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County adopts 2007 tax rate

Schleicher County commissioners met Monday, September 11, 2006, to adopt a \$2.99 million budget for the 2007 fiscal year. The men then voted to set a 67.78 cent tax rate in order to fund the budget. Commissioners Johnny Mayo and Kirk Griffin voted in favor of the budget and tax rate. Commissioners Bill Clark and Matt Brown were absent.

Included in the 67.78 cent tax rate is 54.6 cents for the General Fund, 11.97 cents for the Farm to Market Fund and 1.21 cents for the Interest and Sinking Fund. The I&S Fund is used to repay money the county borrowed to enlarge the Civic Center and complete the Cemetery Chapel.

The vote came after a series of public hearings at which no one from the community appeared to question or contest the budget. County Judge Johnny Griffin noted that the tax rate is lower than last year's due to a hefty increase in oil and gas properties in the county. However, the lower rate raises more money than last year. Griffin added that the only feedback he has had from community members is that the commissioners should have added even more to the budget so that roads could be paved while the economy is good.

Among other business, the commissioners voted to accept a sealed bid of \$2.415 per gallon for a transport load of unleaded gasoline from Griffin Fuels, the only company to submit a bid.

Next, the commissioners voted to continue the county's participation in the Texas County and District Retirement System at the same level as in previous years.

Before adjourning, the men reviewed the county's current bills and authorized payment.

The next meeting of the Schleicher County Commissioners Court is slated for 9:00 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 18, 2005 in the commissioners meeting room on the first floor of the Schleicher County Courthouse.



PHOTO BY RANDY MANKIN

Convoy

EHS running back #2 Russell Cathey followed the block of #15 Neal Higgins last Friday night as the Eagles took on the Mason Punchers in Mason. The Eagles lost to the Punchers 33-12. Cathey, who was the leading rusher for the Warbirds last season, went out in the second quarter with a knee injury. Cathey is on the disabled list this week and is slated for more tests in hopes of determining the severity of his injury. Coach Johnny Burleson says he expects Cathey will miss "at least a few games."

Jeffs hires SLC lawyers to plead his case

Warren Jeffs tells his closest followers to, "Answer them nothing," when questioned in a court of law. At least that's what people who used to follow the fundamentalist Mormon leader tell reporters. But, Jeffs apparently isn't prepared to stand silently before a district judge and risk going to prison for the rest of his life.

Word came this week that Jeffs, 51, has hired two experienced trial lawyers, Walter Bugden and Tara Issacson of Salt Lake City, to defend him against two charges of rape as an accomplice.

Jeffs remains in Purgatory Correctional Facility in Hurricane, Utah. He appeared Monday via closed-circuit TV link before 5th District Judge James L. Shumate and answered in the affirmative when asked if he had hired legal counsel.

At that time, the judge postponed a preliminary hearing, previously scheduled for Sept. 19, 2006. Jeffs and his

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Water District lowers ad valorem rate

The Plateau Underground Water Conservation & Supply District board of directors voted last Thursday, Sept. 7, to reduce the District's ad valorem tax rate by 13% - from .03458 down to .03 for \$100 valuation - for the coming fiscal year. With increased valuation in Schleicher County, the new rate will generate about the same funding as last year's rate.

With directors Sam Henderson, Ronnie Sauer and Ray Ballew present, the board also approved a fiscal year 2007 budget of \$101,351.

The Plateau UWC&SD, as a member of the West Texas Weather Modification Association, is billed at a rate of 4.42 cents/acre per year for cloud seeding. This represents approximately 37% of the district's annual budget.

The District office is located in the Schleicher County Annex Building, next to the library, and remains available to the public for water quality analysis at no charge.

Annual Nursing Home Bar-B-Q slated Sept. 16

The Annual Nursing Home Barbecue is planned for 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 16, 2006 on the Nursing Home Patio. The facility will furnish the meat, potato salad, and the beans. People interested in attending are asked to bring a side dish or a dessert.

This year's entertainment will be the West Texas Cloggers of Eldorado, Sonora, and San Angelo, and The Old Time Band from Sonora.

City council enlightened about light pollution

Street lights were the main topic of conversation at Monday night's meeting of the Eldorado City Council. Just over a year ago, councilman Bill McCutcheon asked a budget amendment to help pay to place hoods on the city's lights in order to curb light pollution. McCutcheon asked again at last month's council meeting with the a \$500 of city money to be matched by the

Eldorado Star Party Organization that meets once a year at the X Bar Ranch.

McCutcheon noted that he is an amateur astronomer and has been involved with the Eldorado Star Party. The group is comprised of astronomers from larger cities like Dallas and Austin where sky viewing is impossible due to major light pollution.

The Eldorado Star Party has grown over the past several years and has become a major event at the X Bar Ranch. Yet another group of astronomers, mainly from Johnson Space Center in Houston, have been coming to Fort McKavett for an annual Star Party for over 22 years.

Last year Bill Wren from the McDonald Observatory near Ft. Davis came to Eldorado and speak with residents and businesses about light pollution. It was then that McCutcheon said he realized that a small investment on the part of the city could help eliminate some of the light pollution that frustrates astronomers.

Stan Meador was on hand Monday night to represent the X-Bar Ranch. He spoke briefly of the economic impact the Star Party has to the surrounding communities of Sonora, Ozona and Eldorado. He said that the dark night skies in West Texas are an unexploited asset, particularly in where altitude, dry air and cloudless skies combine to help stargazers. Meador said that Schleicher County has many of the conditions that are ideal for night-time viewing.

Meador explained that the X Bar Ranch hosted its first star party several years ago, not knowing what to expect. He said the astronomers began arriving in their campers and trailers, bringing with them sometimes thousands of dollars worth of equipment. He said the Eldorado Star Party group consists of many professions, including doctors, lawyers, college professors and teachers who enjoy the hobby.

Meador said that as the group grew for the first star party he suddenly realized the football lights were on in Eldorado. A veteran stargazer told him not to worry that the lights would be off before the serious viewing began. Still, the ambient light from SEE LIGHT POLLUTION ON PAGE 7



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Mayor John Nikolauk (center) presented plaques to former City Councilmen Tommy Minor (L) and Juuquin Rojas (R) in appreciation for their service to the city. The two men completed their terms on the council in May of this year. Rojas served four years on the council while Minor served twelve, including ten as Mayor Pro Tem.

Imagine If He Had Won

Mexico does not have to be at a dramatic turning point in its history, but leftist presidential candidate Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador dragged it there anyway.

Late last month the Federal Electoral Tribunal released results of a partial recount that unanimously upheld the narrow victory of his centrist rival, Felipe Calderon. The July 2 election itself was conducted under a new system that included multiple examinations of individual ballots and independent local recounts of polling places, all designed to end the notorious cheating of Mexican elections past.

It should have been hailed as a new day in Mexico's politics. The electoral reforms mean that Calderon's victory margin of less than 1 percent really is a victory margin of less than 1 percent. A responsible losing politician would have accepted that the stability of the nation depended on graciously conceding defeat.

But that is not AMLO. His first act of irresponsibility, following the initial announcement of returns in July, was to send followers out on the streets to demand a recount of all 41 million ballots. Mexican electoral law contemplates a review only of suspicious ballots -- what the electoral tribunal undertook. AMLO could have simply challenged the electoral law in the courts if he thought it unconstitutional.

But no. Thousands of supporters camped out for weeks in the Zocalo, Mexico City's main square, and engaged in acts of civil disobedience such as blocking traffic and preventing businessmen from entering their offices.

It gets worse. To signal his rejection of the electoral tribunal's recount, AMLO promised to not recognize Calderon as president and called for a "National Democratic Convention" at the Zocalo to elect a parallel government.

In other words, AMLO is saying that the duly-elected and duly-certified government of Mexico to be headed by Calderon is illegitimate, and that only a throng (of his own supporters, of course) mobbing a town square has the right to determine the course of Mexican democracy and name the next "president" of Mexico by ... what? How? Screaming the loudest? Raising an arm?

Only an outright violent revolution could be more irresponsible and more destabilizing of Mexico's young democracy. That stage has not been reached. The government of Vicente Fox -- he and Calderon belong to the same Partido de Accion Nacional -- has been admirably restrained in handling street disturbances, and Calderon has been reserved in his criticism of AMLO.

Another piece of good news is that the Mexican public seems more politically mature than AMLO. Sixty-three percent of Mexicans, in a poll published by the newspaper El Universal in mid August, actually agreed with AMLO in wanting a complete recount, yet only 30 percent approved of the road-blocking protests.

But the best news of all is this: Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador lost the presidential election, and unless the unimaginable happens, he is not going to be running the country for the next six years.

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Hey, Bin Laden, how about a cruise missile for a proportional response

The rash of retrospectives, both in print and on TV, surrounding the fifth anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks brought back a flood of memories and more than a little anger. I was prompted to look back at the column I wrote immediately following the tragic events and found that my feelings haven't changed all that much. So I reprint the column here for your consideration and as a way of venting some of my pent up frustration.

I'm angry. My country was attacked Tuesday and I'm furious.

People across the country are calling for swift reprisals against the terrorists who carried out the hijackings and the aerial attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. I agree with them.

If Osama Bin Laden is responsible for Tuesday's tragedy, I want them to find him and take him out. Then carpet bomb the nation that has been hiding him.

I'm angry with the Palestinians, too. They were celebrating in the streets after learning about our tragedy. So were the Iraqis... and the Iranians...and the Syrians...



I want to turn the Middle East into the sheet of very shiny glass. Start at the Jordan River and head east. Nuke them all the way back to the stone age.

I want to forget the timeworn niceties employed by diplomats. I would ignore the people who argue against massive retaliation and in favor of a "proportional response." Here's your cruise missile, Osama! Here have another! How's that for proportional?

When I consider the innocent people on the four hijacked airliners who were used as human missiles...when I consider the innocent people in the offices of the World Trade Center and the Pentagon...when I consider all the police, paramedics and firefighters who were gathered below the north tower when the south tower was hit...the more I am convinced that this heinous crime was calculated for effect.

And, don't think for a minute it was a coincidence that all four planes were on nonstop flights from the east coast to the west coast. No, the planes were chosen specifically because they carried full loads of fuel in order to make such a trip. The heavy load of fuel made them even better flying bombs.

I consider all this and I'm angry. I want to adopt the tactics of the Romans. Once upon a time a Roman citizen could walk from one end of the empire to the other without fear of harm. That sense of security was legitimate and it was supported by the full force and fury of the Roman legions.

Consider how we treated our enemies at the end of World War II. Remember, we rebuilt Europe and Japan and gave them the tools to become our economic competitors. Then consider how our enemies treat us. Today, I want to forget we're an enlightened nation and send in the legions.

I'm angry and I want revenge. Because of this, I'm glad it will be President Bush and not me who decides how to respond to this malicious and cowardly crime. I would probably overreact.



Are you ready for some Lotto?

The Texas lottery has been around for a while. It was voted in by a margin of two to one in November of 1991. It began on May 29, 1992. Tom Clowe, Chairman of the Texas Lottery Commission, says the first five years the revenues from the lottery went to the state's General Revenue Fund. Since 1997, they have gone to public schools in Texas.

"Revenues to school systems in Texas have totaled over 8 billion dollars," says Mr. Clowe, who lives in Waco. He told me he does not know how the money gets to the schools.

The scratch-off, those lottery cards you get at convenience stores, brings in the most money: more than 75 percent of lottery ticket sales.

"Our instant tickets are growing. We're constantly changing them, getting all kinds of variations. I think a big part of the attractiveness to the scratch-off tickets is the instant gratification. People really like to take their ticket and



by Tumbweed Smith

scratch it off, see whether they won or not."

Lotto Texas, the big jackpot drawing two nights a week, accounts for only 6 percent of lottery ticket sales. The odds for winning Lotto Texas are one in 26 million.

"I don't think the players are really so much focused on the odds as they are on the amount of the jackpot and what the percentage of payout is."

Mega Millions also accounts for 6 percent of sales. The odds there are one in 176 million. Pick 3, Cash 5 and Texas 2-step bring in a combined total of 11 percent of sales.

"The annual revenue from lottery is about three and a half

billion. This year we're projecting 3.8 billion dollars, so the return to the foundation school fund is over a billion dollars annually."

The lottery has generated a total of 42 billion dollars in sales. 13 billion went to the state, 24 billion went to players, and 2 billion went to retailers. Tom says gaming is big business in the US, bringing in more money than the movie industry and broadcasting combined.

Not everybody plays the lottery.

"I have numerous people who tell me they play the same numbers every week and they just know they're going to win. I have other people tell me they've never bought a lottery ticket and never will."

The Texas Lottery has some 16,000 licensed retailer locations statewide and can pay prizes up to \$599. There are 16 claim centers across the state where prizes up to \$999,999 can be claimed. Anything over a million has to be picked up at Lottery Commission Headquarters in Austin.

Former Texas First Lady Connally dies at 87

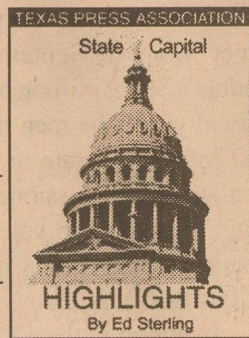
by Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - Former Texas first lady Idanell "Nellie" Brill Connally, 87, died Sept. 1 at her residence in Austin.

Gov. Rick Perry ordered that flags be flown at half-staff Sept. 6, from sunrise to sunset, in honor of Mrs. Connally. She was the wife of the late Gov. John B. Connally. Burial was in the State Cemetery Sept. 6.

News of Mrs. Connally's death made headlines and newscasts the world over. As first lady of Texas, she rode in the limousine with her husband and President and Mrs. John F. Kennedy when assassin's bullets rang out on Nov. 22, 1963, in Dallas.

She was preceded in death by Gov. Connally in 1993.



Report details state economy

The Austin think-tank, Center for Public Policy Priorities, issued its annual report, "The State of Working Texas 2006."

The eight-page report, released Sept. 6, shows how Texans are faring economically, based on wages they earn and other measures.

On the bright side, Texas' unemployment rate continues to decline and the Lone Star State is adding jobs at a faster rate than the U.S. as a whole, the report said.

But nearly five years since the 2001-02 recession, the economy has not rebounded with advances in household income or real wages. Texas has shown a 6.2 percent decline in real median (inflation-adjusted) household income since 2002.

Nearly all demographic groups have experienced this decline, but younger workers and African-Americans were hardest hit, the report said.

Education and health services is the fastest-growing sector of the workforce, having increased 15.3 percent since 2000.

McAllen-Edinburg-Mission was the area of the state with the highest unemployment rate at 7.8 percent, but McAllen-Edinburg-Mission also had the highest job growth over the last year, with a 6.5 percent increase.

A chart in the report showed the importance of education. The more educated a Texas resident is, the less likely he or she is to be unemployed.

In yet another measure, Texas had a median hourly wage of \$12.50, far below the national average of \$14.28. But, Texas came in a few cents better than its neighbors, Oklahoma and Arkansas.

The complete report can be found online at www.cppp.org.

Candidates say what they'll do

Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn and Gov. Perry rolled out their gubernatorial campaign commercials on television.

Strayhorn portrays herself as the candidate who will shake up the good old boys network in Austin and Perry promotes himself as the candidate who will keep Texas borders safe.

Kinky Friedman, though not through paid TV commercials, said he would do more than Perry when it comes to border security. He said Texas has its own army, the Texas National Guard, and he would order 10,000 troops to the border right away.

Friedman also said he would slap companies that hire undocumented workers with heavy fines and require documented workers to carry a special

OBITUARIES

Esther LaVonne Finch

Esther LaVonne Finch, 78, of Eldorado passed away Sunday, September 10, 2006 at her residence. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Survivors include son Roger Gonozy of Ohio, daughters Dawn Engdahl of Eldorado, Linda Smith and Bonnie Shoemaker of Nevada, and sister Barbara Applequest of Ohio.



Margarita Arispe

ELDORADO —Margarita Arispe was born on April 30, 1950 to Juan and Isabel Arispe. She passed away on September 8, 2006.

She is survived by her parents, her sisters, Magdalena Martinez, Maricela Montez, Martha Adame and husband Ramon, Maria Adame and husband Robert, her brother Johnny Arispe and wife Jane and her cousin Amelia Rodriguez. She is also survived by her nieces and nephews and their children: Tony and Veronica Martinez and their children TonyRey, Isaac, and Caleb; Dee and Santiago Barra and Isaiah; Kathryn Gonzales, Andrew and Vangie Gonzales and Isabella, and Rudy Montez, Jr.; Ramon Adame Jr.(Tatis), Mike and Emily Adame and Mike Jr.; Mary Adame, Bobby Adame, Kristy and Alex Sanchez and Alexandria; Jamie Arispe and his daughters Marissa, Madison, and Kianna; Johnny Lee Arispe, Frankie Arispe and his son Aden; Liza Lozano and her son Jared; Mary Jo Whitehouse and her children Tyler and Savannah.

She is also survived by her stepsisters and her stepbrothers and their children: Felix and Luz Ramos and their children Ashley, Jeremy, and April; Zeke and Janna Martinez, Maureen, Mackenzie, Whitney and Kamrie; Elpido and Norma Torres and Brianda; Adriana Orona and her children Dieon, Isaiah, and Ebony; Jorge and Roxanne Arispe and their daughters, Miranda, Branda Gail, and Emelda; Daniel and Hortencia Martinez and their children Kayla, Caleb, Marcus, and Arianna Alexis.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, September 11, 2006 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Pall bearers were her nephews. Honorary pall

bearers were her nieces and their spouses and her nephews and their spouses.

Margarita or "Mage" as we all called her was a devoted and faithful daughter, sister, tia, and sister-in-law. She loved all of us unconditionally. She knew our faults but over looked them and saw the good in each of us. She spent her lifetime caring and loving each of us.

Mage loved her nieces and nephews, they were her children. She was a very happy person and enjoyed sharing jokes and being with them. She helped us raise all of them. She would help us take care of them when they were babies, helping us bathe them when we were too scared to bathe a new born infant. She would always help take care of them when they were sick.

We can all remember going to Mage's and Grandma Chavela's and feeling better after they gave us Cheetos and Seven-up when we were sick. That was a cure all for most illnesses. Even after her nieces and nephews became young adults, Mage continued to worry about them and love them.

Mage was a great sister. She was the sister that we went to when we needed advice or just someone to talk to. She would encourage us and we always felt better after spending time with her. Mage was a good loving daughter. She was a very loving Sister, Tia, and Sister-in-Law.

Consuelo Salinas San Miguel

SAN ANGELO — Consuelo Salinas San Miguel, 51, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2006, at her residence.

Rosary service were at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, in the Robert Massie Riverside Chapel.

Mass of Resurrection was 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, 2006, at the Cathedral Church of the Sacred Heart with the Rev. Maurice Votity officiating. Burial followed in Calvary Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Robert Massie Funeral Home.

Consuelo was born Jan. 12, 1955, in Fredericksburg, Texas, to Demetrio and Juanita Salinas. She married Manuel San Miguel on Jan. 8, 1977, in Fredericksburg.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Juanita Salinas; and brother David Salinas.

Survivors include her husband, Manuel San Miguel; five daughters, Senaida San Miguel, Micaila San Miguel, Lourdes San Miguel, Victoriana San Miguel and Sarafina San Miguel; three sons, David San Miguel, Simon Peter San Miguel and Guillermo San Miguel, all of San Angelo; father Demetrio G. Salinas of Fredericksburg; one sister, Eulalia Montes de Oca and husband Encarnacion of Kerrville; four brothers, Carmel Salinas and Alvin Salinas and wife Valentina, all of Fredericksburg, Demetrio Salinas Jr. of Pasadena, and Richard Salinas and wife Eileen of Marble Falls, Texas.

Pallbearers were Isaiah Salinas, Ernest Montes de Oca, Juan Salinas, Jerry Salinas, Albert San Miguel and Joe Rivas.

Consuelo's obit and memorial guest book may be viewed online at Robert Massie.com.

Walter Everett Van Dusen

Walter Everett Van Dusen passed away on September 5, 2006 in Mesquite, Texas.

He was born in Bonita, Texas to William and Beatrice Van Dusen. William later married Jewel Van Dusen who helped raise Walter and his brothers and sister.

He married Rutha Nan Ross on Valentines Day, February 14, 1959. Walter proudly served in the U.S. Air Force in the Missile Maintenance Division during the Vietnam Era 1959-1962.

He worked for General Dynamics immediately after the Service and went to the University of Texas at Arlington where he earned an Associates Degree in Electrical Engineering. Upon graduation he went to work for Texas Utilities where he retired after 25 years of dedicated service.

He was a member of First Baptist Church of Mesquite, a loving husband, father and grandfather who will be greatly missed.

Walter was preceded in death by his Mother and Father and brothers John Lawrence and David Lawrence.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 47 years, Rutha Van Dusen and sons, Anthony Scott Van

Dusen, Darrel Ross Van Dusen and his wife Sheryl "Kim"; grandchildren, Kevin Ross Van Dusen, Brandi Renee Van Dusen, brothers, Jerry Van Dusen and wife Carolyn, Kenneth Van Dusen and wife Janice, William Van Dusen and Owen Lawrence Jr. and wife Mary Helen; sister, Martha Jo Morris and husband Jessie as well as a host of family and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, September 9, 2006 at the Anderson Clayton Brothers Funeral Home Chapel in Mesquite. Interment followed at Mesquite City Cemetery and a short reception at First Baptist Church of Mesquite. His family received friends on Friday, September 8, 2006 at the Anderson Clayton Brothers Funeral Home in Mesquite.



Nathaniel Ray Sparks

Nathaniel Ray Sparks infant son of Mikael and Jackie Sparks, died Monday, August 28, 2006. Services were at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Joseph's Catholic Church with burial in Calvary Cemetery. Arrangements were by Johnson's Funeral Home.

Survivors include his parents of Jackie Gourley and Mike Sparks of San Angelo; and grandparents Rebecca Adame Gourley of San Angelo, Patrick Gourley of Olympia, Wash., Angela Camelbeek of San Angelo and Bruce Sparks of Temple.

Nathaniel was preceded in death by great grandparents Jesus and Mary Adame.

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

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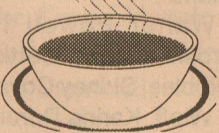
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- Tuesday, September 19**
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- Wednesday, September 20**
Chicken Fried Steak w/ Gravy, Buttered Peas, Spinach, Cornbread, Sunshine Fruit Cup, Milk
- Thursday, September 21**
Chicken Fajita Salad, Cheese, Tomato Wedges & Lettuce, Macaroni Salad, Crackers, Cherry Perfection, Pumpkin Pie, Milk
- Friday, September 22**
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Eagles fall to 33-12 to Mason Punchers

The Eldorado Eagles not only lost their season opener to the Mason Punchers last Friday night, they may have lost the services of their starting tailback, EHS senior Russell Cathey.

Cathey injured his knee during the second quarter as the Eagles battled to stay even with the Punchers. It was not meant to be, however, as Mason pulled away from the Eagles and finished with a 33-12 win.

EHS quarterback David Hernandez helped to pick up the slack for the Warbirds.

"David did a good job on both sides of the ball," Coach Johnny Burleson said. "Russell's injury

is a bad deal. We hope to see him return, but it's all up in the air right now."

The night began with a light drizzle falling and the sky looking as if it might open up and flood the stadium. The field would remain slick the rest of the night but the sky soon cleared and it turned out to be a beautiful night for a ball game.

Mason's fans had the most fun, especially in the early going as they sat under the cover of the giant metal barn labeled as the "PuncherDome." They also had the benefit of watching their hometown boys open up a 20-0 lead in the first half.

The Warbirds refused to be shut-out, however, as they fought to keep the game close.

Eldorado would find the end-zone twice in the second half. Once when David Hernandez connected with Zach Hash for a 10-yard TD pass and catch. The other on a quarterback draw that completely fooled the Puncher defense.

But Mason's offense kept up the pressure, finally amassing 272 rushing yards, which proved to be more than enough to keep the Eagles at bay.

"First off, Mason had a good team," Coach Burleson said after the contest. "And it's not like we didn't have success offensively. We just couldn't finish out our drives."

The Eagles ended the night with 263 total yards, 153 of those on the ground and 110 through the air.

That was countered by the Punchers' 343 total yards, 272 of which came on the ground and 71 through the air.

"I was proud of our defense holding them to 71 yards passing," Burleson said. "We just needed to seal up the running lanes a little better."

David Hernandez finished the night with 110 passing yards, 79

rushing, two touchdowns (one



Eagles quarterback #5 David Hernandez lofted this pass over the outstretched arms of a Mason defender to connect with #15 Neal Higgins during second quarter action last Friday night in Mason where the Warbirds, despite spirited play, came out on the short end of a 33-12 score.

passing, one rushing), 4 tackles (two solo, two assisted) and one interception.

Neal Higgins added another 25 yards on the ground and caught two passes for 15 yards. Juan Garcia rushed for 21 yards while Johnny Mejia and Dustin Gauna caught the ball for 48 and 25 yards, respectively.

Neal Higgins was the leading tackler for the Warbirds with 4 solo tackles and 7 assists. Pedro Garcia counted for 5 solo tackles and 2 assists and had one tackle for loss.

The Eagles put the ball on the ground three times, but recovered

all three of their own fumbles.

"We didn't do all that bad for our first game," said Burleson. "We're looking forward to playing Junction. Their offensive scheme is different than Mason's."

Burleson noted that Junction likes to run several different looks from several different formations.

The Warbirds' home opener against Junction is scheduled to start at 7:30 pm Friday night in Eagle Stadium. As always, everyone is encouraged to turn out and support the Eagles as they prepare for the district season which begins in Christoval on Sept. 28.

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Monday, September 18

Banana Nut Muffins, Choice of Cereal, Choice of Juice, Milk

Tuesday, September 19

Waffle Stix, Syrup, Peaches, Choice Of Juice, Milk

Wednesday, September 20

Breakfast Sandwich, Choice of Juice, Milk

Thursday, September 21

Pig-n-a-Blanket, Applesauce, Choice of Juice, Milk

Friday, September 22

Oatmeal, Fruit Bar, Pineapple Tidbits, Choice of Juice, Milk

BASKET LINE

Monday, September 18

Corn Dogs, Corn-on-the Cob, Tossed Salad, Mixed Fruit

Tuesday, September 19

Chicken Burger, Chips, Pork-n-Beans, Burger Salad, Pineapple/Orange Salad

Wednesday, September 20

Soft Tacos, Refried Beans, Lettuce/Tomatoe Salad, Carrot Stixs, Dip, Rosie Applesauce

Thursday, September 21

Pep. Hot Pocket, Tator Tots, Carrot Stix, Dip, Cowboy Cookies

Friday, September 22

Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Chips, Sandwich Salad, Orange / Apple Halves

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Monday, September 18

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Tuesday, September 19

Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Chips, Carrot Stix, Broccoli Tops, Dip, Pineapple/Orange Salad

Wednesday, September 20

Chicken Spaghetti, Tossed Green Salad, Early June Peas, Hot Rolls, Rosie Applesauce

Thursday, September 21

Chicken Fajita, Flour Tortilla, Refried Beans, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Cowboy Cookies

Friday, September 22

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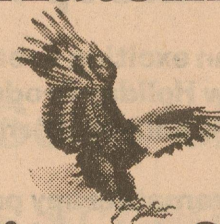
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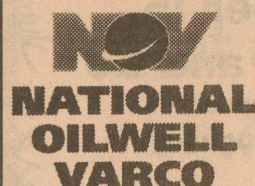
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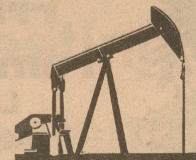
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15th Ty Polite, Gracie Rodriguez, Eric Noel Garcia, Shawn Bishop
16th Lance St.Germain, Gabby Guzman, Mayme Green, Monica Muniz, Fay Gibson, Sandy Wheeler, Ann Alicia Fuentes
17th Will Edmiston, Lorena Guzman, Sylvia Smith, Isabel Fuentes

18th Petra Chavez, Kirk Curtis, Adrian Arispe, Remy Angel, Casey Fields
19th Scott Sutton, Genaro Martinez, Jozee Lloyd, Linda Conner, Tyler Wilson, Chad Bishop
20th Odette Barrientos, Tevyn Thomas, Miguel Lozano, Shawn Goodrum, Don Richters, Susan McAlpine, Dean Williams, Krista Belk, Abbigail Spradley, Wyatt Mertz, Heidi Adame, Lucas Santellano
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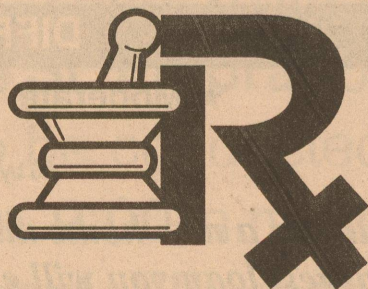
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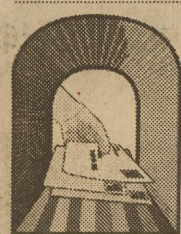
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Light pollution letter draws response

Jim, your job is safe!

Eldorado has a unique opportunity to become a destination point for Amateur and Professional Astronomers. Astronomers seek high, dry areas with as limited amount of pollution, including light, as possible. They come to our area from all over the nation, even overseas, for the annual Eldorado Star Party, for monthly events at Fort McKavett, and individual observation. Recently a New Yorker spent weeks at X Bar Ranch because of the quality of the view of the stars. Significant public and private investments have been made by state government (Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. at Ft. McKavett), astronomy groups and our local citizens to enhance the viewing capabilities in our area.

Because of both safety and economics, many of the towns around the McDonald observatory have worked to roll back light pollution. A light that shines down and not out or up provides more security and is cheaper to operate. Furthermore, astronomy related tourism generates a tremendous amount of direct and indirect economic impact. Last year when the McDonald observatory sent a person to Eldorado to study light pollution in our area, he demonstrated inefficient lighting by having me stand under a local security light that shown to the side and up instead of down. From almost any angle I disappeared from view because of the strong glare, demonstrating a very significant waste of energy without achieving optimum security.

If we follow the lead of the towns near the McDonald observatory in controlling light pollution in this area, we can expect to see continued growth in the number of visiting astronomers resulting in more tourism dollars spent. We have many of the same assets

for observation as do the Davis Mountains, and we have one thing they do not have, we are closer to the population centers of Dallas, Austin, San Antonio, and Houston. Individual astronomers and groups come to our area regularly for observation because they can reach us in less than a day and have access to facilities important to them.

Now to clarify what the Council voted to do. We did not vote to "place guards on 112 city street lights". Most of the lights paid for by the city are modern low voltage non-polluting lights that do not need shields. There are a few "guard lights" in the city that may need modification. What was voted for was to set aside in the budget up to \$500 for controlling light pollution if matched by the astronomy organization supporting the development of Schleicher County as an astronomy destination. Recently the Eldorado City Clerk led an inventory of the city lights to determine those that were not operating. If any malfunctioning lights are old style polluting lights, we are exploring whether to upgrade them or modify them with light shields. Please note that while the entire community will benefit from better safety and lower operating cost with low pollution lights, the Eldorado City Council is asking out of town astronomers to share in the costs.

So Jim, we were not trying to put you out of a job, we are just looking to improve the economic outlook of our community, as you do with your many tourism-related festivals.

Bill McCutcheon
Council Member

4H Shooting Sports Update



by
Corey Stevens
CEA-AG/NR



We had our first shooting sports organizational meeting this past Monday. I had Richy DeGraffenreid, the shooting sports instructor from Crane County come down and explain to us exactly what a shooting sports program is. Richy brought many guns and other equipment that is needed for the

program. This meeting turned out to be very informative. After this meeting, there is a great deal of interest and excitement for shooting sports in Schleicher County.

On Monday, September 18th at 7:00 PM at the Extension Office, we are having our second meeting. This meeting will be a business meeting with the organizing of the club. We need interested shooting coaches, parents, volunteers, fund raisers, etc. to please attend. We have a great deal of fund raising, planning, and training to do before the kids actually begin shooting. If you have any questions or concerns, please give me a call at 853-2132.

4H Gold Star

Active Senior 4Hers that are interested in applying for the Gold Star Award need to come by the Extension Office and pick up an application. Up to two members from Schleicher County will be recognized on the district level. Applications are due back to us by no later than September 29, 2006.

4H T-Shirt Orders

We have extended the deadline for T-shirt Orders until Tuesday, September 19th. If you would like a T-shirt and have not ordered one, come by the Extension Office ASAP.

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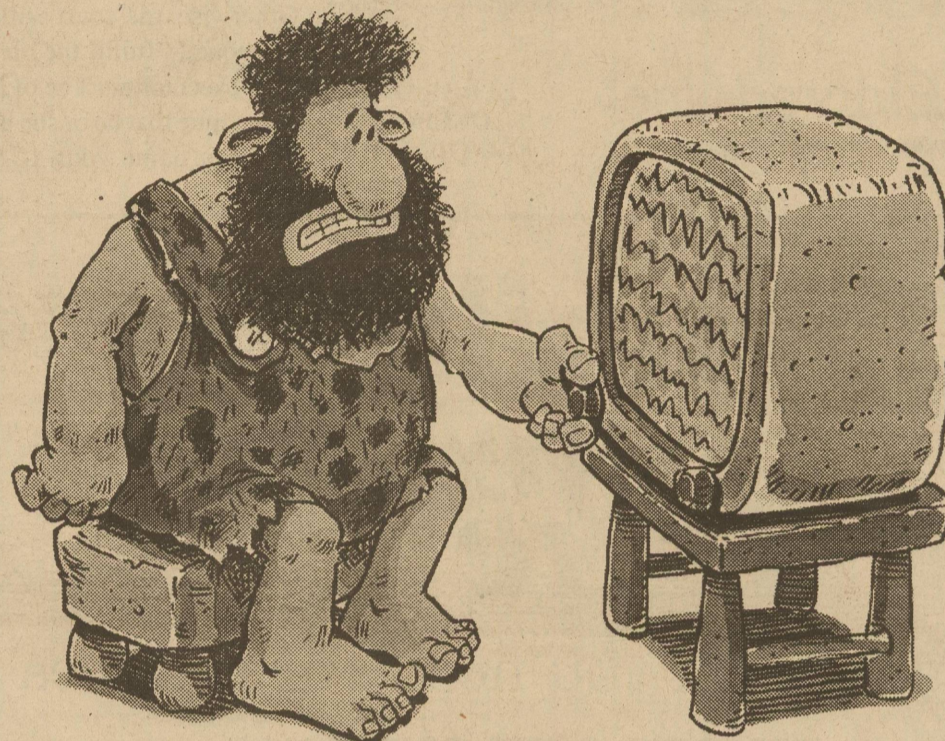
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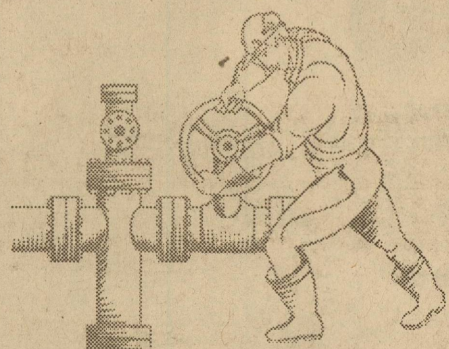
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- E-mailed, say
- Adds turf to
- Number-picking game
- Song for a diva
- Make ready, for short
- Two movies for the price of one
- New York stage award
- Columnist Coulter
- Just-for-fun activity
- Lead into temptation
- Current carrier
- Made bootees, maybe
- Decrease
- Shoreline protector
- __-trump (bridge bid)
- Copenhagen native
- "Now, where __ I?"
- Pre-employment investigation
- Publicity, slangily
- Start of a choosoup rhyme
- Take another stab

DOWN

- Pierce portrayer
- Bird on a Canadian dollar
- Exercise, as influence
- Breaks down grammatically
- Does a winter chore
- Cries out loud
- Thanksgiving Day spectacle
- Job detail, briefly
- GI-entertaining gp.
- Threw the bull
- Word processor's number aligner
- Burn remedy
- Lendl of the courts
- New Hampshire campus
- "Guarding __" (MacLaine movie)
- Partner of rank and serial number
- Op-ed piece, e.g.

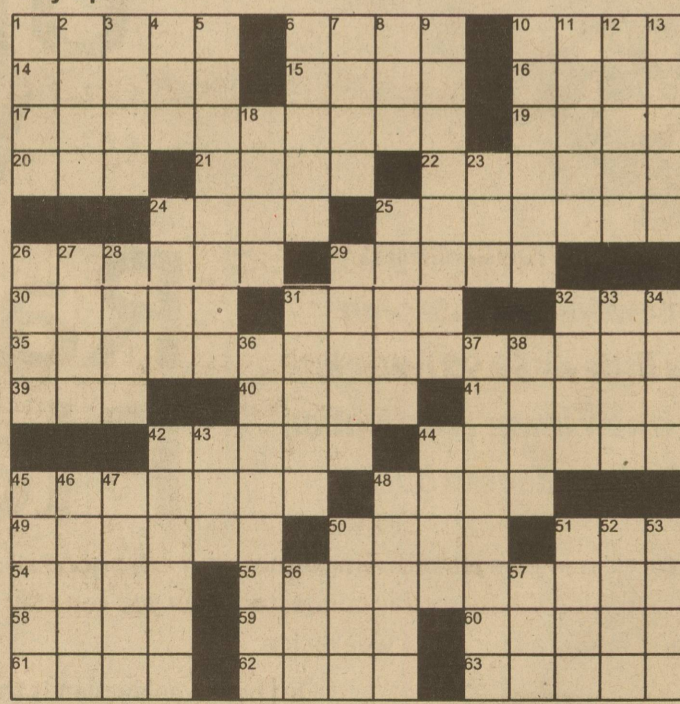
ACROSS

- Knock senseless
- Horse players' hangout: Abbr.
- Frog-to-be
- Buffalo skater
- Composer Satie
- Zilch
- Interesting to a scout
- Lacking consistency
- Sputnik's path
- Spread salt on, maybe
- Risk a citation

DOWN

- Bring home
- Little louse
- Policy __ (D.C. maven)
- Saxman __ G
- Mongolian desert
- __ even keel
- Swabbie's workplace
- Short trip
- Busy folks
- Hoses down
- Field measure
- "The __ the limit!"
- Pulled onto the boat
- Baltimore seafood treat
- Towel word
- Gives the slip to
- Crossed out
- Limerick, for one
- Pie-in-the-face sound
- Ethiopia's __ Selassie
- Twistable cookies
- __-tingling (eerie)
- Shell game
- Beehive State Indians
- Yemen's capital
- Do as directed
- One of the Gabors
- Guitarist __ Paul

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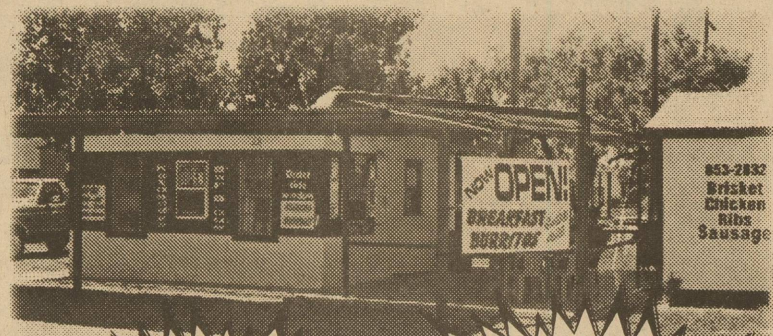
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You may also want to appoint an alternate executor in the event that your primary executor is unable to fulfill the responsibilities. Otherwise, the court will appoint someone to fulfill the obligations. Your executor must be of legal age at the time that he or she has to act. You can name your 12-year-old

child as executor if you wish, but if something happens to you before the child is of legal age, you will need to have an alternate.

Some of the responsibilities of your executor will include:

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- Notifying beneficiaries
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The person you choose as your executor must be someone you trust and should be honest, organized and able to communicate well with people. Make sure that you communicate your wishes to your executor and that he or she knows where you keep your records and exactly how you want your property or assets distributed. You may also want to give a copy of your will to your executor with a notation where the original can be found, such as your safe deposit box.

Since there is a great deal of responsibility, be sure you choose someone in whom you have total trust and confidence. If your estate includes business interests, it would probably be preferable to name someone other than your business partner as your executor.

By naming a professional executor, he or she will be able to bring impartiality to the administration of your estate. If you choose more than one executor, be sure to make it clear in your will how differences of opinion will be settled.

Taking care of your estate early will save grief and problems for your family later.

CAC slated here Monday

Community Action Agency will be at the Resource Center on Monday 18, 11 am to 3 pm. Call 853-2574 or go to the Resource Center and get the information you will need to bring with you. They help pay electric bills at this time.

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ASU awards degrees to summer graduates

Angelo State University conferred 206 bachelor's and master's degrees upon 205 graduates during 2006 Summer commencement exercises August 12 in San Angelo, Texas.

Areas of undergraduate academic study at ASU lead to the following degrees: Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A.), Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.), Bachelor of General Studies (B.G.S.), Bachelor of Music (B.M.), Bachelor of Science (B.S.), Bachelor of Science Nursing (B.S.N.), Associate / Bachelor of Science Nursing (A.B.S.N.), and Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.).

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and Master of Science in Nursing (M.S.N.).

Graduates were Roxanne Arispe, B.B.A.; Jessi Leigh Calcote, B.B.A.; Matthew Dan Curtis, B.A.; and Juan Angel Herrera, B.S.

SA Museum resumes Art Thursdays

The education Department of the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts announces the resuming of Art Thursdays. Art Thursdays are a fun-filled afternoon of hands-on art activities. Kids accompanied by an adult can try out their artistic skills with clay, watercolor and two other activities that rotate monthly. The afternoon of art fun runs from 2-6 pm and is only \$1 per person.

Art Thursdays will continue throughout the school year.

- September 14,21,28
- October 5,12,19,26
- November 2,9,16,30
- December 7,14,21

The program will resume again on January 4 after the Christmas break and continue every Thursday until May 31.

The purpose of this program is to encourage kids and adults to engage and enjoy art in their lives. The San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts wants to encourage kids and adults to experience the wide world of art through exhibitions, programs and hands-on activities.

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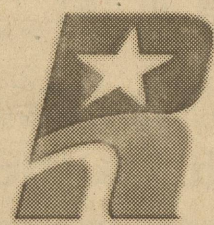
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Texas Secretary of State Roger Williams and University of Texas baseball coach Augie Garrido kicked off a state voter education project dubbed "VOTEXAS" Sept. 5 in Austin.

The program encourages voters to find out when they will vote, where they will vote and how to use the new equipment in their precincts.

A mobile exhibit will make its way around the state, demonstrating the five different types of electronic voting machines used in Texas.

People who visit the exhibit will

have a chance to cast a practice ballot.

The program complies with the federal Help America Vote Act, which requires states to do the following:

- create a centralized statewide voter registration list;
- improve vote casting and counting systems;
- make more polls accessible for disabled and visually impaired voters;
- provide assistance to "non-English language dominant voters";
- train election officials, workers and volunteers; and
- implement voter education programs.

Farm Service Agency News

Final DCP Payments for 2006 Scheduled

ELDORADO— September 11, 2006 -- Agricultural producers enrolled in USDA's Direct and Counter-cyclical program (DCP) can expect their final 2006 direct payment to be electronically deposited into personal bank accounts sometime after the first week in October, announced Jan G. Wanoreck, County Executive Director for the Schleicher/Sutton/Val Verde County Farm Service Agency (FSA). Producers who chose not to receive an advance 2006 direct payment will receive a lump sum payment for the year in October.

The direct payment for a crop equals 85 percent of the farm's base acreage multiplied by the farm's direct payment yield multiplied by the direct payment rate.

The FY 2006 crop year direct payment rates and maximum potential counter-cyclical rates:

- Wheat: 52 cents, 65 cents per bushel
- Corn: 28 cents, 40 cents per bushel
- Grain sorghum: 35 cents, 27 cents per bushel
- Upland cotton: 6.67 cents and 13.73 cents per pound
- Rice: \$2.35 and \$1.65 per hundredweight.
- Soybeans: 44 cents and 36 cents per bushel
- Peanuts: \$36 and \$104 per ton
- Barley: 36 cents and 15 cents per bushel
- Oats: 2.4 cents and 8.6 cents per bushel

"We [FSA] will accept late applications for the 2006 DCP sign-up from now through Sept. 29, 2006 if producers pay a \$100 late fee," said Wanoreck. Producers sign DCP contracts annually and can choose not to participate in the program in any given year.

FSA reminds producers that if changes in operation potentially impacting interest in base acres have been made since signing the last Direct and Counter-cyclical Program contract, the successions-in-interest must be reported to the county committee by Sept. 29, so that a final eligibility determination can be made.

Changes that qualify as a succession-in-interest include:

- A sale of land
- A change of operator or producer, including an increase or decrease in the number of partners
- A foreclosure, bankruptcy or involuntary loss of the farm.
- A change in producer shares to reflect changes in the producer's share of the crop(s) that were originally approved on the contract.

If a succession-in-interest has taken place, you, as the "predecessor," are required to refund any advance DCP payments you received for the affected base acres before a payment can be made to the "successor." Not reporting a succession-in-interest can result in contract termination and a loss of program benefits for all producers involved.

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Light Pollution...

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surrounding towns is a concern for the astronomers, Meador said, and he pointed to towns like Ft. Davis that have already taken steps to reduce light pollution.

Councilwoman Toni Sudduth advised Meador that she had to consider what was best for the taxpayers and said that most of them think light pollution is a crazy thing. She added, however, that if the expenditure of \$500 can bring \$5,000 into the community it was worth considering. Sudduth then asked Meador to provide her with more information.

Mayor John Nikolauk then reported that AEP, the company that provides the city's street lights, is willing to install the light hood fixtures for free, if and when the city decides to buy them.

In other business, the council presented former councilmen Tommy Minor and Juakin Rojas plaques in appreciation of their service on the council.

Utility Superintendent Floyd Fay reported the city's new garbage truck should arrive by October 1. He also reported that representatives of the City of Eden come to Eldorado to see the "DAF" unit which has brought the city's algae problem under control.

City Secretary Carolyn Mayo brought her financial reports and requested an increase in pay for two of her office employees who fulfilled their 90 day probation. The council voted to give all City employees a 5% increase of pay, in addition to the raises requested by Ms. Mayo.

The council then looked over a map showing the locations of mobile homes with in the city. The council has been considering a new zoning ordinance aimed at mobile and manufactured homes and some discussion occurred but no decisions were reached and the subject was table.

Carolyn Mayo then advised that the Keep Eldorado Beautiful association had provided a rough draft of their budget for the next

year. Discussion then turned to reviewing the bids for the city's depository contract.

A committee consisting of Carolyn Mayo, Toni Sudduth and Dr. Pat Johnson will open the depository bids and investigate which of two bids, one from First National Bank of Eldorado and the other from 1st Community Federal Credit Union, will most benefit the city.

The next meeting of the Eldorado City Council is slated for 6:00 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 9, 2006 at City Hall.

District Court report

Two guilty pleas were entered Wednesday, August 30, 2006 before 51st District Court Judge Barbara Walther.

Robert Axel Olson, age 43, of Eldorado plead guilty to unauthorized use of a vehicle. Filed by information. He received 244 State Jail time. Has to pay \$4,187.28 in restitution, plus court fees.

Ramio Buitron, Jr., age 19,

appeared on a motion to revoke, original charge assault on family member. Walther extended probation from 2 years to 7 years.

In an earlier decision, Darlene Salazar Torres, age 36, of Del Rio, TX plead guilty July 17, 2006, to possession of marijuana. She received a 6 year probation and a fine of \$1,000, plus court costs.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: Several West Texas and South Plains communities jointly proclaimed a "Day of Prayer and Fasting for Rain" on Sunday, July 30, 2006, because of the extended drought which has threatened the water supplies of many cities and towns, our watershed reservoirs, and agricultural industry; and

WHEREAS: Much of West Texas and the South Plains area has been blessed with refreshing rains since the July 30, 2006 Day of Prayer; and,

WHEREAS: We are instructed to, "Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name; and make known among the nations what He has done" (I Chronicles 16:8 NIV); and,

WHEREAS: We have been reminded again through the bountiful rains that "...the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations" (Psalms 100:5 NIV); and,

WHEREAS: It is appropriate for the City Council and the citizens of Eldorado to acknowledge God's answer to our corporate prayer and to, "...come before Him with thanksgiving." (Psalms 95:2 NIV);

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Nikolauk, Mayor of the City of Eldorado, Texas, do hereby proclaim Sunday, September 17, 2006, as "A Day of Prayer and Thanksgiving for Recent Rains"

And ask all citizens to set this day aside for prayer and consecration, and join us in a communal plea to our Heavenly Father.

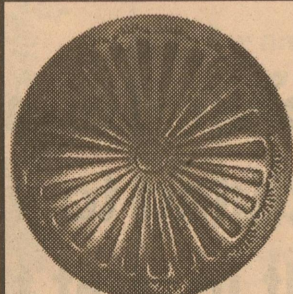
In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature this 12th day of September, 2006.

John Nikolauk, Mayor

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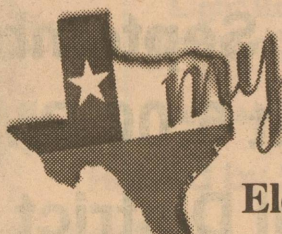
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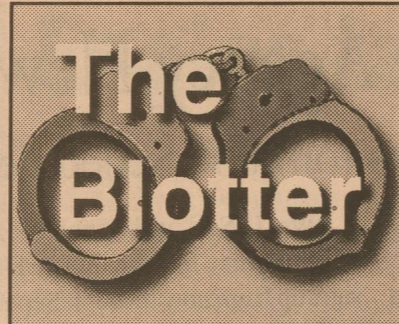
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The Blotter is a summary of the previous week's activity by the Schleicher County Sheriff's Dept. For practical reasons of time and space, The Blotter does not include every call made to the Sheriff's office, nor does it include routine security checks, minor traffic stops or routine patrols. Accidents 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

September 2 • Borrego, Esmeralda Ortiz, female age 36, hold for Sutton County, released on \$2,000 surety bond.

September 6 • Buitron, Ramiro Jr, male age 19, possession marijuana, released on \$5,000 surety bond.

September 6 • Eisenbach, Rosie Anna, female age 40, local warrant, released on time served.

September 8 • Arispe, Jose E., male age 49, warrant.

September 9 • Baze, Tammie Marie, female age 33, hold for Sonora.

September 10 • Garza, Elaine Dela Rosa, female age 25, DWI 1st.

INCIDENTS

September 5 • 12:30 p.m. Hospital requested EMS for ACLS transfer to San Angelo. EMS responded.

September 6 • 9:00 a.m. Complainant reported a reckless driver on 277 north. Officer responded.

• 6:07 p.m. Complainant requested to speak with an officer about a previous traffic accident. Officer responded.

• 6:21 p.m. Caller notified the dispatcher of a controlled burn on his property 9 miles west.

• 7:57 p.m. Caller reported two reckless drivers on W Gillis. Of-

ficer responded.

September 7 • 6:38 a.m. Reported possible fire. Fire chief was notified.

• 2:02 p.m. Requested ACLS transfer. EMS responded.

• 2:46 p.m. Hospital requested to send the ambulance for an ACLS transfer. EMS responded.

• 6:33 p.m. Complainant reported a child walking approximately 1/4 of a mile from town, and requested an officer check welfare.

• 8:03 p.m. Caller advised that his son had hit a power line and pulled it down and was concerned that there would be power loss. Caller stated he had called power company.

September 8 • 5:21 p.m. Female called in need of info on a restraining order against a male subject. Officers responded.

September 9 • 7:38 a.m. Complainant reported smoke near the hospital. They said it appeared to be coming from near the high school tennis courts. Officer was notified.

• 9:16 a.m. A water leak was reported behind the feed store. The City was notified.

• 4:50 p.m. Caller advised cows in the road on highway 277. Officer responded.

• 5:23 p.m. Caller reported a control burn on his property across from the gas plant.

• 6:13 p.m. Caller reported a possible domestic disturbance at Super S.

• 6:18 p.m. Caller requested an officer speak with a subject about harassing phone calls. Officer notified.

September 10 • 3:18 a.m. 911 call. Unknown caller who hung up. Unable to establish contact.

• 3:25 a.m. Complainant reported shouting and screaming at the next house over. Officer responded.

• 8:51 a.m. Caller reported a control burn on his property approximately 5 miles north and 1 mile west of town.

• 9:10 a.m. Caller reported death in the family. Officer and Kerbow's Funeral Home responded.

• 9:03 p.m. Caller reported a budget rental truck driving without clearance lights and tail lights. Officer notified.

September 11 • 2:39 p.m. Call reported a traffic accident. Units responded.

• 3:13 p.m. Caller reported an injured child. Officer and EMS responded.

• 3:31 p.m. Caller reported a missing person. Officer responded.

• 4:41 p.m. Caller advised grass fire on county road 220.

• 4:47 p.m. Caller called to give directions to fire.

• 5:12 p.m. Caller advised location of fire.

September 12 • 10:06 a.m. Complainant reported an intoxicated subject. Officer responded.

• 3:30 p.m. Caller requested to speak to an officer in reference to a subject acting suspiciously. Officer responded.



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Early voting by personal appearance for eligible voters will begin on Friday, September 22, 2006, and continue each weekday through, **Friday, October 6th, 2006, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 510 S. Divide St. Eldorado/USDA.** Early voting shall also be conducted on October, 30th, 2006, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at 510 S. Divide Street, Eldorado/USDA. Additional election information is available by contacting the Eldorado-Divide SWCD at 510 South Divide/USDA or by calling 853-3535, ext. 3.

NOTICE of Vote on Tax Rate

The Schleicher County Hospital District conducted public hearings on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the Schleicher County Hospital District from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 3.00 percent on September 8, 2006 and September 11, 2006.

The Schleicher County Hospital District is scheduled to vote on the tax that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on Monday, September 18, 2006 at 6:00 PM in the Hospital District Board Room.

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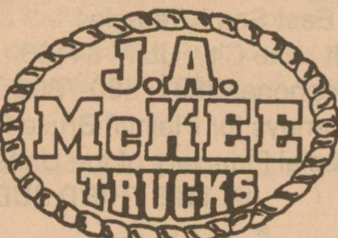
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Warren Jeffs hires Salt Lake City attorneys

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new attorneys are slated to appear before Shumate on Sept. 27 at which time a new preliminary hearing is to be scheduled. It is unknown if bail will be discussed at that time.

Jeffs is presently being held without bail. After spending more than a year in hiding and four months on the FBI's Top Ten Fugitives List, he was considered to be a flight risk by Washington County, Utah Attorney Brock R. Belnap who sought and received a court order allowing Jeffs to be held without bail pending a bail hearing.

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Las Vegas attorney Richard A. Wright, who already represents Jeffs in a Nevada civil lawsuit, asked the U.S. District Court to return to Jeffs "certain religious materials deemed sacred and confidential" that were seized August 28, 2006, when a Nevada highway patrol officer stopped the SUV in which Jeffs was riding, some 15 miles north of Las Vegas on Interstate Highway 15.

Wright asked for the return of religious books and writings, letters, two computers, dictating and recording devices and more than \$50,000 in cash. The attorney said the FBI took the documents without a search warrant and that law enforcement authorities may have already reviewed the documents.

The charges against Jeffs stem from his involvement in arranging and performing a marriage between one of his male followers and an under-age girl, referred to in

court documents as Jane Doe IV.

Jeffs ascended to control of the FLDS church in 2002 following the death of his father, 95-year-old Rulon Jeffs. Less than a year later Warren Jeffs went into hiding when a Hildale, Utah police officer, Rodney Holm, was convicted of bigamy and sexual conduct with a minor.

Shortly thereafter Jeffs follower David Allred purchased 1,691 acres of land here in Schleicher County, Texas. Allred said the land was intended as a hunting retreat but later confessed that the massive buildings being constructed on what has come to be known as the YFZ Ranch were meant to house Jeffs' most faithful followers.

Almost simultaneous with the purchase of the YFZ Ranch, Allred was involved in the purchase of other property near Mancos, Colorado and Pringle, South Dakota, where other FLDS compounds are

under construction.

Senator calls for investigation

More bad news came for Warren Jeffs on Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2006, when U.S. Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV), himself a Mormon, called for an investigation of polygamists throughout the western states. Reid also asked the Justice Department to help state prosecutors dealing with Warren Jeffs.

"For too long, this outrageous activity has been disguised in the mask of religious freedom," said Reid. "But child abuse and human servitude have nothing to do with religious freedom and must not be tolerated."

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