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County asks Hospital to help with Meals Program

by Pat Ragsdale

Schleicher County's "Meals for the Elderly" program was the first topic of conversation Monday evening at Schleicher County Hospital District's board of trustees meeting. County Judge Johnny Griffin was present to meet with the board and, after giving the trustees a brief history of the program, asked that the hospital take over preparation of forty-two meals per day. Griffin explained that the program has been active here for several years, although the meals have been prepared by a number of different groups. Most recently, the meals were cooked in the County Jail, with an inmate from the Texas Department of Corrections (TDC) handling the day-to-day cooking duties.

That program is coming to an end, however, since District Judge Barbara Walther has declined to issue a bench warrant necessary to bring another TDC cook to the jail. That leaves in question the future of a program which serves 10,920 meals per year to elderly citizens

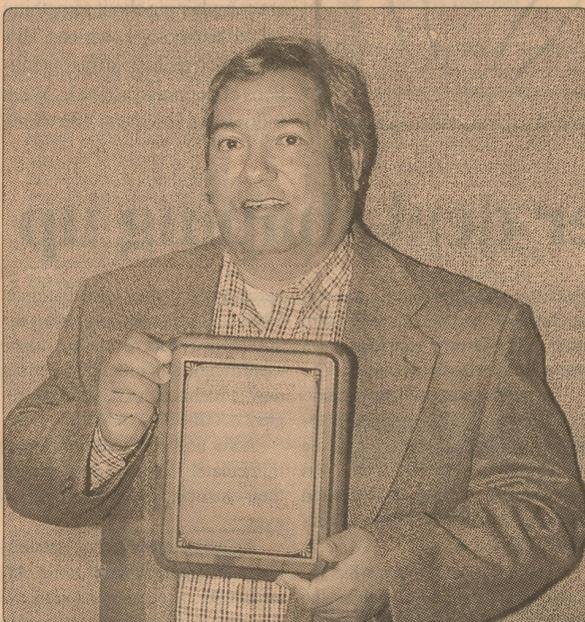
of the county.

Griffin told the hospital trustees that the Schleicher County would be willing to pay the hospital to prepare the food, which would be picked up by Sr. Citizen director Carol Gault. The food would be taken to the Sr. Center, divided into individual portions, then served to the program's forty-two participants.

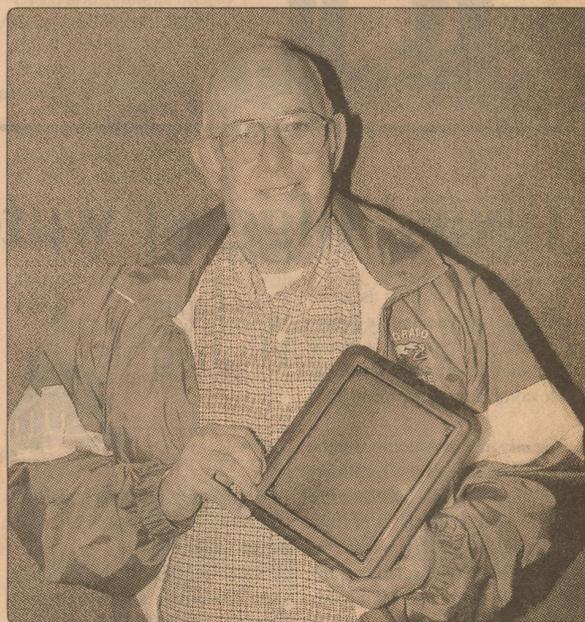
Griffin further explained that administrators from the Concho Valley Council of Governments have agreed to waive the requirement that the meals be prepared to meet a specific menu. Instead, a menu approved by the hospital's dietician would be acceptable.

Although the board members seemed in general agreement with Judge Griffin's request, they directed Administrator Ann Fagan-Cook to investigate the matter, determine specific costs the hospital would incur and report back to them at a meeting planned for February 8, 2001, at which time the trustees plan to make a final decision. That meeting would be four days prior

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Man of the Year — Albert Torres was named 2001 Man of the Year by the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce at the group's annual membership meeting on Monday night. Woman of the Year honors went to Stacy Jurecek, who was not present.



Educator of the Year — George Spinks and his wife Martha were named 2001 Educators of the Year by the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce at the group's annual membership meeting on Monday night. Martha Spinks could not attend.

Torres & Jurecek named Man and Woman of the Year by the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce

Volunteer groups use occasion to make awards presentations

A crowd of about eighty people were on hand Monday night when Albert Torres and Stacy Jones Jurecek were named Schleicher County Man and Woman of the Year at the annual Chamber of Commerce membership meeting and mixer held in the Memorial Building. Jurecek was not present to accept her honor, however, Torres was in attendance and was presented with a plaque denoting the honor.

Other awards presented included: Business of the Year to the Law Offices of James A. Kosub; Educators of the Year to George and Martha Spinks. Mrs. Spinks was not present to receive her plaque.

The Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department received a certificate of appreciation in recognition of its help in organizing the Schleicher County Days Parade each year. Also recognized were the Schleicher County Commissioners and Judge Johnny Griffin as well as the Schleicher County Historical Society for their assistance and the use of the museum for a Chamber office. The Schleicher County Sheriff's Department was honored for its help with the marquee on the courthouse square. J.D. Doyle received recognition for donating a rebuilt computer to the Chamber office.

First National Bank of Eldorado, Niblett's Oilfield Services and Schleicher County I.S.D. were honored as benefactor members of the Chamber of Commerce. Benefactors are members whose annual dues exceed \$500.

The Eldorado-Divide Soil and Water Conservation District took advantage of the meeting to recognize Norman Kohls of Eldorado with a plaque in recognition of his support of the district's vari-

ous activities, including his service on the district's board of directors. Kohls was praised for his help with annual conservation programs during his tenure with the district. Those programs include: Wool and Mohair Judging, Range Judging and Plant I.D. contests for the 4-H youth and planning of various conservation field days and tours. Kohls plaque was presented by district employee Shanna Roberts and board member Mary Leigh Dunagan.

Prior to the handing out of awards, Rachael Nixon, Jim Kosub and Stan Meador were elected to serve three-year terms on the Chambers Board of Directors. Cherie McCollugh, director of the school's Annenberg-Rural Trust Community Learning and Technology Program, was elected to fill an unexpired two-year term.

Other Chamber board members were recognized for their service. They included: Stacy Haynes, Albert Torres, Ashley Niblett, Princess Gruben, Connie Andrews and Judy Christian.

Several community groups used this opportunity recognize members of their groups. Albert Torres with the Knights of Columbus of Our Lady of Guadalupe Council #11282 recognized Victor and Sylvia Belman as that group's Family Of The Year. The couple received the honor at the Knights of Columbus Tri-District Banquet held in Eldorado on January 27, 2001.

Eldorado's Emergency Medical Service volunteer Connie Andrews presented Dr. Debbie Dorie with a service award for her volunteer work as the EMS Medical Director, a position she has held since 1988. Paramedic Tim Vasquez

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photo by Kathy Mankin

Meals Program discussion — Schleicher County Hospital District trustees met Monday evening with Schleicher County Judge Johnny Griffin. The judge asked the group to consider preparing meals for the county's Meals for the Elderly Program in the hospital kitchen. Pictured above are (clockwise from left) Trustee John Callison, Judge Johnny Griffin, Trustee Lanis Mikeska, administrative assistant Phillip Sharp, trustee Shirley Joiner and trustee Judy Christian.

Grants available to offset high energy bills

Consumer Guidance Corporation has established a grant fund to help people who are having financial problems because of high energy costs. This grant program is funded by private donations from corporations and private citizens who receive a tax exemption because of the organizations 501(c) 3 non-profit status granted by the Internal Revenue Service.

"Many people who are struggling with energy bills do not know that financial assistance is available from non-profit organizations and from the government", says Allen Nichols, Executive Director of Consumer Guidance. "We have established the Energy Help Grant Program and also publish a number of booklets to help consumers who are struggling with rising energy costs." Consumers can receive a free

grant application and more information about other financial help by calling 202-595-1035 or visiting www.consumerguidance.org on the Internet.

Corporations or individuals who wish to contribute to Consumer Guidance's Energy Help Grant Program can send tax deductible contributions to Consumer Guidance, P.O. Box 96051, Washington, DC 20090-6051.

Consumer Guidance Corporation is an organization established by volunteers dedicated to assisting individuals of all ages who need financial assistance to help pay for consumer debts, energy bills, prescription drugs and medical care. The primary purpose of Consumer Guidance Corporation is to educate and assist consumers with all consumer debt issues.



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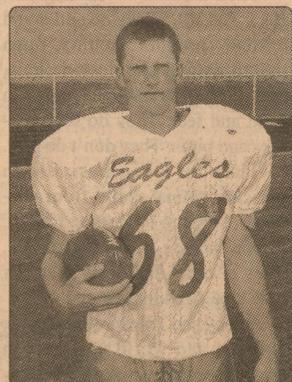
Business of the Year — The Law Office of James Kosub was named as the 2001 Business of the Year by the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce at the group's annual membership meeting Monday night. Pictured above are (L-R) James Kosub, Jane Kosub, Jana Pridemore, Clint Griffin, Gabby Guzman and Tina Zuniga.

Edmiston & Bullard named to Academic All-State Team

Eagles football players Ben Edmiston and Joey Bullard were named last month to the 2000-2001 Texas High School Coaches Association's Class 2A Academic All-State Football Team. Edmiston was named to the 1st Team while Bullard was named to the Honorable Mention Team.

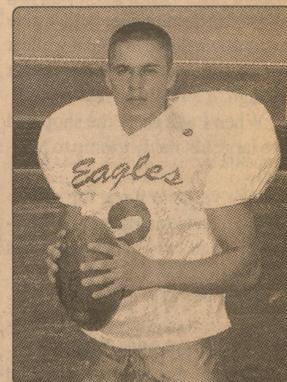
Requirements for consideration include: 1) an overall GPA of 92 or above, 2) be a member of the team in good standing, 3) be a senior and 4) be of good moral character.

Coach Jim Fryar expressed his pride in the two young men. "This shows that good athletes can be good students, too," Fryar said.



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Ben Edmiston
1st Team
Academic All-State

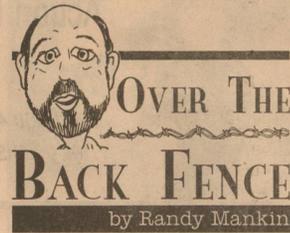


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Joey Bullard
Honorable Mention
Academic All-State



Are you overdosed on technology?



OVER THE
BACK FENCE
by Randy Mankin

I am not certain how I managed to do it, but somehow I survived the first thirty-three years of my life without the benefit of owning a computer. In the years that followed, as computer technology revolutionized the world, the electronic gizmos had a tremendous impact on my life. But, personal computers aren't the only technological advances we've seen in recent years. Everywhere we look, new gadgets make our lives easier...at least that's what they are supposed to do.

Lately more and more people are complaining about something called "technology overload." It's a common malady afflicting millions of people worldwide. What follows is a list of ways by which

to see if it's Y2K compliant.

you can determine if you, too, suffer from the apparently incurable disease.

You might be suffering from a technology overload if:

- You have ever tried to input your PIN number on your microwave oven's keypad
- You have a list of 15 phone numbers to reach your family of three.
- You call your son's beeper to let him know it's time to eat. He emails you back from his bedroom and asks, "What's for dinner?"
- Your daughter sells Girl Scout Cookies via her web site.
- You chat several times a day with a stranger from South Africa, but you haven't spoken with your next door neighbor yet this year.
- You check your blow-dryer
- Your grandmother clogs up your e-mail inbox asking you to send her a JPEG file of your newborn so she can create a screen saver.
- Every commercial on television has a web-site address at the bottom of the screen.
- You wake up at 2am to go to the bathroom and check your E-mail on your way back to bed.
- You get an extra phone line so you can get phone calls.
- You buy a computer and a week later it is out of date and now sells for half the price you paid.
- You consider next-day mail delivery painfully slow.
- You hear most of your jokes via e-mail instead of in person.
- You pull up in your own driveway and use your cell phone to see if anyone is home.
- You turn off your modem and get this awful feeling, as if you just pulled the plug on a loved one.
- You start tilting your head sideways to smile. :-)

Texas' biggest water deal shaping up

AUSTIN — Nothing is more fundamental to this state's future than water, and progress is being made toward the biggest water deal ever to come down the pipe in Texas.

The city of San Antonio and the Lower Colorado River Authority are moving toward an estimated \$1 billion project in which water from the Colorado would be collected in a series of levee-encircled holding ponds in Wharton and Matagorda counties and then piped some 170 miles to the Alamo City.

If the LCRA board approves a memorandum of agreement between the authority and the San Antonio Water System, a seven-year feasibility study will follow.

State Capital Highlights

by Mike Cox



After the study, enabling legislation still would be necessary before any dirt moving began.

Construction of the pipeline, four reservoirs and a treatment plant could take another decade.

As envisioned, the plan seems like a win-win-win proposition for San Antonio, Central Texas and the agricultural interests along the lower Colorado. San Antonio would get 150,000 acre feet of water a year for 80 years, the LCRA would

be better able to maintain the water level of the lakes in its system and rice growers would have a more stable supply of water.

To put the proposed project into perspective, LCRA general manager Joe Beal compared it to the construction in the 1930s and '40s of the chain of dams that created the Highland Lakes of Central Texas.

Though most of Texas has received ample rainfall this winter, the memory of last summer's drought—and past dry spells—still is strong with anyone with a stake in water.

Most Texas cities are either actively looking for future water sources or studying their prospects. This century, water is likely to be as important a commodity as oil was in the last century.

percent of the state's population in 1990—and probably less when the 2000 census data comes out—name identification is crucial in getting new students from beyond the region.

ASU and SWT alums won't immediately have to go out and get their class rings re-stamped, however.

At ASU, a marketing committee is still pondering the issue. After it makes a recommendation, the next step would be up to university president James Hindman.

If Hindman decides to proceed with further study of a name change, it still would take action by the Texas State University System Board of Regents, the Coordinating Board and possibly the legislature.

The same process would apply to Southwest Texas State.

Possible names? Both schools wouldn't mind being known as Texas State University. ASU spokesman Preston Lewis said someone had tossed out the possibility of Angelo State being known as Heart of Texas University—or, he chuckled, HOTU.

What's in a name?

Two Texas universities are doing a lot of thinking these days about their names: Angelo State University in San Angelo and Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.

Both institutions are pondering name changes to better position themselves in a highly competitive higher new student market.

The case with Angelo State is particularly interesting. Research has shown that the majority of Texans, not to mention those out of state, think Angelo State is in California or somewhere.

West Texans, of course, refer to San Angelo as Angelo, so they have no problem with the name. But since West Texas had only 17



ROLLING ALONG

WITH TUMBLEWEED SMITH

The Sportsman's Memory Shop

Several people told me that I ought to go see a taxidermy place just outside Grapeland. So I did. It's called The Sportsman's Memory Shop and is owned by two guys who have been partners for 21 years. They are Bobby Shaw and Robin "Trap" Coppedge.

The first thing I saw when I walked through the front door was a big alligator on the floor. It looked so real I thought it was alive.

"It's twelve feet, four inches," says Trap. "It weighed 750 pounds when we brought it in. We caught him on a hook down near Bay City. We drew on an alligator hunt and went down there and ended up catching that alligator and another nine footer."

Bobby says the word taxidermy derives from two words: taxi, meaning to move from one place to another and dermy, which means skin. "You basically have a tanned animal skin and as you put it on a mannequin, you've got to get everything adjusted in the right places, then glue it or staple it down to hold it while it dries so it looks real when you get through. It's really an art."

When I was there the shop had two large elk ready to ship to Midland.

"We've done work for people in Spain and Austria and Switzerland, just all over the world," says Bobby.

Their business has come a long way since they started it in Bobby's house in 1980. "We just enjoyed going hunting together and used to have somebody else do the taxidermy work on the game we brought in. Then we got interested in it. We started skinning fish on a

butcher block in my kitchen, trying to figure out how to mount them. We first opened a shop at Trap's house, then moved out here on the highway. We were serious about it. We didn't consider it just a hobby. We always wanted to be full time, professional taxidermists."

They have built the largest and most modern taxidermy studio in East Texas. A life-size bear greets people as they pass by on Highway 287 north of Grapeland. These two master taxidermists have recreated some rather amazing hunting scenes: a mountain lion attacking a deer, two hunting dogs attacking a mountain lion.

"We've mounted life-size Brahma bulls, lions and bucking horses," says Bobby. "We've even done full safaris, where a guy will spend a hundred thousand dollars in Africa hunting and bring thirty different species of animals back; leopards, lions, even elephants."

Their motto is "We Bring 'Em Back To Life." They do antler and horned shoulder mounts, open mouth animal shoulder mounts, horns on panels and lined rugs with head and feet. They do fish, reptiles and birds. They don't do pets.

They do a big business in bleached animal skulls, from a baboon (\$150) to a warthog (\$250). Prices include mounting panels. They also tan and dress skins for both small and large game.

Bobby and Trap have won state, national and world competition awards for their work. Their business has been so good in recent years they haven't had much time to hunt, the thing which was the basis for their partnership.

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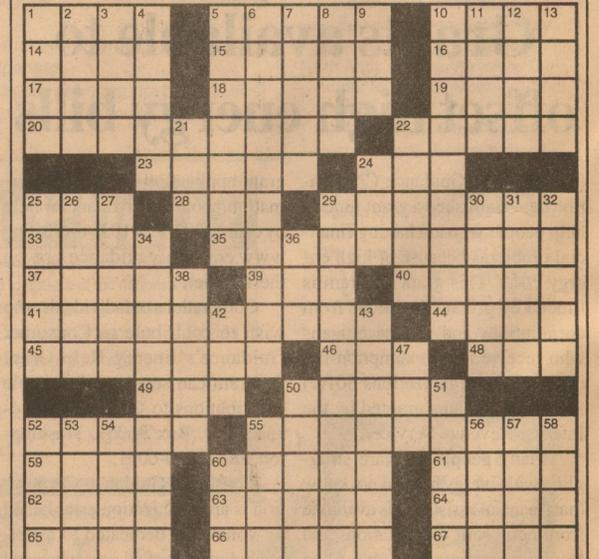
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OBITUARIES

Santos Duran

SONORA — Santos Duran, 58, of Sonora passed away Friday, Jan. 26, 2001, at his residence.

A memorial service was held Monday, Jan. 29, at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Sonora. Interment followed in Sonora Cemetery. Arrangements were by Gutierrez Funeral Chapels/Knickerbocker.

Mr. Duran was born Nov. 20, 1942, in Sonora. He was a Catholic.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Santos and Tomasa

Duran; and one brother, Willie T. Duran.

Survivors include his wife, Margarita G. Duran of Sonora; a son, Santos Manuel Duran; four daughters, Patricia Duran, Anita Duran and Tomasa Sanchez, all of Sonora, and Linda Gonzales of Eldorado. He is also survived by one brother, Juan A. Duran of Sonora; and two sisters, Virginia Ynostrosa of San Angelo and Esperanza Duran of Sonora; 14 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Chester Lucius Wheeler

SAN ANGELO — Chester Wheeler, 90, of San Angelo passed away Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2001, in a local hospital.

Graveside service was held Saturday, Jan. 27, in Eldorado Cemetery in Eldorado with the Rev. Janice Petty, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Eldorado officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Robert Massie Funeral Home.

Chester was born Nov. 18, 1910, in Stockdale. After graduating from the University of Texas in 1932, he and his father owned and operated Wheeler Grocery in Eldorado. Later he served as Schleicher County auditor for several years. He retired from Angelo

State University.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lucius Royal and Jessie Wheeler.

Survivors include his wife, Jeanette Henderson Wheeler of San Angelo; one daughter, Ellen Kirk and husband, Wade, of San Angelo; and one grandson, Mark Kirk of Palo Alto, Calif.

Pallbearers were Sam Henderson Jr., Hunter Henderson, Forrest Henderson, Buddy Napier, Beckett Napier and Drake McKinney.

The family has requested that memorials be made to the First United Methodist Church of Eldorado, Texas, or the donor's favorite charity.

Bob Weaver

SAN ANGELO — Robert R. "Bob" Weaver, 56, of San Angelo entered into eternal rest in God's arms on Friday, Jan. 19, 2001, after a long courageous battle with diabetes and its related complications.

A memorial service was held Saturday, Jan. 27, at Glen Meadows Baptist Church in San Angelo with the Rev. Jeffrey Lee of First Baptist Church of Mertz officiating. Arrangements were by Ross Funeral Home of Sterling City.

Bob was born to Roscoe and Jean Weaver May 24, 1944, in Marfa. Shortly after, the family made its home in San Antonio. Bob graduated in 1962 from Sam Houston High School in San Antonio as a member of the National Honor Society, received a bachelor's degree in political science from Trinity University and a master's degree in public administration from the University of Texas at Austin. Bob also proudly served in the U.S. Army in military intelligence as an aerial surveillance officer.

Dedicating his life to public service and the betterment of communities, Bob began his career in the capacity of director of information and administration for the North Central Texas Council of Governments at Arlington. From 1973 to 1976, Bob held the position of executive director of the Coastal Bend Council of Governments in Corpus Christi. In 1976, he became vice president and general manager of Central City Development Corp. in Beaumont. In May 1981, Bob accepted the position of executive director of the Concho Valley Council of Governments from which he regrettably retired in September 2000 because of his

illness. Through the years, Bob also taught ethics in government and public administration at the University of Texas at Arlington and Angelo State University as an adjunct professor in the graduate schools at both universities.

Bob is survived by his wife, Heather; his parents, Roscoe and Jean Weaver of San Antonio; his sister, Nancy Shearn and husband, Michael, of San Antonio; five daughters, Holly Garver and Joesette Rosenberg, both of San Antonio, Rhapsody Weaver and Nicole Weaver, both of Uvalde, and Hayley Weaver of San Angelo; three sons, Robert Jr. "Robby" of San Antonio, and Damien Weaver and Ryan Preddy, both of Uvalde; four grandchildren, Hope Garver and Alec, Tiffany and Kristin Rosenberg; his father- and mother-in-law, John and Suzanne McGee of Mertz; two brothers-in-law, John McGee and wife, Lisa, of Katy and Robert McGee and wife, Janet, of Levelland; his admired grandmother-in-law, Dorothy Evans of Eldorado; and special nieces and nephews, Michael and Paige Shearn and Brittnae, Logan, Phillip and Faith McGee; and many close friends and colleagues.

Honorary pallbearers were Ernie Crawford, Tom Davidson, Wilbur Dunk, Ross Foster, Johnny Griffin, Brad Helbert, Max Hooten, Don Kelly, Jim Ray, H.F. Ritchie and Charles Schiller with military flag representation by the U.S. Army personnel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Foundation, the American Kidney Fund or the American Heart Association.



Shanna Dell Edmiston and Rex Howard Simmonds
courtesy photo

Edmiston/Simmonds to wed

Joe Max and Marty Edmiston are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Shanna Dell, to Rex Howard Simmonds of Pleasanton. The couple will be married April 28th, 2001, at First United Methodist Church in San Angelo. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Jimmy and Phyllis Simmonds of Giddings. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Orval and Charlene Edmiston of

Eldorado. Miss Edmiston is a graduate of Eldorado High School and Angelo State University. She completed a one year internship in surgical nursing at Baylor Hospital in Dallas and is currently employed by a private surgeon in San Angelo. Her fiancé is a graduate of Giddings High School and Angelo State University. He is currently an independent petroleum landman.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Dear Editor:

I am very pleased to announce that on Wednesday, February 7th from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. the San Angelo Safe Kids Coalition will be having a Buckle Up Event here in Eldorado at the courthouse square off of Divide Street. An alternate location is set at the EMS/Fire station if the weather becomes a factor.

This event is a long time coming for our community. It has been a great concern to our EMS service and me individually that on a daily basis we see most of the children of our community unrestrained while traveling in a vehicle, not seated in a proper car seat, or not seated in car seat at all. Parents, I tell you it does not take much speed for your child to become injured while unrestrained and the vehicles brakes are being applied forcefully and/or colliding with another force. I also see your children standing in the vehicle while being driven around town regularly and this is so hot good. You are placing your child at risk for serious injury to fatal injury. With the Buckle Up Event it is our goal to reduce this occurrence to a minimum and keeping your children properly seated and properly restrained and providing you parents with the knowledge of safely restraining your children.

Safe Kids Coalition will be set up to assist you by checking your current car seat for proper use, providing you with a car seat if needed, answering any questions you may have and much more. Their staff are professionally trained and certified. They will have a booth with refreshments and handouts to give to you and your children. Radio station KDCC

92.9 FM will also be on location. Please stop by and have your vehicle inspected. You know it is the right thing to do for your child.

Sincerely, Timothy Vasquez.
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Hyman is married to Gina, who is employed with Schleicher County Independent School District. They are the parents of two children; Andrew, attending college at Texas A&M, and Courtney, a sophomore at Eldorado High School.

A native of Eldorado, Hyman holds a BS degree in Agriculture Economics from Texas Tech. Hyman is usually "working on the farm" when not at the bank. He is a member of the Lion's Club and the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce. Hyman and his family are members of the Mertz Highway Church of Christ.

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Eagles lose to Mason then trounce Junction to close out first round of District 2-2A play

by David E. Hill

The Eldorado Eagles went 1 and 1 last week on the hardwood. They went on the road last Tuesday night to Mason, losing 57-49. Then they hosted the Junction Eagles at Eagle Gym and came away with a huge 78-46 victory. The Eagles are now 3 and 2 in loop play and have concluded the first half of play. EHS will have to play Wall, Sonora, and Junction on the road in the second half of district play.

The Eagles had a tough game in Mason last Tuesday. Mason jumped out to an 18-12 lead in the first quarter. Then, in the second, Eldorado came out on both ends of the floor and took a 33-31 lead into the intermission. Mason cut the Eagle lead to 1 at the end of the third, but the fourth quarter wound up being the difference. Mason outscored EHS 16-7 in the final stanza for the 57-49 win.

Jason Brock and William Robledo led all scorers with 9, followed by Johnny Herrera and Ramon Barajas with 7, and Joey Bullard with 6. Brock led all Eagles with 9 rebounds.

The Eagles nemesis all year has been the charity stripe and tonight was no exception. Eldorado shot 6 of 22 from the free throw line and that would have been the difference in the game.

"This was a tough loss," Eagles coach Alan Gillespie said following the game. "Mason came out and played a good defensive game and beat us on the boards. And the free throws were the difference."

The win gave Mason sole possession of first place in the district race.

Eldorado then hosted the Junction Eagles last Friday night for the final game of the first round of loop play. Junction had taken Sonora to overtime on Tuesday, but tonight the green and white Eagles were just too much for the visitors. The hometown Eagles came out on top by 32.

EHS did just about everything right during the contest. Defensively, it was one of their best efforts as the Eagles maintained full court pressure on Junction most of the night.

The Eagles came out strong and scored 22 and 27 points respectively in the first two quarters of play while holding Junction to just 16 in the half. EHS led 49-16 at the midway point. Eldorado extended their lead by 7 in



Open under the goal — #12 Wesley Jones fed the ball inside to teammate #23 Johnny Herrera last Friday during the Eagles 78-46 win over Junction in Eagle Gym. The Eagles closed out the first half of district play with a 3-2 record and tied for 2nd place.

the third leading 68-28. Junction finally outscored EHS in the fourth 18 to 10 for the final score of 78-46.

A total of 9 Eagles scored on the night. Bullard and Robledo paced the Eagles with 21 points, Herrera had 8, Benji Gonzales had 7, Barajas 6, Brock and Jeff Stafford each had 4, and Wesley Jones and Tony Fay had 2. Robledo had 4 three pointers during the game. The team had a total of 7. As a team, Eldorado still could not bust the 50 percent mark at the charity stripe, but shot 15 of 32 which was significantly better than against Mason.

The win ran the Eagles district record to 3 and 2. Coach Gillespie commented on the game, "We just

hit on all cylinders tonight. This was a big win for our ball club as it kept us in a three way tie for second."

After the first round of play, Mason leads the district at 4 and 1. Followed by Eldorado, Wall, and Sonora at 3 and 2. Then Junction is 2 and 3, followed by Grape Creek at 0 and 5. When asked about the second half of district play Gillespie said, "Very important games for us on the road in Wall, Sonora, and Junction. The second half will be a big challenge for us, however, we should be fine if we continue to develop consistency on both ends of the court."

Eldorado will take on Wall on Tuesday and host Grape Creek tomorrow night.



Playing with emotion — An Eagles full-court press resulted in this basket by #10 Joey Bullard as Eldorado coasted to a 78-46 win over Junction.

Lady Eagles begin 2nd round of loop play, lose one, win one

by David E. Hill

The Lady Eagles had one win and one loss this past week of play. EHS dropped a game to Mason last Tuesday 52 to 38. Then came back and defeated Junction at home 43 to 24. After this past Friday, the Lady Eagles ran their district record to 4 and 3. In addition to the win Friday, EHS got some help in the playoff hunt as Grape Creek knocked off Sonora. This event truly gave the Lady Eagles an inside edge to the post season.

EHS traveled to Mason last Tuesday night to take on the Lady Punchers. Mason was one of two losses the Lady Eagles suffered in the first round of loop play. The outcome wasn't any better this time for EHS fans as Lady Eagles could pull out a win.

Eldorado was outscored 12-7 in the first and went into intermission down 26-13. Mason extended its lead by 3 in the third. EHS cut into Masons lead by 2 in the fourth with the final score of 52-38.

Only 5 Lady Eagles scored as Stacy Nicholson had 14, Vanessa Gonzalez had 9, Tabitha Lloyd 6, Christina Redish 4, and Leigh Ann Neal 3. Offensively, EHS struggled under the pressure from the Lady Punchers. Redish had 7 rebounds and 5 assists as well.

"Mason played a terrific game," Coach Leslie Gooch noted after the game. "They really

shut us down in the first half and we just couldn't get it going. We were flat. Stacy had a good night for us offensively."

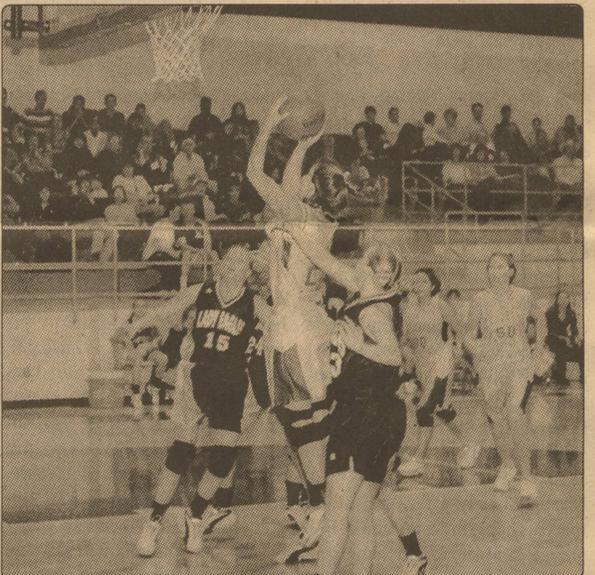
Last Friday, the Lady Eagles hosted Junction at Eagle gym and came out on top of a 43-24 contest. Both teams struggled in the first half as the ball just wouldn't go in the basket. EHS came back strong in the second half and extended their lead for the win.

EHS scored 14 in the first quarter and had a 5 point lead. Both teams combined for only 13 points in the second as Eldorado held on to a 20-16 lead at the half. The Lady Eagles extended their lead to 31-19 in the third and then outscored Junction 12 to 5 in the fourth for the 43-24 victory.

Seven Lady Eagles scored as Redish had 12, Neal 8, Nicholson 7, Mitzi Sessom 6, Lloyd and Gonzalez 4, and Martha Lively 2. Nicholson took control of the boards as she gathered 12 rebounds on the night. Gonzalez had 7 steals while Sessom had 4 assists offensively.

Coach Gooch said after the game, "We just couldn't do anything offensively in the first half, however, Stacy wound up being our spark in the last two quarters of the game. It wasn't pretty, but we sure will take the win."

The Lady Eagles will travel to Wall Tuesday and host Grape Creek tomorrow night.



Up and in — Tabitha Lloyd put this shot in the basket last Friday night to help the Lady Eagles to a 43-24 victory over Junction.



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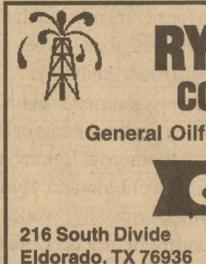


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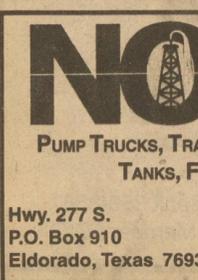
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Editor's note: The Eldorado Success has begun its 100th year in print! As part of our year-long celebration we will be featuring guest columnists who will offer their views on the value of a hometown newspaper.

"Hey! Is today Thursday?" "Oh yeah! I almost forgot! Thanks for reminding me!" "Do you have a Quarter?" "Yes I do. We'll stop at Sofgees on the way home and pick up the paper."

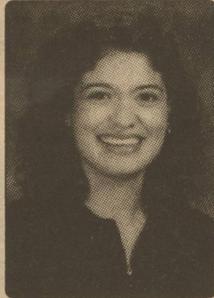
Thursday - the day the Eldorado paper came out. Who would be featured on the front page? What tidbits of information would there be to be pondered on? Oh hurry up! Let me see it! Let me read it! The Eldorado paper was spe-

cial to me because it was about personal issues and personal friends. It was about "stuff" that everyone could somehow relate to. Now I'm not going to lie to you, but one of my favorite memories about The Success was seeing my own picture printed somewhere within the 6 to 10 pages. When my picture didn't make the paper then my second favorite memory was seeing my name in print. Somehow it made me feel a little important and a little bit of that warmth returns to me when I see the clippings which I have saved in my scrapbook. Besides my own personal vanity I also recall looking forward to seeing the school lunch

menu (as a teenager this was of great importance to me). I also enjoyed the annual letters to Santa, the birthday postings, the new baby announcements and anniversaries, and now more recently "The Blotter". I also remember very much enjoying the articles which Tom Giovanniti contributed during his time in Eldorado. I loved how The Success made every little milestone or accomplishment into something of great importance. I remember having my senior Portrait posted in the paper; you certainly won't find that kind of treatment here in

San Antonio. I am yet to "make the paper" here in San Antonio, and like in Eldorado it is the only paper in "town." But it lacks the warmth of The Success it lacks the style, it lacks the personalization, but most importantly, it lacks the people in Eldorado who know how to make news. Thank you to The Success for making me feel like a success. You have helped to make my memories of Eldorado unforgettable. Congratulations to 100 successful years!

Jennifer Torres is a graduate of Eldorado High School and of St. Mary's University in San Antonio. She is currently teaching English at Antonian College Preparatory High School in San Antonio, TX.



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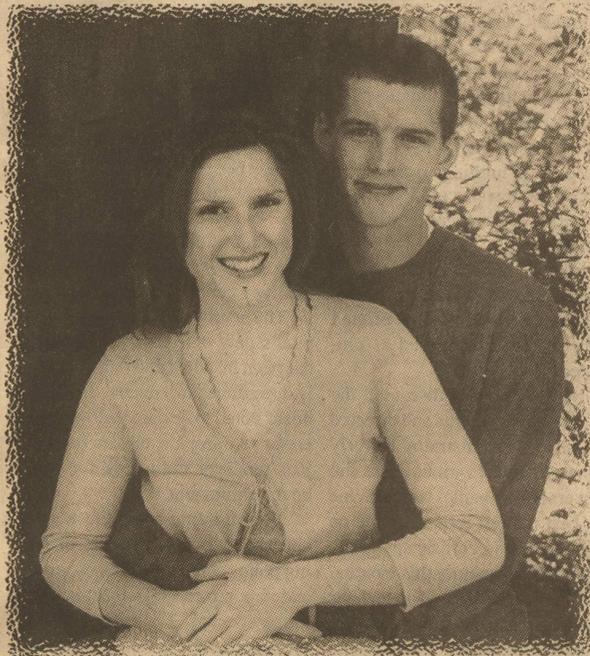
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Sheriff Doran named to Hill Country MHMR Committee

Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran was appointed last week to the Hill Country MHMR Network Advisory Committee. The purpose of the committee is to review and make recommendations related to assembling a network of mental health service providers in the Hill Country MHMR service area. That area includes Kerr, Kimble, Mason, Menard, Schleicher and Sutton Counties.

Sheriff Doran attended a training and orientation meeting on January 23, 2001. His first committee meeting was held on Wednesday, January 30.

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Sterling/Graber to marry

Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Sterling of Eldorado wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jana, to Allen Graber, the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. David Graber of Staughton, MA. An April wedding is planned.

Mike Carter is new District Manager at B.J. Services

Mike Carter has been named District Manager at B.J. Services Eldorado Yard. Carter is replacing Lynn Parker who has been transferred to Alice, Texas.

Carter comes to Eldorado from Houston where he worked in the company's sales department. Before that, Carter worked in Corpus Christi, Bryan and Tuscaloosa, Alabama. In all, Carter has been employed by B. J. Services for 21 years. He and his wife, Mary, have two daughters, ages 19 and 17; and two sons, ages 15 and 14.

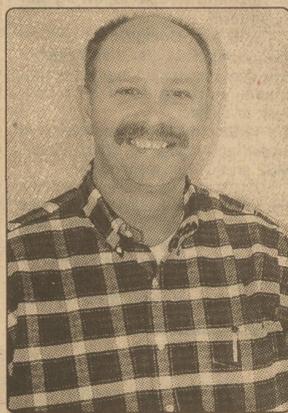


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Mike Carter

Chamber of Commerce membership meeting

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then presented EMS President Bobby Andrews with a service award in recognition of his past and continued support of the ambulance service. It was noted that Andrews became a Certified EMT in 1996. He is currently serving his fourth year as president. Under Andrews watch the EMS found a new home adjoining the Eldorado Fire Department and purchased a new ambulance and obtained new funding for the service.

CORRECTION

The SCISD school board voted against renewing a lease on an 80' x 140' lot in their meeting on Monday, 22, 2001. Voting for renewal of lease were trustees Steve Sessom and Sam Whitten, Jr. Voting against renewal of lease were trustees Kurtis Homer, Berta Nicholson and Eddie Albin. Trustees Phil McCormick and Jo Helen Kotsch abstained.

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- Thursday February 8**
Salisbury Steak, Baked Beans, Mustard Greens, Peaches, Bread, Milk
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Award Winner — Schleicher County Medical Center's maintenance director Buddy Otto displayed a Senior Crimestoppers "Safe Facility Award" the local nursing home received recently.

In being awarded the "Safe Facility Award of Excellence" the facility was presented with the "Seal of Excellence Ribbon" to be displayed on their membership charter plaque.



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Free Throw Shooters — Participants in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship gathered around the winners last Saturday in the Eldorado Middle School Gym. Medal winners were (Front L-R) Rance Cathey, Manny Gonzalez, Amika Gonzalez, Chelsey Hill (Back L-R) Selina Rojas, Logan Neal, Bryce Leggett Russell Cathey.

2001 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship

Five boys and three girls from Eldorado, ages 10 to 14, were named local champions of the 2001 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship and have earned the right to compete at the district level. The Knights of Columbus of Our Lady of Guadalupe council #11282 in Eldorado sponsored the local competition at the Eldorado Middle School Gym. All youngster ages 10 to 14 were eligible to participate.

Chelsey Hill was the 10-year-old girls' champion, and Rance Cathey was the winner of the 10-year-old boys' division. In the 11-year-old Amika Gonzalez was the girls champion, Manny Gonzalez was the boys' champion. 12-year-old winner in the boys' was Russell Cathey. The 13-year-old boys' division was won by Bryce Leggett. 14-year-old girls' champion was Selina Rojas and in

the boys' Logan Neal was the 14-year-old boy. Each contestant was allowed 15 free-throw attempts per contestant until a winner emerged.

Each of these winners will compete in the district competition to be held on Feb. 10 in Eldorado 10:00 a.m. at the EMS gym with an eye toward moving on to the state and international levels.

Those participating included: Cassandra Buitron, Ashley Lozano, Lynley Glass, Darci Jo Vick, Erika Estrada, Charlotte Adame, Michael Redish, Rolando Gonzalez, Marc Anthony Rodriguez, Uriel Barrientos, Christopher L. Minor, Leandro Alfaro, Kaleb Murr, Eric Garcia, Ryan Cathey, Felix (Trey) Chavez, Gabriel Gomez, Matthew Hill, Pedro Garcia, JP Joiner, Chris Chavez, Richmond Adame, Louie Buitron, Juan Garcia, Drew Bosmans, Adam Dominguez, Patrick Chavez, David Hernandez, Sammy Estrada, Lance Roberts, Frank Edmiston, Caleb Nixon, Michael Ballew.

Hospital Board meets, discusses Meals Program

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to the next meeting of the Schleicher County Commissioners Court, and would allow time for a contract, or "inter-local agreement", between the hospital and the county to be prepared.

Board President Judy Christian called the meeting to order at 8:15 p.m. with trustees Delia Pina, Randy Mankin, Jim Martin, John Callison, Lanis Mikeska and Shirley Joiner.

An executive session for the purpose of discussing a physician search and a rental contract commenced at 9:06 p.m. As the group returned to open session they unanimously approved the hiring of a physician recruitment firm on a contingency basis. The company will be seeking a doctor to replace Dr. Randall Sloan, who left recently after his contract expired. It was further explained that if the company fails to recruit a suitable physician with whom the hospital can agree to a contract, the company will be paid nothing. However, a successful search could cost the hospital district as much as \$20,000.00.

Minutes of the meeting of December 18, 2000 and January 8, 2001 were distributed in printed form and were approved as presented.

Next, the board discussed the district's investments and directed Assistant Administrator Beverly Minor to contact various banks and brokerage companies to determine the best interest rate available on \$140,000.00 in certificates of deposit that will mature this month.

The board then reviewed the district's financial statements and noted that the facility's financial po-

sition continues to improve. Administrator Fagan-Cook explained that the hospital's bank account had grown by \$91,831.46 in the past year. That figure includes revenue from all sources, including Medicare, Medicaid, health insurance, private pay and the local tax levy. Ms. Fagan-Cook noted that much of the improvement in the hospital's finances is directly attributable to the fact the facility enrolling in Medicare's Critical Access program. Additionally, Fagan-Cook reported a significant reduction in payment for overtime due to scheduling and staffing changes. The board voted unanimously to approve the financial statements, accounts payable, statistics, cash flow and bad debt listings.

Fagan-Cook then reported to the board concerning a complaint from a local citizen regarding the fees charged in the hospital's clinic. It was noted that the clinic fees are in line with area facilities and have not been increased since 1998.

In new business, Rico Forlano, D.C. was reappointed to the hospital's consulting staff and Marcus Sims, D.O. was reappointed to the facility's courtesy staff. The board learned that the hospital's new emergency generator has been installed and that it is fully operational. In a related item, the board voted to declare the old generator and propane tank to be surplus property and to call for bids on the equipment.

Before adjourning, the board approved a consent agenda okaying policy and procedures manuals and clinic protocols. They authorized the payment of \$1,047.00 in dues to the American Hospital Association.

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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. 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
January 26 • Middleton, Lonnie A. male age 18, arrested by SC Officer, charge Theft by Check. Released on \$1,000 bond.
Mejia, Michael Barajas, male age 34, arrested by SC Officer, charge, Disorderly Conduct. Released on Citation.
January 28 • Horner, Michael David, male, hold for Irion County, charge,

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Driving While Intoxicated. Released on \$500 Surety Bond.

REPORTS
January 23 • 5:24 p.m. Complainant at convenience store reported a gas drive off. Subjects in a white suburban pulling a jeep. Officer reported.
• 5:30 p.m. Complainant on N. Cottonwood reported a small blue Road-runner bicycle missing from home.
• 9:01 p.m. Complainant requested to speak to an officer. Complainant and family are stranded. Officer responded.
January 24 • 1:20 a.m. Complainant came into Sheriff Officer to speak to an officer. Complainant stated that her husband keeps following her around town.
• 5:58 a.m. Complainant on Cottonwood reported that their neighbor plays their music loud every morning. Complainant requested an officer speak to subject.
• 12:32 p.m. School cafeteria requested an ambulance. Child fainted. EMS2 and Officer responded.
• 7:43 p.m. Complainant reported a large boulder in the road in the North lane on Hwy. 277 by street light in town. Officer reported and was unable to locate.
January 25 • 4:15 p.m. Subject requested Sheriff Office to place a attempt to locate over the teletype. Mes-

sage sent.
• 6:41 p.m. Complainant on S. Main reported a suspicious person riding a bike in the alley behind their residence. Officer responded and subject was located.
• 7:45 p.m. Complainant reported a reckless driver south bound at county line on Hwy. 277. Officer responded and was unable to contact complainant.
January 26 • 9:20 a.m. Tom Green County Sheriff Officer reported a gas drive off from Christoval. Baby Blue Ford older model pickup pulling a trailer. Officer unable to locate.
• 2:00 p.m. Criminal Mischief subject found someone poured antifreeze in their gas tank. Estimated value: \$11,000.00.
• 2:55 p.m. Complainant requested an ambulance with no lights or sirens. EMS2 responded.
• 5:40 p.m. Complainant reported a possible sick raccoon. Officer responded.
• 9:34 p.m. Complainant reported a red F150 double cab pickup with tinted windows occupied by 2 white males who are possibly drunk. Officer responded, unable to located contacted Sutton County.
• 11:05 p.m. Complainant reported a possible fight in progress on Rudd Road.
• 11:52 p.m. Complainant reported a possible drunk driver 12 miles North Hwy. 277.
January 27 • 10:13 p.m. Complainant at Memorial Building requested an ambulance for a man having possible heart problems. EMS 2 and officer responded.
• 11:06 p.m. Complainant reported a suspicious vehicle. Officer responded.
January 28 • 7:49 p.m. Complainant reported a vehicle flipped over at the end of Rudd Road. No injuries reported. Officer and EMS 2 responded.
January 29 • 9:30 a.m. Complainant requested an ambulance to respond to S. Poplar Street. Units responded and subject was not home.
• 2:52 p.m. Complainant requested an ambulance. Subject stated that they had broken their leg and were unable to get into their pickup. EMS and Officer responded.
• 9:03 p.m. Complainant reported an intoxicated black male came to their house. Officer responded. 9:05 p.m. female complainant reported same black male on San Antonio Street trying to stop passing cars.
• 11:20 p.m. Complainant requested an officer to assist them in getting into their house. Officer responded.
January 30 • 11:55 a.m. A female subjects car was hit by trash barrel while traveling South on N. 277. Subject was unable to get information on vehicle. Vehicle was headed other direction at time of accident. Officer responded. Vehicle was a white truck carrying unsecured trash barrels. Officer was unable to locate.
• 1:30 p.m. Complainant reported a white/green finish Nokia 252 cell phone lost.

SCHLEICHER COUNTY ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2000
BY KAREN HENDERSON - SCHLEICHER COUNTY TREASURER

FUND	BALANCE JAN. 1, 2000	RECEIVED FROM TRANSFERS	RECEIVED FROM AUTO LICENSE	RECEIVED FROM TAX COLLECTION	RECEIVED FROM OTHER SOURCES	TOTAL RECEIVED (INCLUDES TRANSFERS)	TOTAL DISBURSED (INCLUDES TRANSFERS)	TRANSFER TO OTHER FUNDS	CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2000
GENERAL FUND M.M.I.A.*	744,024.23								746,966.07
GENERAL FUND	61,508.41	-20,000.00	0.00	1,023,005.99	274,580.08	1,277,586.07	1,318,654.74	0.00	17,497.90
COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER M.M.I.A.*	11,262.83								12,911.18
COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER FUND	507.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,158.48	18,158.48	14,615.73	0.00	2,401.52
RECORDS MANAGEMENT FUND	519.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,070.87	7,070.87	6,452.98	0.00	1,137.31
COURTHOUSE SECURITY M.M.I.A.*	18,394.80								23,629.39
COURTHOUSE SECURITY FUND	1,001.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,178.70	9,178.70	2,351.90	0.00	2,593.39
ROAD & BRIDGE M.M.I.A.*	189,420.29								120,674.11
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	20,713.90	0.00	148,238.14	0.00	278,773.86	427,012.00	468,595.87	0.00	47,876.21
MEMORIAL BUILDING M.M.I.A.*	4,266.75								5,554.31
MEMORIAL BUILDING FUND	1,104.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,182.59	3,182.59	1,383.12	0.00	1,616.01
HEALTH SERVICES M.M.I.A.*	15,283.31								12,960.54
HEALTH SERVICES FUND	2,255.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	70,991.19	70,991.19	71,381.40	0.00	4,187.93
JUSTICE OF PEACE M.M.I.A.*	12,734.08								14,765.89
JUSTICE OF PEACE FUND	1,038.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,119.11	20,119.11	11,880.35	0.00	7,245.44
ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL M.M.I.A.*	6,180.07								6,604.70
ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL FUND	542.09	0.00	0.00	162.64	433.75	596.39	0.00	0.00	713.85
MEALS PROGRAM M.M.I.A.*	12,844.97								8,668.00
MEALS PROGRAM FUND	9,606.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	39,176.93	39,176.93	49,685.88	0.00	3,274.62
FARM*MARKET M.M.I.A.*	233,609.45								163,718.28
FARM*MARKET ROAD FUND	28,443.56	0.00	0.00	238,033.86	11,568.00	249,601.86	307,643.05	0.00	40,293.54
LATERAL ROAD FUND	14,524.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,460.99	14,460.99	24,988.78	0.00	3,996.43
SERIES 1997 LTD. TAX NOTE M.M.I.A.*	2,605.08								3,427.03
SERIES 1997 LTD. TAX NOTE FUND	0.00	0.00	0.00	814.87	193.39	1,008.26	0.00	0.00	186.31
AIRPORT M.M.I.A.*	3,087.62								1,201.24
AIRPORT FUND	351.72	20,000.00	0.00	0.00	724.21	20,724.21	21,931.00	0.00	1,031.31
SELF-INSURANCE M.M.I.A.*	211,652.30								76,924.89
SELF-INSURANCE FUND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,586.13	9,586.13	144,313.54	0.00	0.00
HOT CHECK FUND	986.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,177.66	1,177.66	1,144.42	0.00	1,019.28
CONTINGENCY FUND M.M.I.A.*	312,731.33								326,874.06
CONTINGENCY FUND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,860.73	19,860.73	5,718.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL SECURITIES*	1,778,097.11								1,524,879.49
TOTAL FUNDS	143,102.22	0.00	148,238.14	1,362,017.36	779,236.67	2,189,492.17	2,450,740.76	0.00	135,071.05

THE ABOVE STATEMENT AS COMPILED FROM THE RECORDS OF THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY TREASURER, SCHLEICHER COUNTY, TEXAS IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF

SIGNED: *Karen Henderson*
KAREN HENDERSON, SCHLEICHER COUNTY TREASURER

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The family of Eleanor Maddox Jeffrey Powell would like to express our appreciation for all the food, flowers, cards, and calls during the illness and death of our mother.

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The Gonzalez family would like to thank all for their loving prayers, flowers, cards, and support in our time of loss. God Bless All of You,
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The donations for Rehab Telethon keep coming in. This past week have received donations from Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jay, Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Bob) Bland and Beta Sigma Phi.

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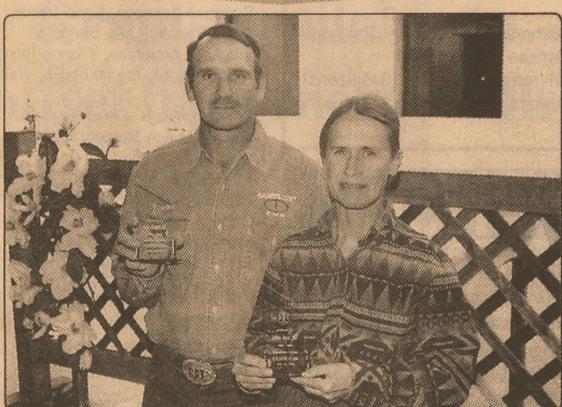
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Eldorado Spotlight



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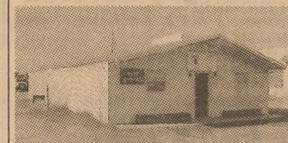
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Family of the Year — Victor and Sylvia Belman (at left) were recognized as the Knights of Columbus Council #11282 Family of the Year. They are shown here with Council Grand Knight Albert Torres and his wife Esther (at right).

Game Assn. names Big Rack and Longest Spike winners

The Eldorado Game Association has completed the 2000 Big Rack Contest scoring. Winning 1st Place was Gail A. Taylor from Cedar Hill, Texas. He harvested the winning buck off Charles Ray and Pat Pfluger's ranch in northern Schleicher County. 2nd Place went to Gregory P. Sells from Round Rock, hunting on the Robinson Ranch. The 3rd Place winner was James B. (Jim) Adams from Fruit Port, Michigan. His buck came off the Henderson Ranch in eastern Schleicher County.

Connie Parmer was the 4th Place winner from Veribest. Her buck came off the Parmer Ranch in western Schleicher County.

The Longest Spike Contest was won by Jeff Chancellor of Eldorado.

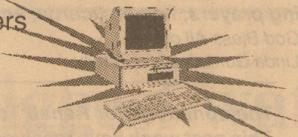
The Eldorado Game Association would like to thank all participants in these contests and congratulate the winners. Special recognition goes to Jim Chancellor and his employees of West Texas Lumber and Trading Post for conducting the contest.



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Knight of the Year — Felipe Pina (at left) were recognized as the Knights of Columbus Council #11282 Knight of the Year. He is shown here with Esther and Albert Torres. Albert is Grand Knight of Council #11282.

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Now, that's a big one — Gail A. Taylor of Cedar Hill won the Big Rack contest sponsored by the Eldorado Game Association. He killed this buck on the Pfluger Ranch in northern Schleicher County.

Pearl Harbor survivors to meet in Fredericksburg

FREDERICKSBURG — The Pearl Harbor Survivors Association has named the National Museum of the Pacific War (formerly the Admiral Nimitz Museum) the mainland site of the 60th anniversary commemoration of the attack

on Pearl Harbor, scheduled for Dec. 7, 2001.

With the diminishing number of veterans of World War II, the 60th anniversary takes on special significance. Although a ceremony also will be held at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii, the long flight to Hawaii may be difficult for many of the veterans.

The 60th anniversary commemoration will include a hero's parade, a fly-over by vintage World War II planes, and a special ceremony at the museum with nationally known speakers. John Finn, the last living Congressional Medal of Honor winner from Pearl Harbor, will be the grand marshal of the parade.

The National Museum of the Pacific War is the only museum dedicated to telling the entire story of World War II in the Pacific.

Eldorado Woman's Club holds monthly meeting

by Noweita Briggs

The Eldorado Woman's Club met at 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 9, 2001 in the Club Room of the Memorial Building. Theme for this meeting was "All I Can Be". President Jo Callison opened the meeting with a greeting to 15 members and 1 guest. Myrt Williams next led in our opening prayer and Ester Bunton led in Pledges to the Flags. Following were reports from Secretary Imogene Edmiston and Treasure Nelva Martin. Roll call was answered with "what self-improvement have you planned for this year". After a brief business meeting Program Leader Jerry Holley welcomed our Guest Speaker Debbie Joy. Debbie was substituting for the scheduled speaker yet her talk seemed to have been planned to fit perfectly with the thoughts that were made for this meeting many months ago. Her talk was focused on "All I Can Be" through improving Mind, Body, and Spirit. Debbie is a lovely example of what works when you carry out the principles she outlined. Some key factors that helps one to achieve a harmonious life style is to organize our daily routine in order to simplify life, to improve our spiritual needs, and to improve mentally and physically. Hard work, self discipline, an attitude of "Just Do It" and keep on doing it will result in peace and harmony. Organization plays a major role - The simple and uncomplicated the better. Begin each morning with a brief time for devotional and

Bible Study even if you have only a few minutes. Strive to be more patient, do things to improve memory through lots of reading, be more concerned for others, improve your disposition, plan your day so you won't be rushed, and learn to say no. For a healthy body exercise often, drink plenty of water, limit coffee consumption to two cups in the morning, eat plenty of fruit and vegetables, legumes and rice, and less red meat. Smile more and reach out to others. Learn to say No when requests on your time gets out of control. Take time out for yourself. Have a special quiet, peaceful place for meditation, pray mini prayers often, forgive more and keep a journal. Debbie quoted from Mark Twain "That if everybody was satisfied with themselves there would be no heroes". We thank Debbie so much for bringing us such a great motivational speech.

The meeting closed with reciting our Club Collect. The hostesses Bobbie Sanders, Florence Williams, Esther Bunton, and Penny Bland then treated us with delicious refreshments. Quotations for this meeting was by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow who said "Look not mournful into the Past. It comes not back again. Wisely improve the Present. It is thine. Go forth to meet the shadowy Future, without fear, and with a manly heart".

Our next meeting will be 2:30 p.m. Tuesday February 13, 2001 at the Memorial Building Club Room.



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