Herbert, who investigated the accident, reports that McDonald believed he was walking toward Eldorado. Despite a few cuts and bruises, and a bit of confusion, he was otherwise uninjured.

## The Blotter

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

**December 28** • Aycocock, Anthony D., male age 34, arresting officer SC Deputy, offense DWLI 1st.  
**December 29** • Hseik, Ginger, female age 25, arresting officer DPS Trooper, offense Possession of Controlled Substance, >1 gram <4 grams. Released Jenkins Bail Bonds.  
**December 30** • Melcher, Carolyn Isbell, female age 49, arresting officer DPS Trooper, offense DWI. Released on \$1,000.00 Surety Bond Jenkins Bail Bonds.  
**December 31** • Adame, Hector Manuel, male age 22, arresting officer SC Deputy, offense Motion to Revoke, Burglary of a Building.  
**January 3** • Bowden, Raymond

Glenn, male age 41, arresting officer SC Deputy, offense DWI 2nd.

**January 3** • Mendez, Friend Garza, male age 22, arresting officer SC Sheriff, offense Serving 8 Days.

### INCIDENTS

**December 27** • 10:26 a.m. Complainant reported a forged check had come through her account. Bank had been notified. Officer responded.  
**December 28** • 2:49 p.m. Complainant reported her husband was refusing to let her get her and her children's possessions from premises. Requesting assistance from an officer. Officer responded.  
**December 29** • 3:54 p.m. Complainant reported dog without food or water and tied to a building. City was notified.  
**December 29** • 5:27 p.m. Eldorado Medical Center requested an ACLS transfer to Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo. EMS responded.  
**December 29** • 9:59 p.m. Caller reported a reckless driver south bound on Hwy 277. Officer responded.  
**December 29** • 8:50 a.m. Complainant reported an Angus bull and cows out. Ranch was contacted and would send hand to put livestock away.  
**January 1** • 11:27 a.m. Complainant reported a goat out near the Spence Ranch. S.O. attempted to make

contact with ranch.

• 4:54 p.m. Complainant reported suspicious person behind Duckwall's. Requested an officer. Office responded.

• 9:40 p.m. Complainant reported a family member left after a dispute. Requested an officer to stop family member to find out her plans and report back. Officer responded.

**December 30** • Complainant reported an intoxicated driver in a blue and tan SUV. Complainant stated that vehicle had rear window busted out. Also advised that vehicle had left roadway twice. Officers responded. Complainant called back and advised that driver had stopped complainant and confronted him, complainant advised that the female was staggering on her feet and was barely able to keep her balance. Sutton County S.O. was notified.

• 2:30 p.m. Complainant reported a two-vehicle accident. Officers responded. Subject was arrested for DWI.

• 7:01 p.m. Call about burglary on Colpitts. Officer responded.

• 7:36 p.m. Complainant stated that his cellular telephone had been lost on or about 12-26-04. The phone is an Audivox, approximate value is \$300.00. Office responded.

**December 31** • 7:59 a.m. Complainant reported that there was a drilling rig near her house making a lot of noise. Officer notified.

• 3:13 p.m. San Angelo security service reported a panic alarm going off. Officer responded and reported everything OK.

• 7:38 p.m. Complainant reported some poachers in a camouflaged van spot lighting. Officer responded was unable to locate.

• 8:04 p.m. Complainant reported debris on roadway possibly a railroad tie.

• 11:47 p.m. Complainant reported his neighbors displaying fireworks. Officer responded.

**January 1** • 1:57 a.m. Complainant reported loud music from across alley keeping him awake. Officer responded, music was turned off for the night.

• 4:26 a.m. Complainant reported someone for the last two days ringing his doorbell all hours of day & night. No one is there when he answers the door. Officer notified.

• 10:25 a.m. Complainant reported an intoxicated driver. Complainant advised that vehicle had passed her on shoulder. Officer responded.

• 2:20 p.m. Complainant reported an intoxicated driver. Officer responded.

• 7:52 p.m. Caller reported a theft at the Eldorado Place Apt. Officer responded.

• 9:28 p.m. Caller reported son's license stolen from vehicle on Dixie. Officer responded.

**January 2** • 3:56 p.m. Caller reported two white dogs loose on Rabbit Road. Officer notified.

• 5:13 p.m. Caller reported a yellow Labrador dog was sick, sheriff's office tried several times to contact owner was unsuccessful. Animal control picked up dog took to dog pound.

• 10:58 p.m. Caller reported loud music & said it had gone on for a couple of days. Officer responded.

**January 3** • Complainant reported that there was a vehicle rolled over in the ditch 8 miles out on FM 2129. Officers responded.

## Meals for Friends Menu

- Monday, January 10**  
 Beef Stew, Stew Vegetables, Sweet Peas, Cornbread, Citrus Fruit Cup, Milk
- Tuesday, January 11**  
 Bar-B-Que Chicken, Blackeyed Peas, Beets, Hot Rolls, Pears w/ Pineapples, Choc. Chip Cookies, Milk
- Wednesday, January 12**  
 Fried Fish w/ Tarter Sauce, Hominy, Broccoli, Corn Muffins, Bread Pudding w/ Raisins, Milk
- Thursday, January 13**  
 Salisbury Steak, Baked Beans, Mustard Greens, Bread Peaches, Milk
- Friday, January 14**  
 Roast Beef w/ Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Coleslaw, Carrot Cake, Milk

Solution to puzzle on Page 2

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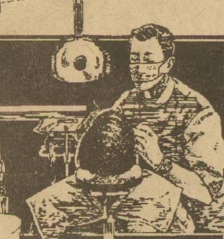
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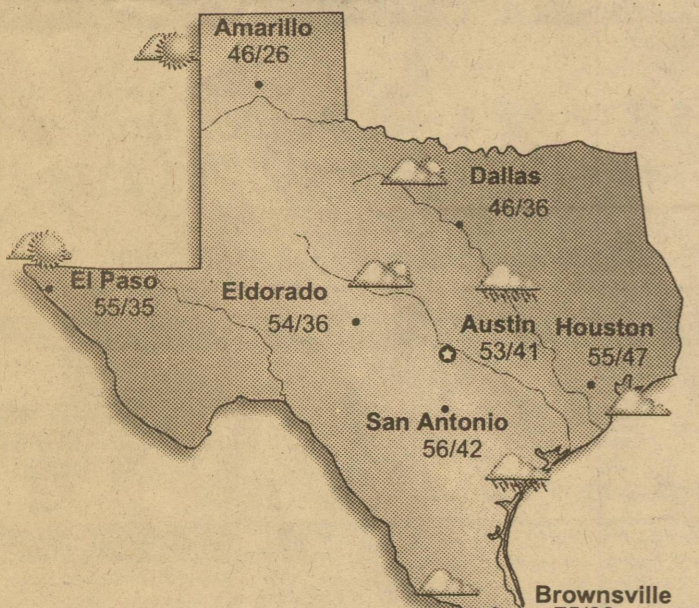
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**Eldorado Weather**  
**Local 5-Day Forecast**

Fri 1/7	Sat 1/8	Sun 1/9	Mon 1/10	Tue 1/11
<b>54/36</b> More clouds than sun. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the mid 30s.	<b>61/46</b> Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the mid 40s.	<b>71/44</b> Occasional showers possible. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the mid 40s.	<b>72/51</b> Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 50s.	<b>73/53</b> Occasional showers possible. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 50s.
Sunrise: 7:41 AM Sunset: 5:56 PM	Sunrise: 7:41 AM Sunset: 5:57 PM	Sunrise: 7:41 AM Sunset: 5:57 PM	Sunrise: 7:41 AM Sunset: 5:58 PM	Sunrise: 7:41 AM Sunset: 5:59 PM

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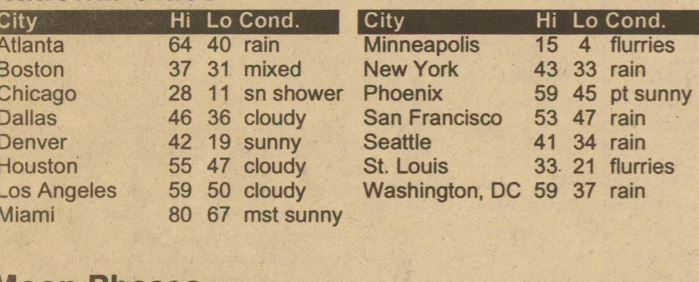
**Area Cities**

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Amarillo	46	26	mst sunny	Kingsville	64	50	rain
Austin	53	41	rain	Livingston	53	42	cloudy
Beaumont	55	47	cloudy	Longview	46	40	cloudy
Brownsville	75	62	cloudy	Lubbock	50	26	pt sunny
Brownwood	50	38	pt sunny	Lufkin	53	44	cloudy
Corpus Christi	60	50	rain	Midland	53	34	pt sunny
Corsicana	46	40	cloudy	Raymondville	71	56	rain
Dallas	46	36	cloudy	Rosenberg	55	47	cloudy
Del Rio	64	43	cloudy	San Antonio	56	42	rain
El Paso	55	35	mst sunny	San Marcos	54	42	rain
Fort Stockton	63	42	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	43	35	cloudy
Gainesville	43	31	pt sunny	Sweetwater	51	37	pt sunny
Greenville	45	34	cloudy	Tyler	45	38	cloudy
Houston	55	47	cloudy	Weatherford	44	32	pt sunny
				Wichita Falls	44	26	pt sunny

**National Cities**

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	64	40	rain	Minneapolis	15	4	flurries
Boston	37	31	mixed	New York	43	33	rain
Chicago	28	11	sn shower	Phoenix	59	45	pt sunny
Dallas	46	36	cloudy	San Francisco	53	47	rain
Denver	42	19	sunny	Seattle	41	34	rain
Houston	55	47	cloudy	St. Louis	33	21	flurries
Los Angeles	59	50	cloudy	Washington, DC	59	37	rain
Miami	80	67	mst sunny				

**Moon Phases**



Last Jan 3  
 New Jan 10  
 First Jan 17  
 Full Jan 25

**UV Index**

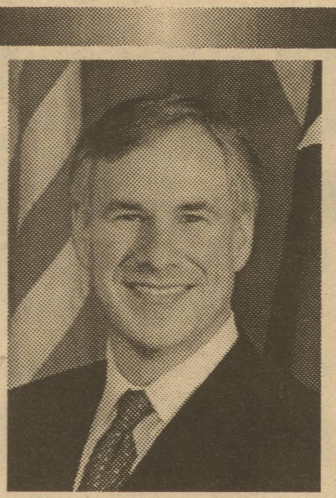
Fri 1/7	Sat 1/8	Sun 1/9	Mon 1/10	Tue 1/11
3	4	4	4	3
Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

# Third Party Debt Collectors: Know Your Rights

The Attorney General's Office receives numerous complaints and inquiries about third party debt collectors. There is much confusion about what collectors can and cannot do. Let's clear up some of the confusion.

Many consumers fear that they can lose their homesteads due to an outstanding debt. In Texas, generally a registered homestead is protected and cannot be foreclosed upon to pay a debt. However, if you default on a first or second mortgage or a home equity loan, the lender can foreclose on your home. You should consult an attorney to determine whether your home or homestead is in jeopardy.



by Greg Abbott  
 Attorney General of Texas

Wages are generally protected, but can be garnished to pay court-ordered child support, spousal maintenance, student loans in default and back taxes. Bank accounts, savings accounts and other general investment accounts or brokerage accounts may be garnished.

Although a collector may contact others to try and locate you, he or she may not discuss your account or debt status with anyone else but you or your spouse. He or she must give his or her name, but not the name of the agency unless they are specifically asked for it.

A collection agency may contact your employer, but only for specific reasons, which include verification of your employment, verification of your business location and to determine if you have medical insurance to cover a medical bill.

We also receive inquiries regarding the obligation to pay old debts. If you never paid off an old debt, that does not mean it is not valid; you are obligated to pay it even if it has been several years since you were contacted by a collection agency or the business you owe the debt to.

Many consumers are under the impression that after a certain number of years, they are no longer responsible for an unpaid debt.

Under Chapter 16.004 of the Texas Civil Practice & Remedies Code, Four-Year Limitations Period, the statute of limitations for filing suit to collect a debt is no later than four years after the cause of action accrues. An example of when the cause of action accrues is the date on which the debt is declared to be in default.

Under the case law related to this statute, debt means any outstanding liability payable in cash. In addition to consumer loans or credit card debt, this can mean a tax liability, damages related to land sale fraud, overpayment or underpayment of royalties or wages, money allegedly owed under an insurance policy, and money arising from a breach of contract.

The fact that a creditor is barred from collecting a debt through a lawsuit due to the statute of limitations does not mean the debt is erased - the debt remains in effect, and the creditor can still use other means to try to collect it. And the debt will remain on your credit report.

Also, most of the cases cited involve unsecured debt, where the suit would result in a personal judgment against the debtor. There are different rules for debts secured by property, such as mortgages. You may wish to consult with a private attorney if you are unsure which type of debt is involved or what options are available in resolving it.

If you are being harassed by an abusive debt collection agency, you can contact my office and file a complaint. You can also contact the Federal Trade Commission to file a complaint and for additional information.

**POINTS TO REMEMBER**  
 Third Party Debt Collectors

To obtain a copy of your credit report:

Equifax  
 P.O. Box 740241  
 Atlanta, GA 30374-0241  
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Office of the Attorney General  
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Federal Trade Commission  
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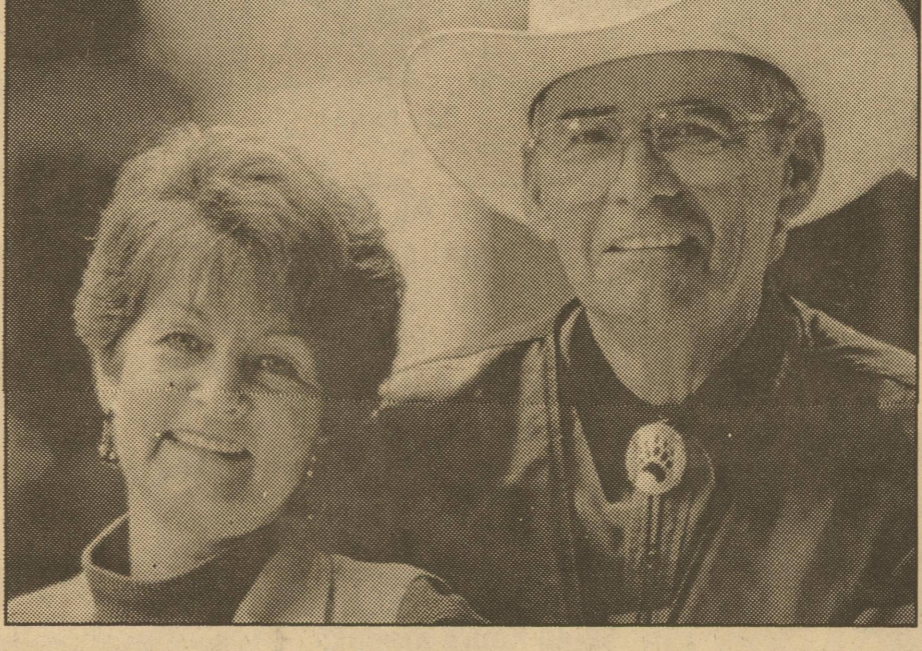
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# Golf Club Play Day

by Su Scott

The Eldorado Golf Club held its monthly Play Day on Sunday, January 2. There were 24 adults and one youth, Chance Meyer, who participated.

The results were:

1st place-score 58- Victor Belman, Su Scott, Tommy Hunley, and Chance Meyer.

2nd place-score 59- Jon Cartwright, David Robledo, William Robledo, and Johnny Lee Arispe.

There was a tie for 3rd place because there were three teams that tied and the three teams played off on the course to determine the 3rd place winner.

3rd place-score 60- Don Richters, Dennis Terry, C.R. Sproul, Charlie Pharis, and Felipe Piña.

The other teams were as follows:

Score-60- Moises Hill, Keith Nolan, Alvin Terry, and Nancy Lester.

Score-60- Mario Robles, Joe Garza, Tip Van Court, and Albert Torres.

Score-61- Steve Snelson, Bill Wells, Gordon Emmons, and Gordon Jones.

The next Play Day will be Sunday, February 6, weather permitting.

**JV BOYS**

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**Iraan Tournament**  
 December 11, 2004

Eldorado 04-04-04-10=22  
 Alpine 09-09-03-09=30

Playing for the Eagles: Russell Cathey (7), Michael Redish (3), Abel Montalvo (4), Jorge Mata (6), Tyler Dombroski (2). Also playing for the Eagles: Michael Adame, Michael Gonzalez, Cash Lane, Armando Moreno, Clayton Sauer, and Adam Dominquez.

**December 14, 2004**

Eldorado 12-10-11-07=40  
 Del Rio 06-21-11-05=43

Playing for the Eagles: Russell Cathey (11), Lalo Sanchez (7), Michael Redish (3), Manny Gonzalez (4), Abel Montalvo (8), Jorge Mata (2), Tyler Dombroski (5). Also playing for the Eagles: Michael Adame, Clark Meyer, Cash Lane, Armando Moreno, and Clayton Sauer.