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## After the storm

### Slower pace returns week after media invasion

What passes for normal in Eldorado these days, would be considered bizarre in most Texas towns. That's how much things have changed since the YFZ Ranch story broke last year.

While the sight of satellite trucks and TV news crew doing sidewalk interviews might appear strange in other West Texas communities, here it has become commonplace.

Nowadays locals ask as many questions as the news crews. Things like, "When did you say this going to air? ...Oh, in May? ...So it we'll see it during sweeps?"

That's not to suggest that Eldoradoans have become jaded, only that many of them have become media savvy.

It has been a steep learning curve

and last week it got steeper as reporters and news crews from four countries and two continents converged on Eldorado, each of them wanting a front-row seat at Warren Jeff's end-of-the-world extravaganza.

But, when the promised apocalypse failed to materialize, most of the reporters found themselves trying to gauge local reaction and asking thoughtful questions like, "How do you feel this will affect your town?" Or... "Are you frightened by the newcomers and are you worried that they will try to steal your children?"

One mans comment as he watched two camera-toting news crews pursuing a local woman (who clearly did not want to be interviewed) down the side walk in front of the newspaper office was, "It reminds me of a bunch

of ducks chasing a tick."

An audio recording of Warren Jeff's address at a Saturday work meeting in Colorado City, Arizona, provided much of the impetus for the media storm. In the meeting Jeff's can be heard telling workers that April 6 will be the day God returns to Earth to claim the FLDS church as his holy people and unleash "the destructions" upon the rest of the planet. What is unclear in the audio, is exactly which April 6 Jeff's is talking about.

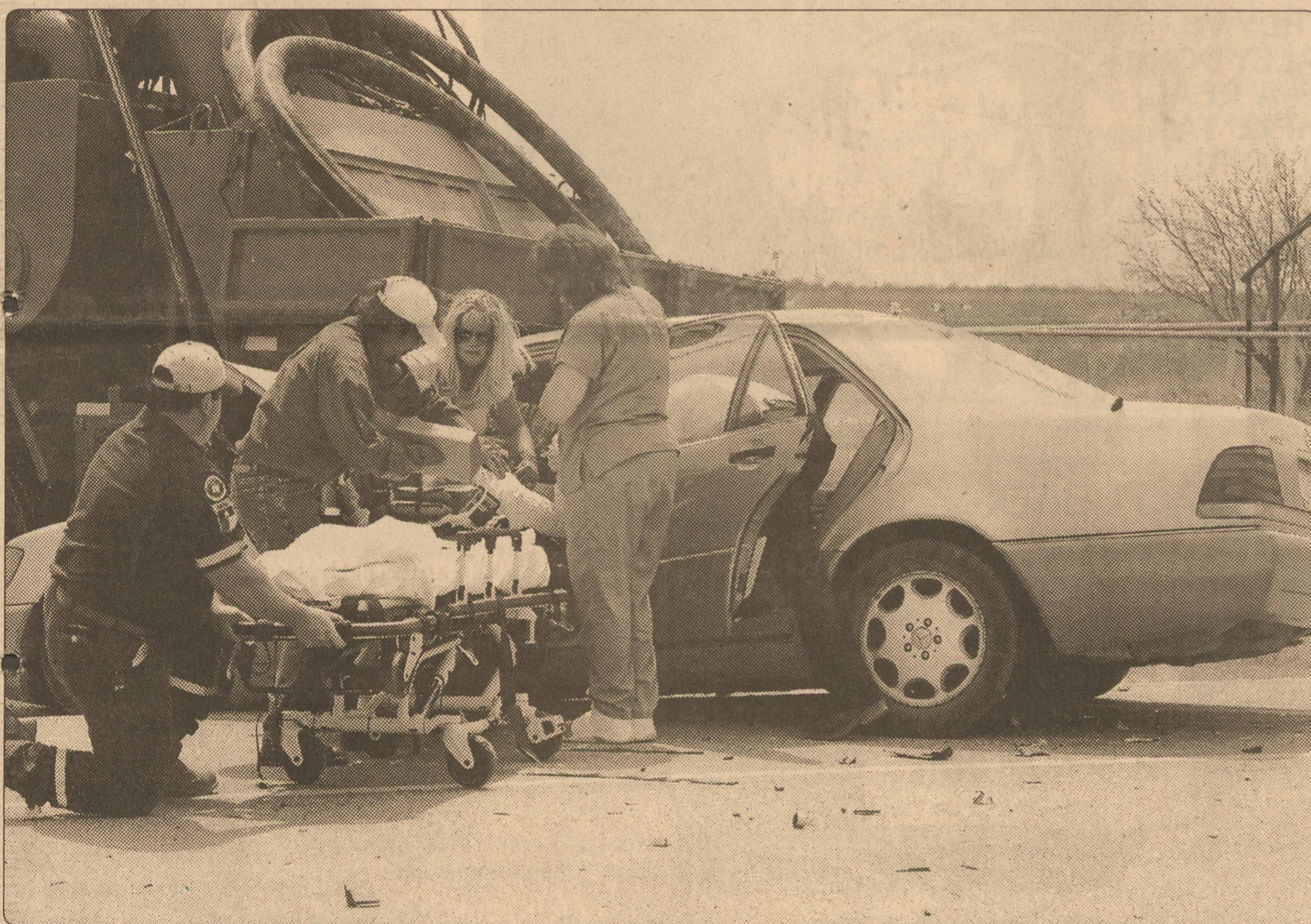
The recent construction of the FLDS temple on the YFZ Ranch, coinciding so closely with the April 6 date, had many believing that last week would be the big week. Then there were the persistent rumors emanating

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Tax Appraiser Scott Sutton (far left) spoke briefly Thursday, April 7, with Merrill Jessop at the YFZ Ranch gate after he and water district officials visited the ranch for inspections. The group was escorted onto the ranch by Sheriff David Doran.



Marie Aldwell, 85, of Sonora, was driving north on US 277 when her 1994 Mercedes collided with the rear of a BJ Services blender truck, driven by Barron Wesley, 30, of Monahans. EMS volunteers responded to the scene and Ms. Aldwell was taken to Schleicher County Medical Center for treatment. Here, rescuers attempt to free Ms. Aldwell from the wreckage. (Clockwise from foreground) BJ employee Junior Jasso of Grape Creek, EMT Juaquin Rojas, EMT Melissa Stanford and Sherryl Chandler, R.N., of Ozona. Deputy Jason Chatham from the back seat of the Mercedes. DPS Trooper Norbert Ortiz of Sonora investigated the accident.

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## County must move three polling places

County Clerk Peggy Williams notified Schleicher County Commissioners Monday that the county would not be able to hold its May 7 tax freeze election in a single polling place, as she once had hoped. Instead, the voting will take place in the four regular county polling places.

The news means that many city and school voters who will cast their May 7 ballots in the Memorial Building, will be forced to travel to another polling place to cast their county ballot. Only the county's Precinct 2 voters will be able to complete their voting without leaving the Memorial Building since it is the official polling place for that precinct.

Williams said that Elizabeth Hanshaw Winn, an attorney in the Secretary of State's elections division, told her last week that the consolidation of commissioners precincts would be unlawful. That was contrary to the advice she had gotten a few weeks earlier from an attorney in the same office, Ms. Williams said.

The news didn't please the commissioners. Nor did it please County Judge Johnny Griffin who pointed out the added cost to the county. Griffin then explained that Sutton County continues to hold its special elections in one polling place.

Ms. Williams agreed and said she mentioned it to the attorney in Austin only to be told that Sutton County had been lucky that they had not been caught.

Ultimately the commissioners chose not to argue with the state, mainly because they didn't want the results of the May 7 election to be challenged. Judge Griffin commented that if the tax freeze proposal fails, he didn't want the results contested because of polling place irregularities.

With that Ms. Williams said she would publish a notice in the paper and post other notices informing voters of the polling place locations. They are:

- Pct. #1 - Methodist Church Education Building.
- Pct. #2 - Memorial Building.
- Pct. #3 - County Annex.
- Pct. #4 - Catholic Church Education Building.

The discussion occurred during the commissioners' regular twice-monthly

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## New equipment goes into service at city sewer plant

New equipment, installed recently at the City of Eldorado's wastewater treatment plant, went into operation this week, and almost immediately improved the quality of the treated effluent being discharged from the facility. Steve Dennis, a civil engineer with

the firm GSWW from Midland, was on hand for Monday night's city council meeting where he displayed before and after samples of the treated effluent to show how effective the new equipment is at removing algae from the wastewater.

Dennis who designed the

project, said he hoped the city's lingering algae problems might finally be at an end.

The meeting was the council's regular monthly session. It was called to order by Mayor John Nikolauk with council members Bill McCutcheon, Toni Sudduth, Dora Bosmans, Tommy Minor and Richard Mendez in attendance. Also present were City Secretary Carolyn Mayo and Utility Superintendent Floyd Fay.

A major item of business involved the city's dwindling workforce. Floyd Fay explained that he has three vacancies in his 13-person staff, and that the remaining ten have been asked to pick up the slack.

It was explained that some city employees were lured away by the high wages currently being paid in the booming oil field.

After a long discussion the council agreed to give a \$1 per hour across-the-board pay raise to the city's hourly workers. Pay increases for the City Secretary and Utility Superin-

tendent, who are salaried, were also approved, using a complex formula recommended by Toni Sudduth.

In other business, the council met with Mya Griffin, representing First Choice, an electric service re-seller. Her company, Strategic Choice Energy and WTU Retail each offered quotes for providing the city with electrical service. Discussion quickly turned to differences between the three bids, and the possibility of placing some of the city's high use accounts with one provider and assigning the rest to another. Ultimately, the council decided to do nothing and tabled the item.

Next, the council asked Mayor Nikolauk to visit with Texas Commission Environmental Quality (TCEQ) commissioners to see if the \$9,900 fine the city received because its wastewater treatment plant was out of compliance could be lowered or eliminated since the problems at the wastewater plant appear

to have been corrected.

The Mayor also reported that he has received nothing new from the TCEQ on a citation the city received recently at the landfill. Neither had he heard about the status of the city's 2005-2006 grant application for a water system improvement grant. Nikolauk then advised the council that YFZ Ranch officials had declined to accept the city's proposal that the ranch transport its wastewater to the city sewer plant for 18 cents per gallon.

Utility Supt. Floyd Fay reported that the Texas Railroad Commission inspector found several minor deficiencies at the city's gas plant. He explained the problems were quickly corrected.

Fay noted that a new shipment of patching oil has been received and that the pothole patching machine was back

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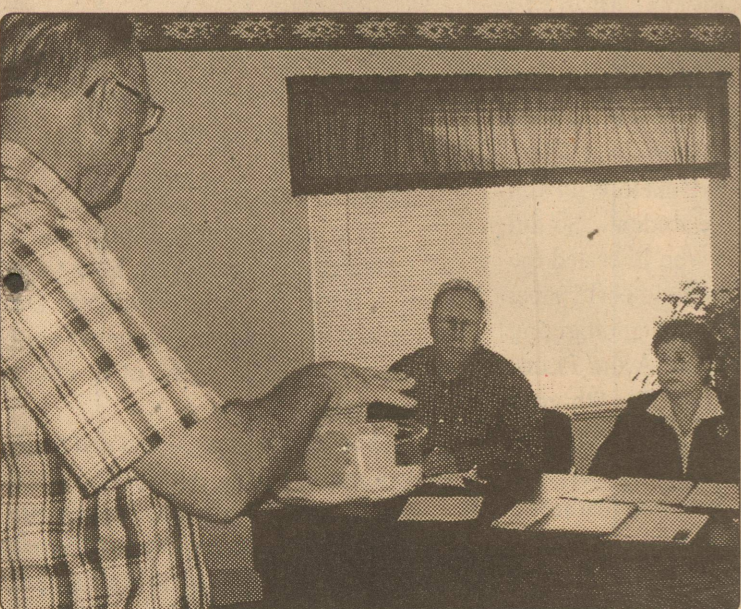


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Civil Engineer Steve Dennis displayed two wastewater samples at Monday night's city council meeting to show the council how well the city's newly installed DAF unit is working to remove algae from treated effluent.

## Your right to know about government depends on editorial freedom

by Richard Stone  
Publisher, The  
Cameron Herald



For over 200 years, the only help that newspapers needed to report on the workings of government (or anything else) was the First Amendment to the Constitution.

The founders of this country believed that a free press is so important, that "right" was enshrined at the very top of the Bill of Rights.

Unfortunately, over the last several years, decisions handed down by state and federal courts have slowly stripped away that First Amendment remedy until it affords virtually no protection at all.

This means that publishers have to weigh the chance of a libel suit or a district attorney's subpoena each and every time his or her newspaper reports a controversial story.

Some newspapers could have information that, if published, could expose corruption in government or force the local "good old boy" network into the sunshine. But few newspapers can write and publish those stories because most of this information depends on a confidential source. In Texas, that confidentiality cannot be guaranteed and sources know it so these stories go unreported.

Just like most of our advertisers, most community newspapers in Texas are small businesses that operate on very thin profit margins. If small newspapers had to literally keep an attorney on retainer to fight potential libel suits or defend against adventurous state prosecutors, very few could stay in business for very long.

That situation is why two Texas legislators have filed bills (one in the Texas House, one in the Texas Senate) that would grant reporters and publishers a limited, sharply defined ability to protect themselves and confidential sources.

Senate Bill 604 by Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, and House Bill 188 by Aaron Pena, D-Edinburg, would bring into existence what is known by the media as a "shield law," something 31 states and the District of Columbia already have, to help reporters resist the disclosure of information or a confidential source.

The protections in the original bills don't extend to information relating to violent crimes or eyewitness accounts. Reporters wouldn't be able to shield evidence of a murder or use these protections to avoid testimony regarding an incident they witnessed. But it would help reporters and publishers shield government "whistle-blowers."

Obviously, many in government — especially in law enforcement — don't like this idea. Just read this item that was posted on the Texas District and County Attorney Association's website after a hearing in the Texas Senate last week:

"We ... wonder what public policy interest justifies requiring [prosecutors] — and the defense bar — to fight the media for evidence in their possession?"

As if it's a newspaper's job to collect information for prosecutors. It's not.

A free press has a place in our society and that place is just as important in a town like Eldorado as it is in Austin or Washington.

The function of a newspaper in our democratic society is to help readers (taxpayers, citizens) monitor local government. That objective look at the workings of local government is the service small newspapers across Texas provide their readers each week.

It is not a newspaper's place to be an information-gathering arm for local prosecutors. Newspapers cannot meet that obligation very well if they have to practice defensive journalism.

These two bills would help change that and return a measure of freedom to the press in Texas.

Urge your Senator to vote with Sen. Ellis for the original version of this bill.

Stone is a member of the Legislative Advisory Committee for the Texas Press Association and the Texas Daily newspaper Association.

## Lady Bears' NCAA Championship win demonstrates the value of women's sports

During the NCAA women's basketball championship, I was cheering for Baylor University's Lady Bears. They defeated the tough Michigan State University Spartan team by 84-62 to win their first NCAA national basketball title with the second-highest margin of victory in a woman's NCAA title game ever. In five years, Coach Kim Mulkey-Robertson took a team with a 7-20 record and took it to the pinnacle of women's collegiate competition. Both she and her team have made Baylor, Waco and all of Texas very proud.

Baylor's success was built on hard work, commitment and sacrifice. They were able to take setbacks, such as last year's loss to Tennessee in the Sweet 16 round of the NCAA tournament, to galvanize their play. Coach Mulkey-Robertson and her players rebounded from that disappointment to win this year's national championship.

The Lady Bears are part of a trend toward more female participation in organized sports.

In 1971, there were only 325,000 women in high school varsity sports throughout the United States. Today there are 2.5 million. Before

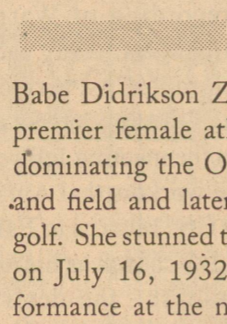
1971, 32,000 women participated in college sports; today that number exceeds 150,000. Women's high school, college and professional sports are drawing increasing numbers of fans. Women professional athletes are celebrities whose achievements are enjoyed by all Americans. Texas has long been fertile ground for talented female athletes. Beaumont's Babe Didrikson Zaharias was the premier female athlete of her era, dominating the Olympics in track and field and later in professional golf. She stunned the athletic world on July 16, 1932, with her performance at the national amateur track meet for women in Evanston, Illinois. Mrs. Zaharias entered the meet as the sole member of her team and by herself won the national women's team championship by scoring 30 points.

Recent Texas female athletes include gymnast Carly Patterson of Allen, who won the coveted gold medal for the all-around competition at the 2004 Olympics. She is only the second female gymnast from the USA to do this; Mary Lou Retton, of Houston, was the first, 20 years ago.

Texas women compete in professional sports ranging from golf and tennis to the bruising world of professional rodeo. Three Texas women are at the top of the National Cutting Horse Association's pyramid in terms of titles and earnings. The new athletic opportunities for young women are welcomed by many leaders including Lynne Cheney, chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities from 1986 to 1993, and wife of Vice President Dick Cheney. "Sports are good for women because it teaches you how to play hurt," she said. "Women sometimes think if you get knocked down, either literally or figuratively, you go into your room and cry. But what you learn in sports is that if you get knocked down, you get back up and try to get that ball in the net the next time."

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Commentary  
by U.S. Senator  
Kay Bailey Hutchison



## House approved \$137.5 billion state budget

by Mike Cox

AUSTIN - It's just the next step in the process, but it sounds impressive: The House approved a \$137.5 billion two-year budget April 7 that would provide more money for public schools, more to protect children and the elderly, and more for social services.

But the Senate earlier passed its own version of a budget, and the upper chamber is not expected to approve the House version. That means the budget goes to a joint conference committee. And that's where the real numbers will start to emerge.

State raises looking likely...

Texas' 142,000 state employees are probably going to get a pay raise, but the House and Senate have different ideas on what's fair. The Senate thinks 4.5 percent in January 2006 and another 4.5 percent in January 2007 would be proper. The House version is 3 percent, one time.

"I do, Governor..."

A state representative has a bill in the hopper that would make it legal for members of the Legislature and other state officials to hear couples say "I do" to the "love, honor and obey" question.

House Bill 1228, filed by Rep. Dianne Delisi (R-Temple), would add representatives, senators and current and former statewide elected officials to the list of people allowed by state law to conduct a marriage ceremony.

Lawmakers, the governor and other statewide officeholders would not be allowed to charge a fee, and they could only marry a man and a woman.

The bill languishes in committee, likely until death do it part.

Safety seat law may get boost...

The House Transportation Committee has unanimously approved House Bill 183, a measure that would require children up to age 8 and shorter than 57 inches to ride in an approved child safety seat.

The current law covers only children to age 4 or shorter than 36 inches. Those extra years and inches will translate into lives saved, says bill sponsor Rep. Fred Brown (R-College Station).

Battle reenactment set...

The history of the world changed on April 21, 1836, when a rag tag Texas army defeated Mexican Gen. Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna at San Jacinto.

It won't look quite the same with petrochemical plants and oil tankers in the background, but the historic battle will be reenacted at 3 p.m. April 23 at the San Jacinto Museum of History.

For a free brochure on the Texas fight for independence, visit the Texas Historical Commission Web site at [www.thc.state.tx.us](http://www.thc.state.tx.us).

Tired of mowing?

If you have other things you'd rather do than mow your back yard, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department has an idea - convert your yard, or at least a part of it, into a wildscape.

You'll have to put down and maintain native plants, build feeders and ponds, install birdbaths, and provide shelter for wildlife. But after that, about all you have to do is let nature, not your lawnmower, take its course.

The department's Texas Wildscapes Web page at [www.tpwd.state.tx.us/nature/wildscapes](http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/nature/wildscapes) has more information.



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## A documentary called "Paper Clips"

The most moving documentary I've ever seen happened to be produced by a friend of mine, Bob Johnson. He and I studied drama together at Baylor.

He played the part of a pie man in our comedia dell arte (low Italian comedy) class. We did some skits for a full house as part of our spring drama recital. Some members of the audience are still laughing from our performance. The Baylor Theater probably hasn't produced such guffaws since.

Bob has been successful. He recently donated a million dollars to the Dallas Children's Theater. He has a production company near Washington, DC, which stages among other things the lighting of the national Christmas tree. He is good at what he does.

He read in the newspaper about a group of 8th graders in Whitwell, Tennessee (population 1,600) who were collecting paper clips.

The kids were studying the Holocaust. Many of them had no knowledge of it. When they heard that the



by  
Tumbleweed  
Smith

Nazis killed six million Jews, they had trouble realizing 6 million of anything. To put it in perspective, a teacher suggested students start collecting 6 million of some type of object, something they could touch. They chose paper clips. They wanted each paper clip to represent one Jewish person who died in the Holocaust.

Bob met with his production staff to see if they thought a marketable documentary could be made. The group seemed optimistic and got to work creating a seven-minute film about the effort. They took the short film to Miramax. The big movie studio not only wanted to do it, but insisted the film get produced.

Bob and his group spent months

in Whitwell documenting the effort of the kids to collect paper clips and ended up with 150 hours of material. The resulting documentary is 80 minutes long. It cost \$800,000 to film. The film is now in nationwide release. The National Board of Review named it one of the top 5 documentaries of 2004.

Word of the kids' project spread throughout the country and into Europe. Movie stars got involved. Survivors of death camps went to Whitwell and talked with the students. So did American soldiers who liberated the camps. Kids in Germany sent in paper clips attached to notes apologizing for what happened to Anne Frank. Paper clips poured in. The 8th graders in Whitwell, Tennessee collected 29 million paper clips. They created a holocaust memorial that features a railroad boxcar that was used to haul Jews to concentration camps. The boxcar is filled with paper clips.

Paper clips were invented in Norway. Norwegians wore them on their lapels during World War Two as a protest against the Nazis.

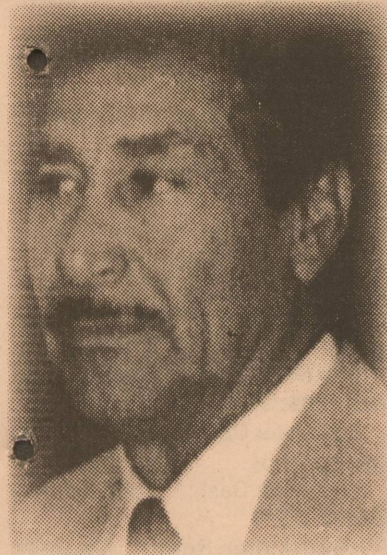
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# OBITUARIES

## Candelario C. Robledo



ELDORADO — Candelario C. Robledo, 73, of Eldorado went to be with his Lord on Monday, April 11, 2005 in Hobbs, New Mexico. He went peacefully, surrounded by his loving family. Candelario received his Lord in November 2004.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, April 14, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, with Father Joseph Vathalloor officiating. Burial will follow in Eldorado Cemetery

under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home.

Cande was born February 10, 1932 to Rinaldo H. Robledo and Juanita C. Robledo in October 15, 1953. Cande worked at the Eldorado Cotton Gin for 24 years and then went into construction in the oilfield. He was preceded in death by his wife, Juanita R. Robledo, on Aug. 3, 1984, and his daughter Delia Robledo Dunnigan on April 23, 1994.

Survivors include three sons: Daniel and Joel Robledo of San Angelo, David Robledo of Eldorado; two daughters: Debbie McDonald and Delsa Perez of Hobbs, New Mexico; one brother: Reyes Robledo of Austin; two sisters: Manuela (Nellie) Bosman and Angelita Moreno of Fort Worth. Eighteen grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, several nieces and nephews, cousins, special friends Joshua Lozano, Ray DeLa Rosa and Rudolfo Minor all of San Angelo and Lynn Lozano of Eldorado plus many more friends, including a cousin-like brother, Jose Cardona.

## Damon Otho Wagoner

MENARD — Damon Otho Wagoner completed his tour on earth Saturday, April 9, 2005, at the age of 78 years, 6 months and 9 days with his loving family at his side.

Graveside service was Monday, April 11, in Rest Haven Cemetery in Menard, Texas, with the Rev. Frank Pullin officiating.

Damon was born Sept. 16, 1926, to R.T. and Ella Mae "Carroll" Wagoner in Menard County. Damon was a man of few words, a dry sense of humor, a believer in helping his fellow man and the great protector of his family. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy at the early age of 17, served his tour of duty and returned to Menard, where he met the love of his life,

Nancy Beth Armor. They were married Jan. 26, 1951.

He retired from Southwest Texas Electric Co-op in Eldorado in 1987 and moved to Fredericksburg to be closer to the children, then moved back to Menard in 2001.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy; two daughters, Damona Beth Hoerster and her husband, Charlie of Mason, and Sharon Sue Nichols and husband John of Ingram; grandchildren Joseph Youngblood and wife Robin of Fredericksburg, Roy Hoerster of Mason, Elizabeth Hoerster of San Antonio; and Lyndsie and Ben Nichols of Ingram; one great-grandchild, Tara Youngblood of Fredericksburg; and numerous cousins and their spouses.

Damon was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Jewel Bishop.

Honorary pallbearers were the grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, consider the charity of your choice, VistaCare of San Angelo or the Ex-Student Association.

## Clara Herrera selected to National Dean's List

Clara Herrera, of Eldorado, was named recently to the National Dean's List, in recognition of her high academic achievement at Howard Payne University.

As part of the honor, Ms. Herrera will be eligible to compete for a \$1,000 scholarship. In all, there will be 50 such scholarships awarded nationwide. Her photo and biography will also appear in the 28th edition of The National Dean's List.

Clara Herrera is a 2004 graduate of Eldorado High School. She is the daughter of Fidel and Delia Herrera.



## County Commissioners meet

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meeting, held Monday morning. The meeting was called to order at 9:20 a.m. with Commissioners Johnny Mayo and Matt Brown in attendance. Commissioners Bill Clark and Kirk Griffin were absent.

Among other business, the men approved the minutes of two previous meetings, one held on March 14, the other on March 28.

Next, they approved a request from the Soil & Water Conservation District for \$750 in budgeted funds.

The men then heard from County Agent Scott Edmonson who advised that the annual clean-up day has been slated for May 6, and they authorized county personnel to participate in the effort. It was noted that county personnel may not clean up private property.

Next, the men received a request from the youth baseball

league for a new ice machine for the concession stand. It was noted that the old machine is broken beyond repair.

The men, balked, however at spending \$2,450 for a new machine. They asked instead that a repairman from Mertzton be called to check the old equipment and that he be asked to bid on a new machine if the old one cannot be fixed.

In other business, the men denied an indigent care request. They also looked over a map of county roads provided by the Texas Department of Transportation.

Before adjourning the commissioners went through a list of the county's bills.



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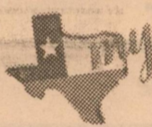
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## Meals for Friends Menu



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Country Fried Steak, Baked Potatoes, Spanish Green Beans, Wheat Roll, Lime Rice Swirl, Juice/Milk

**Tuesday, April 19**  
Oven Fried Chicken Breast, Potato Salad, Zucchini Squash, Wheat Bread, 1/2 Orange, Lemon Squares, Milk

**Wednesday, April 20**  
Chopped Steak, Parslied Potatoes, Cooked Carrots, Wheat Bread, Cucumber/Tomato Salad, Tapioca Pudding

**Thursday, April 21**  
Barbecue Chicken, Baked Beans, Califor. Mixed Vegetables, Macaroni Salad, Cornbread, Fruited Gelatin, Milk

**Friday, April 22**  
Tuna Noodle Casserole, Mixed Vegetables, Dinner Roll, Toss Salad with Tomato, Red Applesauce, Oatmeal Raisin Cookie, Milk

## Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor express the opinions of their author. They do not necessarily reflect the views or opinions of the staff, management or ownership of the Eldorado Success.

### Unhappy with cap ad

Dear Editor,  
We were reading the March 24th edition of the Eldorado Success and saw the advertisement for the "Eldorado Polygamy Baseball Caps Collectors Edition" for sale. The advertisement said, "Be a part of Eldorado history." Why would anyone want our town to be known for that kind of history? The people of Eldorado should be promoting the positive things of Eldorado like our school, ranching industry, sport events, hunting and many others, not the polygamy sect that has moved into our area. If you want people to come to your hometown to live, work and play we do not need this kind of advertising. Granted, the citizens of Eldorado need to be informed of the facts of what is happening in their community. We are getting enough media attention without having to sell caps to advertise our problem. Is The Success that hard up that you support the promotion of these caps? To make a profit at the expense of the innocence of the women and children involved, who have no control over this, is wrong.

Sincerely,  
The Spinks Family  
(Stanley and Tammy Spinks, George and Martha Spinks, Andy & Sharon Spinks)  
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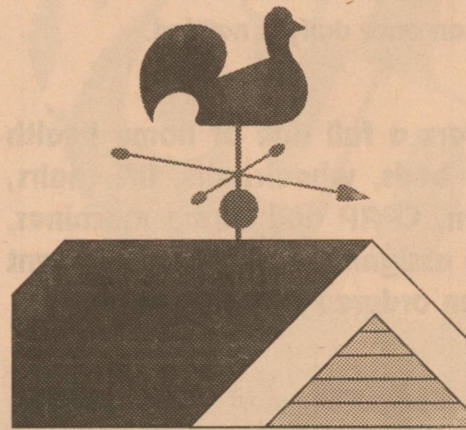
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Eagles catcher Caleb Nixon looked for a sign from Coach Gary Grubbs last Friday as the Warbirds took on the Mason Punchers. Eldorado won the game 13-6.

**Eagles pound Punchers 13-6**  
 By Coach Gary Grubbs  
 Needing a win to stay in the playoff race the Eldorado Eagles did what they had to do. Behind a consistent offensive attack the Eagles beat the Mason Punchers 13-6 on Friday, April 8, 2005.  
 The Eagles scored two in the bottom of the 1st with Kolby Dombroski and Ryan Cathey collecting RBI singles. In the 4th the Eagles erupted for five more runs. The big blows in the inning came off the bats of Jorge Bustos and Ryan Cathey who drove in two runs this time. In the 6th the Eagles scored six more runs to put the game out of reach at 13-6. This time it was timely hitting by Caleb Nixon and Kolby Dombroski that extended the inning and help the Eagles plate six runners. At the plate Frank Edmiston was 2 for 3, Kolby Dombroski was 2 for 2 with a double and a triple, and Ryan Cathey was 2 for 4 with three RBI's.  
 Ryan Cathey went the distance for the Eagles to gain the victory. He struck out four batter while giving up only six hits.

**Eagles pluck Owls 16-1**  
 By Coach Gary Grubbs  
 In a game on April 5, 2005 the Eldorado Eagles needed to win they came through in a big way. Behind an 18 hit attack and a good pitching performance by Jared Grubbs with some sound defense behind him the Eagles cruised to a 16-1 victory.  
 The Eagles were able to score 4 runs in the 1st, 4 in the 2nd, 5 in the 4th and 2 more in the 5th to cap off a great offensive performance. Leading the way at the plate was Joey Hernandez who went 5 for 5 with two doubles and three RBI's. Jared Grubbs and Frank Wipff each had three hits with Wipff hitting a monstrous Home Run in the 2nd inning. Caleb Nixon, Frank Edmiston and Louis Hernandez each collected two hits for the Eagles.  
 Jared Grubbs was very solid on the mound pitching all five innings giving up only two hits and striking out seven batters.

**Jr. High Girls Track Results**

**Junction: 7th Grade Girls March 4, 2005**  
 800 Meter Run: 2. A. Hernandez, 2:53; 6. M. Martinez, 3:05.  
 400 Meter Dash: 2. Adrianna Hernandez, 1:09.  
 200 Meter Dash: 1. Adrianna Hernandez, 0:30.5.  
 1600 Meter Run: 4. Maureen Martinez, 7:06.  
 Eldorado-31 Total Team Points  
**Junction: 8th Grade Girls March 4, 2005**  
 Discus: 6. Megan Griffin, 58-9.  
 Long Jump: 4. Haley Higgins, 13-3.5; 6. Cassandra Buitron, 13-2.5.  
 800 Meter Run: 3. Cassandra Buitron, 2:46.6.  
 100 Meter Dash: 4. Darci Graves, 0:14.5.  
 400 Meter Dash: 2. Cassandra Buitron, 1:07.7.  
 200 Meter Dash: 2. Cassandra Buitron, 0:30.0  
 1600 Meter Run: 6. Marcela Huerta, 7:02.9.  
 Eldorado: 33 Total Team Points  
**Reagan Co.: 7th Grade Girls March 11, 2005**  
 Long Jump: 5. Adrianna Hernandez, 11-0.  
 2400 Meter Run: 2. Maureen Martinez, 11:43.  
 800 Meter Run: 2. Adrianna Hernandez, 2:47.  
 200 Meter Dash: 1. Adrianna Hernandez, 0:30.08.  
 1600 Meter Run: 2. Maureen Martinez, 7:22.17.  
 Eldorado: 36 Total Team Points  
**Reagan Co.: 8th Grade Girls March 11, 2005**  
 Long Jump: 2. Cassandra Buitron, 13-8.0; 3. Haley Higgins, 13-6.2.  
 Triple Jump: 1. Darci Graves, 23-7.0; 2. Marcela Huerta, 22-1.0.  
 High Jump: 1. Haley Higgins, 4-0; 2. Cassandra Buitron, 3-10; 3. Bridgett Mitchell, 3-8.  
 2400 Meter Run: 3. Marcela Huerta, 11:30.  
 800 Meter Run: 2. Bridgett Mitchell, 3:10.  
 100 Meter Dash: 3. Darci Graves, 0:14.49.  
 800 Meter Relay: 1. Adrianna Hernandez, Haley Higgins, Bridgett Mitchell, and Cassandra Buitron, 2:02.  
 400 Meter Dash: 1. Cassandra Buitron, 1:07.  
 200 Meter Dash: 2. Cassandra Buitron, 0:29.9.  
 1600 Meter Run: 3. Marcela Huerta, 7:28.  
 Eldorado: 120 Total Team Points  
**Iraan: 7th Grade Girls March 18, 2005**  
 Long Jump: 6. Adrianna Hernandez, 10-10.  
 800 Meter Run: 4. Maureen Martinez, 3:06.  
 400 Meter Dash: 2. Adrianna Hernandez, 70.84.  
 200 Meter Dash: 1. Adrianna Hernandez, 30.13.  
 1600 Meter Run: 5. Maureen Martinez, 7:21.  
 Eldorado: 31 Total Team Points  
**Iraan: 8th Grade Girls March 18, 2005**  
 Shotput: 2. Kirsten Stubbs, 31-7.  
 Discus: 2. Kirsten Stubbs, 86-1.  
 Long Jump: 2. Cassandra Buitron, 13-8.  
 2400 Meter Run: 6. Marcela Huerta, 11:15.  
 800 Meter Run: 6. Bridgett Mitchell, 3:00.  
 400 Meter Dash: 1. Cassandra Buitron, 65.18.  
 200 Meter Dash: 2. Cassandra Buitron, 29.79.  
 800 Meter Relay: 2. Adrianna Hernandez, Bridgett Mitchell, Deyanira Cruz, and Cassandra Buitron, 2:01.

**EMS Brown and Baker take 2nd in Mason tourney**

On Friday, April 8, the 7th grade tennis players traveled to Mason to participate in a tournament.  
 Players participating were: Crystal Hamilton, Clarisa Hernandez, Maegan Self, Emily Espinosa, and Maureen Corrales.  
 The boys were: Dylan Dombroski, Dustin Ramos, Ryan Castillo, Juan Medrano and Marty Powell.  
 Emily and Maureen won the consolation side of the bracket.  
 On Saturday the eighth graders and a couple of 7th graders participated. Participants were: Veronica Belman, Haley Higgins, Marcela Huerta, Corey Williams, April Porras, Lindsay Pridemore, Chris Minor, and Josh Taylor.  
 Mason Baker and Wes Brown played four matches and finally won second in the 7th Grade Boys Division.  
 Austin Grubbs and Rance Cathey also played four matches and won third.  
 Dustin Ramirez and Milo Vallejo won consolation.  
 Corey Williams and the doubles team of Pridemore and Porras played several matches before they finally went out.  
 We will take a combined tennis team to the Mason Team Tennis Tournament on May 6 and 7th.

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**Wednesday, April 20.** Scrambled Eggs/Buttered Toast, Pears/Jelly, Choice of Juice  
**Thursday, April 21.** Buttered Toast/Jelly, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk  
**Friday, April 22.** Muffin Tops, Choice of Juice, Peach Halves, Milk

**BASKET LINE**  
**Monday, April 18.** Corn Dogs, Tator Tots, Cole Slaw, Sliced Peaches.  
**Tuesday, April 19.** Corn Chip Pie/Cheese Cup, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad, Pear Halves  
**Wednesday, April 20.** Chicken Nuggets, Baked Potato, Pineapple Slices, Jello/Topping  
**Thursday, April 21.** Pepperoni Hot Pockets, French Fries, Carrot Stix/Dip, Orange Halves.  
**Friday, April 22.** Turkey & Cheese Sandwich, Potato Wedges, Sandwich Salad, Apples/SACK LUNCH FRIDAY

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**Friday, April 22.** Turkey & Cheese Sandwich, Potato Wedges, Sandwich Salad, Apple/SACK LUNCHY FRIDAY.

# Lady Eagles battle for playoff berth

by Coach J. J. Guidry

With three games remaining in the regular season, the Eldorado Lady Eagles' softball team is in the midst of the District 2-2A playoff race.

Wall was atop the conference standings with a 6-0 mark as of press-time, while Sonora is second at 5-1 and Eldorado and Grape Creek are tied for third with 3-3 league records.

The top three teams from district advance to the post-season. The Lady Eagles, who played Sonora in a late game Tuesday, host Junction on Friday and then play Grape Creek on the road next Tuesday.

Eldorado faced Ozona on the road last Friday. The two teams were tied at 7-all after five innings before the Lady Eagles scored six runs in the top of the sixth and four in the seventh to pull away with a 19-7 win.

Anna Fuentes, Amika Gonzales, Chelsey Hill, Sam Rodriguez, Karina Sanchez and Kassi Tyler all had two hits in the contest, and Selina Rojas had one. Rodriguez and Rojas each roped a triple in the contest.

Rodriguez drove in a season-high five runs, Gonzales and Rojas both had 2 RBIs, and Anna Fuentes, Hope Fuentes, Hill, Sanchez and Tyler each drove in one run.

Hill, Rodriguez and Tyler all

had three runs scored in the game, Gonzales, Sanchez and Charlotte Adame each crossed home plate twice, while Rojas, Anna Fuentes, Hope Fuentes and Mariana Guzman scored one run apiece.

Hill earned the mound win for the Lady Eagles. In seven innings of work, she allowed two earned runs on nine hits while fanning eight batters and walking six.

Eldorado's second conference victory was a 15-13 decision against Junction on the road. The Lady Eagles were one run away from the 10-run rule, trailing 13-4 going into the top of the seventh, before scoring 11 runs in the last inning to claim the win.

Hill had a triple in the contest, while Rojas and Tyler both singled. Rodriguez, Rojas and Anna Fuentes each drove in two runs, while Adame, Hill, Gonzales, Sanchez, Tyler, Hope Fuentes and Melinda Hernandez all had one RBI.

Rodriguez finished the game with three runs scored, Rojas, Sanchez, Anna Fuentes and Hope Fuentes each scored two runs, and Hernandez, Hill, Gonzales and Tyler all scored one run apiece.

Hill went six innings on the mound for the win. She gave up seven earned runs on five hits with seven strikeouts and 13 walks. Rojas pitched one inning, allowing one run on one hit while fanning two and walking three.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

**Good hands** — Selina Rojas caught a foul ball recently for an out. Rojas is the catcher for the Lady Eagles softball team that is fighting for a District 2-2A playoff berth.

# Eagles JV beats Lakeview

by Coach Gary Grubbs

The JV Eldorado Eagles jumped out to an early lead and pounded the Lakeview Chiefs 11-1 on Saturday, April 9, 2005. Behind a steady offensive attack and a dominating performance by Jaaron Crawford on the mound the Eagles were able to end the game in the 5th inning.

The Eagles lineup produced hits from several players. Sammy Estrada, David Hernandez, Manny

Gonzalez, Jaaron Crawford, Logan Jones, Jorge Mata, Neal Higgins, and Tyler Dombroski all recorded hits for the Eagles. The Eagles were able to score runs in every inning as they ended it by the 10 run rule in the 5th.

Jaaron Crawford recorded the win on the mound to take his record to 6-1 on the year. The Eagles improved to 9-1 and will face the Ozona Lions on Tuesday in Ozona.

# Golf Play Day

by Su Scott

The Eldorado Golf Club held its monthly Play Day on Sunday, April 3rd. There are 25 adults who participated.

A tie for 1st place resulted and the two teams played off on the course to determine the winner. 1st place with a score of 56 went to the team of Casey Snelson, Tip Finley, Erika Snelson, and Tim Williams.

2nd place with a score of 56 went to the team of Barry Lane, Mario Robles, George Scott and Gordon Jones.

3rd place score of 57 went to the team of Don Richters, Danny Halbert, Oscar Martinez, Gordon Emmons and James Holland.

The team of Kerry Brown, Ross Whitten, Marc Brown and Tip Van Court scored a 58.

Team members Steve Snelson, C.R. Sproul, Joe Garza, and Edward Dominguez.

Scoring 62 went to the team of Mosies Hill, Su Scott, Luiz Martinez and Nancy Lester.

The next Play Day will be Sunday, May 1st.

The Eldorado Golf Club will start a Nine Hole Play Day every Tuesday afternoon starting Tuesday, April 5th. Sign up by 5 p.m. and play will start at 5:30 p.m. Winner take all-one tie all tie, and will carry over to the next Tuesday.

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# School trustees okay purchase of new AC units

Schleicher County ISD school trustees met Monday, April 11, 2005, in the High School library, where they quickly disposed of all the business on an abbreviated agenda.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President Jo Helen Kotsch. Other trustees present included Jan Wanoreck, Berta Nicholson, Eddie Albin and Lupe Sanchez. Trustees Kurtis Homer and John Paul Joiner were absent.

Before moving on the meat and potatoes of the meeting, the trustees saw a brief presentation from three members of the EHS chapter of Texas Association of Future Educators (TAFE.) Josie Diaz, Liana Danford and Charlotte Adame were on hand with their sponsor Mrs. Angela Case, to go over several TAFE projects, including a poster and scrapbook, both of which received 1st Place ribbons at the state TAFE Convention in Dallas. The group also noted that while attending the convention, they had the opportunity to meet with a group of students from an inner-city Dallas school who accompanied them on the city's DART train for a tour of Dallas.

The meeting continued with Business Manager Ray Ballew presenting the school's financial reports. Ballew noted that revenue had exceeded income and that the school was receiving a slightly better interest rate on its deposits. The trustees voted unanimously to

approve the financial reports, then did the same for the minutes of the March 21 meeting.

Following a brief discussion, the trustees voted to canvas the votes of the May 7 trustee election at 7:00 a.m. on Monday 16, 2005. The group's next regular board meeting will be held later that same day, at 6:00 p.m. when new trustees will be sworn-in and the board will elect new officers.

The trustees then approved two out-of-county field trips and reviewed the bids for nine rooftop heating and air conditioning units. They ultimately decided to award the bid to Air Dynamics of San Angelo for \$42,742, some \$8,964 less than the second bid submitted by Duncan Mechanical Service of San Angelo.

Next, the trustees waived the tuition for five students who transfer in from outside the district. They also accepted a \$500 donation from Niblett's Oilfield Service for courtyard improvements at the Middle School.

The trustees then entered into a brief executive session for the consideration of personnel. They returned to open session a few minutes later without taking action on the matter.

Before adjourning, Superintendent George Blanch noted that the school's enrollment increased slightly to 573 "eligible" students, or 582 total students, as of April 4, 2005. He also announced that the Texas Association of School Boards and Texas Association of School Administrators Convention will be held this year on Sept. 23-

25 in Houston. Blanch concluded by saying that an alternative school calendar has been prepared for the 2005-06 school year, just in case the state legislature decides to push back the date at which school may begin.

The Success learned after the meeting that the executive session was for the purpose of considering a request from teacher Anne Reeb that she be granted a hearing. The trustees chose not to renew Ms. Reeb's contract at last month's meeting as part of a cut back in staffing. Supt. Blanch told the Success that Ms. Reeb will get her hearing but that a date and time have not been set.

The trustees next meeting is slated for Monday, May 16, 2005, at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Library.

# City council changes landfill fee structure

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in operation. He said that the track loader at the landfill is down for repairs after a frame arm broke.

Next, discussion turned to the fees charged for the disposal of wastewater from travel trailers and RV's. Ultimately it was decided that a \$25 minimum fee will be assessed for persons wanting to dump into the city's sewer system.

The council then discussed the fee schedule at the city landfill. It was noted that there is currently no charge for loads weighing less than 500 pounds. It was decided to extend the discount to all city and county residents and waive the fee for the first 500 pounds they bring each day. Ms. Mayo also told the council the YFZ Land LLC was using the landfill for their garbage disposal.

Next, the council heard from

City Secretary Carolyn Mayo who reported that the revenue was in decline. She explained that revenue from the landfill is down by \$51,000.00. She then asked the council to cancel the council member portion of the May 7 election since there are no contested races on the ballot. The council agreed and voted to call off that part of the election. The tax freeze portion of the election will still be held.

The council then met with Juanita Gomez, who once worked as the city billing clerk, and who is now employed as the City of Sonora's code enforcement officer. Ms. Gomez explained that she has been having good luck in Sonora using state codes, which carry higher fines, to issue citations. She

then displayed photos of illegal dumping sites in Eldorado.

City Secretary Carolyn Mayo suggested that Gomez might work part-time for the City of Eldorado in the same capacity. The city's former code officer, Marcus Riojas, resigned recently leaving the position vacant. After a brief discussion, the council agreed and authorized Carolyn Mayo to hire Ms. Gomez as code officer on a part-time basis.


Before adjourning, the council agreed that Ms. Mayo and council member Bill McCutcheon would work on an update to the city's mobile home ordinance. There was no action on developing a dangerous building ordinance, or revising the animal control ordinance.

## Weekly Scripture

Grace to you and peace from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father;

**Galatians 1:3-5**

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# Correction to stock show results

by Scott Edmonson and Will Self

Recently, we reported the results of all the major livestock shows into one news article and inadvertently left off one placing. Miles Mikeska placed 3<sup>rd</sup> with his Percentage Doe during the Jr. Open Boer Goat Show in San Angelo. We apologize for this oversight again once again congratulate Miles and all of our youth for their success during this past show season.

# Patient Advocacy Week

This week we are celebrating Patient Advocacy Week. This brings many together many bodies who protect the rights of patients and children.

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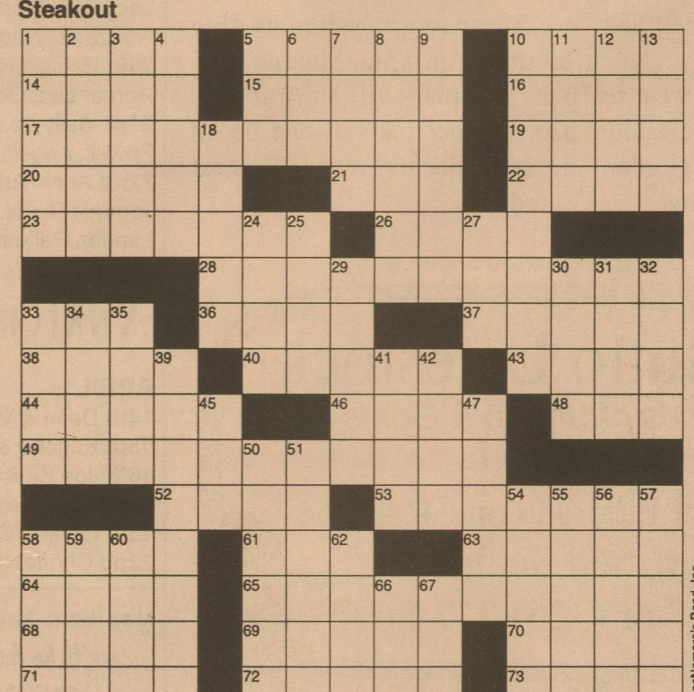
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# Weekly Crossword Puzzle

<p><b>ACROSS</b></p> <p>1. In the nude</p> <p>5. Book with insets</p> <p>10. Vincent Lopez's theme</p> <p>14. ___-Day Vitamins</p> <p>15. Handy's "___ Street Blues"</p> <p>16. Bell-ringing cosmetics company</p> <p>17. Recent army enlistee</p> <p>19. Baby-sit, say</p> <p>20. Post of etiquette</p> <p>21. ___ Plains, Ill.</p> <p>22. Deuce beater</p> <p>23. Most slow-witted</p> <p>26. Microwave, slangily</p> <p>28. Excellent mood</p> <p>33. Spray graffiti on, maybe</p> <p>36. Take a cruise</p> <p>37. Guy with a pitchfork</p> <p>38. Deadly serves</p> <p>40. Idaho's capital</p> <p>43. Mustachioed surrealist</p> <p>44. Make changes to</p> <p>46. Luau dance</p> <p>48. Bottom line</p>	<p>49. Description of a suspect, maybe</p> <p>52. One of the Huxtables</p> <p>53. Chew out</p> <p>58. Design criterion, briefly</p> <p>61. Ending with plug or pay</p> <p>63. Market section</p> <p>64. Inauguration Day recital</p> <p>65. Greeting card sender, perhaps</p> <p>68. Shift start, for</p> <p>69. Demagnetize, perhaps</p> <p>70. ___ off (angered)</p> <p>71. Sheepskin bearer</p> <p>72. Taboo activities</p> <p>73. Freelancer's encl.</p> <p><b>DOWN</b></p> <p>1. ___ stiff</p> <p>2. "I've Got ___" (Jim Croce song)</p> <p>3. Take back</p> <p>4. British nobles</p> <p>5. "One Life to Live"</p> <p>6. Painter Gerard ___ Borch</p> <p>7. Praise highly</p> <p>8. Klingons, Vulcans et al.</p> <p>9. Arranges a blind date for</p> <p>10. Talked idly</p> <p>11. In excess of</p> <p>12. Texas, the ___ Star State</p> <p>13. Mayberry name</p> <p>18. Watchful ones</p> <p>24. Swedish auto</p> <p>25. Small combo</p> <p>27. Word with quiz or whiz</p> <p>29. Statesman Root</p> <p>30. Court star Lendl</p> <p>31. Piece of flooring</p> <p>32. Narrow aperture</p> <p>33. "Just the facts, ___"</p> <p>34. Top spot</p> <p>35. Marsh growth</p> <p>39. Acted the ratfink</p> <p>41. Spades or clubs</p> <p>42. Fashion mag</p> <p>45. "Boy, am I dumb!"</p> <p>47. Ike's two-time opponent</p> <p>50. Cried like a kitty</p> <p>51. Ravel classic</p> <p>54. Parts of "Dear Santa" letters</p> <p>55. Milo of "The Verdict"</p> <p>56. Makes a run for it</p> <p>57. "Grand Canyon Suite" composer Grofe</p> <p>58. For a ___ (cheaply)</p> <p>59. Poker holding</p> <p>60. Sicilian erupter</p> <p>62. Astronaut Shepard</p> <p>66. D-Day transport</p> <p>67. Film director Craven</p>
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## YFZ Ranch, one week after D-Day

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from Colorado City, Arizona and Hildale, Utah, saying much the same thing.

### Cops go back in

On Thursday, April 7, 2005, one day after the predicted destructions, a caravan of vehicles, led by Sheriff David Doran and Texas Ranger Sergeant Brooks Long, returned to the YFZ Ranch. The lawmen entered the ranch briefly the day before, to dispel rumors that Jeffs' followers would commit mass suicide if the end-of-the-world did not occur.

But Thursday's trip to the ranch had a more practical purpose. The lawmen escorted Tax Appraiser Scott Sutton onto the property. They also accompanied Cindy Cawley and Sam Henderson, who were there on behalf of the Plateau Underground Water Conservation and Control District. Cawley and Henderson went to the ranch to inspect water wells and to verify

compliance with district rules.

Later Cawley told the Success that her inspection found everything to be in order and that she was glad to have finally been able to carry out the inspection.

For his part, Scott Sutton said his visit to the ranch was intended to confirm measurements he had taken on his first trip in December of last year. He explains that he was not allowed to visit the temple site on either trip because the area is considered holy.

It should be noted that the YFZ Land L.L.C. is still listed as the owner of the YFZ Ranch property and that there is no mention of the FLDS church on land documents in the Schleicher County Courthouse.

### I'm my own Grandpa

The Success learned this week that Merrill Jessop, the man who is reportedly overseeing work at the YFZ Ranch, has very close ties to FLDS Prophet Warren

Jeffs. According to sources in Colorado City, Arizona, Jessop is Jeffs' father-in-law and son-in-law. The two men reportedly married each other's daughter in a double-ring ceremony held in Caliente, Nevada in 2002 or 2003. Interestingly, Merrill Jessop once owned and operated Caliente Hot Springs Resort, the place where Warren Jeffs began performing plural marriages after the states of Utah and Arizona increased their scrutiny of the FLDS. Jessop is also the father of Ernie Jessop, the young man who oversaw some of the early construction at the YFZ Ranch and who was reportedly excommunicated from the FLDS church by Warren Jeffs.

As with all aspects of the YFZ Ranch story, The Success invites Prophet Warren Jeffs or other leaders in his FLDS church to respond to questions or to offer their comments.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIE

Everyone's a winner — Eldorado 2nd graders raised more than \$1,000 recently by raffling away potted Tulips that they grew in class. The money will be donated to fight Multiple Sclerosis. Here the youngsters pose with Pre-K Teacher Claudia Droll who was recently diagnosed with MS. Raffle winners who received a potted Tulip were: Beverly Minor, Margaret Grubbs, Richard Blye, Maria Fuentes, Tom Anderson, Jeri Whiffen, Leonard Wideman, Toni McColloch. The project raised over one thousand dollars. Along with the Tulips, the lucky winners also received the autograph of each of the young students.

## Second graders raise tulips, money and hope for a MS cure

Eldorado second graders learned by example recently, when teachers Eva Jo Sessom, Geralyn Beach and Lisa O'Harrow offered the students and their parents an opportunity to donate their time and effort to a worthy cause, while at the same time learning how a flowers grows.

The lesson involved taking a small bulb, planting it in soil and watching it grow to a beautiful red Tulip, teaching the students something about patience. The students took the thing a step further. They collected their Tulip plants and bundled them together in large pots and then raffled tickets to parents as a fund raiser. The money will go toward Multiple Sclerosis research, in the name of Eldorado Pre-K teacher Claudia Droll, who suffers from Multiple Sclerosis.

Now, with over \$1,050 already

collected, Ms. Droll wants to take the project to another level by entering the youngsters in the MS Walk in San Angelo. The walk is slated for Saturday, April 23, 2005, 10:00 a.m. at the Rogers Park Gazebo, with registration beginning at 9:00.

If you, or someone you know, would like to join Claudia's Hope Walkers, please register online at [www.nationallmssociety.org](http://www.nationallmssociety.org) and enter Eldorado's zip code. The website will automatically take you to the West Texas Division site. On the registration form, it will ask if you are walking with a team, mark YES, and then type Claudia's team code number: TXQWCLAFO1.

Walkers are welcomed, but there are also ways to help by participating with E-pledges and support.

Multiple Sclerosis affects lives every moment of every year. At any time, someone with MS may

suddenly be unable to stand up, hurt their child or see a friend across the room.

Claudia Droll knows all too well what the disease means in her life. She reflected on it by saying "This year, I'll be participating in the National MS Society annual MS Walk to help raise funds for research and local programs. It is a small thing for me to do for people, like myself, who faces the devastating and relentless effects of MS every day. Step by step, I hope to bring the National MS Society closer to a cure. Won't you join me and with your generous support, we can end the devastating effect of MS, sooner rather than later."

Donations can be brought to Claudia Droll at Kids Kampus Pre-K building or to the Elementary School Office by April 22, 2005.

Thank you.

## Lady Bears' victory demonstrates value of women's college athletics

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American Heroines: The Spirited Women Who Shaped Our Country, Mrs. Cheney confided that her teen sports options were limited, so she took up baton twirling. The competition and drill required for baton twirling provided many of the same lessons you learn in sports, she said.

The importance of organized sports was proven in a study which found:

- Girls who participate in sports have higher levels of confidence, stronger self-images and lower levels of depression;
- Girls who participate in ath-

letics are more likely to graduate from high school and get better grades;

• Sports prepare girls to be successful in the workplace by giving them the opportunity to learn about teamwork, goal-setting and the pursuit of excellence in performance. It is no accident that 80 percent of the female executives at Fortune 500 companies identified themselves as having played sports;

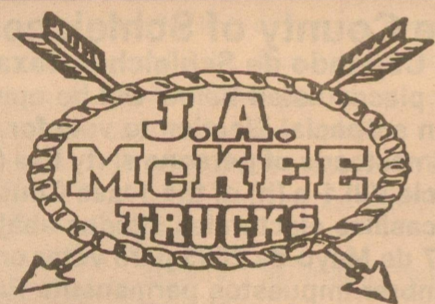
• Women who continue to exercise lower their risk of breast cancer and osteoporosis.

• While all of us may not be natural athletes, and have other

talents and abilities we should cultivate, we can benefit from increasing our level of physical activity. Research shows we benefit at all ages from even moderate exercise such as walking.

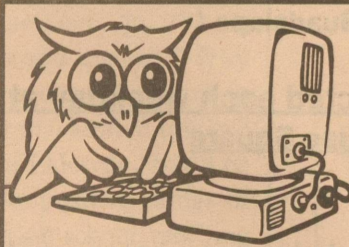
We can also benefit from the lessons taught by Coach Mulkey-Robertson and the Lady Bears when they won the NCAA basketball championship. They demonstrated that we can all bounce back from defeat and achieve our goals through perseverance, tenacity and determination.

Hats off to Baylor's Lady Bears!



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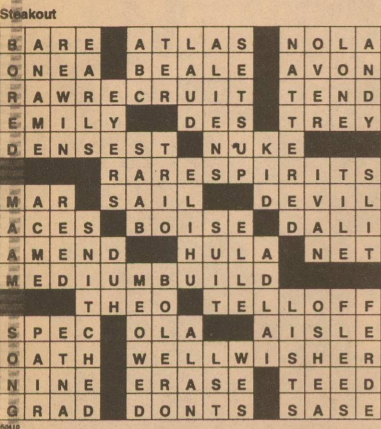
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# Mexican national charged with money laundering

Juan Chrystian Adame, 27, a Mexican national, was arrested Monday, April 11, and charged with Money Laundering after authorities searched his 2002 Nissan Pathfinder and located a hidden compartment containing \$9,800 in cash.

DPS Trooper Danny Nunez pulled Adame over on a routine traffic stop near the stoplight in Eldorado. Adame was traveling south on US 277 at the time.

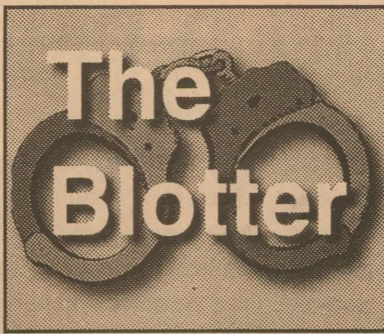
Nunez became suspicious of Adame and called for Schleicher County Deputy Jason Chatham

and his drug dog Brutus. The dog alerted on the vehicle but it took the men several hours to locate the secret compartment in the SUV's fuel tank.

Eventually, the cash was located and Adame was charged with Money Laundering and Unlawful Use of a Criminal Instrument, both felony charges.

Nunez and Chatham were assisted in the search by Chief Deputy George Arispe.

Adame remains incarcerated at the Schleicher County Law Enforcement Center. The cash and the Nissan Pathfinder have both been impounded. Nunez says he expects authorities will move to confiscate both the money and the vehicle.



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

- April 8 • Riojas, Jose Luis, male age 26, offense Family Violence. Released on \$5,000 Surety Bond.
- April 8 • Jones, Paula Ann, female age 40. Serving 3 days.
- April 10 • Magnum, Jared Clint, male age 24, offense Public Intoxication. Released on Citation
- April 10 • Morris, Casey Aaron,

- male age 23, offense Possession of Marijuana/Driving While License Expired. Released on \$1,000 Surety Bond.
- April 11 • Hipolito, Hermelindo, male 35, serving 20 days.
- April 12 • Adame, Juan, male age 27, offense Money Laundering over \$3,000 under \$20,000. Unlawful Use of Criminal Instrument.

## INCIDENTS

- April 4, 2005 • 12:17 a.m. Complainant requested an officer on East Street for a domestic dispute. Two officer responded.
- 6:01 p.m. Complainant reported their grandmother had fallen and needed help getting up. Officer responded.
- 8:22 p.m. Complainant wanted half brother of their property and requested an officer. Officer responded.
- April 5, 2005 • 12:55 a.m. Complainant reported a minor traffic accident. Officers and Game Warden responded.
- 4:23 a.m. Caller requested Sheriff's Office give them a ride to San Angelo because their family and friends were too busy to do so. Dispatcher advised caller should request the Thunderbird Van to assist them.
- 11:02 p.m. Dispatch received a 911 call with no answer at address on Cottonwood. Two officers responded.
- 11:03 p.m. Caller requested officer at neighbor's house on Cottonwood for an argument. Two officers responded.
- April 6, 2005 • 7:13 p.m. Complainant requested officer make sure no one went into the little league baseball field, unless it was a little league team. Officer responded.
- 11:05 a.m. Complainant requested an ambulance for an elderly female. Two officers and EMS2 responded.
- 11:22 a.m. Complainant requested an ambulance for a basic transfer. EMS 1 responded.
- 5:57 p.m. Subject reported a stranded motorist. Officer responded and subject ran out of gas.
- April 7, 2005 • 4:00 a.m. Complainant requested an officer for an

- domestic disturbance.
- 8:10 a.m. Hospital requested an ambulance for an ACLS transfer. EMS1 responded.
- 9:50 a.m. Complainant at the High School requested to speak with an officer about a student. Officer responded.
- 1:18 p.m. Complainant at high school reported a reckless driver. Officer responded to call.
- 6:23 p.m. Subject reported a reckless driver in a white Ford pickup with a black tool box and grill. Officer responded and was unable to locate. Tom Green County notified.
- April 8, 2005 • 8:02 p.m. Complainant reported a panic alarm going off at senior apartment. Officer responded and found everything OK. Received a seconded 911 call on same subject.
- 9:16 p.m. Complainant reported a suspicious vehicle in their driveway. Officer requested and vehicle was located. Students wanted to show teacher their new vehicle.
- 12:33 p.m. Complainant reported a vehicle accident on US Hwy. 277, one mile south. Officer, Game Warden and EMS 2 responded.
- 3:23 p.m. Complainant reported a reckless driver in a white extended cab pickup. Officer responded.
- 5:21 p.m. Complainant on County Road 300 reported four male intruders on their property. Three officers responded and Border Patrol was notified.
- 8:57 p.m. Caller reported a male subject physically was threatening him. Officer responded.
- April 9, 2005 • Subject reported finding a cellphone. Owner was contacted.
- 3:41 p.m. Subject requested an ambulance for an elderly male. Officer and EMS responded.
- 5:37 p.m. Hospital requested an ACLS transfer to San Angelo hospital. EMS responded.
- 8:19 p.m. Complainant reported hitting a deer on North bound land Hwy. 277. No injuries. Subject requested a blue form from officer. Officer responded.

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## NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of Eldorado, Texas: (A los votantes registrados del Eldorado, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 7, 2005, for voting in a General Election.

To Vote "For" or "Against" a Proposition to grant a permanent Ad Valorem tax cap on the homesteads of persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older or disabled persons, pursuant to Article VIII, Section 1-b (h) of the Texas Constitution.

Para votar 'A Favor' o 'En Contra' de una proposición: Un límite permanente en los impuestos (Ad Valorem) sobre la propiedad familiar de personas de sesenta y cinco (65) años y mayores o persona incapacitada, según Artículo VIII, la Sección 1-b (h) de la Constitución de Tejas.

### LOCATION (S) OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCION (ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Memorial Building, 1 N. Cottonwood St., Eldorado, TX

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at (La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en) City Hall Building, 6 South Cottonwood St., Eldorado, TX

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on Wednesday, April 20, 2005 (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el Miercoles, April 20, 2005 and ending on Tuesday, May 3, 2005

(date) (y terminando el Martes, May 3, 2005) (fecha)

DATE: NONE

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Friday, April 29, 2005 (date) (fecha)

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Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., May 7, 2005, for voting in a Special Election to vote for or against a permanent Ad Valorem tax cap on the homesteads of persons sixty five (65) years or older or disabled person, pursuant to Article VIII 1-b (h) of the Texas Constitution;

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- Precinct #1 - First Methodist Church Educational Bldg.
- Precinct #2 - Schleicher County Memorial Bldg.
- Precinct #3 - Schleicher County Annex Bldg.
- Precinct #4 - Our Lady Guadalupe Catholic Church/Head Start Bldg

### (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

- Precinto #1 Primera Iglesia Metodista / Edificio de Educación
- Precinto #2 Edificio Memorial del Condado de Schleicher
- Precinto #3 Edificio Annex del Condado de Schleicher
- Precinto #4 Iglesia Católica de la Virgen de Guadalupe / Edificio de Educación

Early Voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: Schleicher County Clerk's Office Courthouse Square

2 North Divide Eldorado, Texas 76936

(La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en:) En la Corte, en la Oficina de la Secretaria del Condado de Schleicher

2 del Norte Divide Eldorado, Texas 76936

between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. beginning on April 20, 2005. (entre las 9 de la mañana y las 5 de la tarde empezando el 20 de abril del

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and ending on May 3, 2005

(y terminando el) el 3 de mayo de 2005.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

Peggy Williams, County Clerk P. O. Drawer 580 Eldorado, Texas 76936

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Peggy Williams, Secretaria del Condado de Schleicher P. O. Drawer 580 Eldorado, Texas 76936

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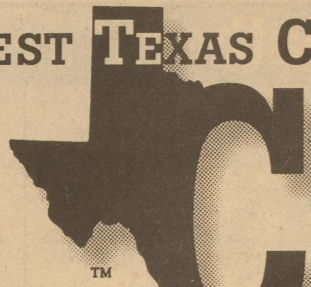
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**ELDORADO-HOUSE FOR SALE-718 LEE AVENUE, 2400 SQ. FT., Brick, 4 BDR/3BA, Small Ofc/Craft RM, 2 Car Garage W/Opener, 30'X40' New Shop, New 12'X16' Greenhouse, 14'X14' Bldg. with covered porch, large covered porch in back, newly landscaped yard, sprinkler system, large established trees. MUST SEE TO APPRECIATE. Call 853-2997. 9th**

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The Schleicher County Sheriff Department will be accepting applications for Full Time Position of Jailer/Dispatcher through 4/22/05. Requirements for position: must be 18 years of age, must meet the minimum standards for licensing set by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officers, Standards and Education. 15-16b Applications may be picked up at the Schleicher County Sheriff's Office. EOE 15-16b

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(The above is not a complete list of requirements or qualifications.) A Completed Application is Required. For additional information call Human Resources at 325-944-1501 or visit our website at <http://www.dot.state.tx.us/> An applicant needing an accommodation in order to apply for the above job may call Human Resources. An Equal Employment Opportunity Affirmative Action Employer

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**Card of Thanks**

Damon is at rest now. Our children and grandchildren join me in thanking each and every one of you for your comforting words during your visits, calls and via E-mail. The food, memorials, flowers, offers of help, cards and prayers and presence of friends was very meaningful to us.

The beautiful tribute by Jim Martin with the humor involved helped us so very much as we said our good byes.

May God Bless You,  
Nancy Wagoner-Mona Hoerster Family  
Susie Nichols Family

*I'd like to thank everyone for the prayers, calls, plants and food during my recent hospitalization. Special thanks to the staff at Schleicher County Medical Center, Schleicher County EMS, members of the First Presbyterian Church, and especially the Wideman Family, for welcoming my daughters into their home while I was hospitalized.*  
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