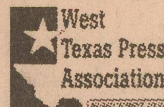


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Judge rules Jeffs' traffic stop was legal

U.S. District Judge Robert E. Blackburn ruled last Thursday that a Colorado sheriff's deputy acted appropriately during a traffic stop that resulted in the arrest of Seth Jeffs, brother of fugitive FLDS prophet Warren Jeffs, and the seizure of more than \$142,000 in cash and other items.

The judge denied motions from Jeffs' defense attorneys to block prosecutors from using statements and evidence seized during the Oct. 28 stop.

Pueblo The "totality of circumstances" warranted Pueblo County sheriff's Deputy Eric Medina's suspicions that something was amiss, Judge Blackburn stated.

Seth Jeffs was charged after the stop with harboring his brother, a federal fugitive, from prosecution.

Judge Blackburn also rejected Jeffs' request to unseal documents and testimony used to request a warrant to search his vehicle.

The judge further declined to return several items seized from Jeffs' 2005 Ford Excursion. Included among those items are a laptop computer, a black leather bag, a Palm Pilot, calling cards, cell phones and a GPS unit.

One of the motions filed by Jeffs' attorneys was granted, however. The judge suppressed the use of any information from the GPS device after

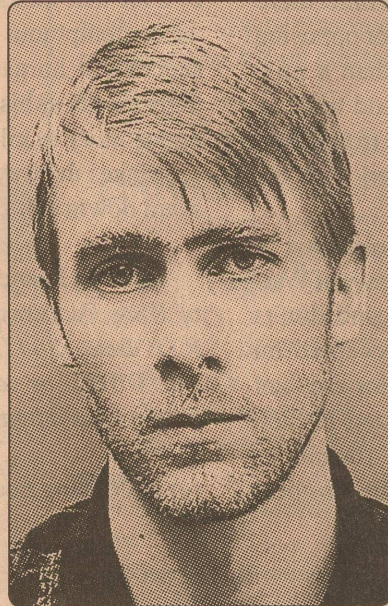
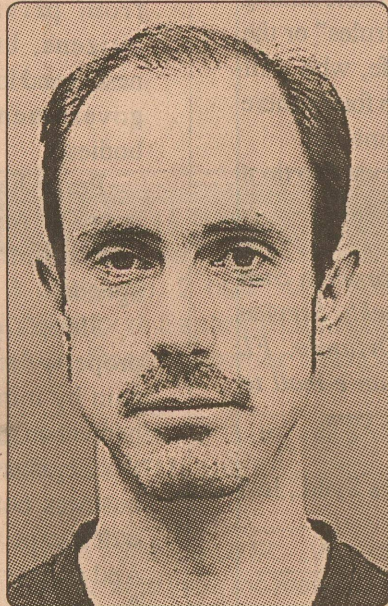
prosecutors said they did not intend to use the unit as evidence.

Deputy Medina stopped Jeffs and driver Nathaniel Allred over after their Excursion was reported driving recklessly. The stop netted a treasure trove of information for authorities intent on

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. The polygamous sect makes up the majority of the population in the twin cities of Hildale, UT and Colorado City, AZ. The group also has enclaves near Mancos, CO; Pringle, SD and here at Eldorado where the sect is building a new community on the YFZ Ranch.

Jeffs is wanted on a federal charge of unlawful flight to avoid prosecution and on Arizona state charges relating to his involvement in arranging and performing marriages between underage girls and adult men within his group.

Judge Blackburn explained in his ruling that Seth Jeffs and Nathaniel Allred gave "evasive and conflicting" statements about who owned the vehicle, their destination and their relationship. The deputy also observed Allred was sweating and shaking, which he saw as signs of possible



COURTESY PHOTOS

Seth Jeffs (L) and Nathaniel Steed Allred (R) were arrested by Colorado authorities in October of last year following a traffic stop near Pueblo, CO. A federal judge ruled last Thursday that evidence, including much that ties the men to fugitive FLDS prophet Warren Jeffs, was taken legally and may be used by authorities in their efforts to bring Jeffs to justice.

tracking down Warren Jeffs.

But lawmen were reportedly hesitant to use some of the information for fear that Judge Blackburn might disallow the seized evidence. Now, the roadway is clear to use any or all of the material in the Warren Jeffs manhunt.

Warren Steed Jeffs is the self-appointed prophet of the Fundamentalist

drug use or nervousness.

"These facts and circumstances, when considered as part of the totality of circumstances calculus, reasonably justified suspicion that criminal activity was afoot," the judge said.

Medina reportedly suspected the men were involved in drug smuggling or stolen goods and asked for a canine

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PHOTO BY J.L. MANKIN

Cheryl Zinsmeyer, a reporter with Texas Electric Coop magazine, won the goat kissing contest Saturday during the 4th annual Elgoatarod festival. The yearly wingding featured all manner of contests and entertainment and brought in vendors from across the state.

Elgoatarod was fun for everyone

The 4th annual Elgoatarod festival was held Saturday and Sunday on the courthouse square and there was plenty to keep even the most laid back wallflower entertained.

There were several new entries in the Elgoatarod/April Fools Day parade, tempted no doubt by the lure of prize money.

First prize in the April Fools Parade went to the entry that best exemplifies the overall spirit of April Fools Day. Winning the grand prize of \$100 donated by Super S Foods was the "Goat of Many Colors that My Mama Sprayed for Me." Caleigh Buntyn of Melvin and Katy Bozek of Eden.

Most Humorous Entry went to "Old Lincoln with Mystery Riders" Anonymous Potato Heads.

Most Creative winners were the Ft. McKavett Rock Chunkers with their "Elgoatarod Choo Choo Train."

Winners of the Largest Group category were the Eldorado Girl Scouts who sang for the judges "What Would Happen if Your Mama Wore Army Boots."

Best Individual entry went to "Rooster Cogburn and McLintock Longhorn Steers" owned and ridden by Gayland & Sherry Hall from San Angelo.

Rosa's Casita Restaurant donated the cash prizes for the most humorous, creative, largest and individual entries.

Best Children's entry went to "Spiderman on a Bike" ridden by Preston Rodriguez of Eldorado. EOBOC donated the cash prize for the children's entry.

Back at the courthouse square, the 4x4 Skiing Team winners were Aggies (Wesley Jackson, Colton Jackson, Miranda Arispe and Bree Arispe) and the Goat Kissing Contest winner was Cheryl Zinsmeyer of Austin, a reporter from Texas Coop Magazine. A McKinney, Texas restaurant donated the cash prizes for these contests.

Washer Tossing 1st place winners were Cole and Clint Cearly of Sonora winning \$144 and 2nd place winners were Ronald and Caleb Gonzalez of Eldorado taking home \$96.00.

Goat Pill Tossing winner was Blaine Mitchell of Eldorado.

Rafael Hajar of Peru won the Farthest Traveler prize. He rode in the parade as a Roman emperor in his chariot.

Annie Nanny as Patriotic Goat won in the Best Dressed Goat category.

Goat Oyster Cook Off was won by Bill Clark.

The best band went to Blue Field Express a Bluegrass band.

Also a crowd pleaser on Sunday was the FPW World Championship Wrestling featuring Hot Sauce the current World Champion taking on Pure Greatness and Red Dog.

Winds, low humidity raise fire concerns across area

Critical fire weather is once again in the forecast Wednesday for the western Panhandle and Trans-Pecos area and for the western half of the state on Thursday. By Thursday, parts of West Texas could see wind gusts in excess of 50 mph, combined with relative humidity dropping as low as 10 percent.

"The system will affect areas of the state west of Amarillo and Midland tomorrow and then spread across the middle of the state by Thursday afternoon," said incident meteorologist

Phillip Manuel with National Weather Service. "Our main concern Thursday is west of a line from Wichita Falls south to San Angelo, and particularly the northern Panhandle."

West winds will be sustained at 30 mph with gusts to 50, Manuel said. In the Guadalupe and Davis mountains, the winds will be sustained at 40 mph with gusts to 60 mph along the ridges. The Dallas-Fort Worth area south through the Hill Country will see 20 mph sustained winds with gusts to 30 mph.

"In the Rio Grande Valley, heat is the issue," Manuel said. "From San Antonio to Del Rio and south, it will be closing in on the century mark, with winds at 15 to 25 mph."

As this is Wildfire Awareness Week in Texas, Texas Forest Service reminds homeowners and communities to be proactive in their preparation for wildfires.

"Wildfire is an urban issue," said Mark Stanford, chief of fire operations

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PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Local firefighters battled a blaze Monday in an old shed just East of the Eldorado city limits near the sewer plant. The fire was reportedly set by juveniles playing with a cigarette lighter. No one was injured and the fire was quickly doused. Firemen returned to the same area on Tuesday afternoon when the fire flared back up.

Peter Hades delivered a smashing blow across the chin of Dave the Rave last Sunday as professional wrestling came to Eldorado. The exhibition match was just one of the preliminary bouts leading up to the FPW World Championship match, a 3-way duel between Hot Sauce, Pure Greatness and Red Dog. The defending champion, Hot Sauce, successfully defended his title before an enthusiastic crowd of onlookers at the 4th annual Elgoatarod festival.

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The Bob Dole in Bill Frist

You would have thought all but the most rabid of anti-immigrant Republicans had learned the lesson that was, well, Doled out to the party a decade ago.

In 1996 the most powerful Republican in the U.S. Senate, seeking the GOP's presidential nomination, had come to the conclusion that the way to beat Pat Buchanan was to be like Pat Buchanan.

Or at least as much as the famously moderate, eminently reasonable Bob Dole could force himself to echo Buchanan's xenophobia.

Buchanan won the New Hampshire primary after running around the state openly complaining about too many people named Jose. And never mind if "Jose" was an illegal alien, a legal immigrant or a fourth-generation U.S. citizen. For Pat, it was enough

that "Jose" was turning This Once Great country into a Latino cesspool of crime and welfare dependency, with old Chevys parked on front yards where everybody (yikes!) spoke Spanish.

Dole's temperate nature prevented him from truly accepting Buchanan's paranoia, but he was scared enough about losing the nomination that he flirted with it. Dole beat Buchanan but got thumped by Bill Clinton that November, winning just 22 percent of the Hispanic vote, the lowest recorded by a major candidate in a U.S. presidential election.

Since then, Republicans have been fighting over what to do with the Hispanic vote. George W. Bush decided it was worth pursuing. He won 35 percent of it in 2000 and somewhere between 40 percent and 44 percent in 2004. With Bush a lame duck, the question is which Republicans will reject Buchananism, which will embrace it, and which will flirt with it like Dole did a decade ago.

The modern-day Buchanans are lining up behind the harsh bill sponsored by Reps. James Sensenbrenner and Peter King, even if the legislation has no chance of passing the Senate and being signed by the president. On the opposite side are those backing Sens. John McCain and Arlen Specter; McCain sponsored a bill that provides a legal path to illegal immigrants who have a clean record and pay fines, while Judiciary Committee Chairman Specter has signaled he would back a bill that included that provision.

The candidate for the Be Like Bob Dole Being a Little Bit But Not Too Much Like Pat Buchanan Award is Bill Frist. Like Dole, Frist is the Senate's GOP leader. Like Dole, Frist has a reputation as a centrist within the GOP spectrum. And like Dole, Frist has veered right on immigration, without going all the way.

Frist is threatening to scuttle legislation coming out of Specter's committee in favor of his own bill. It does not go as far as the Sensenbrenner-King legislation in making a felon out of someone who gives an illegal immigrant a glass of water, but neither does it have McCain's provisions for a path to legality.

Also like Dole, Frist wants to be president. His bigfooting of Specter is a wink to, even if not an embrace of, the Buchananite wing of the GOP. He should remember how well that worked for his predecessor.

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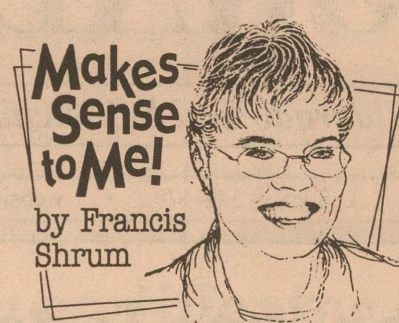
Civilized Warfare

He was the last known surviving soldier fighting for the Allied Forces in World War I to witness a remarkable daylong cease-fire in the depths of winter in 1914. He died late last year at the age of 109. For this man -- Alfred Anderson by name -- life ended with the distinction of being the oldest man in Scotland, the last known surviving Scottish veteran of WWI.

Over the lengthy span of years given him, he witnessed incredible events in the relentless march of so-called progress, but his memory remained vivid of a Christmas day during WWI when, on a bitter battlefield of blood and death, the killing suddenly and unexpectedly ceased. Young men locked in a struggle to the death put aside their weapons and spoke, for an ever-so-brief time, the language of friendship and common humanness.

This extraordinary episode apparently began spontaneously. When they realized they wouldn't get their heads blown off, soldiers from both sides emerged from their death traps. They traded cigarettes, addresses, even uniform buttons. They left their rifles laying and played football. But that afternoon the killing started again.

Anderson died in his sleep, a



civilized man who survived uncivilized events.

Such occurrences of peace in wartime between opposing sides are not as rare as one might imagine. They were particularly common during the Civil War, when the sides killing one another were of common language, culture, even family. There are documented events where men -- some mere boys -- on night watch for opposing forces camped closer than a mile apart would converse and trade tobacco, coffee and news from home. Their brief truces ended with the light of day.

Years ago I read a book called "A Soldier's Guide to the Laws of War." It detailed all the dos and don'ts that are supposedly accepted on an international level for conducting warfare in a civilized fashion -- including that it is "illegal" to disguise yourself in the uniform

of the enemy for the purpose of taking advantage, like killing him. It illustrated the sheer irony of the behavior of human governments that will take an issue as utterly inhumane as killing and attempt to put rules and regulations on it. How like us to believe that we can somehow justify what we do by applying a cloak of rules.

The enemies our nation now faces in the obscene practice of terrorism puts warfare on an even more slippery slope. The combatants do not move in units, do not even know each other. They look like anyone, everyone. There is no cease-fire for bombs that explode in the most vulnerable of public places because they are detonated by a foe that walks invisible among us, contemptuous of "rules" or the sanctity of human life, who willingly sacrifices his own for the mere opportunity to kill or maim.

Makes the way we used to do it seem downright civilized.

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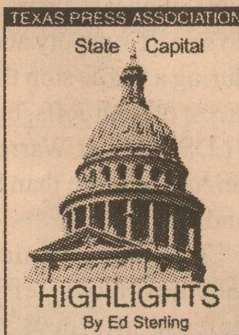
Tax reform plan ready for Legislature

by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — John Sharp has delivered, and soon it will be the Texas Legislature's turn.

On March 29, Gov. Rick Perry praised the bipartisan tax reform plan shepherded by Sharp, the former state comptroller who chaired the 24-member Texas Tax Reform Commission appointed by Perry last fall.

The commission held a series of public hearings around the state beginning in January, receiving input from private citizens, businesses and local governmental bodies.



Perry has summoned the Legislature to Austin to convene April 17. Tax reform will be at the top of the agenda.

Sharp's plan boasts a \$6 billion property tax cut, and respreads the pain by initiating a business tax of 1 percent on gross receipts. If adopted by the Legislature as recommended, no business, not even doctors and lawyers, will escape this new form of taxation. And gone will be the current business franchise tax.

Also under the plan, more tax liability will be heaped on smokers. The tax on a pack of cigarettes will increase to \$1.41 from the present rate of 41 cents.

Perry said the plan would make homeownership possible for more Texans by lowering property taxes, generate more revenue for public education, and stimulate job growth.

Already, business groups are signaling support for the Sharp plan. Among them are the newly formed Texas Manufacturers Association and the Texas Builders Association.

The Texas Supreme Court has placed a June 1 deadline on the Legislature to act on tax reform.

Students march on Capitol

Following the example of the half-million people who gathered in downtown Los Angeles a few days earlier to protest pending federal immigration legislation, hundreds of Austin-area high school students walked out of classes March 30 and made their way to the state Capitol to stage a peaceful demonstration.

Students marched up to 15 miles to speak in support of amnesty for undocumented immigrants, and of the ways society benefits from their families' presence in Texas.

Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, met students on the Capitol grounds to tell them he appreciated the reasoning behind their act of civil disobedience. He assured them they had been heard and then asked them to return to school.

Abramoff to serve prison term

A federal court in Miami sentenced Washington, D.C., lobbyist Jack Abramoff to nearly six years in prison for fraud and conspiracy in the purchase of a Florida-based gambling cruise ship line.

Abramoff's dealings with Texas lawmakers are still under investigation.

On March 31, Tony Rudy, a former top aide of U.S. Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Sugar Land, and lobbyist with "Team Abramoff," pleaded guilty to an Abramoff-related conspiracy charge and is cooperating with federal investigators.

Meanwhile, U.S. Rep. Lloyd Doggett, D-Austin, filed the Stealth Lobbyist Disclosure Act.

Doggett said his act, which he originally filed in 2002, would close a loophole that lets lobbyists "spend millions trying to influence legislation

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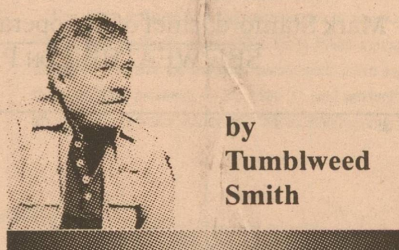


A spectacular Hill Country motorcycle wreck

Wayne Jones of Big Lake has made a living as a mechanic most of his life. He has some old vehicles that demonstrate his talent and ability. He has a 64 Fairlane Ford his parents bought brand new. It has 62,000 actual miles on it. He is now restoring a 1972 Volkswagen Beetle. His pride and joy is his 1936 Torch Red Ford pickup that he completely rebuilt and restored from the ground up. He put a 302 V-8 Ford engine in it, along with an automatic overdrive transmission, power steering, custom air conditioning and heating and a modern sound system. Wayne says it's highway ready.

Wayne bought his first motorcycle when he was thirteen years old and he has had one ever since.

"My brother and I and our wives have been to 48 of the United States on motorcycles," says Wayne. "We've ridden them through three provinces in Canada. We started out with small trips and they kept getting longer and longer. We used to take all our vacations on motorcycles. I guess I've ridden a motorcycle half a million miles."



by Tumbleweed Smith

He has about thirty thousand dollars tied up in his present motorcycle, a fancy Harley with all the bells and whistles. One time Wayne had an incident with a deer.

"Yeah, I had one that wanted to ride with me."

One Saturday morning in July he and his grandson were riding their motorcycles around Utopia and Vanderpool in the hill country.

"I was going down the highway and a dadgum deer jumped off a cliff and landed right on top of me."

It happened as he was going through an area where a hill had been cut through to make the highway. There were cliffs about ten feet high on either side of the road. Wayne was traveling at 65 or 70 miles an hour.

"That deer was going in the

same direction I was going and he decided he wanted off that cliff, so he just bailed off and hitched a ride with me. It was a very short ride. You can imagine how much pavement rash I wound up with. I got a broken nose, broken shoulder, broken rib and had to have fourteen stitches in my mouth. I remember seeing the deer airborne when it was coming at me, and feeling helpless. That's all I remember until I came to sitting in the middle of the highway."

Wayne's grandson was riding behind his grandfather and saw it all happen.

"It scared him plumb to death," says Wayne. "It tore my billfold up and scattered money and credit cards all over the highway. After he gathering all that up, I got on the back of his bike to ride into town. We met a guy working for Bandera Electric Co-op and flagged him down. Course he had two-way radio and called an ambulance. It took me into Kerrville and I spent two weeks in the hospital getting healed up."

Wayne couldn't wait to get back on his motorcycle and go riding again.

OBITUARIES

Jack M. Cooper

SAN ANGELO — Jack M. Cooper, 86, of San Angelo died early Tuesday morning, March 28, 2006, after a brief illness.

A memorial service were at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 1, in the sanctuary of First Christian Church with visitation that followed in the parlor.

Cooper was born Aug. 6, 1919, in Lewistown, Mont., to John Martin Cooper and Nellie Davis Cooper. When he was 3, the family moved to Los Angeles. He graduated from Hollywood High School in 1937 and attended Los Angeles City College. In 1940, he moved to San Angelo to join his father, who as a wildcatter had discovered oil in Schleicher County and organized the Cooper Oil and Gas Company. He graduated from Hardin-Simmons University in 1942.

Cooper met his wife, Florence Parks, in 1942, and they were married in Quantico, Va., on Oct. 9, 1943, following his completion of boot camp. During World War II, he served in the 2nd Marine Division as a tank commander in

Okinawa and Saipan, and was in occupied Japan after the surrender. He was commanding officer of the local Marine Corps Reserve in the 1950s.

Upon his return from World War II, he continued his father's oil business, and after it was sold, he remained as an independent oil and gas operator well into his 70s.

Cooper was involved in the San Angelo community. He was a member of the Lions Club, president of the El Camino Girl Scout Council and served on the board of directors of the YMCA. He was also a very active member of First Christian Church since 1948.

Cooper is survived by his wife, Florence Parks Cooper; his daughter Ann Cooper of San Angelo; and daughter and son-in-law Charlotte and Jeff Curry; and grandson Cuchulain Cooper Curry of San Francisco, Calif.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Charlotte Cooper Murray.

Memorials may be made to First Christian Church.

Col. Robert H. Williams

Col. Robert H. Williams, U.S. Army (retired), of San Diego, California, died on January 15, 2006, at Silverado Senior Living in Escondido. A native Texan, he was born in Eldorado on August 23, 1922. He graduated from Eldorado High School in 1939 and attended Texas A & M University. He married Charlene Virginia Bledsoe of San Antonio, Texas, on October 17, 1942. His college career was interrupted by his service in World War II, when he was called to active duty and served in Germany. Following his graduation from A & M in 1950, he served in the Army as a helicopter pilot with a M.A.S.H. unit during the Korean conflict. He continued to serve in the Army until his retirement in 1973.

Col. Williams is survived by his wife of more than 40 years, Anne M. Williams of San Diego, California, and his daughters Jo Anne Hill of Lubbock, Texas, and Margo W. Siekerka of Houston, as well as his only remaining sister Beula Neill of Midland. He was preceded in death by his parents, George Williams and Ruth Currie McGinty Williams of Eldorado, and his first wife Charlene Williams, as well as his brother George Williams, Jr., of San Antonio, his twin sister Helen Williams of Eldorado, and by his son, Robert H. Williams, Jr., of Georgetown, Texas. He has eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins in Texas.

On January 21, 2006, he was interred at Ft. Rosecranz, California, with full military honors. A memorial service will be held in Eldorado, Texas, on Saturday, April 8, 2006. Bob was an active

participant in Eldorado's Mias Amigas reunions until his health prevented him from attending. Any Eldorado residents who wish to join the family in remembering Bob Williams are cordially invited to meet them at the Kerbow Funeral Home Chapel in Eldorado at 2 p.m. on Saturday.

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while hiding behind empty coalitions to conceal their real clients' identities."

Ethics agency lets 'check' stand

On March 24 the Texas Ethics Commission ruled that a donation to a state official need only be reported as a check, and not a dollar amount.

Bill Ceverha, a former state representative and current member of the Texas Employee Retirement Commission board of directors, received a check from homebuilder Bob Perry.

State Rep. Lon Burnam, D-Fort Worth, asked to know the amount,

Let's do the Crop Walk!

The whole community of Eldorado is invited to meet at the Memorial Building, Saturday, April 8, at 8:30 a.m. to participate in the 1st annual CROP WALK.

Crop Walks are ecumenical, interfaith community events sponsored by Church World Service, a cooperative ministry of 36 Protestant, Orthodox and Anglican denominations who are working to eradicate hunger and poverty. Central to the CWS mission of hunger and poverty alleviation is the practice of participatory and sustainable local development on a global scale.

Since the vision statement for Crop Walk is "We Walk Because They Walk," we are going to walk

from one water tower to another. There are people who walk further than what we are going to just to get enough water for their families for one day. We will begin at the Memorial Building and walk on residential streets to the north water tower. We will then continue our walk down North Divide back to the Memorial Building, bringing awareness to the community while we walk. Water and snacks will be provided for the energetic walkers.

Let's meet at the Memorial Building at 8:30 a.m. for registration and then step off at 9:00 a.m. This promises to be a glorious day for all who participates. Families and pets are welcome!

Silver Bluebonnet Day April 12

The Eldorado Thunderbird will NOT pick-up school children on April 12th. The Thunderbird will be taking the Senior Citizens to San Angelo to the State Park. The State Park will be hosting a 'Silver Bluebonnet Day'. To sign up to go call 853-2574 on or before April 10th at 12:00 noon. There will only be 20 seat on the Thunderbird so call early.

The day will begin at 7:30 a.m. and include the yearly event, sponsored by Friends of the San Angelo State Park, featuring a hayride to see bison, a longhorn and prairie dogs. There also will be informative talks and exhibits of the native birds and animals in the park, and a walk among the wildflowers.

Entertainment will include Dorothy Douthit playing fiddle, and children singing and playing

various musical instruments. All senior citizens 55 and older will be admitted free, and a free picnic lunch will be provided.

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but the Ethics Commission ruled otherwise.

Group submits rail-building bid

The Texas Department of Transportation accepted a bid from Cintra Zachry to build six Central Texas toll roads for \$7.2 billion. The 600-mile project will run from the Texas-Oklahoma border to Mexico, with completion scheduled for 2010.

The consortium also is bidding on a high-speed freight railway to operate in the "Trans Texas Corridor."

Cintra is based in Madrid, Spain, and Zachry is based in San Antonio.

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by Linda Thistle

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Medrano, Brown, Castillo & Sanchez break records at GC Relays

Eldorado Middle School 8th Grade Relay Team of Juan Medrano, Wes Brown, Ryan Castillo and Ivany Sanchez broke three Grape Creek Middle School Invitational Meet records last Friday, March 31. The four young men ran a 47.98 in the 400 Relay, 1:40.69 in the 800 Relay and 3:56.81 in the 1600 Relay. Coach Larry Mittel stated he was very proud of their accomplishment and hope they will do well at District meet in Reagan County on Thursday, April 6. Juan Medrano won first place in Shot Put with a throw of 39'8".

Shot Put: 1. Juan Medrano, 39'8";
Long Jump: 3. Wes Brown, 16'10"
Triple Jump: 5. Ryan Castillo, 31'1/2"
Discus: 3. Juan Medrano, 105' 1 1/2"
400 M. Relay: 1. Eldorado, 47.98 (Medrano, Brown, Castillo & Sanchez)
2400 M. Final: 3. Mason Baker, 8:48.79;
800 M. Relay: 1. Eldorado, 1:40.69 (Medrano, Brown, Castillo & Sanchez)
110 Hurdles: 2. Tony McCord, 20:01;
4. Garrett Lux, 20.94;
300 Hurdles: 4. Garrett Lux, 49.32; 4. Tony McCord, 49.73;
1600 M. Final: 3. Mason Baker, 5:46.65;
1600 M. Relay: 1. 3:56.81, Eldorado, (Medrano, Brown, Castillo & Sanchez).
Eldorado Middle School Seventh Grade Boy's Bailey Minor and Mikeska brought home gold. Bailey Minor placed first in the 100 Dash with a time of 1:3.55 and Miles Mikeska placed 1st in the 400 M. Dash with a time of 1:00.56.

Other results were:
Shot Put: 2. Ben Wipff, 31'9"; 4. Miles Mikeska, 30'10";
Long Jump: 5. Eloy Bustos, 14'6 1/2";
6. Bailey Minor, 13'11 1/4";
Discus: 3. Ben Wipff, 81.8 1/2; 6. Briley Ledbetter, 74'7 3/4;
2400 M. Final: 5. Robert Buchholz,

10:18.97;
400 M. Relay: 2. Eldorado, 52.91 (Rudy Sanchez, Briley Minor, Eloy Bustos, Miles Mikeska).
100 Dash: 1. Bailey Minor, 13.55;
400 M. Dash: Miles Mikeska, 1:00.56;
2. Rudy Sanchez, 1:05.02;
200 M.: Eloy Bustos, 28.21;
1600 M. Final 6. Robert Buchholz, 6:36.50;
1600 M. Relay: 2. Eldorado, 4:18.74 (Rudy Sanchez, Briley Minor, Eloy Bustos, Miles Mikeska).
8th Grade Girls Results:
Long Jump: 6. Megan Crownover,

11'11":
100 Hurdles: 5. Megan Crownover, 19.29;
100 M. Dash: 4. Megan Crownover, 14.66
300 Hurdles: 4. Megan Crownover, 58.35;
400 M. Dash: 6. Kystal Hamilton, 1:20.48;
7th Grade Girls Results:
Shot Put: 3. Brittney Gauna, 22'6; 4. Abigail Ussery, 22'3;
Long Jump: 4. Allyson Jarrett, 12'6;
400 Relay: Eldorado, 4. 59. 55: (Rosa Iglesias, Ashley Paulson, Brittney

Gauna, Abigail Ussery.)
100 Hurdles: 6. Deisy Aranda, 19.71;
100 M. Dash: 5. Abigail Ussery, 14.95;
800 Relay: 4. Eldorado, 2:07.55 (Deisy Aranda, Rosa Iglesias, Laura Garcia, Ashley Jarrett)
400 M. Dash: 5. Rosa Hernandez, 1:19.23
200 M. Dash: 2. Allyson Jarrett, 30.90; 4. Deisy Aranda, 32.58.
1600 M. Relay: 5. Eldorado, 5:10.65 (Rosa Hernandez, Abigail Ussery, Marci Minor, Allyson Jarrett.)

Bats come alive for Eagles nine

by Sylas Politte

Last week the Eldorado Eagle Baseball team lost consecutive games to Sonora and Wall. Both games were called by the 10 run mercy rule. The baseball team, like the softball team, is still far from being out of playoff contention. On Tuesday April 4, 2006, Eldorado would host the Reagan County Owls at Eagle Baseball field. The dormant bats of the Eldorado Eagles would come to life and produce 22 runs. Several Eagle players would hit extra base

hits highlighted by a triple from Senior Frank Wipff and a homerun by Senior Andy Mejia. Eldorado would start the scoring explosion during their first at bat. It would continue through out the next 3 innings. Reagan County went through 5 pitchers and none of them were able to get anything by the Eagles. Eldorado would end up winning by a final score of 22-4. The Eagles were able to do two important things on Tuesday they had failed to do the previous week: hit the ball and play error free.

When asked about the onslaught of hits Senior Caleb Nixon said, "It gives us a lot of confidence finishing out district." Eldorado played 15 guys on Tuesday. The loan guy not playing was Artie Montavlo who will start Friday at Mason. All 15 guys played and the Eagles still managed to play error free against a Reagan County team that has wins over the top teams in district.

Eldorado will take their 3-4 district record into Mason on Friday April, 7, 2006. This will be the final game for Eldorado before they start the second half of district. They will not play Reagan County again since they have already played their two district games against each other.

The Eagles are still in the hunt for a playoff spot. Coach Geoff Pilcher stated, "If we can play like we are capable of we will be able to make the playoffs." When you can play error free, score 22 runs and be led by a group of seniors who know what it takes to make the playoffs, I think it's safe to say your chances are pretty good. The Eagles will be on the road for a while after finishing a 4 game home stand. This team is poised and ready to make a hard push for one of the 3 playoffs spots.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Manny Gonzalez was safe at second Tuesday evening as the Warbirds routed the Reagan County Owls 22-4 in District 2-2A action.

EHS boys 3rd in first round of District Golf

The Eldorado boys golf team traveled to Sonora on Wednesday, March 29 2006 to play in the first round of District 2-2A golf. Eldorado team placed third. Cash Lane shot a score of 76 and came in seconded individually. Chance Meyer scored 94, Taylor Doan scored 94, Adam Dominguez scored 103 and Richmond Adame a score of 102. Sonora Team #1 was leading with a score of 305 with C. Parker shooting a individual score of 73. Ozona Team #1 is second spot with a score of 350. The next meet will be held in Ozona on April 5 and the third leg will be held in Big Lake on Saturday, April 8th. Coaching the Eldorado Eagles is Coach Don Richters.

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Monday, April 10
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Tuesday, April 11
Blueberry Muffins, Choice of Juice, Cereal, Milk

Wednesday, April 12
Buttered Toast, Jelly, Mixed Fruit, Juice, Milk

Thursday, April 13
French Toast Stix's, Syrup, Pineapple Tidbits, Choice of Juice, Milk

Friday, April 14
SCHOOL'S OUT
HAPPY EASTER

BASKET LINE

Monday, April 10
Cheeseburgers, Potato Chips, Hamburger Salad, Pickles, Lemon Pudding/Topping

Tuesday, April 11
McRib Sandwich, Potato Wedges, Pork-n-Beans, Pineapple Tidbits

Wednesday, April 12
Crispy Beef Taco's, Carrot Stix, Dip, Tossed Salad, Sliced Peaches

Thursday, April 13
Corn Dogs, Tator Tots, Green Salad, Dressing, Rice Krispi Treats

Friday, April 14
SCHOOL'S OUT
HAPPY EASTER

CAFETERIA LINE

Monday, April 10
Hamburger Steak, Gravy, Green Beans, Creamed Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Lemon Pudding/Topping

Tuesday, April 11
Chilli Dogs, Fritos, Carrot Stix's, Dip, Pineapple Tidbits

Wednesday, April 12
Chicken Fajitas, Flour Tortilla, Pinto Beans, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Sliced Peaches

Thursday, April 13
Crispy Tacos, Cheese Cups, Mexican Corn, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Rice, Krispi Treats

Friday, April 14
SCHOOL'S OUT
HAPPY EASTER

Barrera, Edmiston, Johnson and Chatham reach UIL Regional

Eldorado High School participated in the Academic District 2-2A UIL meet which was held on March 20th and March 27th.

Advancing to Regionals in Abilene on April 22, 2006 will be Diego Barrera in Mathematics, Frank Edmiston in Prose, Katherine Johnson in News Writing and Blake Chatham in Persuasive Speaking. 4th place, Alternate-Katherine Johnson;

All four received third place medals and will advance to regionals with a chance at the state level.

4th place alternates are Katherine Johnson, Feature Writing; Janelle Pechacek, Informative Speaking; Taylor Niblett, Accounting; Karina Sanchez, Editorial;

6th place Ribbons, alternates are: Taylor Baker, Accounting; Chandra Wanoreck, Number Sense;

Participants in the first set of events on March 20th: Lincoln Douglas Debate were Taylor Jenkins, Brent Martinez and Timothy Maskill;

Proses: Frank Edmiston, Micaela Gonzalez and Ridge Ann Sudduth;

Poetry: Nester Hernandez and Kristin Mittel;

Participants in the second set of events of March 27th:

Editorial Writing: Charlotte

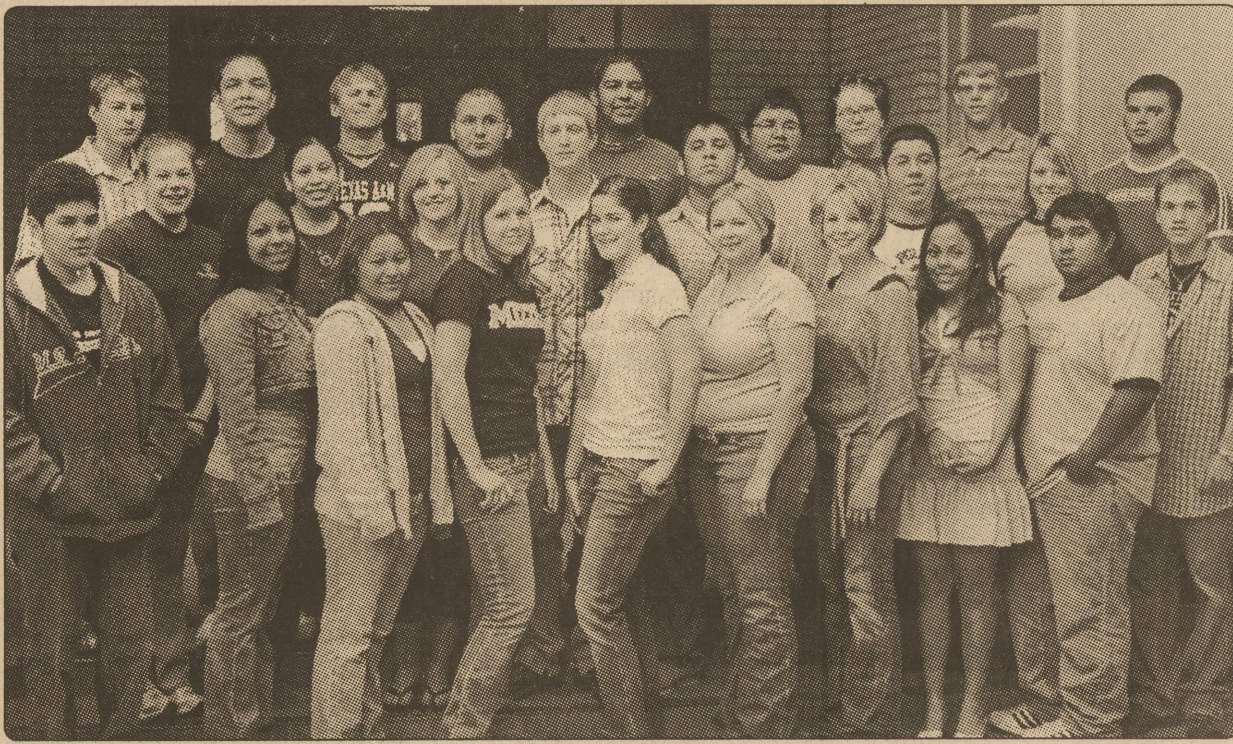


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These EHS students participated recently in the District 2-2A UIL Academic meet.

Adame, Karina Sanchez, Ridge Ann Sudduth;

Current Issues and Events: Jaaron Crawford, Neal Higgins, Abel Montalvo and Raul Rios

Number Sense: Diego Barrera, Jorge Chavez, Kristin Mittel and Chandra Wanoreck

Ready Writing: Stephani Barler, Joshua Burleson and Megan Griffin

Computer Applications: Jorge Chavez, Clayton Sauer, Rhapsody Swyter;

Feature Writing: Megan Griffin, Marcela Huerta and Katherine Johnson;

Headline Writing: Rachel Joiner, Allison Reynolds and Kassandra Tyler;

Informative Speaking: Janelle Pechacek;

Literary Criticism: Stephani Barler, Jorge Chavez, and Misti Daniels; Persuasive Speaking: Blake Chatham; Spelling: Felipe Martinez;

Science Section I: Josue Chavez, Josue Chavez, Frank Edmiston and Kyle Taylor;

Mathematics: Diego Barrera, Jorge Chavez, Kristin Mittel and Hope Fuente;

Number Sense: Diego Barrera, Jorge Chavez, Kristin Mittel and Chandra Wanoreck.

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Max William Edmiston

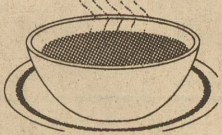
It's A Boy!

Carter and Emily Edmiston are pleased to announce the arrival of their son, Max William Edmiston.

Max was born on the 6th of February at St. Lukes Hospital in Boise, Idaho. He weighed 7lbs. 1 oz.

Proud grandparents are Joe Max and Marty Edmiston of Mertzon and William (Bill) and Rosalie Vorlage of Boulder Colorado. Great-grandparents include Marge and Royce Dent of Dermott, Al and Nadine Price of Enid, Oklahoma and Orval and Charlene Edmiston of Eldorado. Cousins welcoming Max are Trace, Clayton, and Jake Edmiston, Molly Simmonds, and Lydia Vorlage. Max is also welcomed by a host of aunts, uncles, and friends!

Meals for Friends Menu



Monday, April 10
Steak Fingers w/ Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Sliced Tomatoes, Biscuit, Heavenly Hash Cake, Orange Juice, Milk

Tuesday, April 11
Bar-B-Que Brisket, Baked Potatoes, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Corn Bread, Fresh Fruit Cup, Milk

Wednesday, April 12
Chicken Fried Steak w/ Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Hot Roll, Veg., Salad, White Cake w/ Caramel Icing, Milk

Thursday, April 13
Glazed Ham, Cooked Cabbage, Sweet Potato w/ Apples, Wheat Roll, Banana Pudding, Milk

Friday, April 14
CLOSED FOR GOOD FRIDAY
HAVE A GOOD WEEKEND



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Keenan Cypress Graber

It's A Boy!





Rick and Becky Sterling went to Phoenix, AZ last weekend to meet a new grandson. Keenan Cypress Graber was born March 4, 2006. Keenan weighed 7 lbs. 13 oz. and was 19 3/4 inches long. Allen and Jana Sterling Graber are the happy new parents.

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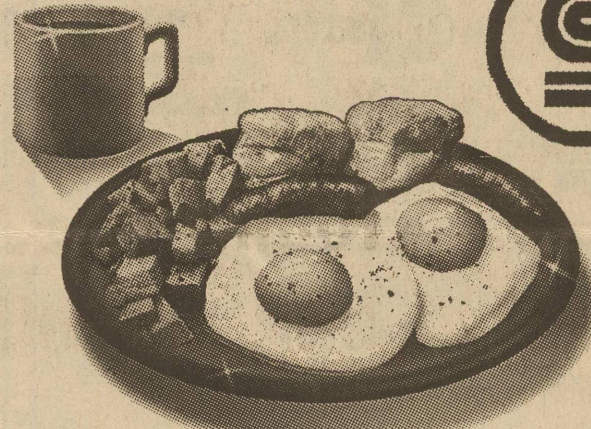
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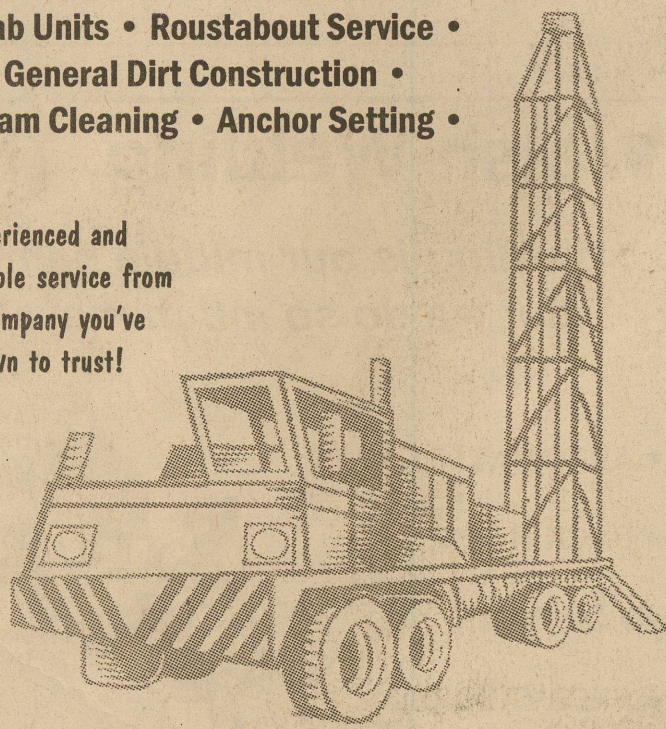


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Conaway announces Medicare prescription drug tour

Continuing the momentum after 74% of District 11 seniors have enrolled

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Today, U.S. Representative Mike Conaway (R-TX), announced the dates and locations for his Medicare Prescription Drug tour. The events have been scheduled in five different locations in order to better serve all 36 counties of the 11th District of Texas.

"We have had incredible success in enrolling seniors into the Medicare Prescription Drug plan," said Conaway. "Our seniors deserve access to affordable health care and prescription drugs. Transitioning into the new plan is a complex process and that is why there should be help for our seniors

along the way. As the final enrollment draws closer, I plan to do everything I can to ensure that they have access to the help they need in picking the plan that is right for them."

As of March, 2006, the number of beneficiaries in District 11 with prescription drug coverage has climbed to 74 percent, the second-highest amount in Texas. The last day to join the program without penalty is May 15. Seniors should bring the names and dosages of their prescriptions, their Medicare card and monthly income information.

Workshops are scheduled to take place in Midland, Odessa, San Angelo, Brown-

wood and Llano. In addition to Congressman Conaway, officials from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) will be on-hand to answer questions, as well as local officials from the Social Security Administration.

Dates, times, and locations are listed below:

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Weather raises fire concern

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These anonymous Potato Heads won the Most Humorous entry Saturday in the Elgoatarod parade with their "Mystery Lincoln Riders." Their identity is still unknown. Any clues, anyone?

Sonora Easter Egg Hunt slated

The Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program is once again sponsoring their Annual Easter Egg Hunt & Eaton Hill Treasure Hunt on Saturday, April 15, 2006.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. at the steps of the Sutton County Courthouse lawn.

The Easter Egg Hunt is for ages Birth to 1st Grade on the lawn of Sutton County Courthouse lawn

and 2nd grade and up on Eaton Hill.

Registration is required for bicycles, stuff bunnies, and prizes (money eggs hidden on the courthouse lawn and Eaton Hill.)

Easter Egg Hunt starts at 10:00 a.m.

For more information contact Mary Ann Kay- Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program at 325-387-2248

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9th Robert Taylor, Becky Sterling, Heather Homer
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11th Colton K. Lively, Gentry Newman, Rachel Pool
12th Clay Whitten, Debbie Griffin, Harper Hargraves, Jo Ann Heffernan, Henry Robles
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Judge rules cops can keep evidence from Jeffs' stop

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officer with a search dog. Sheriff's office dispatchers had trouble contacting the officer, however, because his wife had turned off the telephone in their bedroom.

Judge Blackburn continued by

saying that the evidence should not be suppressed "due to delay caused innocently by the spouse of a police officer trying solicitously to protect his sleep."

When the search dog did arrive it reportedly gave a positive alert for drugs, prompting Medina to request a warrant to search the vehicle.

Deputies found more than \$142,000, along with the various electronic items. Also found was a jar containing coins bearing a sign that stated, "Pennies for the Prophet." Warren Jeffs photo, the same one that appears on his FBI Wanted poster was also taped to the jar.

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Lady Eagles Softball down, but not out

by Syllas Politte

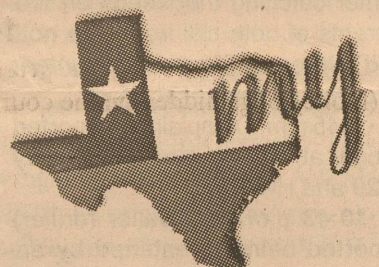
The last few weeks have been rough on the Lady Eagle Softball team. They are currently riding a losing streak that isn't too familiar to this year's squad. The Lady Eagles have dropped their last 4 games to 3 playoffs teams from a year ago and a team they beat in the first half of district. If the Lady Eagles want to keep their playoff hope alive, they will have to reverse that streak and win their next four. The tough part will be beating some good teams in Grape Creek and Wall. They key for the Lady Eagles will be eliminating errors and hitting the ball.

On Tuesday April 4, 2006, Eldorado hosted Junction at Lady Eagle Softball field. Eldorado had previously beaten Junction 6-3. On this day, the score would be reversed and Junction would come away with the win. Eldorado would cross the plate first on a failed pickoff attempt of Bridgett Mitchell. Junction would come back in their next at bat and score 2 runs. The score would remain 2-1 until the bottom of the 5th inning when Eldorado would score 2 runs and take the lead into the 7th inning. In the top of the 7th inning, Junction's bats came alive and they scored 4 runs. Eldorado would be down by 3 runs with their last at bat. They would score one more run before recording their third out ending the game 6-4.

It's a tough loss, but the season

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is far from over. Eldorado will be off this Friday and enjoy a much needed break. The last time the Lady Eagle came off their bye week they defeated their next two opponents by a combined score of 48-1. Hopefully that will be just what the doctor ordered for a late run at the playoffs. The Lady Eagles will travel to Reagan County next Tuesday April 11, 2006 to face a team that hasn't won a district game. The game on Friday April 14, 2006, Good Friday, has been moved to a 12 pm start time. Make plans on attending one of these games and cheering the Lady Eagles into the playoffs.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Cassandra Buitron fielded this fly ball for an out Tuesday against Junction as Katrina Sanchez sprinted in from the outfield to back up the play.

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Weekly Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Hollyhood theme song
6. Ziti or penne
11. Guy's partner
14. Zeus turned her to stone
15. Some saxes
16. Prefix with bar or them
17. Comics "Cinderella" of 1925-61
19. Well put
20. Fixed part of a dynamo
21. Initial stake
22. Op. ___ (footnote abbr.)
23. Slaughter of Cooperstown
25. Apartment balcony
27. Plays the ponies, say
30. D.C. basealler, for short
32. Movie rating unit
33. "Exodus" hero
34. Nest eggs, for short
36. Cabinet department
39. Neeson of "Kinsey"
41. Explorer John or Sebastian
43. Winter fall
44. Mr. T movie of 1983

DOWN

2. Change for a five
3. River sediment
4. Soft drink choice
5. Slackens off
7. Scout's mission, for short
8. Surgeon's blockage reliever
9. Rich pastries
10. States positively
11. Supermodel played by Angelina Jolie
12. Jellied garnish
13. Singer Lenya
18. Like an O. Henry story
24. Clear kitchen wrap
26. Ghetto scurriers
27. Like Kojak's pate
28. Director Rohmer
29. Cassandra Wong player in "Wayne's World"
31. Forbidden
35. Shoe bottoms
37. Hammer or sickle
38. Furry "Star Wars" creature
40. Shopaholic's mecca
42. Pacific battle site of 1943
45. One of a library pair
49. Earthquake precursor, perhaps
51. Fruit in a split
52. Michelangelo masterpiece
53. Orderly formation
54. Pago Pago's island group
56. Tore to the ground
59. Tweed caricaturist Thomas
61. Unit of fat
62. Writer Clare Boothe
63. Repair shop figs.
66. Guitarist ___ Paul

Letterwomen

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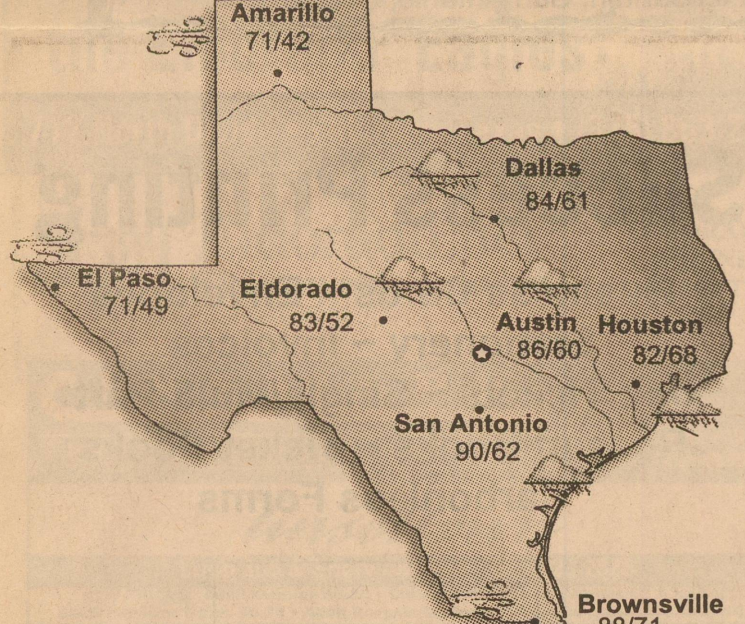
Local 5-Day Forecast

Fri 4/7	Sat 4/8	Sun 4/9	Mon 4/10	Tue 4/11
				
83/52 Partly cloudy with a stray thunderstorm.	85/46 Sunshine. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the mid 40s.	80/46 Mainly sunny. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 40s.	81/52 Sunny. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 50s.	83/55 A few clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 50s.
Sunrise: 7:25 AM Sunset: 8:05 PM	Sunrise: 7:24 AM Sunset: 8:05 PM	Sunrise: 7:23 AM Sunset: 8:06 PM	Sunrise: 7:22 AM Sunset: 8:07 PM	Sunrise: 7:20 AM Sunset: 8:07 PM

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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Amarillo	71	42	windy
Dallas	84	61	t-storm
El Paso	71	49	windy
Eldorado	83	52	t-storm
Austin	86	60	t-storm
Houston	82	68	t-storm
San Antonio	90	62	t-storm
Brownsville	88	71	windy

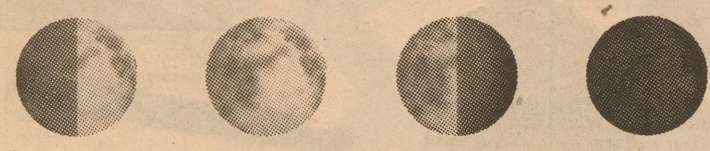
Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	80	54	t-storm	Kingsville	90	67	cloudy
Amarillo	71	42	windy	Livingston	83	64	t-storm
Austin	86	60	t-storm	Longview	80	65	t-storm
Beaumont	79	68	cloudy	Lubbock	76	48	windy
Brownsville	88	71	windy	Lufkin	83	66	t-storm
Brownwood	87	57	t-storm	Midland	80	49	windy
Corpus Christi	84	69	cloudy	Raymondville	92	69	windy
Corsicana	81	64	t-storm	Rosenberg	82	67	t-storm
Dallas	84	61	t-storm	San Antonio	90	62	t-storm
Del Rio	93	61	t-storm	San Marcos	87	61	t-storm
El Paso	71	49	windy	Sulphur Springs	79	63	t-storm
Fort Stockton	85	53	windy	Sweetwater	81	52	t-storm
Gainesville	80	56	t-storm	Tyler	80	64	t-storm
Greenville	78	60	t-storm	Weatherford	83	56	t-storm
Houston	82	68	t-storm	Wichita Falls	82	55	t-storm

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	78	56	pt sunny	Minneapolis	56	39	t-storm
Boston	50	37	pt sunny	New York	54	43	pt sunny
Chicago	55	51	rain	Phoenix	73	57	sunny
Dallas	84	61	t-storm	San Francisco	58	49	cloudy
Denver	55	37	windy	Seattle	59	47	pt sunny
Houston	82	68	t-storm	St. Louis	69	57	t-storm
Los Angeles	65	51	mst sunny	Washington, DC	61	49	mst sunny
Miami	80	70	pt sunny				

Moon Phases



Phase	Date
First	Apr 5
Full	Apr 13
Last	Apr 21
New	Apr 27

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9	9	9	10	10
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Four sentenced in Dist. Court

51st District Court was held here Monday, April 3, 2006, with Judge Barbara Walther presiding. Four guilty pleas were entered. Salvador Martinez Castillejo, male 53, of Sonora pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated 3rd or more. Castillejo received a sentence of 10 years probation, 10 years of institutional division, \$1,000 fine and driver's license suspended two years. Darold Ellis Malik, male age 35, of Sonora, pleaded guilty to possession of a controlled substance. Malik received 4 years probation, 4 years institutional division, \$1,500 fine and \$140 restitution to the court.

John Ervin Bankston III, of San Angelo, male age 34, pleaded guilty of possession of a controlled substance. Bankston received a 4 year probated sentence, 457 days of state jail facility, \$1,500 fine and \$140 restitution to the state. Timothy Jay Key of Eldorado, male age 38, was charged with theft of firearm, a state jail felony. Key pleaded guilty to a reduced charge, a Class A Misdemeanor. Key served 30 days of county jail time. Key was then extradited to the State of Arizona where he violated the terms of his probation after having been previously convicted of Synthetic Narcotic-Smuggling.



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 31 • Gomez, Martha, female age 41, offense - Securing Execution of a Document by Deception Food Stamp and Medicaid. Released on \$5,000 Surety Bond.
• Caveness, Billy, male age 38, Theft.
• Swinford, John, male age 36, offense - Theft.
• Jose, Adame, male age 20, offense Hindering Apprehension/ Prosecution Known Felon.
April 1 • Jones, John Russell, male age 41, offense- out of county warrant. Transfer to Tom Green County.
April 3 • Herrera, Patricia, female age 31, offense - Possession of Marijuana. Released on \$5,000 Surety Bond.
• Torres, Darlene Salazar, female age 37, offense - Possession of Marijuana. Released on \$2,000 Surety Bond.

INCIDENTS

March 28 • 7:55 a.m. Dispatcher received call on a repossession a Pontiac Grand Am.
• 11:48 a.m. Dispatch received a call from City of Eldorado and requested an officer to assist with a customer who refused to leave. Subject was disturbing business.
• 3:15 p.m. Call from High School to report vehicle vandalism.
• 4:55 p.m. Caller requested an officer to respond to property owned by relative. Two subjects were chopping trees down on the relative's

Grand jurors indict 16

Schleicher County Grand Jury met Friday, March 24, 2006 and handed up 16 indictments. A number of indictments were not made public by authorities and will be withheld until the subjects involved are arrested or are served with papers. Among the indictments made public were:
• Timothy Jay Key of Eldorado, male age 38, Theft By Firearm and out of state warrant, Arizona for violation of parole.
• John Robert Swinford of Eldorado, male age 36, Theft (trailer, value more \$1,500 and less than \$20K.)
• Martha Anton Gomez of Eldorado, female age 41, Securing Execution of a Document by Deception Food Stamp and Medicaid (more than \$1,500, less than \$20K).
• Jose Guadalupe Adame of Eldorado, male age 20, Hindering Apprehension/Prosecution Known Felon.

• Ramiro Buitron Jr. of Eldorado, male age 18, Assault on Family Member/Enhanced.
• Stephen Wayne Smith of Eldorado, male age 53, Possession of a Controlled Substance.
• Darlene Salazar Torres of Del Rio, female 37, Possession of Marijuana (2,000 lbs. or less, but more than 50 lbs.).
• Patricia Rodriguez Herrera of Amarillo, female age 31, Possession of Marijuana (2,000 lbs. or less, but more than 50 lbs.).
• Gabriel Vasquez of Eldorado, male age 17, One count Burglary of a Habitation.
• Gabriel Vasquez of Eldorado, male age 17, One count Burglary of a Building.
• Armando Moreno of Eldorado, male age 18, two counts Burglary of a Habitation.
• Armando Moreno of Eldorado, male age 18, three counts Burglary of a Building.
• Billy Monroe Cavness of Eldorado, male age 38, Theft (trailer, value of \$1,500 or more but less than \$20K).

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property. Officer notified.
• 5:46 p.m. Caller reported a 10 year old juvenile pulled a knife on another child and was being destructive to property. Officer responded.
• 9:09 p.m. Complainant requested an officer to assist in stopping a possible domestic dispute. Two officers responded.
March 29 • 6:46 p.m. Complainant reported a skunk walking around in the road. Officer responded.
• 7:27 p.m. Caller reported that their dog had been shot. Officer responded.
• 9:11 p.m. Complainant reported a reckless driver swerving in and out of traffic. Subject stated that subject was messing with the blinkers and not turning. Officer was unable to locate.
March 30 • 5:44 p.m. Complainant requested an officer check on kids cutting down trees on San Saba Street. Officer responded.
• 10:05 p.m. Subject requested an officer to pass by the alley behind grocery store and check on vehicle with just their fog lights on. Officer responded.
March 31 • 2:45 a.m. Caller requested an ambulance for their spouse. Officer responded.
• 6:20 a.m. Complainant requested assistance with spouse. Two officers responded.
April 1 • 2:28 p.m. Complainant reported a reckless driver cutting donuts in their alley with vehicle. Officers notified.
• 5:26 p.m. Caller requested an attempt to locate a white 2004 Dodge dually pickup. Three officers responded.
April 3 • 7:27 a.m. Caller on East Street reported a dark green van occupied by two suspicious subjects and a dog.
• 9:45 a.m. Complainant reported a possible rabid animal on their front porch. Officer responded.
• 2:39 p.m. Complainant reported a small grass fire on Hwy. 190 West. Fire department responded.
• 5:37 p.m. Complainant reported two juveniles possibly started a grass fire off of East Dorris. Officer contacted two under age boys who admitted to playing with a cigarette lighter catching the weeds on fire. Parents of both children were notified. Officers, Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department responded.
• 6:45 p.m. Complainant reported a cow at the intersection of Hwy 2129 and Hwy. 277.
• 10:43 p.m. 911 Caller (driller) reported being threatened by another man on a drilling rig south of town. SC Officer contacted driller and complainant who had been dismissed from the rig after trying to start a fight. Complainant told officer he would wait up the road for his girlfriend to pick him up.
April 4 • 12:02 a.m. Second complainant reported about fight at drilling rig. Male subject tried to purchase alcohol at local store and appeared to be intoxicated. Clerk refused to sell alcohol to subject. Officer stopped vehicle en route to San Angelo, but driver was subject's girlfriend and she was sober. Officer determined there was no evidence of an assault to either driller or other subject.
• 10:28 a.m. Caller advised they lost their cell phone while working on a job site.
• 12:54 p.m. Complainant reported witnessing a male subject slap a female subject. Officer responded.
• 5:15 p.m. Complainant reported the fire on East Dorris had started again. Officers and Volunteer Fire Department responded.

Solution to puzzle on Page 7

Letterwomen

O	S	C	A	R	P	A	S	T	A	G	A	L
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Answer to Sudoku on Page 3

3	8	5	1	2	6	4	7	9
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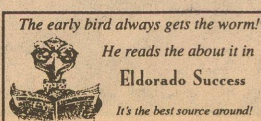
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TAHC: Proposed premises registration regulations "On Hold" till 2007; Voluntary registration continues

The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) will not address proposed regulations for premises registration at the upcoming May 4 TAHC commission meeting in Austin. Dr. Bob Hillman, Texas' state veterinarian and TAHC executive director, said the proposed premises

registration regulations have been placed on "hold," and will not be considered by commissioners until the winter or spring of 2007.

Dr. Hillman said the TAHC will continue to promote voluntary, free registration of sites (premises) where livestock and fowl are held,

handled or managed. As of April 4, more than 10,000 premises have been registered in Texas; more than 213,000 have been registered nationally. Premises registration is the foundation of the National Animal

Identification System (NAIS), which, when fully implemented, would enable animal health officials to trace the movement of diseased or exposed livestock or poultry within 48 hours.

Information and agendas for Commission meetings will be posted on the TAHC web site, filed in the Texas Register and announced

through news releases. All TAHC commission meetings are open to the public. The TAHC's Austin headquarters may be reached at 1-800-550-8242, and the agency's web site can be accessed at <http://www.tahc.state.tx.us>.

Information sheets about premises registration, NAIS booklets, or presentations about premises registration may be requested by contacting the nearest TAHC area office, or by calling the TAHCs headquarters and asking for Kenny Edgar, identification coordinator, or Carla Everett, public information officer.

Get birth certificates online

SPM Wire — Ordering a copy of a birth certificate in Texas just got much easier.

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) announced that birth as well as death certificates can now be ordered online at www.texasonline.com.

Previously, the certificates could be requested only by mail, fax or by visiting the DSHS vital records unit in Austin or one of the 490 local registrars' offices throughout the state.

Online ordering of a birth certificate for a birth that occurred in

the last 75 years is limited to the individual for whom a birth certificate is requested and to the mother or father of that individual.

Online ordering of death certificates for deaths that occurred within the last 25 years is limited to the surviving spouse, a parent of the deceased and to certain funeral directors. Verification of any birth, death, marriage or divorce -- regardless of date -- also is available online.

Forms for ordering by mail can be downloaded from the DSHS Web site at www.dshs.state.tx.us.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Gayland and Sherry Hall of San Angelo rode down Main Street Saturday on these Longhorn steers named Rooster Cogburn and McLintock. The unusual spectacle was entertaining enough to earn "Best Individual Entry" honors in the Elgoatarod parade.

Stargazer
Paul Derrick

Solving Some Moon Mysteries

When the Moon is up it's usually the most dominant object in the night sky--bigger and brighter than anything else. It is no wonder that it's cited in countless songs and poems, and until the 1960s was the subject of much mystery and speculation.

Many questions about the Moon were answered by space probes and astronaut visits, yet it still holds many mysteries, like how and when did it form? does it now or has it ever had water? With more study these puzzles will be solved.

There are, however, other questions--mysteries in the minds of many--that we can answer now.

Q: When the Moon is half illuminated, why is it called a quarter Moon rather than a half Moon?

A: The Moon, like Earth, is always half illuminated with the side facing the Sun always lighted (day) and the side away from the Sun is always dark (night). How much of the illuminated side we see depends upon where the Moon is in its monthly journey around Earth.

When it's between Earth and Sun, called a new Moon, we can't see it at all because its unilluminated side is facing us. When it is half way around its monthly trip and on the opposite side of Earth from the Sun, we see the entire lighted side which we call a full Moon. It's when the Moon is one-fourth and three-fourths of the way around that we see it half illuminated, thus the terms 1st quarter and 3rd quarter refer to its position in its orbit rather than how it appears to us. (Of course, this being the case, we really should call the full Moon a half Moon since it's half way around in its orbit.)

Q: If the Moon turns on its axis, why does it look like the same side always faces us?

A: Indeed the Moon does turn on its axis, just like Earth, with one rotation making a Moon-day. But while Earth rotates once every 24 hours, the Moon rotates once every 29 1/2 Earth days, the same time it takes it to make one revolution around Earth, so the same side does always face us. (While they have some good guesses, astronomer's can't say for sure why this happens.) Until 1959, when Russia's Luna 3 first photographed the Moon's far side, no human had ever seen it.

Q: Why is the Moon sometimes white and other times orange?

A: The Moon, making no light of its own, only reflects sunlight off its drab gray surface. The apparent silvery-white comes from the brightness of the reflected sunlight against the background sky. When it looks orange--especially when its near the horizon--the color comes from our own atmosphere filtering out the bluer light, leaving the red/orange colors to pass through, sort of like looking at it through orange cellophane paper.

• Naked-eye Planets. Evening: Mars is mid way up in the west, above the reddish star Aldebaran. Saturn is high in the south, with Jupiter rising 3 hours after sunset. Morning: Mercury is low in the east at dawn, well to the lower left of brilliant Venus, and Jupiter is the brightest object in the southwest.

• Long-range Notice: It's only 18 years until the Apr. 8, 2024, total eclipse of the Sun over the heart of Texas. Live healthily so you'll be

Stargazer appears every other week. Paul Derrick is an amateur astronomer who lives in Waco. Contact him at 918 N. 30th, Waco, 76707, (254) 753-6920 or paulderrickwaco@aol.com. See the Stargazer Web site at stargazerpaul.com.

Grilled Portobello Mushrooms

Mushrooms that stand up to the heat of the grill, topped with a savory tomato blend, then sprinkled with toasted pine nuts and Parmesan cheese
Prep time: 15 minutes Total time: 25 minutes
Makes 6 servings (1 mushroom each)

- PAM for Grilling Spray**
1 can (14.5 ounces) Hunt's Diced Tomatoes with Balsamic Vinegar, Basil & Olive Oil
1 large clove garlic, minced
1 package (2/3 ounce) fresh basil, chopped (about 1/3 cup)
6 large portobello mushrooms, cleaned, stems trimmed
1/2 cup pine nuts, toasted
Shredded Parmesan cheese
- Spray cold grill and utensils with grilling spray. Preheat grill to medium heat.
 - Combine tomatoes, garlic and basil in medium bowl; blend well.
 - Grill mushrooms, smooth side up, 5 minutes or until browned. Turn mushroom caps over.

- Spoon tomato mixture into mushroom caps. Sprinkle with nuts and cheese.
 - Grill an additional 5 minutes or until mushrooms are tender.
- Tips:** Toasting nuts is snap on the grill. Spray a cold small ovenproof skillet with grilling spray. Heat skillet; add nuts. Toss until nuts are golden brown. Remove from heat.
- Side Serving Suggestion:**
Grilled Romaine Salad
Slice hearts of romaine in half lengthwise; trim stem. Spray generously with olive oil no-stick cooking spray. Grill 5 minutes or until lightly browned, turning occasionally. Drizzle with dressing of choice, if desired.

SECRETS OF Great Grillers

FAMILY FEATURES

Perfect grill marks —

those deliciously seared-in cross-hatches — give food a delectable and professional "ah-dah!" appearance. If you haven't been getting good grill marks, you've probably been fighting the "my-food-sticks-to-the-grill" battle. You need better strategies for better results.

Great grillers know that first of all, you need the right surface — clean grill grates that have been treated with a non-stick spray specially formulated for higher grilling temperatures (spray while the grill is still cold). Then you need the right tools — long-handled grill tongs and spatula — also treated with non-stick spray, so utensils don't stick to the food, either. The third secret is to use the correct grilling temperature — chicken and hamburgers over medium heat;

steak and shellfish over higher heat. Lastly, if foods don't stick to your grill or utensils, cleanup will be easier and you'll be ready to enjoy the thrill of the grill the next time!

For more grilling tips and recipes, go to www.pam4you.com/grilling. While you're there, enter "The Most PAM-azing Griller 2006" contest — where enthusiasts nationwide have a chance to show off their grilling prowess — by May 31 and answer the question "Why I should be crowned America's Most PAM-azing Griller 2006."



Honey Lemon Chicken

Tender grilled chicken glazed with a sweet-and-tangy blend of honey and lemon
Prep time: 10 minutes Total time: 25 minutes
Makes 4 servings (1 half breast each)

- PAM for Grilling Spray**
4 large boneless skinless chicken breast halves (about 6 ounces each)
3/4 teaspoon salt, divided
1/8 teaspoon ground black pepper
3 tablespoons honey
2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
2 teaspoons chopped fresh rosemary
- Spray outdoor grill grate and utensils with grilling spray. Preheat grill to medium heat. Sprinkle chicken evenly with 1/2 teaspoon salt and pepper. Mix honey, lemon juice, rosemary and remaining 1/4 teaspoon salt in small bowl until well blended. Remove half of honey mixture; set aside for serving with cooked chicken.

- Grill chicken 10 minutes, turning over after 5 minutes. Brush chicken with remaining honey mixture during last 5 minutes of cooking.
- Cut chicken diagonally into 1/2-inch-thick slices to serve, topped with reserved honey mixture.

Side Serving Suggestion:
Warm Tomato and Cucumber Salad
Cut 4 whole tomatoes into wedges and slice an English cucumber into 1/2-inch slices. Spray generously with olive oil no-stick cooking spray for extra flavor and browning. Spray grill basket with grilling spray; place vegetables in basket. Grill until lightly browned, tossing occasionally, about 4 minutes. Season with salt and pepper, if desired. Toss with salad greens and Italian dressing.

Grilled Vegetable Pizzas

Your favorite grilled vegetables on top of a signature pizza
Prep time: 20 minutes Total time: 30 minutes
Makes 3 servings (1 slice pizza each)

- PAM for Grilling Spray**
1 medium red bell pepper
1 medium yellow bell pepper
1 medium yellow zucchini
1 medium green zucchini
1 small red onion, peeled, cut in half
6 large mushrooms, cleaned, sliced in half
2 containers (13.8 ounces each) refrigerated pizza dough, shaped into 2 rectangles, about 1/4 inch thick
1 cup pizza sauce
8 ounces fresh mozzarella cheese, sliced
1/4 cup fresh basil leaves

Coarsely ground pepper blend (optional)

- Spray grate of outdoor grill and utensils with grilling spray. Preheat grill to medium heat.
- Grill vegetables until browned, about 10 minutes. Remove from grill and slice into smaller pieces for pizza topping.
- Place dough on grill until browned, about 5 minutes per side. Move to cooler part of grill to keep warm.
- Spread 1/2 cup sauce on each crust. Layer with cheese, vegetables and basil. Heat on grill until cheese melts, about 2 minutes. Cut each pizza into fourths. Sprinkle with pepper blend, if desired.

