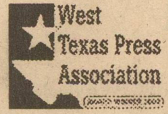


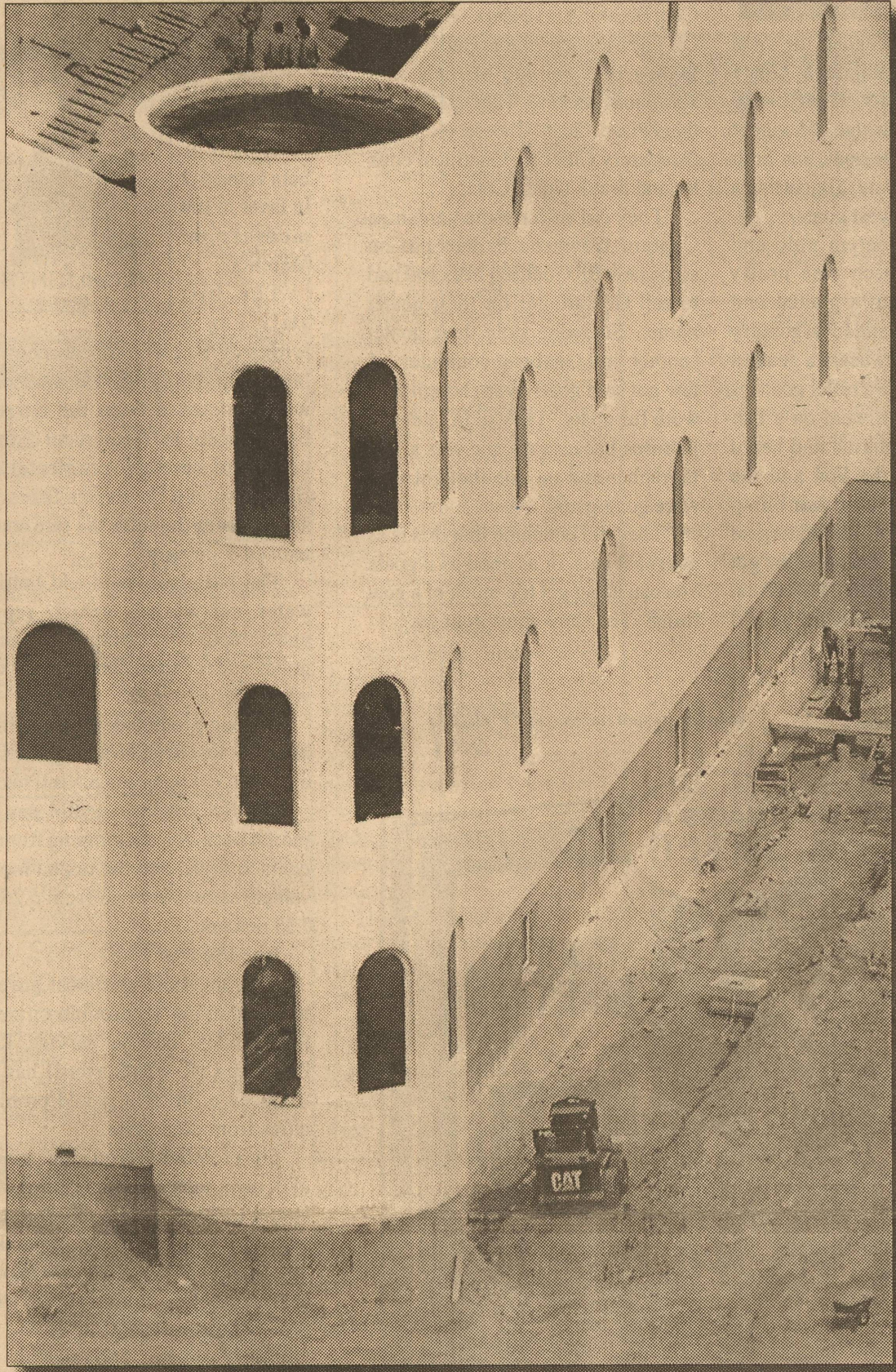
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Work may have stopped for now at the YFZ sewer plant, but construction still continues at the temple site. Here workmen can be seen laying limestone along the building's wall. Large blocks of stone are cut and stacked nearby where rock saws stay busy slicing the blocks into smaller slabs, which are then hauled to the temple site. FLDS church observers believe that Prophet Warren Jeffs intends to complete the building ahead of the 175th anniversary of the founding of the Mormon Church on April 6.

## TCEQ halts work on YFZ sewer plant

### Tom Green County, Plateau Water District join fight to derail YFZ wastewater permit

Inspectors from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality paid a return visit last week to the YFZ Ranch, this time to deliver a "shut-down" order for construction activity on a proposed wastewater treatment plant.

Ricky Anderson, Regional Director for the TCEQ office in San Angelo told the Success on Monday that inspectors from his office went to the YFZ Ranch on Wednesday, March 2, 2005, and ordered that all work associated with the facility stop immediately. He said that the trip was prompted by reports that construction work had begun on the wastewater facility before his agency had issued a permit.

"We told them they had to cease all activity and they complied with the order," Anderson said.

At that time, reports of water leaking from septic tanks and continued burning of trash were also investigated by the environmental inspectors.

Anderson wouldn't divulge any details about those inquiries but did note that additional violations have been identified and will be acted upon. Meanwhile the stop order remains in effect at the wastewater plant.

TCEQ's action to stop the construction came even as a coalition of opponents, led by the Upper Colorado River Authority, began mobilizing to fight the YFZ permit application. Last week the UCRA committed \$7,500 toward the cause and was quickly joined by the City of San Angelo with another \$7,500 infusion of cash.

Stephen Brown, a management consultant with the UCRA, told the Success this week that a num-

ber of YFZ's neighbors have also joined us and are pledging money toward the effort. "We have hired an attorney to look over TCEQ's shoulder," Brown said. "We want to make sure they are paying attention in Austin."

Martha Ellen Tucker, who along with her sister Myrta Overby, own land adjoining the YFZ's northeastern corner told the Success this week that she is concerned that the state environmental agency is being too lax. "If TCEQ won't pay attention to this thing while it's being built, can we really trust them to see that things are done right after it's in operation," Tucker asked.

Milligan Draw flows across Tucker's land. It is a shallow ravine that normally carries water only during heavy rains and it is the place where YFZ Ranch officials plan to discharge their treated wastewater.

On Monday, the Tom Green County Commissioners Court also joined the fray, voting to contribute another \$7,500 to opposing the YFZ permit application. And, on Wednesday of this week the Plateau-Underground Water District's board of directors also signed on, voting to support the UCRA and to contribute \$500 to the cause.

Meanwhile, the Success has learned that the YFZ permit application contains errors that have come to the attention of state regulators. A copy of the permit obtained by the Success fails to list Chip Cole as a neighboring landowner. TCEQ rules require applicants seeking a wastewater permit to list all the neighboring landowners so that they may be contacted by the agency.

Ricky Anderson told the Success that personnel in

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*"If TCEQ won't pay attention to this thing while it's being built, can we really trust them to see that things are done right after it's in operation?"*

— Martha Ellen Tucker  
neighboring landowner

## City of Eldorado to call election on property tax freeze

Eldorado City Council met Monday, March 7, 2005 and voted to place the issue of a tax freeze for senior and disabled citizens on the ballot for the city's May 7 election. The vote was required when a petition with 67 valid signatures was presented to City Hall, exceeding the number of signatures called for by state law. The question will now go to the voters who will decide whether or not to freeze property taxes for individuals qualifying as handicapped or senior citizens.

Also scheduled for a May 7 election

day are three city council positions. In Ward #2 Richard Mendez has filed for reelection and in Ward #3 Dora Bosmans has signed up to seek another term. Ward #1 drew no candidates, however, with incumbent Bill McCutcheon not filing for reelection.

The deadline to file for a place on the ballot expired Monday evening, but potential candidates may still file as a write-in until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 14.

If there are no opposed city council races following next week's deadline,

the council may then vote to cancel the election and declare Mendez and Bosmans to be elected, City Secretary Carolyn Mayo explained. The council could also appoint a person to fill Mr. McCutcheon's seat.

The meeting was the council's regular monthly session and was called to order at 6:12 p.m. by Mayor John Nikolauk. Council members Juakin Rojas, Richard Mendez, Dora Bosmans and Bill McCutcheon were on hand for the meeting. Council members Tommy Minor and Toni Sudduth were absent.

Also present were City Secretary Carolyn Mayo and Utility Superintendent Floyd Fay. So was former utility superintendent Jack Dean who appeared to contest a gas bill he received from the city. Dean said he asked the city to turn off his gas service, but leave the water on when he moved from his home last year. He said he received a gas bill several months later for \$19 and questioned why.

It was explained by Ms. Mayo that she thought Dean had shut his gas off for the summer. When Dean's account

was found to be still active, the amount owed before the cutoff date was applied and a final bill was issued.

The council discussed the issue at length before deciding to leave the bill in place.

In other business Mayor Nikolauk explained that the city has yet to be approached by the Upper Colorado River Authority concerning its opposition to the YFZ Ranch's wastewater plant application. He noted that the UCRA had received the support of the City of San

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## First graders "Cowboy Up" for 18th annual rodeo

The eighteenth annual First Grade Rodeo was held Friday, March 4, 2005 in the Elementary gymnasium. The program began with the Pledge of Allegiance and "Texas, Our Texas."

The stands were full of proud parents with camcorders and digital cameras in hand, as well as other Elementary students. In true rodeo tradition the clowns were most comical, and all the rodeo contestants were filled with the cowboy spirit, riding on their favorite steed.

Participating in the various events were: Grand Entry: Jess Gonzales who led the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance. Afterward the rodeo participants with hats in hand sang "Texas, Our Texas."

Boot Scramble: Keanu Hernandez, Crystal Pina, Okshana Hernandez, Uber Gonzalez,

Luisa Muniz, Lonnie Estrada, Canyon Faull and Julie Martinez.

Hat Toss: Marinda Villanueva, Skyler Sheppard, Strait Pridemore, Joey Jacobsen, Danny Pechacek, Michael Rodriguez, Jeremiah Geuea and Rebecca Hernandez.

Pony Express: Clayton Arendt, Artie Escobar, Mariah Aguilar, Tito Rios, Aaron Santellano, Jake Swindall, Abigail Narvaez and Kaitlyn Lindsey.

Barrel Race: Jose Olivarez, Jesus DeLuna, Christian Martinez, Michael Rios, Cade Ledbetter, Crystal Nava, Jose Guerra and Rylea Self.

Calf Roping: Leroy Torres, Fabian Gomez, Justin Whitten, Will Sterling, Rachelle Garcia, Lorenzo Vides, Megan Powell, Justin Ochoa, Bryon Aycock, and Jess Gonzales.

Clowns who jumped and tumbled for

laughs between events were Jimmy Miller and Jonathan Martinez

The Grand Finale medley of "I Started On The Trail", "Deep In The Heart of Texas" and "Cowboy On The Ranch" was performed by all the first grade wranglers.

Rodeo Producers were Janet Curtis, Branda Gray, Allene Halbert, who expressed their gratitude to everyone who helped with providing props and assistance.

Jess Gonzalez demonstrated last Friday that you have to hold your mouth just right if you want to be a successful roper. The son of Ernie and Katrina Gonzalez, Jess was one of the participants in the 18th annual First Grade Rodeo held in the Elementary Gym.

PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN





## We need to tackle the Social Security challenge now



**Commentary**  
by U.S. Senator  
Kay Bailey Hutchison

America's Social Security system is headed for trouble, two trains rumbling toward a collision. One train rumbles on tracks laid down by financial promises made when this New Deal-era program was established. The second travels on a path set by long-term demographic trends. To avoid the wreck, we need to change the courses of the trains, and the time to do it is long before the conductors on these trains can see each other.

Without significant changes, the question is not whether this accident will happen, but when. The demographic trends pushing us toward disaster are simple: birthrates are going down while people are living longer. This was not a problem in 1935 when President Franklin D. Roosevelt founded the Social Security program. With an average life expectancy of 64, only 54 percent of workers were expected to live long enough to collect their checks. Today, the U.S. Census reports the average life expectancy is 77.2 years and increasing. The Department of Health and Human Services reports that by 2050, American men will live an average of 79.7 years and women will live even longer.

These trends will be amplified when 76 million Baby Boomers hit retirement age. Born between 1946 and 1964, they will begin retiring in 2008, and threaten to swamp the Social Security system.

For many years, there was no problem with Social Security, because the abundance of workers paid far more into the program than it provided to retirees. The excess money was placed in something called the "Social Security Trust Fund."

Unfortunately, by law, the Trust Fund is required to save the excess payments in U.S. Treasury bonds which are, for lack of a better word, "IOUs" from taxpayers. The money itself has been spent. This means the minute the Social Security system takes less in from workers than it pays to retirees, it will have to draw on those bonds, which will have to be made good by taxpayers. This shortfall is predicted to begin as early as 2018.

Inaction is out of the question. According to the Heritage Foundation, if Congress does nothing to reform the system, Social Security will need general fund infusions to make up the difference in tax revenues and benefit payments amounting to \$72 billion in 2020, \$275 billion in 2030, \$429 billion in 2050 and \$719 billion in 2070. The long-term projections of Social Security's financial health will continue to worsen because, with each passing year, a surplus year passes and a deficit year is added in the calculation.

Compounding this problem was the fact that changes in Social Security also weakened the financial health of the system. Originally, initial benefits at the time of retirement were linked to inflation, but in the 1970s they were pegged to the rise in wages, which tend to go up faster than prices. Coupled with demography and the impending retirement of the Baby Boomers, the Social Security system is headed for a disaster.

Numerous proposals to save Social Security are on the table, and I look forward to talking with my fellow Texans and working with my colleagues to craft policy changes which will honor present commitments, while providing a permanent solution.

While we may not agree on what the best options are at this point, it is unacceptable to pretend there is no problem. The financial future of Social Security is determined not only by demographic trends; it is affected by the promises made when the program was established. We have a window of opportunity to remake the program so the promises made today will be fulfilled tomorrow without mortgaging the future of our children and grandchildren

## Jim Runge has fun with words

My pal Jim Runge of Eldorado stages some of the most creative events to come along since Luckenbach's celebration of the return of mud daubers.

One of his events is the Elgoatarod, featuring goats pulling carts around the courthouse square. It coincides with Alaska's Iditarod and is set for April 2 & 3. Jim's latest news release, about a gang of goataholics coming to Elgoatarod, is worth passing along:

"It seems that Alexander the Goat, Captain Goataroo, Lady Goatdiva (who is no goatie two shoes), Cuba Goating, Jr., Rongcoat Starr, Vincent Van Goat (who has quite the inflated ego and is quite egoatistical) and Abe Vigoota, got together and decided to sow some wild goats and go on a vacation goataway, boldly goating where no one had gone before. They left with goat expectations as the following story details.

"Leaving Fargoat, North Dagoata in Augoat of 2004 they have visited Afgoatistan, Agoatsa, Georgia and Agoatsa, Maine, Bogoata, the Cape



by  
**Tumbleweed  
Smith**

of Goat Hope, Chicagoat, the Goat Wall of China, Goatalahara, Goatamala, Goathem City, Goatysburg, the Golden Goat Bridge, Mexigoat, Minnegoata, San Diegoat, San Franciscoat, South Dagoata, Yugoatslavia and both east and west goats.

"They saw a goatem pole and an alligoater (which was pretty goatesque), went to a goateo and a disgoateque, attended a goaty meeting (where they heard a goatyational speaker), rode a roller goatster, shopped at Targoat, went on a fishing goat, went to church and heard about the Father, the Son and the Holy Goat, saw the Goatyair blimp and visited the site of the Watergoat scandal. In movie theaters they got to see The Goatfather, The Great Goatsby and 007 in Goateneye and

Goatfinger.

In goatels they watched Goat Morning America, Murder She Goat, The Goat outdoors, The Goat Train Robbery and The Love Goat.

"One of the gang played the goatar and performed such hits as Don't Goat Breaking my Heart, Goat Tell It On The Mountain, Goat Balls of Fire, Johnny Be Goat and Michael Row Your Goat Ashore. They ate Goatfathers Pizza, Goata Cheese, escargoat, Goatissery Chicken, Goatmeal cookies and drank Goata Cola.

"They did suffer some hardships. Captain Goataroo had to put on some new BF Goatrigh tires and had to call Goatarooter for their goater home. Someone stole their goater scooter and Goatway computer. A few got sore goats even though they wore fur goats. They didn't get any pictures because no one was a goatographer and no one thought they were goatogenic.

"They did conclude that this is as goat as it gets, or as good as it goats. You can never get too much of a goat thing. The show must goat on."



## Texas and the Sunshine

by David H. Donaldson, Jr.

A taxpayer seeking the salaries of local officials. A mother interested in a roster of teachers at her children's school. A reporter digging into claims that a county commissioner is misusing county property for private purposes. These are some of the people who want access to information maintained at the city, county, and state level in Texas. Before the passage of the Texas Public Information Act (then known as the Texas Open Records Act) and the Texas Open Meetings Act, many ways to find this type of public information were cut off or simply never opened in the first place.

When I was a young law student in the mid-70s I was once asked to research the history of certain laws. I went to the Texas Legislature's records to figure out what had happened, but I could find very little. There were only cryptic summaries with hints and suggestions of how this law came to be. This type of closed and mysterious law making was a breeding ground for bad intentions and corruption.

All that began to change with the passage of the Open Records and Open Meetings Acts. With those laws Texas grabbed the drapes that obscured these government processes and ripped them away to let the sunshine in. Today we have legislative committee hearings that are posted publicly, that are recorded, and that even can be viewed live. The history of legislation is at our fingertips on the Internet. This type of intense public exposure makes it substantially harder

to conceal nefarious conduct from the eyes of those who are interested.

The Texas Public Information Act has some special features that speed the process of openness. It provides a category of super public information such as records on the government's spending, title, salary, and dates of employment for government employees, and many other items that are declared to be public as a matter of right. And in those instances where there are questions about whether information can legitimately be withheld from public disclosure, the genius of the Public Information Act is to provide for a process where decisions on these issues can be made relatively quickly and without the expense of a court proceeding.

If a citizen requests a document for which there are questions about disclosure, the government agency can present that document and its arguments for nondisclosure to the Attorney General. The Attorney General's office has a special section devoted to timely answering these open records questions. This is a far better mechanism than requiring citizens to go to court to force compliance. This process, both the mechanism itself and the substantial amount of precedent from decisions since the 1970s, makes it much more likely that a government agency will release a document promptly that, in years past, it might have withheld or delayed release.

The Texas Open Meetings Act allows us to learn what will be considered at the next city council, school district, or county commissioner's

meeting so we can arrive informed. The Open Meetings Act also insists that final decisions are made by those entities occur in the open where the public can see their elected officials acting and hold them accountable.

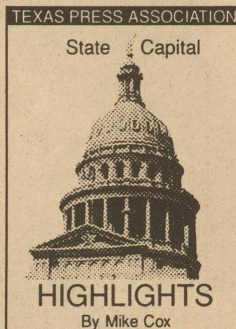
The Attorney General's aggressive program to enforce the Public Information Act and the Open Meetings Act against local officials who violate them shows that Texans mean business about keeping their government open. Many capable and dedicated public servants are eager to follow these laws, but those that aren't must face the consequences, which can include public disapproval and public disavowal through the Attorney General and his opinions, or even fines or jail time.

The need for open government for voters to adequately govern and the countervailing concern over privacy and protection of the legitimate needs for government confidentiality are often at war with one another. Texas has decided that openness in government, even with its dangers, is preferable to closure. In every legislative session, however, the debate continues as new bills further restricting public information and access are brought forward. As we celebrate Freedom in the Sunshine week, I urge you to write your Legislator in support of maintaining openness in Texas government.

David H. Donaldson, Jr. is a director of the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas and a partner with the law firm of Graves, Dougherty, Heaton & Moody, PC.

## Sales tax bill would make Texas highest in nation

AUSTIN - The House Ways and Means Committee has approved a bill that would allow the state to increase the sales tax rate by nearly 1 percent, giving Texas the highest sales tax in the nation. Members voted 6-2 in favor of the measure on March 2.



The bill still has a long way to go before becoming law, but if it does, the sales tax rate would increase from the current 6.25 percent to 7.2 percent. Since cities and other governmental entities also can levy sales taxes, in some places the sales tax rate could exceed 9 percent.

The bill also would add bottled water, car washes, vehicle repair and outdoor advertising to the list of goods and services that can be taxed when sold.

As long predicted, the state franchise tax would go away, replaced by a 1.1 percent business payroll tax.

Finally, smokers would pay \$1 more a pack, the tax jumping from 41 cents to \$1.41, and the tax on motor vehicle sales would go from 6.25 to 7.35 percent.

Bye-bye free wi-fi? With the state and local governments moving to provide citizens free wireless Internet service, Rep. Phil King (R-Weatherford) has introduced a bill that would prohibit cities from doing that.

The prohibition is only one aspect of King's telecommunications bill, House Bill 789. King's chief of staff said last week that the lawmaker objects to free wi-fi because it puts government in competition with private businesses.

### No Pass, No Drive...

The Legislature is considering a bill that links passing grades to a teenager's ability to get a driver's license.

Under House Bill 643, filed by Rep. Sid Miller (R-Stephenville), a Texan younger than 18 would need to have a grade-point average of at least 2.0 to get a driver's license. As it stands now, the only education-related requirement (other than being able to pass a test on traffic laws and safe-driving techniques) is that someone under 18 be enrolled in school and abiding by attendance requirements.

Arkansas has had a similar law since 1991, but it is not widespread among the states.

What should be official Texas vehicle?

The obvious answer is the pickup truck, but that would be wrong. In Senate Concurrent Resolution 8, Sen. Kel Seliger (R-Amarillo) has proposed that the chuck wagon be designated by the Legislature as the official vehicle of Texas.

Invented in 1866 by Panhandle pioneer Charles Goodnight, the food-carrying chuck wagon supported the state's cattle industry well into the 20th century by playing a vital role in keeping cowboys fed.

On some big ranches, the distinctive wagons with chuck (cowboy talk for food) boxes on the back are still used, though today most chuck wagons are for display and cooking competitions.

### Going Dutch oven...

Proving that both major political parties can work together, Rep. Jesse Jones (D-Dallas) has filed a resolution that would declare the Dutch oven the official state cooking implement. Dutch ovens, of course, are what chuck wagon cooks use to prepare sourdough biscuits, perhaps the future official state bread.

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# OBITUARIES

## Dock Aaron Nichols

COLEMAN — Dock Aaron "Skeeter" Nichols, a Christian, husband, father, brother and friend, went home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Wednesday, March 2, 2005.

Dock was born on Aug. 14, 1933, to Morgan Louis and Eula Nichols in Novice. He was happily married to Doris Anderson Nichols for 49 years.

He was preceded in death by his father, mother, sister and brother.

He is survived by his wife, Doris, and their children, Morgan Nichols and wife Michele of Abilene, Beverly Minor and husband Tommy of Eldorado, Ken Nichols of Abilene, Darrell Nichols and wife Traci of Plano and Wayne Nichols and wife Tammy of Abilene; his sister, Mary Anna

Dale of Coleman; and many wonderful friends.

He found great joy in his 11 grandchildren, Evan, Daniel, Brandon, Brence, Timmy, Bailey, Peyton, Destanie, Zachary, Branda and Sam. They will miss his loving spirit dearly.

He was a veteran of the Korean Conflict, a civil engineer for 37 years, a member of the Wylie Baptist Church and an ordained deacon.

Dock's gentle spirit and loving heart will truly be missed by all that knew and loved him.

Funeral service was Saturday, March 5, at the Wylie Baptist Church with the Rev. Oscar Fanning officiating, and assisted by the Rev. Lee Fuller, pastor of the Wylie Baptist Church. Burial services followed in the Atoka Cemetery.

## Glen D. McDonald

ELDORADO - Glen D. McDonald, 78, died Tuesday, March 1, 2005, in a local nursing home. Services will be at a later date.

Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home.

Survivors include Laci Jaramillo of Mineral Wells.

## Junior Darrell Redwine

SAN ANGELO — J.D. Redwine, 77, went home to be with his savior Jesus Christ on Tuesday, March 1, 2005, after a long, courageous battle with illness. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. J.D. had a cheerful attitude and a joking nature and was a friend to all he met.

J.D. was born April 13, 1927, in Phoenix, Ariz., to Otis and Beulah Redwine. He served in Europe during World War II and was awarded a sharpshooter citation and an honorable discharge. He met his wife, Joyce Taliaferro, while playing with a country and western band in Odessa, Texas. They were married in Lovington, N.M., on Dec. 8, 1949. They recently celebrated 55 years of loving, devoted marriage. J.D. and Joyce lived in Eldorado, Texas, for 40 years until his health made it necessary to move to San Antonio, Texas. He worked in the oil fields for Sinclair Oil and later retired from Arco after 32 years of service.

J.D. is survived by his loving wife, Joyce; his son Michael and wife Mary Redwine of Eldorado, Texas; two daughters, Sheila and husband Mike Prater of Eldorado, Texas, and Jeanne and husband Fred Tamayo of San Antonio, Texas; and five grandchildren

who loved him dearly, Sammy and wife Bonita Prater, Kristina Prater, Lance St.Germain, Rebecca St.Germain and Kyle Tamayo of San Antonio, Texas. He was also very blessed to have made an impact in the lives of his five great-grandchildren, Kayla, Kathryn, Kameron, Kolton and Kyle.

J.D. was an avid hunter and fisherman. He has passed on to his family his great love of nature and the outdoors. He enjoyed the serenity of the oceans, lakes and rivers. His love of country music was known to all. Dad's views of heaven, in his own words were, "I'd be walking down a deer trail, under the shade of big pine trees full of squirrel and there would be a clear cool hole of water full of catfish. I would sit down on a big flat rock with my fishing pole." The family takes comfort in the knowledge that we will see him again soon.

Service were at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, March 3, at Johnson's Funeral Home in San Angelo with burial in Lawnhaven Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to the National Kidney Foundation or the American Heart Association.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Elementary Counselor Ken Newman demonstrated his cowboy skills during the annual First Grade Rodeo held last Friday in the Eldorado Elementary gym.

## Texas Tech announces its Dean's and President's List

LUBBOCK—More than 5,400 undergraduate students have achieved academic excellence at Texas Tech University. The students were named to the fall 2004 Deans and President Lists. The Dean's List honored 3,642 students and 1,760 students made the President's List.

Students earning a 4.0 grade point average, while enrolled in 12 or more qualifying semester hours, made the President's List.

Students carrying 12 or more qualifying hours, with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 made the Dean's List.

President List: Kimberly Michelle Hight, Junior, major Restaurant, Hotel, Inst. Management. She is the daughter of Kenneth and Caroline Hight.

Dean's List: Kayla Case, senior, major Architecture. Kayla is the daughter of Pete and Angela Case. Kayla McCravey, senior, major Early Childhood. She is the daughter of Chris and Chris McCravey. Christina Redish, sophomore, major COBA, is the daughter of Mack and Angela Redish.

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Graduation is soon approaching and planning is underway for this year's project graduation. If you would like to make a contribution of gifts or money you may do so at the First National Bank of Eldorado c/o Shirley Joiner.

Project Graduation is a annual drug/alcohol free party of games, food and prizes for the graduating seniors hosted by their parent's. To maked a prize or a cash donation contact

**Meals for Friends Menu**

- Monday, March 14**  
Beef Stew, Stew Veg., Sweet Peas, Cornbread, Citrus Fruit Cup, Milk
- Tuesday, March 15**  
Bar-B-Que Chicken, Blackeyed Peas, Beets, Hot Rolls, Pears w/ Pineapples, Choc. Chip Cookies, Milk
- Wednesday, March 16**  
Fried Fish w/ Tartar Sauce, Hominy, Broccoli, Corn Muffins, Bread Pudding w/ Raisins, Milk
- Thursday, March 17**  
Salisbury Steak, Baked Beans, Mustard Greens, Bread, Peaches, Milk
- Friday, March 18**  
Roast Beef w/ Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Coleslaw, Carrot Cake, Milk

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2005 8th Grade Basketball Team: Front L-R: Coach Doran Schoenhals, Dustin Gauna, Dustin Ramirez, Landy Alfaro, Chris Minor, Troy Russell, Timothy Maskill, Joseph Turnbull, Austin Grubbs; Back L-R: Gabriel Vasquez, Mark Garcia, Jonathan Belman, Paul Martinez, Milo Vallejo, Victor Cardenas, Rolando Gonzalez, Rance Cathey, and Isidro Granados.



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2005 8th Grade Lady Eagles  
 -Front L-R: Meg Griffin, Darcy Graves, Kirsten Stubbs, Tracy Brenner, Veronica Belman & Corie Williams; Middle L-R: April Porras, Deyanira Cruz & Marcela Huerta; Back L-R: Lindsay Pridemore, Cassandra Buitron, Haley Higgins, Jessica Valero & Bridgett Mitchell.

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## Community network plans computer classes

Schleicher County Community Network will be hosting computer classes for the community on the third Tuesday of each month beginning next week on March 15.

The classes are slated to meet in the Eldorado High School Library from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Persons

interested in reserving a spot in the class are asked to call Debbie Griffin at 853-2514 ext. 236.

A schedule of classes is as follows:

March - Introduction to the internet and using search engines effectively

April - Using MS Word to

make flyers, invitations, newsletters

May - editing photographs, bring photos with you

June - Powerpoint & creating electronic scrapbooks

July - VACATION-No computer classes

August - Intro to MS Excel

September - Scanning documents & pictures

October - Intro to creating Christmas gifts using your computer-Part 1

November - Christmas gifts Part 2

December : No classes due to Christmas holidays.

## Austin WWII veteran receives France's highest honor

### French acknowledge Texan's service from Normandy to Battle of the Bulge

AUSTIN — Joe M. Uriegas, of Austin, was among the U.S. troops who landed behind enemy lines in a glider assault before the amphibious landings at Normandy on June 6, 1941. He saw action there with the 188th Field Artillery Battalion and across Europe as his outfit found its way into combat in almost every major battle in the European Theater of Operation.

On Wednesday, Uriegas be-

came only the 100th American, and the 6th Hispanic to receive France's "Ligion d'Honneur" in recognition of his service.

Uriegas fought, not only to liberate France, but to drive Hitler's Nazi army back into Germany. He saw additional action Northern France, the Battle of the Bulge, the Rhineland and Central Europe and he rose to the rank of staff sergeant before leaving the Army.

Uriegas received the Legion

of Honor from the French Consul General in a ceremony held in the William B. Travis State Office Building located, 1701 North Congress Avenue in Austin. Jerry Patterson, Chairman of the Texas Veterans Land Board, organized the event.

Due to illness, Uriegas missed a June 6, 2004 ceremony - at the Normandy invasion site - in which he was due to receive the medal.

Uriegas, who turns 90 this year, worked for 35 years at the University of Texas at Austin.

The National Order of the Legion of Honor, established in 1802 by Napoleon Bonaparte, is France's highest honor. The main features of the current version are like the original: a white enameled star of five rays on a wreath of leaves with a gold medallion in the center, ringed by blue enamel.



2005 Eagles Basketball Team L-R: Kolby Dombroski, Jorge Bustos, Drew Bosmans, Jeremy Ussery, Jared Grubbs, Terrell Boysaw, Ryan Cathey, Frank Wipff, and Sammy Estrada. Not pictured Michael Ballew and Eric Garcia.

## Eldoradoans assist with tsunami relief

The Eldorado High School, Middle School and Elementary collected well over \$1.00 per person per capita of Schleicher County in January.

\$3,586.39 was the combined total collected from all three campuses to be sent to UNICEF USA.

Elementary student collected \$2,169.74 of the \$3,586.39.

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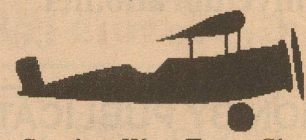
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**It's A Boy!**

Randy and Kelli Spears are the proud parents of a new baby boy Randy Lee Spears, II.  
Born Thursday, March 3, 2005 at San Angelo Community Hospital. Randy weighed 7 lbs 11 ozs. and was 20 inches in length.  
Welcoming Randy home was his big brother R.J., age 5 and sister Khamille Kown Spears, age 3.  
Also welcoming the new grandbaby are grandparents Raymond and Mary Spears and his Uncle Raymond Spears Jr.

**NEW ARRIVAL**

**Get To Know... Virginia Garza, CNA, CMA**  
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Virginia was born and raised in Eldorado. She has been a CNA (Certified Nursing Aide) for 17 years. Schleicher County Medical sent her to school to become a CMA (Certified Medication Aide).

Virginia takes great pride in the work she does for the residents. "I enjoy and like the job I do working with the elderly and the staff." Virginia says "I have always admired people that work in the medical field because they are caring and giving people."

Virginia enjoys playing golf, clogging with the West Texas Cloggers, and going to garage sales on her time off. Also, she has two children and 5 grandchildren that she enjoys spending time with.

With her 17 year of service at SCMC, Virginia is among some of the long term staff which includes: Martha Adame (21 years), Olivia Batla (15 Years), Rosa Fuentes (15 Years), Beverly Minor (15 Years), Marion Porter (26 Years), Peggy Ussery (25 Years) and Luz Valero (17 Years).

"We are very proud of the high level of care the staff provides in the Home and Virginia is a team player who assists in making that happens seven day a week," said Anita, Director of Nursing Home.

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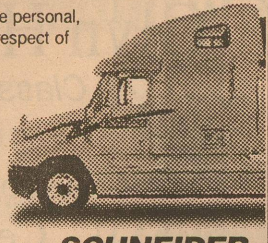
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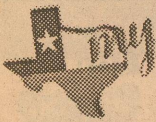
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TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS, IF ANY, OF HUGH RICHARD LINDSEY, DECEASED, their executors, administrators, heirs, and assigns, and to all persons interested in the Estate of HUGH RICHARD LINDSEY, Deceased: No 1624, County Probate Court.

Linda Suzanne Lindsey filed in the County Probate Court of Schleicher County, Texas, on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2005 Combined Application for Administration and Heirship.

Said Application will be heard and acted on by said Court at 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday next after expiration of ten days from date of publishing this citation, the same being the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2005, at the Schleicher County Courthouse, Eldorado, Texas.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Probate Court at said above mentioned time and place by filing a written answer contesting such application should they desire to do so.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at my office in Eldorado, Texas, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2005.

Peggy Williams, Clerk  
County Court  
Schleicher County, Texas  
By Brenda Mayfield, Deputy Clerk

**Notice of Public Hearing**

Texas Education Code 39.053 requires each district's board of trustees to hold a hearing for public discussion of the Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) report. The public hearing will be held on March 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Library.

**Wastewater woes continue at YFZ Ranch**

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the San Angelo TCEQ office were aware of the error, but that it would be up to the permit department in Austin to decide if the ranch must start all over with the application process.

**Meanwhile, back at the ranch**

Workmen at the YFZ Ranch didn't seem to notice as the great wastewater debate heated up this week. They began laying limestone at the temple site more than a week ago, but were interrupted by recent rains. Rock laying started again late last week with stone masons beginning on the temple's south wall.

Atop the structure, workmen used cranes

to lift pallets of what appears to be slate roofing shingles. Two prominent round openings protrude from the roof, but look to be covered with white plastic.

Nearby additional homes are being built as numerous truckloads of building material continue to arrive at the ranch.

Judging by the activity around the homes already finished, a number of families, with dozens of children have taken up residence at the YFZ.

**On the web**

When word first hit Eldorado that Prophet Warren Jeffs and his Fundamentalist Church of

Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints was moving to Schleicher County, people here have looked to the Internet as a source of information. Most of that information focused on Jeffs, his church, and its practice polygamy in and around Utah and Arizona.

Now the Prophet's followers in Texas have caught the eye of an enterprising weblogger who launched the Texas Polygamy Weblog where discussion centers on the FLDS and its impact here in Schleicher County. The weblog may be found on the Internet at http://texaspolygamy.blogspot.com or by following a link from the Success' website at www.myeldorado.net.

**City council meeting held Monday, March 7**

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Angelo and was seeking Schleicher County's support.

After discussing the matter briefly it was decided that the city should decline any future invitation to join the UCRA since the city works under direct supervision of the Texas Commission on

Environmental Quality, the agency the UCRA is hoping to influence.

Nikolausk also advised that he has been visiting with an engineering firm from Marble Falls about the city's street repair and maintenance program. He said he would invite representatives of K&C Engineering to meet with the city council at a future meeting.

Superintendent Floyd Fay then reported the activity in his various departments. He told the council there have been no water leaks or pressure problems to his knowledge. Also, he noted that city crews are still changing out me-

ters in the gas department.

Fay went on to report that all TCEQ deficiencies at the city landfill have been corrected and that any further discussions about city violations would take place between the TCEQ inspector and the city's engineer.

Fay then noted that new equipment has been installed at the city's sewer plant and that it should be placed in service later in the week.

In her report, Carolyn Mayo noted that she had hired Mary Martinez as her assistant, replacing Juanita Gomez. She also noted that Kathy Kuykendall has left

the city's employ and that Amy P. Green has been hired to take her place on a part-time basis. She noted that Floyd Fay had helped her during the transition and she thanked him for his efforts. Ms. Mayo also reviewed the city's financial reports with the council.

Before adjourning the council approved the minutes of the Feb. 7 meeting.

It should be noted that the city election is slated for Saturday, May 7, 2005 at the Memorial Building and that the next meeting of the city council will be held on Monday, April 11, 2005, in City Hall.

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Amos 8:11

**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**

- March 3 • Harrison, Marvin, male age 60, arresting officer SC deputy, offense warrant. Released on \$500 Surety Bond.
- March 4 • Jones, Fagan Brooke, female age 26, arresting officer SC deputy, offense DWLI. Released on \$1,000 Surety Bond.
- March 4 • Long, Cody Duane, male age 34, arresting officer SC deputy, offense Assault-family violence. Released on \$2,000 Surety Bond.
- March 7 • Rodriguez, Jennifer Joleen, female age 20, arresting officer SC deputy, offense DWLI. Released on \$500 PR Bond.
- March 7 • Hobbs, Kevin T., male age 26, arresting officer SC deputy, offense No DL, no Insurance, Excessive Acceleration and Expired Registration.
- March 7 • Perez, Andy, male age 27, arresting officer SC sheriff, offense Serving 3 days.
- March 8 • Fay, Tony Alexander, male age 21, arresting officer SC sheriff, offense FTA/Forgery.

**INCIDENTS**

- March 1 • 3:13 p.m. Complainant reported a minor vehicle accident. Officers responded.
- 3:24 p.m. Complainant requested an ambulance. Officers and EMS 2

- 6:32 p.m. Complainant reported a possible drunk driver. Complainant observed occupants in vehicle throw beer bottles out the window of vehicle. Officer responded.
- 10:14 p.m. Complainant stated that someone had stolen a rifle out of vehicle. Vehicle location business on Main Street. Officers responded.
- March 2 • 8:06 a.m. Complainant requested to speak with an officer. Officer responded.
- 3:49 p.m. Caller reported bees at Village Lane and Lee Street. Officers responded.
- 4:45 p.m. Caller requested to speak with an officer. Officer responded.
- 8:00 p.m. Caller reported a kitten stuck in a dryer hose. Officers responded.
- March 3 • 9:08 a.m. Complainant requested to speak with an officer about an abandoned U-Haul. Officer responded.
- 5:05 p.m. Complainant wanted a trespassing citation issued. Officers responded.
- 6:25 p.m. Complainant approached officer and reported a suspicious person in a red and white Ford Taurus. Officers responded.
- 8:34 p.m. Caller reported someone throwing a rock at her vehicle and breaking a window at the Eldorado Place Apts. Officers responded.
- 8:35 p.m. Caller locked keys in vehicle.
- 8:46 p.m. Caller reported house out of order when they arrived home on Divide, some objects were missing. Officers responded.
- 9:01 p.m. Caller reported missing objects from her apartment location Eldorado Place Apts. Complainant was working at the time of call officer followed up next day.
- March 4 • 9:19 a.m. Reported some contraband at the school. Officers responded.
- 1:44 p.m. Reported a ball hitting an damaging his windshield at the baseball fields. Officers responded.
- 8:47 p.m. Complainant stated that a truck had hit his residence on East

- Fields. Officers responded.
- 9:57 p.m. Complainant requested officers for assistance. S.O. heard loud noise in background to what appeared to be a fight in progress. Officers responded.
- 11:46 p.m. Complainant reported an intoxicated driver in a white Ford Mustang. Sutton Co. was notified.
- March 5 • 11:19 p.m. Eldorado Medical Center requested an ACLS transfer to Shannon. EMS responded.
- 1:41 p.m. Complainant reported a juvenile riding his bike on the highway. Office responded.
- 5:24 p.m. Reported a black SUV drive off without paying for fuel. Officer responded and Sonora was notified.
- March 6 • 1:25 p.m. Complainant stated that her mom had lost a brown tri-fold wallet containing credit cards and social security cards. Officer notified.
- 2:44 p.m. Border patrol agent reported a vehicle that forced him and other motorist off the roadway. Vehicle was a green chevy pickup. Officer responded and citation was issued.
- 8:18 p.m. Complainant reported hitting a deer 8 miles north on Hwy 277. Officer responded.
- March 7 • 2:05 p.m. Caller reported cable hanging. Officer responded and cable company was notified.
- 12:03 a.m. Caller reported children playing on the sidewalk and being loud at the Eldorado Place Apt. Officer responded.
- March 8 • 11:30 a.m. Complainant reported a burglary alarm going off on Bell Lane. Officers responded.
- 4:28 p.m. Complainant reported a domestic disturbance. Officers responded and a subject was arrested on warrant.
- 4:28 p.m. Complainant reported a grass fire. Officer responded reported it was a controlled burn.

**Weekly Crossword Puzzle**

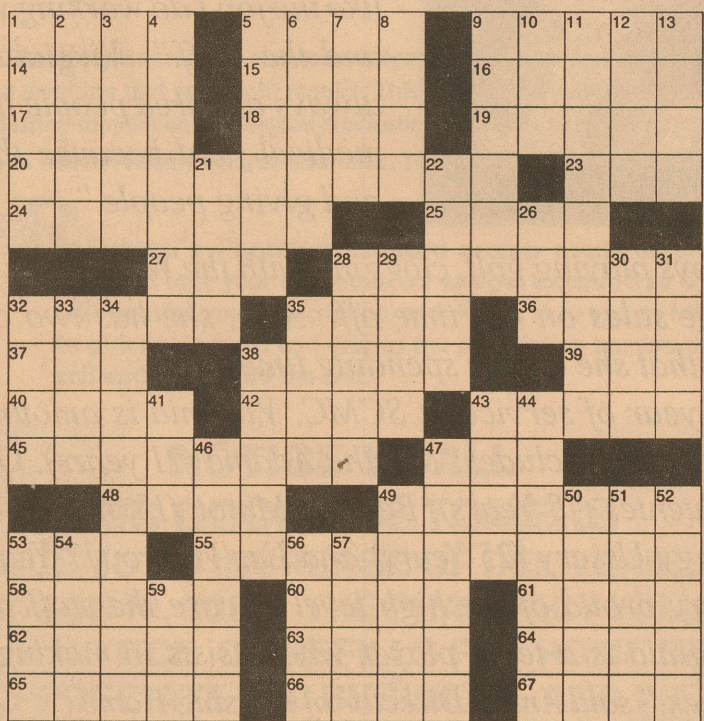
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  - Burger topper
  - Ingredient in chocolate
  - Vane dir.
  - Cause of an immune response
  - Carmine and crimson
  - "Waking Devine" (1998 film)
  - Tacitly approved
  - to (check, as a dictionary)
  - Pogs, Furbys, et al.
  - Vena (main vein)
  - Alter words
  - Chunk of fairway
  - Fig. stamped into an automobile
  - Plant with fronds
  - State firmly
  - What's in, in fashion

- Made beloved
- "Beavis and Butthead" chuckle syllable
- Gallup survey
- Williams or Redgrave
- Hit the slopes
- One of an Earl Scroggs set
- Five: Prefix
- Inauguration Day recital
- General Bradley
- Writer Chekhov

**DOWN**

- Co-conspirator of Brutus
- Common theater name
- Respond to a stimulus
- Chemist Lavoisier
- Reined in
- Rocket engineer Wernher von
- Make changes in
- Litter's littlest
- Went gaga over
- Hoss, to Ben
- Military force that, believe it or not, really exists
- Cupid, to the Greeks
- Daly of "Cagney & Lacey"
- Golden- (senior)
- Dadaist Max
- Earp cohort
- Holiday
- in (yielded)
- Dump emanation
- The devil's work
- Great (big dog)
- In widespread use
- Eve's garden
- Auto that was the subject of criminal charges
- Lincoln's bill
- Alfalfa's heartthrob
- Modern: Prefix
- E-mailed, e.g.
- "Get a piece of" (insurance company slogan)
- The Empire State's capital
- over (reviewed)
- Ballot caster
- Pop's Carly or Paul
- Drain-clearing tool
- See eye to eye
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## Don't get hit with a penalty! "Render" your taxable property by April 15th.

A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year.

### Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income—such as the inventory and equipment used by a business. If you render late, don't render or file an incomplete or false rendition, a 10% to 50% penalty may be imposed.

### Are there any advantages to you?

- The advantages of filing a rendition are:
- You give your opinion of your property's value. The appraisal district must notify you in writing of any value change and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
  - You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
  - You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2004. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2005.

### What's the deadline?

The last day for filing 2005 renditions is April 15. You can get an automatic extension to May 15 if you ask for it in writing on or before the April 15 deadline. The chief appraiser may grant an additional 15 days after May 15 for an owner who shows good cause in writing.

### Where do you file?

File renditions with your local appraisal district at:

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## 51st District Court Report

District Judge Barbara Walther held court Monday, March 7, 2005, in the Schleicher County Memorial Building, where she heard several criminal and civil cases.

Judge Walther handed down verdicts in five of the seven criminal cases on the docket. Included among those were:

David Edward Hill was sentenced on two motions both at 435 days in state jail with credit on time served concurrent with his federal sentence served. Hill plead guilty on two counts of theft. Hill was released from Schleicher County Jail Monday, March 7, 2005.

Andy Perez was sentenced to 5 years state jail but plea bargained to 5 years probation with a \$750.00 fine. Perez plead guilty to failure to stop and render aid. On a second charge Perez was sentenced too 180 days in jail but plea bargained to one year probation with a \$750.00. Perez in the second motion plead guilty to intoxicated assault that was reduced to a Class "B" misdemeanor of DWI.

## Some Texans could be getting bigger paychecks

DALLAS - With approximately eight out of every 10 Texans receiving record tax refunds averaging more than \$2,400, they may want to consider getting that money during the year instead of waiting until after filing their tax returns.

According to the Internal Revenue Service, people receive big tax refunds usually because they have too much tax withheld from their paychecks than is necessary. The amount of federal income tax taken out of regular paychecks depends on two things: the amount the employee earns, and the information given to the employer on IRS Form W-4, "Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate."

Taxpayers who receive a big tax refund check could benefit by adjusting their Form W-4 so that less money is taken out of their paychecks. The IRS said in many cases, people who have a change in personal or financial status, such as marriage, birth of a baby, or purchase of a new house should definitely double check their W-4's. If too much or too little is withheld, a person can correct it by giving his or her employer a new Form W-4.

The IRS has an easy-to-use calculator to help people figure their federal income tax withholding on its' Web site at www.irs.gov/individuals. People can also get help in filling out a Form W-4 by completing a worksheet in Publication 919, "How Do I Adjust My Tax Withholding?" Publication 919 can be downloaded from the IRS Web site.

Another way some Texans can increase their take-home pay is to apply for the Advance Earned Income Credit (AEIC), the IRS said. People who work and expect to earn less than \$30,338 and have at least one qualifying child could receive as much as \$133 a month increase in pay. The exact amount of the Advance Earned Income Credit depends on a person's filing and job status and whether they have children.

To apply for AEIC, Texans should give Form W-5, "Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificate," to their employer. Anyone who receives AEIC in their pay needs to know that they will have to file a tax return at the end of the year to report the money received and to claim any remaining credit that they are entitled to receive.

For more information, employees can contact their payroll office or go the IRS Web site at www.irs.gov to get Publication 596, "Earned Income Credit," and Form W-5.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN  
Caleb Nixon rounded third base last week as the Eldorado Eagles took on the Alpine Bucks in the 2nd round of Eldorado Baseball Tournament. The Eagles fell to Alpine 6-2 and the final round of the tournament was rained out.

## AG shuts down unauthorized Houston immigration service

AUSTIN - Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott today announced he has halted a second Houston woman from charging hundreds of Hispanic consumers up to thousands of dollars for unauthorized immigration-related consulting services. Abbott obtained a temporary restraining order and asset freeze against Yolanda Perez, just weeks after he announced a similar lawsuit against another Houston woman.

Perez, who operated a nonprofit corporation called New Anointing/ Nueva Uncion, falsely told clients she was a former employee of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. She provided services in Harris County for at least four years, advertising on misleading business cards. In order to lend credibility to her business, she operated out of office space she leased from various churches.

"It seems some scam artists will stop at nothing to swindle people who simply want to call Texas home," said Attorney General Abbott. "I am determined to shut these people down. Texas law is very clear about who can provide immigration consulting services, and those who disregard the law will be brought to justice."

Perez's company is the 21st such business Abbott has stopped from providing unauthorized legal advice on immigration matters.

According to the lawsuit, which alleges violations of the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act, Perez charged clients initial fees of \$300-\$400 per person for help with immigration visas, permanent residency and/or work or travel permits for themselves or their relatives. Perez, who also operated under the names "Greater Houston Family Outreach" and "Servicios a la Comunidad," would give immigration forms to clients to mail, but would often address them incorrectly, causing many to be returned. As a result, many consumers lost hundreds of dollars in immigration filing fees, and some received notices to appear at deportation hearings. Several consumers were unable to contact Perez about their problems, and at least one found her office doors locked with no relocation information.

Perez also falsely represented herself as an attorney. In Texas, only licensed attorneys and nonprofit organizations specifically accredited by the U.S. Department of Justice's Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA) can charge fees to advise and represent clients in immigration matters.

One Houston man paid between \$3,500 and \$4,000 to Perez to fill out forms and provide other immigration services for him and his daughter. "I trusted her because she was working out of an office in the church and I did not believe anything bad was going to happen because these things took place in a church," the man said in an affidavit. "Despite all of Yolanda Perez's promises and alleged expertise, I was subjected to deportation proceedings."

A Pasadena woman also lost approximately \$3,100, claiming Perez's actions placed her and her daughter in danger of deportation. "I complained to Yolanda Perez about these problems, but she claimed that she and her family were not responsible," the woman said in an affidavit. "She advised me that my best option would be to voluntarily leave the United States."

She added, "It is just not fair that this woman can continue to do this to so many people."

A court hearing to consider a temporary injunction against Perez is set for March 14.

Former or current clients of Perez who wish to file a complaint should immediately contact the Office of the Attorney General at 1-800-252-8011. Consumers can also call that number to file a complaint against any other suspected unauthorized operation. Assistance is available in Spanish and English.

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