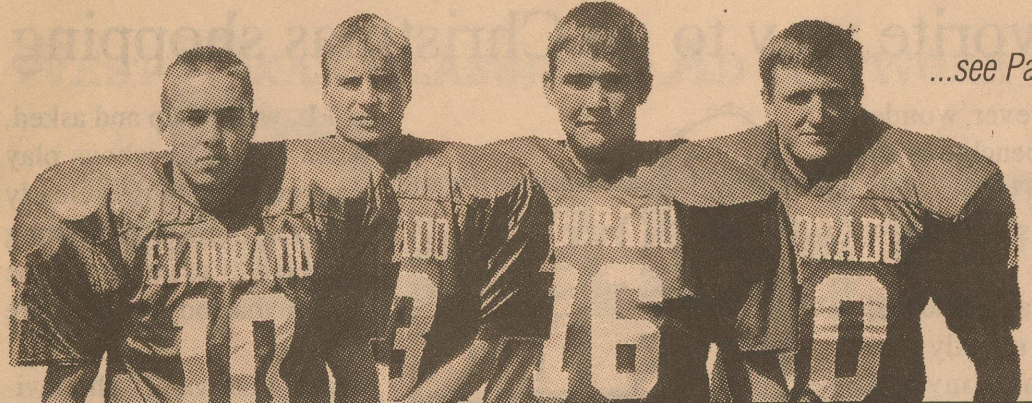


## Eagles claim 14 spots on 2-2A All-District Team



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## Eagles boys win Ballinger Basketball tourney



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### For Your Information

#### Texas Tomorrow Fund

Now in its fifth year, the Texas Tomorrow Fund has allowed nearly 100,000 families across Texas to lock in the cost of tomorrow's college tuition and fees at today's prices. Enrollment is open now through June 5, 2000. For today's newborn, a four-year college plan costs \$121,448; without a TTF plan, when that newborn enters college, the cost is expected to top \$52,000.

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#### On This Date

On this date in 1940 the British launched their first major offensive of WWII when they attacked the Italian forces massed at Sidi Barrani in Egypt. In 1958 Robert H. Welch, Jr. founded the John Birch Society, a right-wing organization dedicated to fighting communism in American society. In 1987 the Palestinian "intefada" erupted in the Gaza Strip region of Israel. In 1990 Lech Walesa, leader of the Solidarity trade union, was became the first democratically elected President of Poland in six decades. In 1992 Charles, Prince of Wales and heir to the British throne, and his wife, Princess Diana announced the end of their marriage, saying that they were separating "amicably."

Birthdays of note include: 1898 clown Emmett Kelly; 1911 actor Lee J. Cobb; 1912 Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Tip O'Neil; 1916 actor Kirk Douglas; 1922 comedian Redd Foxx; 1942 Pro Football Hall of Famer Dick Butkus; 1949 golfer Tom Kite; 1957 singer Donny Osmond.

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#### Tortilla Sales Not Flat

The tortilla, long a Texas favorite, is the rising star of the baking industry. Tortilla makers are creating tortillas with flavors such as tomato, spinach and, of course, jalapeno and turning them into "wraps" for an increasing variety of nontraditional ingredients. Even national sandwich shop chains have added tortilla wraps to their menus.

Such innovations, combined with the increasing popularity of Mexican foods, will make the tortilla-making business a \$4 billion industry by 2000, up from \$2.9 billion in 1996, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. Tortillas have outpaced the rest of the baking industry, growing at a 17 percent rate compared to 2 percent for other, more traditional bakery products.

## City receives nod from State to open new landfill

by Pat Ragsdale

The regular monthly meeting of the Eldorado City Council was held beginning at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, December 6, 1999. Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Minor called upon Pat Ragsdale to lead the invocation after which the meeting was called to order. Present were council persons Richard Mendez, Toni Sudduth, Robert Bybee and Eddie Rodriguez. Absent were mayor John Nikolauk and Council woman Sherry Lux. No citizens were present to meet with the council.

Cindy Cawley, representing Platteau Underground Water Conservation and Supply District met with the council concerning the Long-

horn Pipeline which Schleicher County from east to west.

Cawley expressed concerns about protecting the Edwards-Trinity Aquifer from damage in case of a spill from the pipeline. It was explained that this pipeline has been in existence for approximately fifty years and had previously been used to transport crude oil when it was owned by Exxon.

The new owners plan to use the pipeline to transport gasoline and other refined fuel products from Houston to El Paso.

Cawley said that a study issued by the Environmental Protection Agency has stated that the change will have no significant impact on

the environment. A recent meeting was held in Austin where a meeting room designed to accommodate 400 persons was overcrowded and the meeting canceled by the Austin Fire Marshall due to 800 persons desiring to attend the meeting.

After Cawley's presentation, Councilwoman Toni Sudduth offered a motion, which was seconded by Robert Bybee, directing City Administrator Randy Mankin to write a letter to the Environmental Protection Agency, expressing the city's concern for the protection of the Edwards-Trinity Aquifer. Sudduth's motion passed unanimously.

In other business, City Administrator Randy Mankin announced that

a "pre-opening inspection" of the city's new landfill had been conducted by a representative of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC). He said the inspection went well and that final approval was given for the city to begin placing garbage in the facility.

The council expressed their joy at the news that the six-year-long effort to open the new landfill was finally over.

Mankin further reported that he had been searching surplus equipment lists and had found a machine

designed to compact trash in the landfill. He estimated that a new piece of equipment was could cost as much as \$130,000 while the surplus machine was available to the city for \$18,000. Mankin stated that by the use of this type of machine, the life of the landfill could be greatly extended. The design of the machine is to crush plastic bottles, milk jugs and other waste that ordinarily causes trash to be quite bulky. This crushing operation would condense the trash into a thinner layer

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## Womans Club Christmas Parade of Homes

by Carolyn Mayo

This years Eldorado Womans Club Christmas Parade of Homes is scheduled for Sunday, December 12th from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. with tickets selling for \$5 at the door of

any of the three homes on the tour.

HOME #1: Scooter & Kathy Faulk One-Half Mile South on Hwy 277

This home was built approximately 35 years ago by Clyde and

Sweet Keeney and is better known as the "Old Keeney Place". This homesite is located one-half mile South on Hwy 277. The home was built of native rock collected from the surrounding acreage. Scooter and Kathy purchased the home and 12.5 acres eight years ago.

The Faulks have completely remodeled the inside of the 2700 sq. ft. home which consists of three bedrooms, three bathrooms, large living room, dining room, kitchen and utility room.

Kathy's hobby is doll collecting, and she has collected dolls for the past 15 years. Most of the collection consists of porcelain although her collection includes several others made of cloth. One of her favorite dolls is a 36-inch porcelain 1870's Victorian Lady. The doll is dressed in a green satin gown which was designed and made by Jeri Whitten. The doll was displayed at the Schleicher County Public Library during National Doll Week. Kathy insists everyone see her personal favorites - a porcelain Grandma and Grandpa - which were made by her sister-in-law, Brenda Beck, who now lives in Iowa.

Scooter's and Kathy's granddaughter Brittany, is also a collector. She has been collecting Ty Beanie Babies for about a year now and has over 80 accumulated in her collection.

Due to Kathy's recent back surgery, Kathy wasn't able to decorate extensively for Christmas beyond their traditional Christmas tree and a few special items.

HOME #2: Jeri & Ray Willoughby

It is well worth the drive to Jeri and Ray's home. Follow Highway 277 South toward Sonora six miles (look for clue) and turn right on Willoughby Lane (County Rd. #102). Continue down the caliche road over 5 cattle guards. You will pass through the Headquarters (pens, barns, bunkhouse, foreman's house) area before you reach the Willoughby home (about 4 miles from Hwy 277).

Jeri and Ray started construction on their house in the Fall of 1996 and completed it in July of 1997. The ranch style home is built with "Texas Pearl" Austin stone

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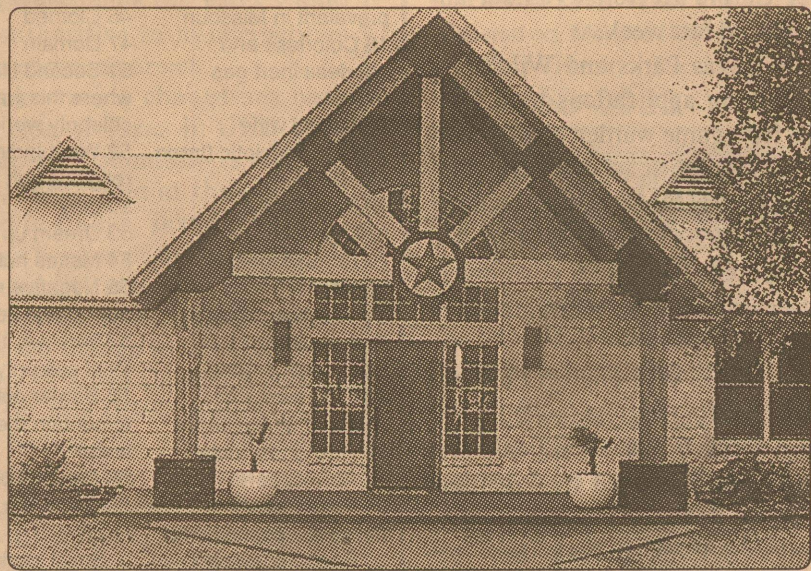


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The home of Jeri & Ray Willoughby located 4 miles down County Rd. 102



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The home of Scooter & Kathy Faulk located 1/2 mile south of Eldorado on U.S. 277

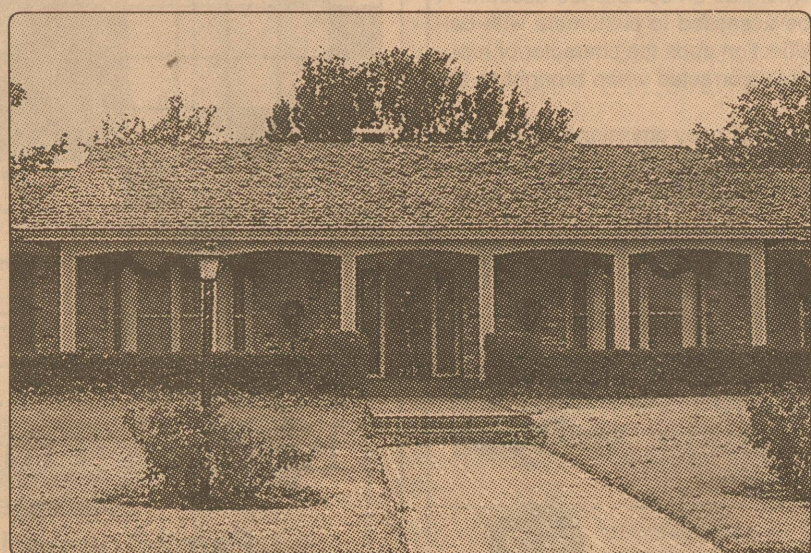


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The home of Gary & Princess Gruben located at 105 E. Liveoak

## Turner seeks re-election

I would like to announce that I, Lou Ann Turner, am a candidate for re-election for the office of County Tax Assessor-Collector.

As most of you know, I have been associated with this office for several years, having been deputy for more than fifteen years before being elected to this position.

Each function of the office is state mandated and there have been many changes during the three years since I took office. There is an almost constant need for updating methods and equipment and I feel this is being done in an efficient and economical way.

It is a pleasure to serve the citizens of Schleicher County. I would

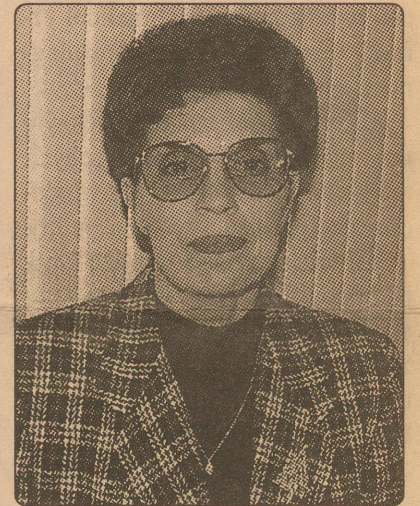


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Lou Ann Turner

like to continue to do so and I thank you for your support and consideration.

## Dombroski announces candidacy for Sheriff

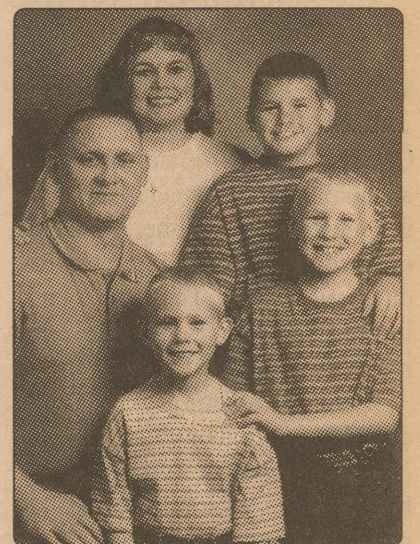
To the citizens of Schleicher County:

This notice is to announce my intention to run for the forthcoming election. My family and I have lived in Schleicher County for a little over four years. I served as a Deputy Sheriff for Schleicher County until June 29, 1999.

My family and I are all involved in community and school activities in Eldorado. My wife and I both feel that Eldorado is a great community where we would love to stay and raise our children. The citizens of Schleicher County are terrific and we've made a lot of really good friends here.

We feel a responsibility to the community and hope to continue to participate in the activities that make Eldorado such a great place to live. I am currently a member of the Schleicher County Volunteer Fire Department, an assistant scoutmaster for Boy Scout Troop 18, and a Mason. I have been an assistant coach for Eldorado Youth baseball and basketball, as well as, an umpire for the Eldorado Youth baseball and girls' softball. One of my many concerns as a law enforcement officer is the youth of our community. If elected, I will continue to work closely with the youth.

I am looking forward to visiting with each and every one of you during my campaign, but because of my work schedule this may not be possible. If I am not able to con-



courtesy photo

Joe Dombroski and family

tact you during my campaign visits, please accept my apologies at this time and consider this announcement as my request for your vote.

Family and community are very important to me. I hope to create a just department that will make the community feel safe and protected. I ask that you remember the job I did during my four years as a Deputy Sheriff and my contributions to the community by both my family and myself. If you have any questions for me, please call my residence or e-mail me at jtktd@yahoo.com. Again, thank you for the past four years and, hopefully, many more years to come.

Joseph J. Dombroski (Joe)  
Candidate for  
Schleicher County Sheriff





## My favorite way to go Christmas shopping

Have you ever wondered why they put benches in shopping malls? That's easy...so men can go shopping with their wives.

Last Saturday, at the mall in San Angelo, I quickly retreated to a bench as my family cruised from store to store. I wasn't alone, though, there were lots of long-faced men doing exactly the same thing.

Years ago, as I lounged on one such bench, I invented a game which I have continued to play ever since. Observing people as they walk past me, I make up stories for each of them.

For example, last Saturday, I saw a fairly ordinary looking man whose only distin-



### OVER THE BACK FENCE

by Randy Mankin

guishing characteristic was that he appeared very nervous. As the fellow walked toward me his eyes darted around and he turned often to look behind him. In my mind he became a shoplifter, trying to get away with his loot.

Then there was a woman with several rowdy children. She seemed to be at her wits end. I thought she looked as if she didn't know what to do, so I decided she must be the little old lady who lived in a shoe.

At one point I spied a fellow whom I thought resembled the Unabomber. You know, Ted Kazinsky, the guy who mailed homemade bombs to unfortunate victims across the country.

Then there was the Cowboys fan who took a seat on the bench directly behind me. This guy wore a Dallas Cowboys cap, a Cowboys t-shirt and a Cowboys jacket. He also had on a pair of Cowboys warm-up pants. He wore Cowboys socks and Cowboys tennis shoes, too.

It was at this point that my

son J.L. walked up and asked, "When do the Cowboys play tomorrow, Dad?" (He clearly had not noticed fellow sitting behind me...I'm going to have to teach that boy to be more observant)

Well, that was all the invitation that Cowboys fan needed. Not only did he know when and where the Cowboys were playing, he knew what the weather was supposed to be like at the kickoff. I think he was about to deliver a dissertation on football tactics when Kathy and Sarah came out of the store and rescued us.

A few moments later, they found another store and I located yet another bench. That's when I spotted a tall young man with wavy black hair walking hand-in-hand with an attractive young woman.

The couple stopped in front of a store where the man gave the woman an quick kiss before she disappeared inside. The man then proceeded down the mall alone. But, before he had gotten very far, another young woman ran up to him and gave him a hug and a kiss. Then, holding hands, they walked away together.

Hmmm, I thought to myself, he'll probably be President of the United States, someday.

## State health officials comment on 'medical errors' report

AUSTIN — At least 44,000 hospitalized Americans die each year because of medical errors, according to a report released last week by the National Academy of Sciences' Institute of Medicine.

But the report does not cite how many accidental deaths of patients were recorded in Texas or any other state, for that matter.

Neither the Texas Department of Health nor the Texas Board of Medical Examiners keeps track of deaths attributed to "medical errors" that could include misdiagnosis or misprescribed drugs.

Texas health officials reacted to the report, however, saying physician- and facility-licensing procedures help to ensure patient safety.

"Our system has worked well, and physicians that don't meet our requirements are disciplined," Dr. Bruce Levy, executive director of the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners, told *The Dallas Morn-*

### State Capital Highlights

Compiled by Ed Sterling

#### ing News.

"If a medical provider represents an imminent threat to the public, we can suspend their state license, and we now do that about a dozen times a year," Levy said.

In Texas, physicians do not have to be re-examined once they are licensed, but they must take at least 24 hours of continuing medical education each year.

More than 900 Texas physicians have been disciplined in the last six years for violating state rules and requirements.

Disciplinary actions ranged from license revocations and suspensions to public reprimands and fines, Levy told *The News*.

Ninety-nine physicians have been disciplined for malpractice or

other infractions in 1999, including nine who lost their licenses to practice in Texas.

Licenses of 43 doctors have been suspended and 18 doctors have had restrictions put on their licenses, Levy said.

Texas hospitals are required to report any abuse, neglect or exploitation of patients to the Department of Health, said Nance Stearman, director of the Health Facility Licensing and Compliance Division at the Texas Department of Health.

#### TNRCC Sends Y2K Alerts

Failure to prepare for the year 2000 computer bug will not be accepted as an excuse if violations of state environmental regulations occur.

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission has sent a series of "Y2K" alert letters to companies that must comply with state environmental regulations.

"It is important that you understand that the failure of any aspect of your operation as a result of Y2K problems that cause non-compliance with TNRCC rules will not be considered an 'act of God,'" cautioned TNRCC Executive Director Jeff Saitas in an Oct. 26 letter.

"Consequently, any such failures will be subject to normal enforcement procedures."

Since August 1998, three letters have been sent to alert the regulated community of its Y2K responsibilities.

The most recent letter, mailed Nov. 19, was sent to about 900 small chemical companies and allied products companies that have

less than 50 employees.

#### Other Highlights

• On Nov. 30, Texas Attorney General John Cornyn became the first Texas attorney general in 23 years to argue a case before the U.S. Supreme Court. Cornyn spent four months preparing for his 20 minutes before the Court, during which he defended a Texas sex-crimes law being challenged by a convicted child molester in *Carmell vs. Texas*. A ruling is expected next spring.

• The unclaimed property list published by the Texas Comptroller in October soon will reunite 23,142 people with \$63.6 million in forgotten cash and other valuables. Claims are being processed as quickly as possible, Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander announced last week.

• Texas Parks and Wildlife is accepting applications until Dec. 16 for a game warden class scheduled to start in July 2000. Applications can be obtained by calling 1-800-792-1112. More than 400 people applied for 25 positions in the previous class, which graduates Jan. 17.

• Texas was one of 12 states honored for progress toward meeting national education goals created and endorsed by President George Bush and the nation's governors in 1989-90. Texas drew special accolades for its progress on student achievement. Texas Commissioner of Education Jim Nelson accepted the award from the National Education Goals Panel at a Dec. 1 ceremony in Washington, D.C.



## ROLLING ALONG

WITH TUMBLEWEED SMITH

### Mineral Wells, the Crazy City

Years ago, Indians fell in love with Palo Pinto county because it offered plenty to eat and drink. Outlaws liked it because the trees and giant boulders made great hiding places. At one time, mulberry orchards were maintained to produce silkworms. The area's past includes legendary cattlemen, coal miners and wildcatters.

Palo Pinto county has produced 20 million barrels of oil and is rich in minerals. Its natural timber resources include forests of cedar, oak and pecan. It is a place where the bald eagle soars. It is home to deer, quail, turkey and dove.

Some pioneers poked holes in the ground and got some funny tasting water that turned out to have medicinal properties that could cure everything from rheumatism to mental disorders. The word got out and people came here from all over to drink the water and bathe in it. Two hundred thousand people a year visited Mineral Wells searching for renewal: good health, a place to relax for awhile and gain perspective on their lives.

Prominent people came: superstars in movies and politics. Film maker D. W. Griffith put up the Hollywood sign in California after seeing the Welcome sign on a hillside in Mineral Wells.

The city got the reputation as the nation's greatest health resort. Somebody got the idea to evapo-

rate the mineral water and sell the resulting residue. It was packaged under the name Crazy Water Crystals, advertised on radio and sent all over the world. Customers only had to add tap water to the crystals to make mineral water.

The Baker Hotel, fashioned after the Arlington in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and the Crazy Hotel are monuments to the healing waters that made the city famous.

World War Two and the invention of sulfa drugs brought an end to the bath house heyday of Mineral Wells. Now, water of another sort...lake water...is bringing people to Mineral Wells, to once again relax and heal and gain some perspective on life. They enjoy the Brazos River Valley with its wooded hills, scenic roads, clear sky and the feeling of space and freedom.

Nearby landmarks like inspiration point, lovers retreat and penitentiary hollow are intriguing places to visit. Some Mineral Wells homes have unique and significant architectural characteristics. Creative individuals see opportunity in the cross timbers and build companies that produce helicopter parts, bricks, pharmaceuticals, fiberglass pipe, leather goods and agricultural products. This city, nestled at the foot of two mountains, offers picturesque water, appealing scenery and active, loving people.

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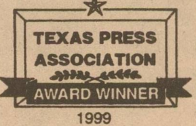
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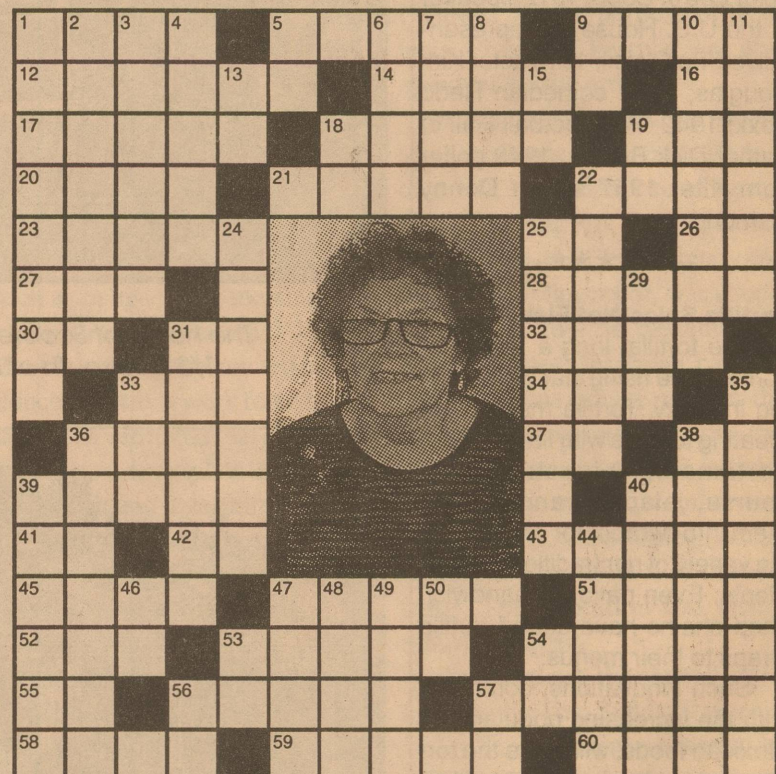
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### HOMETOWN CROSSWORD

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| ACROSS   | 38 Bachelor of science degree (abbr.)                        | (adv.)  |
| 1 With 57A this week's local celebrity                       | 39 Smooths wood  | 11 Remove sludge from a body of water                                       |
| 5 Noisy riotous fight  | 40 European mountain   | 13 Soft silver-white ductile metallic element (abbr.)                       |
| 9 Clock pointer  | 41 Chicago's railway   | 15 Change location  |
| 12 Amentia   | 42 Logarithmic bases   | 18 Unit of radioactivity (abbr.)  |
| 14 Sioux tribe once prevalent in Missouri                    | 43 Fictional elephant  | 19 In other words (abbr.)   |
| 16 Colorless and odorless inert gas (abbr.)                  | 45 Clothed   | 22 Eccentric person   |
| 17 Mulled wine   | 47 Domain  | 24 Female heir  |
| 18 Oral antibiotic (trade name)                              | 51 Second Hand _____ where this week's local celebrity works | 25 Large bath fixture   |
| 19 Presidential nickname                                     | 52 West Indies religious cult involving sorcery              | 29 Personification of the sun (Roman mythology)                             |
| 20 Knowledgeable about                                       | 53 Dream up as a plan  | 31 Expressed agreement  |
| 21 Tough and flexible floor covering                         | 54 Makes hotter  | 33 2000 lbs.  |
| 22 Garden enemy  | 55 Negative reply  | 35 Steamed coffee product   |
| 23 Cold symptom  | 56 Female sorcerer   | 36 Tennis player's assistant  |
| 25 Have an existence   | 57 With 1A, this week's local celebrity                      | 38 Used explosives on   |
| 26 1/10 gram (abbr.)   | 58 Barrier constructed to contain the flow or water          | 39 Endorse  |
| 27 Atmosphere  | 59 Piece of paper  | 40 On a ship, train or plane  |
| 28 Passageway between seating areas                          | 60 Cocoyam   | 44 West African tree  |
| 30 Bachelor's degree in religion                             | DOWN   | 46 Branch of computer science dealing with creative problem solving (abbr.) |
| 31 A hard malleable ductile silvery metallic element (abbr.) | 1 Small hacks  | 47 Betrays  |
| 32 Helen's home  | 2 Pharyngeal tonsil  | 48 Scribe a likeness  |
| 33 Prominent pile of rocks on a hill                         | 3 Hardship   | 49 Have a yen for   |
| 34 Good cholesterol (abbr.)                                  | 4 Immature   | 50 Pituitary hormone (abbr.)  |
| 36 Portend   | 5 Expressing surprise  | 53 Howdy  |
| 37 In the direction of                                       | 6 Cut of meat between ribs and rump                          | 54 Santa says this a lot  |
|  | 7 Catch sight of   | 56 You and I  |
|  | 8 Viscount's superior  | 57 Lubbock school's initials  |
|  | 9 Objective male pronoun                                     |   |
|  | 10 Without clothing  |   |

### LOCAL CELEBRITY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

This week's solution on Page 6



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# OBITUARIES

## Pauline Tidwell

Rebecca Pauline Nixon Tidwell 68 of Paris, Tennessee died Wednesday, November 24, 1999 of a sudden heart attack. She donated her organs to science and was cremated.

A Memorial Service was held at Ridgeway Funeral Chapel in Paris on Saturday, November 27, 1999. Conducted by a Sr. Elder (as they were without a preacher at the time) of the First Christian Church, of which she was a member.

She was born May 28, 1931 in Schleicher County, Texas to Robert J. and Estella "Esta" Roberts Nixon of Eldorado.

She graduated from Eldorado High School in 1948, then attended San Angelo Business College. Upon graduation she went to work in the Tom Green County Courthouse in the Tax Assessors Office.

She was married to Frank O. Franklin, of Bessemer City, North Carolina on June 14, 1952 in the First Methodist Church Chapel in San Angelo, Texas. She played with the San Angelo Symphony for a short time before moving to El Paso.

In the summer of 1956 she moved to Anchorage, Alaska. She worked at the Elmendorf Air Force Base until she homesteaded 160 acres of land at the edge of Big Lake near Palmer, Alaska.

In May 1961 she and Frank returned to Texas landing in Schleicher County. She then went to work at Southwest Texas Electric

Coop. in Eldorado. In March 1963 she moved to Henry, Tennessee on a farm near Paris. Frank returned to Alaska in May 1965 and her divorce was final July 1966. She remained on the farm until the Spring of 1967 when she moved into Paris.

She was married to Bobby L. Tidwell at the First Christian Church of Paris on September 6, 1967. She worked for a number of companies in Paris over the years. She retired from Cole Trucking of Camden, TN in 1992.

She was preceded in death by her parents and foster-brother, Alford "Skinny" Holmes. She had no children.

Survivors include her husband, Bobby L. Tidwell of Paris, TN; one sister, Florence Nixon Hinton and brother-in-law, Allen J. "Jack" Hinton of Eldorado; one brother R. A. "Andy" Nixon of Eldorado and one uncle, Lester Nixon of Eldorado; five nieces, Judy Nixon Sauters Lomax of Cincinnati, OH, Mary Ann Nixon Runge Sherrod of San Antonio, Linda Nixon Taylor Scroggins of Eldorado, Doris Hinton Mahon Lord of Prescott Valley, AZ, Ann Marie Holmes Haley of Perryton, TX; numerous cousins and a lifetime friend, Howard Haynes of San Angelo plus three dear friends, which includes Howard's wife, Carolyn and Russell and Janet Hilton of Union City, TN.

## Gentry/Stricklan plan wedding

Pat Gentry and Leon Stricklan, both of Eldorado, are pleased to announce their upcoming wedding in the new millennium.

Pat has daughters, Laura Hansen and husband Brian of Arlington, and Linda Wooley, also of Arlington. She has one granddaughter.

Leon has two children, Carolyn Tripp and husband Toby of Odessa and Rick Stricklan and wife Lori of Eldorado. He has six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

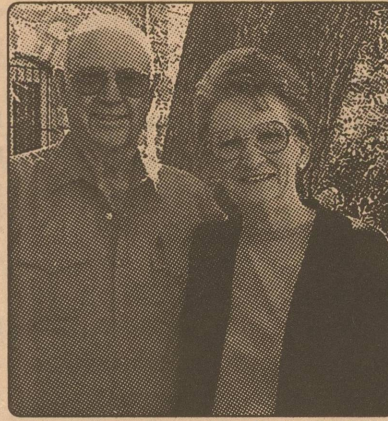


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Leon Stricklan and Pat Gentry

# OBITUARIES

## Louie Ashley

SNYDER — Louie Z. Ashley Jr. longtime Scurry County farmer and rancher, father of Brenda Williams Mayfield, died Thursday, December 2, 1999 in University Medical Center in Lubbock after a sudden illness.

Funeral service was set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the Dunn Baptist Church with the Rev. Norman Burgess, pastor, officiating. Interment was to follow in the Dunn Cemetery. Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Ashley, born on August 8, 1924 in Baird, married Pauline Greene on December 8, 1946 in Dunn. They had lived in Marble Falls and Haskell before deciding to make Scurry County their permanent home. Mr. Ashley served with the U.S. Army Tank Corp.

during World War II. He was a member of the Dunn Baptist Church.

Two sisters preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline Ashley of Snyder; two daughters, Brenda Williams Mayfield of Eldorado, Texas and Deborah Ann Ashley of Snyder; a son, Jimmy Lee Ashley and daughter-in-law Jo Ann Ashley of Slaton; two sisters, Modine Johnston and Frances Machen, both of Snyder; two brothers, E.M. Ashley and Carl Ashley, both of Snyder; and three grandchildren, Jennifer Williams of Snyder, and Sara and Andrew Ashley of Slaton.

The family suggest memorials to the Dunn Cemetery Association or the Snyder Senior Citizens Center.

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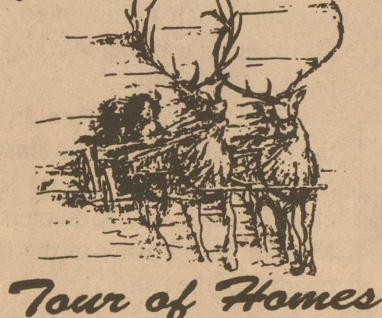
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And be glad I am spending Christmas with Jesus Christ this year.  
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**TICKETS:** \$5.00 at the door  
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DATE: DECEMBER 12, 1999



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TIME: 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. (Booth space is free, set up after 2:00)  
EVENTS: Booths, Christmas Carols, Santa  
SCHEDULE: 4:30 to 5:00 EHS Varsity Choir  
5:00 Santa Arrives  
5:30 to 6:00 3rd & 4th Grade Choir  
6:00 to 6:30 Other groups to be announced  
6:30 until ? Group caroling led by C. Bradley

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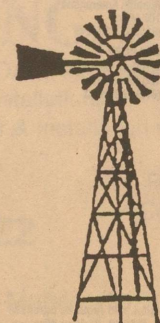


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## Eagles boys win Championship at Ballinger tourney

by David Hill  
Success Sports Writer

The Eldorado Eagles captured first place in the Ballinger Invitational Tournament this last week end. Eldorado defeated Winters, Ballinger, Sonora, and Lake View in route to the championship.

Eldorado defeated Winters in the opening round 67 to 37. EHS outscored the Blizzards in all four quarters of the contest. The Eagles were led by Anthony Pina with 17 points, Michael Mayo with 14, and Joey Bullard had 11. Mayo had 11 rebounds and 3 blocked shots while Pina had 6 assists. Bullard was 4 of 4 from the charity stripe. EHS played an excellent defensive game.

In the second round, Eldorado got a second chance to face Ballinger this year. EHS avenged a previous defeat with an 8 point victory 54 to 46. Mayo had 19 points, Pina had 15, and Bullard had 11. Pina and Bullard each had 7 assists

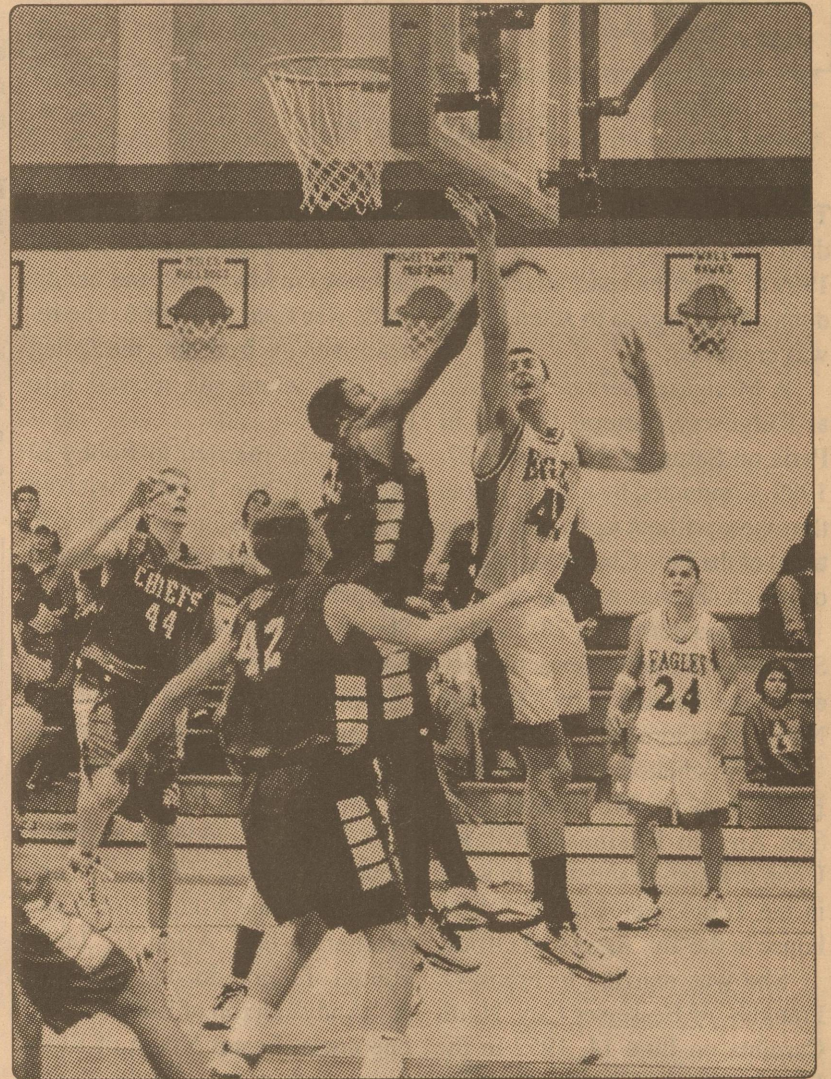
while Bullard also had 9 rebounds. Pina also had 4 steals.

The difference in the game was Bullard hitting 6 of his 11 points in the fourth quarter to get the Eagles started. Jason Brock and Jeff Stafford also had strong games inside.

Eldorado then faced Sonora in the third round and won in OT 71 to 68. The Eagles sent the game into the extra period when Mayo hit a 3 pointer with 4 seconds left in the game. EHS got in position to win the game by playing an excellent fourth quarter, then held on to win in OT. Pina had 26 points, Mayo had 20, and Bullard added 15. Bullard was 6 of 6 from the line. Mayo had 18 rebounds.

EHS then faced Lake View in the finals and won 57 to 43. The game was a see saw battle as one point separated the two teams until the fourth quarter. Eldorado outscored LV 21 to 8 in the final stanza for the win. Mayo led all scorers with 16, followed by Pina with 12, and Bullard with 10. Pina had 6 assists and 3 steals.

Coach Gillespie commented, "the team really came together this week-end and showed a lot of character, especially late in the games. I commend them on their efforts and the congratulate them on their first place finish."



Up and in — Michael Mayo powered over Lakeview defenders last Saturday as he led the Eagles to a 57-43 victory in the Championship game of the Ballinger Tournament. Mayo was named MVP of the tourney.



### Eagles J.V.

November 16, 1999

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Blackwell 04-08-03-11=28

Ramon Barajas, 6; Jimmy Joe Rodriguez, (1) 3 point goal, 14; Johnny Arispe, 6; Manuel Hernandez, 5; Wesley Jones (1) 3 point goal, 6; Quisto Gonzalez, 2; Thomas Ballew, 6; Daniel Mata, 2; Leonel Medrano, 1; Benji Gonzalez, 10.

November 19, 1999

Eldorado 09-12-00-16=32  
S.A. Lakeview 15-14-17-07=53

Ramon Barajas (2) 3 point goals, 9; Johnny Arispe, 2; Manuel Hernandez (1) 3 point goal, 5; Wesley Jones, 9; Quisto Gonzalez, 2; Thomas Ballew, 4; Daniel Mata, 4; Benji Gonzales, 2. Also playing was Jimmy Rodriguez and Leonel Medrano.

## Lady Eagles 1-2 in Ballinger Tourney

by David E. Hill  
Success Sports Writer

Coach Leslie Gooch's Lady Eagles went 1 and 2 in the Ballinger Tournament this past week end. EHS played Albany, Miles, and Menard at the tournament.

The Lady Eagles dropped the opener to Albany 55 to 46. Stacy Nicholson led all scorers with 18 points, Kim Jones had 11 and Christina Redish had 8. Redish had 10 rebounds in the ball game. Nicholson had her best offensive showing of the season. EHS were never out of the ball game but could never get closer than 4 points during the contest. The loss dropped the Lady Eagles to 3 and 3 on the season.

EHS then faced Miles in an elimination game on Friday. EHS doubled the Lady Bulldogs 48 to 24. Eldorado led by 14 at the end of the first quarter and didn't ever let up. Nicholson and Jones each had 10 points and Kayla McCravery had 9. Coach Gooch commented, "We played better team defense and were patient offensively."

The Lady Eagles then dropped the Consolation Final to Menard on Saturday. The Lady Eagles stayed close for the first three quarters then Menard pulled away in the fourth quarter for the win.

## EHS sweeps Rocksprings

by David E. Hill  
Success Sports Writer

Tuesday, November 30th was not a good night for Rocksprings basketball as both the Lady Eagles and Eagles came out victorious.

The Lady Eagles defeated Rocksprings 35 to 20 and dominated from start to finish. EHS outscored RHS 23 to 4 in the first half and finished with the win. Kayla McCravery led all scorers with 10 points, Stacy Nicholson had 8 and Kayla Kohls finished with 7. McCravery also had 8 rebounds, 7 steals, and 3 assists.

The win upped the Lady Eagles record to 3 wins and 2 losses.

The Eagles also soundly defeated RHS by a score of 75 to 46. EHS outscored Rocksprings all four quarters of the contest finishing very strong in the third and fourth quarters. Michael Mayo led all scorers with 29, followed by Joey Bullard with 17 and Jason Brock and Anthony Pina with 10 each. Mayo had 15 rebounds and 5 blocked shots, Bullard had 8 rebounds, and Pina had 8 assists.

Coach Gillespie said, "we hustled better than we have all year. The win runs their record to 3 and 2.



Another one for the trophy case — The Eagles varsity boys pose with their Championship trophy moments after defeating Lakeview in the final of the Ballinger Tournament. Team members are (Front L-R) Jason Brock, Joey Bullard, Anthony Pina, Johnny Herrera, (Back L-R) William Robledo, Jeff Stafford, Michael Mayo and Kenny Covarrubiaz.

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# Eagles place 14 players on 2-2A All-District football team

Fourteen Eldorado Eagles were named to the 2-2A All-District Football Team this week.

Claiming spots on the 1st Team Offense were: quarterback Joey Bullard, lineman Kary Gibson, running back Lance Mitchel and kicker Alfredo Munoz. First Team Defense selections went to: lineman Gary Gibson, linebacker Cory Lloyd and defensive back Lance Mitchel.

Named to the 2nd Team Offense were: tight end Cory Lloyd and receiver Casey Poynor.

Second Team Defense selections went to: defensive back Kenny Covarrubiaz, linebacker Casey Poynor and defensive end Steven Valero.

Honorable Mention honors went to: receiver Kenny Covarrubiaz, center Jess Martin, offensive lineman Cole Pina, defensive end

Rocky Robles, running back Louis Santellano and defensive back Mitch Wilkerson.

Joey Bullard, Lance Mitchel, Gary Gibson and Cory Lloyd, were each unanimous selection to the 1st Team Offensive squad.

All district honors are voted on each year by coaches from within the district. A coach may not, however, cast a vote for one of his own players.

Individual team awards were also announced recently at an awards program held in the EHS auditorium. The awards, which were voted on by the players were given as follows:

Most Dedicated Player - Mitch Wilkerson and Chad Williams

Head Hunter Award - Casey Poynor

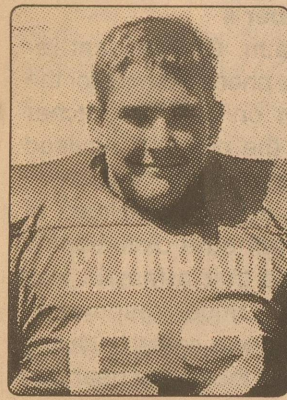
Def. Back of the Year - Cory

Lloyd and Kenny Covarrubiaz Def. Lineman of the Year - Rocky Robles

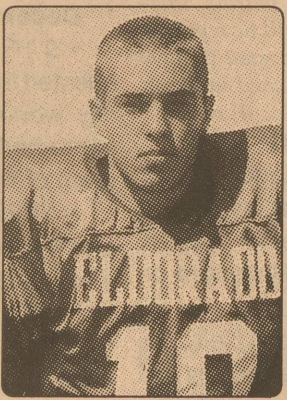
Off. Lineman of the Year - Cole Pina

Off. Back of the Year - Lance Mitchel

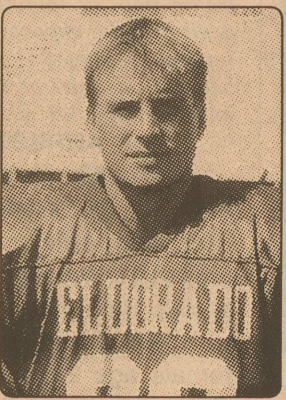
Also announced were the Cross Country Track awards. This year's Most Dedicated Runners are: Courtney Brown and Sammy Cabrera.



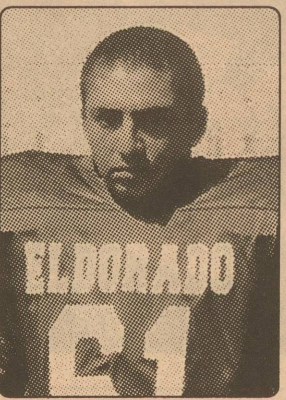
Kary Gibson  
1st Team Off. Line



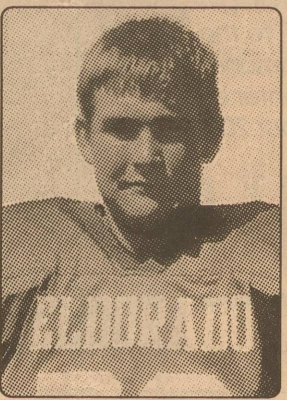
Joey Bullard  
1st Team Quarterback\*



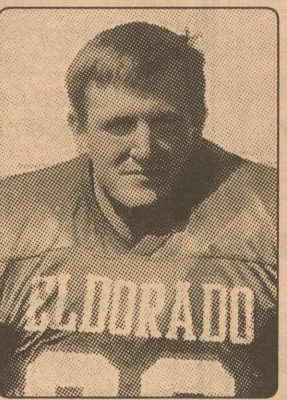
Lance Mitchel  
1st Team Running Back  
1st Team Secondary\*



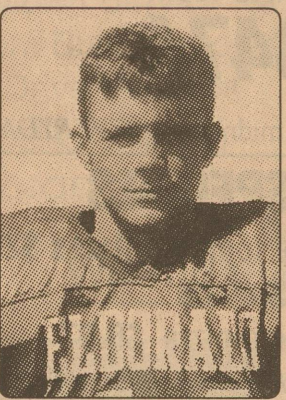
Alfredo Munoz  
1st Team Kicker



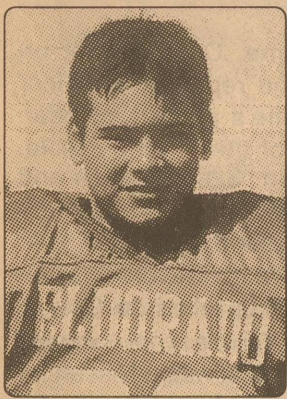
Gary Gibson  
1st Team Defensive Line\*



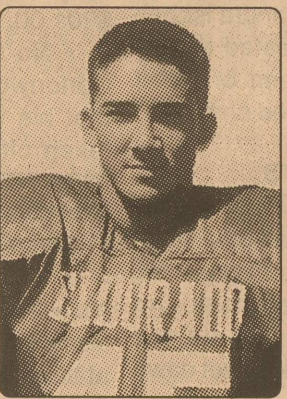
Cory Lloyd  
1st Team Linebacker\*  
2nd Team Tight End



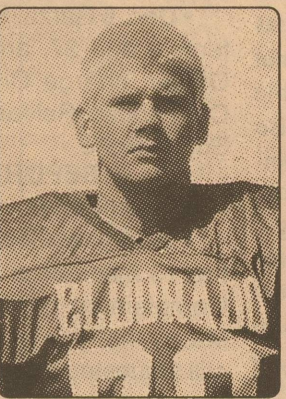
Casey Poynor  
2nd Team Receiver  
2nd Team Linebacker



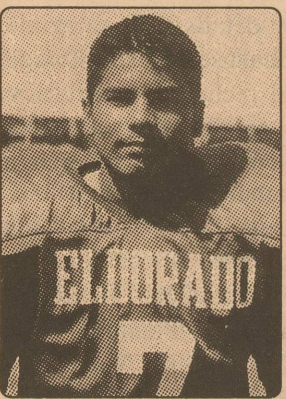
Steven Valero  
2nd Team Defensive End



Kenny Covarrubiaz  
2nd Team Secondary  
Hon. Men. Receiver



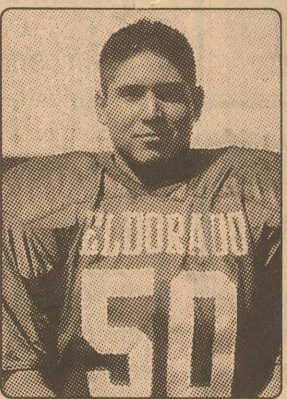
Jess Martin  
Hon. Men. Center



Louis Santellano  
Hon. Men. Running Back



Cole Pina  
Hon. Men. Offensive Line



Rocky Robles  
Hon. Men. Defensive End



Mitch Wilkerson  
Hon. Men. Def. Secondary



photo by Kathy Mankin

**Talented musicians** — EHS band members selected to the Region Band at tryouts in Bollinger last Saturday, Dec. 4, included (L-R) Kasey Griffin, BreeAnne Davis, Samantha Smith who made Symphonic Band and Vanessa Gonzales, Sarah Mankin, Mitzi Sessom, Kate Kosub, Maria Hernandez, Tabitha Lloyd and Alana Oliver who made Concert Band. The clinic and concert will be at Abilene Christian College in Abilene on January 14 & 15, 2000.



photo by Kathy Mankin

**Talented musicians** — EMS band members selected to the Region Band on Nov. 6th in Sonora. The group performed at Angelo State University on Nov. 13. Front (L-R) Emily Newman, Concert; Sheryl Alexander, Concert; Nathan MacDonald, Concert; Amanda Figueroa, Concert; Lance Roberts, Symphonic. Back (L-R) Ashton Murr, Symphonic; Shay Parker, Concert; Ashley Doran, Concert. Not pictured: Andrea Leal, Concert and Daniella Guadarrama, Symphonic.

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EMT courses normally cost approximately \$300.00 to \$500.00 per person, but Sutton County EMS will make this class available at 475.00 plus of the text book.

If you are interested, contact Patrick Campbell, EMS Coordinator, at the Sutton County EMS Office, at the Sutton County EMS Office from 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday. The office is located at 211 East Third Street, and the phone number is (915) 387-5132. Pre-registration is required.

## Methodist Church to host annual Christmas Cantata

The First United Methodist Church will host its annual Christmas Cantata on Sunday December 12th during Worship and Tuesday, December 14th, at 6:00 PM. The title of this year's Cantata is "Rejoice Believers" by John E. Coates.

The cantata virtually bursts with the joy of Christmas! That joy, naturally, results in praise to God, which is the dominant theme of the program. There are fresh settings of well-known carols (Joy to

the World, How Great Our Joy, Good Christian Friends, Rejoice, O Little Town of Bethlehem), plus several brand new original selections by the composer, all woven together into a most beautiful Christmas tapestry.

The choir is under the direction of Joella Parker and the choir is accompanied by pianist Lynn Meador. Everyone is invited to attend this celebration of the birth of Jesus and the Christmas season.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

Dear Editor:

The Schleicher County Historical Society is in dire need of new members, support, and people who care about our community. Most of all we need warm bodies to help and get involved. We have an exceptional Museum! Yet numerous citizens of this County will confess to never have been inside our building.

The people who worked so faithfully to start the Museum, and dreamed of its success, achieved a great satisfaction. A building was donated with an ideal location.

Today a group of six or eight "Lil ole Ladies" are battling to keep the doors open to the Public for two afternoons a week, plus

special occasions and celebrations.

Even when we are open, and you sit for four hours and not one soul stops by, it makes you wonder why you bother. The interest of our Community is zero! I wonder if the good people of Schleicher County really don't care about their Heritage, if the past has no place in their lives today. We are all too busy!

Do you want our doors to close, just because no one has time? Anyone who claims to be bored with life in a small town, simply wants to be bored, because you could find worth while things to make a difference.

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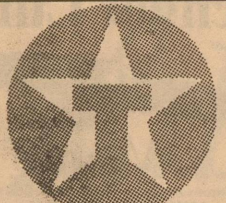
**Milk & Bread Offered**  
**Menus Subject To Change**  
**Cafeteria Line**  
**Monday, December 13th**  
Soft Tacos, Refried Beans/Cheese, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Pineapple Slices, Cherry Crunch Cake  
**Tuesday, December 14th**  
Sausage & Cheese Pizza, Whole Kernel Corn, Applesauce, White Cake/Icing  
**Wednesday, December 15th**  
Corn Dogs, Tater Roundabouts, Mixed Fruits, Brownies  
**Thursday, December 16th**  
Steak Fingers/Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Early June Peas, Orange Jello/Topping  
**Friday, December 17th**  
Hero Sandwiches, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Vanilla Pudding.  
**Breakfast**  
½ Milk & ¼ Juice Offered with each breakfast  
**Monday, December 13th**  
Sliced Peaches, Waffles/Syrup  
**Tuesday, December 14th**  
Orange Juice, Biscuits/Sausage/Jelly  
**Wednesday, December 15th**  
Pineapple Chunks, Cheese Toast  
**Thursday, December 16th**  
Mixed Fruits, Hot Oatmeal/Toast  
**Friday, December 17th**  
Applesauce, Blueberry Muffins, Choice of Cereal  
**Fast Food Line**  
**Monday, December 13th**  
Corn Chip Pie, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Pineapple Slices, Cherry Crunch Cake  
**Tuesday, December 14th**  
Chili Crisps, French Fries, Applesauce, White Cake/Icing  
**Wednesday, December 15th**  
Fish Sandwiches/Cheese, Tater Roundabouts, Lettuce/Tartar Sauce, Mixed Fruit, Brownies  
**Thursday, December 16th**  
Chicken Burgers, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Orange Jello/Topping  
**Friday, December 17th**  
Hero Sandwiches, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Vanilla Pudding.

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photo by Kathy Mankin

### Regional F water planning meeting

Tuesday, December 14, 1999  
 Brady Civic Center U.S. Highway 87 North, Brady, Texas, 4 pm

Wednesday, December 15, 1999  
 Reeves County civic Center U.S. Highway 285, Pecos, Texas, 10 am


In 1997, the 75th Legislature of the State of Texas passed Senate Bill 1. One of the major directives of this to develop a state water plan to meet the needs of Texas for the next 50 years. The state plan is to be developed from the bottom up through a regional water planning process. As part of its commitment to public participation, the Region F Regional Water Planning Group will be holding a series of public meetings to provide the public an opportunity to follow the planning process, ask questions, and offer comments. The public meetings scheduled for December 14 and 15 will include:

- Review of the planning process
- General description of Region F
- Population and water supplies
- Estimates of available water supplies
- Where do we go from here
- Question and comment period


Currently, the Region F RWPG is considering water supply and an allocation scheme. Groundwater supply details such categories as historical use, water in storage, net annual recharge, and retrievable water. An allocation scheme is also being considered in order: municipal, manufacturing, steam-electric, irrigation, livestock and mining.

For more information, contact John Grant, Chair, Region F Regional Water Planning Group at 915-267-6341 or Cindy Cawley at 915-853-2121.

## Happy 8th Birthday



**From Mom, Dad, Ernesto and Jennifer**



## The Blotter

The Blotter is a summary of the previous week's activity by the Schleicher County Sheriff's Dept. For practical reasons of time and space, The Blotter does not include every call made to the Sheriff's office, nor does it include routine security checks, minor traffic stops or routine patrols. Incidents of major impact will be reported separately. Subjects reported to have been arrested are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

### ARRESTS

- Nov. 29 Santiago, Roger, male age 29, arrested by SC Officer, charge Failure To Appear, Motion To Revoke. Released on \$1,500 Surety Bond.
- Nov. 30 Fleming, Kelly Jo, female age 23, arrested by SC Officer, charge Motion To Revoke (Burglary of Building) and Motion to Revoke Probation (Unsuccessful Program Completed).
- Dec. 6 Garza, Sandra Isabel, female age 27, arrested by SC Officer, charge Credit or Debit Card Abuse. Released on \$2,000 Surety Bond.

### REPORTS

#### December 1

- 9:09 a.m. Report of a grass fire 13 miles west on Hwy. 190. Complainant phoned back and stated that the fire was out, but still requested a truck to wet down the grass.
- 4:02 p.m. Vehicle accident at post office. Officer responded.

#### December 2

- 11:20 p.m. Subject reported a suspicious vehicle traveling back and forth from a business south of town. Officer responded.

#### December 3

- 10:23 a.m. Complainant called to see if there was a controlled burn on Farm To Market Road 2129.
- 12:31 p.m. Complainant on Toenail Trail called the Sheriff's Office to report that one of their cows had been shot. Animal can be found on the complainant's property on the left side of the road.
- 1:30 p.m. Complainant stated that their 17 year old daughter has not been attending school this week. Officer was contacted since he is familiar with the school kids. Family member wanted officer to contact them. Dispatch contacted complainant and explained to them that they needed to speak to high school principal about the situation and then principal can contact officer.
- 6:35 p.m. Complainant reported a car had gone through three yards on North Hwy 277 and needed an officer to respond. Officer located car at local convenience store and driver advised he had fallen asleep. Officers reported there was no damage done. All OK.

#### December 4

- 7:07 p.m. Complainant reported a vehicle was passing on wrong side of road and traveling at a high rate of speed. Officer responded and vehicle was issued a citation.
- 10:05 p.m. Complainant reported a red Chevy S-10 pickup driving fast down Cottonwood Street. Officer responded.
- 10:15 p.m. Complainant on Cottonwood reported they needed an officer to respond. Subject reported they could hear a suspicious person in their back yard.

#### December 5

- 9:15 a.m. Complainant requested the phone number for the city worker on call. Dispatcher contacted the city and advised them of the problem.
- 11:23 a.m. Complainant of Del Rio reported a disturbance. They stated that a female was screaming. Officer responded. Complainant was called back and stated that all they could hear was loud music.
- No time. Larceny theft, credit card abuse charge from local grocery store. Amount taken \$201.00.
- No time. Complainant on Cottonwood reported to officer that his wife's purse had been taken off of their kitchen table. Items taken \$200.00 cash and checkbook

#### December 6

- 11:35 a.m. Report of a vehicle that has rolled on County Road 339. Vehicle is not occupied at time. Vehicle was a Nissan Infinity. Owner of vehicle was located at the north end of County Road 339. Subjects had contacted a wrecker service from San Angelo to tow the vehicle to Austin.
- 12:15 a.m. Hospital requested a basic transfer to San Angelo hospital.
- 1:35 p.m. Complainant at W. Mills reported a minor accident. Officer responded.
- 10:11 p.m. Complainant has had someone calling them and disturbing them everyday for a while.

#### December 7

- Complainant wanted to see if Sheriff's Office could contact her husband in Rocksprings to let him know her vehicle had broken down and was at her sister's house.
- 1:45 a.m. Complainant reported that their small long haired terrier, tan in color had been stolen or missing from resident. Officer responded.

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## Straight Talk About Y2K

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Applicant proposes a two-part transportation rate that consists of a demand charge per MMBtu based upon the contractual demand for city gate service and a volumetric charge per MMBtu based on actual delivered volumes. This transportation rate would result in a revenue increase to Applicant. Applicant also proposes to increase the storage rate applicable to city gate deliveries established in GUD 8664. The storage rate would consist of a monthly demand charge for capacity and a monthly demand charge for deliverability. The deliverability demand charge would only be charged during the months of November through March.

The proposed effective date of the change is December 20, 1999. The change is a major change, and will result in an increase in annual revenues of approximately \$20.3 million or sixteen percent (16%). The change will affect 1.3 million residential and commercial customers. The rate change will affect transportation and storage rates at the city gate for TXU Lone Star Gas-Transmission, who in turn sells the gas to TXU Lone Star Gas which serves 1.3 million residential and commercial customers in Texas under the rates established by the local regulatory authorities in municipalities and the Railroad Commission in environs areas.

A Statement of Intent to make such a change has been filed with the Railroad Commission of Texas in GUD 8976 and is available for inspection at the Commission's office at 1701 North Congress in Austin, Texas, and at the offices of Applicant at 301 South Harwood in Dallas, Texas. Copies of the Statement of Intent have also been sent to the appropriate city official of each incorporated city served by TXU Lone Star Gas. Any affected person may file in writing comments or a protest concerning the proposed change in the rates with the Docket Services Section of the Office of General Counsel, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, at any time on or before 4:00 p.m., Thursday, December 30, 1999. Any person or agency who has a justifiable or administratively cognizable interest who desires to be designated as a party may petition for leave to intervene and request to become a party to this proceeding. The final date for intervention in this case shall be 4:00 p.m., Thursday, December 30, 1999.

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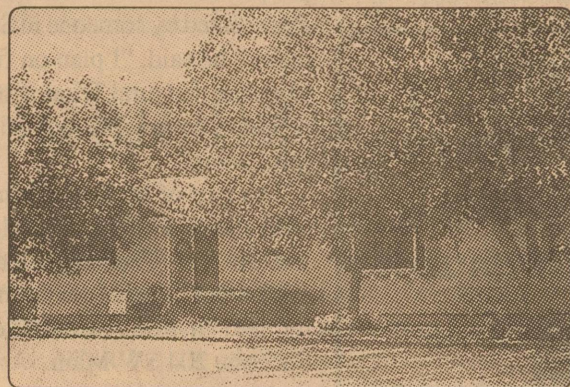
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## Bob Turner kicks off re-election campaign with tour of Dist. 73

Texas State Representative Bob Turner announced that he is running for re-election and will start his campaign with a 4-day, 16 stop tour of his sprawling district in Central and West Texas.

"Except for becoming more experienced in the job, I haven't changed much since I was elected eight years ago," Turner said. "I'm still conservative, and I still believe the most important part of my job is to solve people's problems."

As the Chair of the House Committee on Public Safety, Turner worked hard this year to make the Department of Public Safety as ef-

fective in fighting crime as possible. "DPS troopers needed a raise badly," Turner said. "I was proud to help them get a little extra money and make sure we retain experienced troopers."

Turner has also focused on lowering taxes, improving our schools, helping farmers and ranchers, protecting our water supply, and ensuring families have access to good health care.

If re-elected, Turner will devote much of his time to redistricting. "If the urban and suburban areas get their way, we could lose five seats in the Texas House west of I-35 and people in West Texas could be represented by someone in San Antonio," he said. "I plan on fighting to ensure that rural Texas is still represented by people who lived in rural areas."

As part of his tour, Turner will hold a press conference in Eldorado at 8:30 AM, Thursday, December 16, 1999. The press conference will be held in front of the Eldorado Success, 204 SW Main.

"If anyone has questions, I invite them to come by the press conference and discuss them with me," said Turner, a Democrat from Voss. "After all, helping people is what this job is all about."



**Just in time for Christmas** — Members of the Schleicher County Child Welfare Board received a \$216 donation from Duckwall's recently as a result of the Cute Baby Contest. Pictured above are (L-R) Jeanne Evans, Duckwall's Manager, Joella Parker, Jim Broome and Martha Adame.

## 5-hour CEU training Dec. 10th

A five hour Pesticide Recertification Training will be held Friday, December 10th at the Eden Multi-Purpose Center in Eden, Texas. Registration will begin at 8:00 am. and the program will start at 8:30 a.m.

This year's program will offer one hour Laws & Regulation, two hours Integrated Pest Management, and two hours of General Continuing Education Unit's (CEU's).

An excellent group of individuals have been asked to speak on topics that will assist producers in

making effective management decisions on the farm and ranch. Cain Cline, Area TDA Inspector at San Angelo, will begin the program with a session on Laws and Regulations. Cline is followed by Dr. Michael Masser, Associate Professor and Extension Fisheries Specialist at College Station, who will discuss the "Control of Aquatic Weeds for Renovation of Existing Stock Tanks." Dr. Mark McFarland, Associate Professor and Soil Fertility Specialist, will give a presentation on "Soil Fertility and its Effects on Weed and Disease Control."

Following a catered noon meal Dr. Billy Warrick, Associate Professor and Extension Agronomist, will concentrate on "Equipment Calibration for Effective Applications." Producers attending may wish to bring calculators for this presentation. Dr. Chris Sansone, Associate Professor and Extension Entomologist in San Angelo will conclude the program with "Integrated Pest Management Decisions and Insect Identification." CEU certificates will be handed out around 2:45 p.m.

There will be a \$10 registration fee at the door. Due to the limited space we will only be able to accommodate 120 people, so you need to call us right away to reserve a seat. You can RSVP by calling the Concho County Extension Office at (915)732-4304, the McCulloch County Extension Office at (915) 597-1295, or the Menard County Extension Office at (915) 396-4787.

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## Christmas Parade of Homes

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A natural rock swimming pool and waterfall were added this past Spring using rock excavated from the ranch. The ranch itself has been continuously operated by the Willoughby Family since it was purchased in 1909 by Ray's great-grandmother E. E. Willoughby of Brady, Texas.

Jeri and Ray chose the Five Pointed Star as a theme throughout their three bedroom, three and one-half bath home. They see the Five Point Star as a unique symbol of the State of Texas, and "Star" is also a family name deeply rooted in the history of Texas.

Hardwood floors were selected throughout the home. Two stone fireplaces greet family and guests during cold weather, and a back porch extending the entire length of the South side of the home offers relief for family and guests during warmer weather. The house is furnished with many family antique pieces including the dining room Waterford Crystal chandelier. This antique chandelier was purchased in New Orleans, Louisiana, and originally belonged to Mrs. Ray Willoughby Sr.

Ray and Jeri enjoy the ranching way of life as well as living near our small, friendly community of Eldorado.

HOME #3: Gary & Princess Gruben

The Grubens have moved since they participated in the 1995 Home Tour. They now live at 105

E. Live Oak adjacent to the Mertz-quarried in Lampasas County. A Christmas enchantment with an entry way Nativity and garland draped with pearls and gold beads. As you enter, be alert to Princess' collection of Nativities and angles sprinkled through the home as well as additional lighted trees in nearly every room.

The large home consists of a formal living room/dining room combination, den, kitchen, 4-bedrooms, two and one-half baths, office, utility room, and a screened in back porch and cardroom. Plantation shutters grace the windows throughout the home. A traditional tree highlights the green and burgundy living room. It is loaded with the ornaments of 4 generations of Princess' family with new ornaments added each year. The tree reflects the interests of each family member. Garlands abound filled with twinkling lights and silk ribbon bows, radiant candles, and festively wrapped gifts.

Gold angels, pine cones, tassels, and lots of candles enhance the den mantle. The goblets were hand painted by daughter Meredith to add Christmas cheer. The quilted table square was made by a special aunt.

Watch out for Kirk's room with its animal print theme. Meredith painted her walls red, and Princess made the red and green toile duvet. The mother-in-law room follows an empire theme in blue and gold while the Master bedroom is traditional in burgundy, navy and green.

## City Council's monthly meeting

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than if it were spread by use of the front end loader which the city currently uses for this purpose.

After a brief discussion the council authorized Mankin and Utility Superintendent Jack Dean to inspect the condition of the machine, and if it meets with their approval, to purchase it for use at the city landfill.

Next, Mankin reported that a complaint by former city employee Daniel Robledo to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission in which alleged the city had violated his rights under the Americans With Disabilities Act, had been dismissed by the EEOC.

The council then authorized Mayor John Nikolauk and Randy Mankin to represent the city at an upcoming meeting of the Schleicher County Commissioners Court. The two men will review with the commissioners goods and services and other work where the city and county have cooperated in the past. This was prompted by questions raised recently by commissioners concerning the use of county jail inmates to perform maintenance on city owned vehicles.

Mankin then advised that, since the adoption of House Bill 1777, which deregulated local telephone services, a new ordinance will be necessary to govern the use of the city's alleys and right-of-ways. He said he was drafting a proposed ordinance for the council's consideration at an upcoming meeting.

Regarding personnel issues, Mankin advised the council he had reduced the city's work force by one employee. He noted that since construction was complete at the city's landfill, he had determined the extra position could be cut. He noted that one employee was laid off on a "last hired, first fired" basis.

A meeting of the General Assembly of the Concho Valley Council of Governments was then discussed. Mankin advised the group that a meeting was slated for Wednesday of this week and that all members of the council were encouraged to attend.

Utilities Superintendent Jack Dean reported to the council that the clutch on the city's Mack dump truck had malfunctioned and was in

process of being replaced. He also reported that the work being done on East Street is nearing completion. Dean further stated that the contractor had been contacted regarding the need to make necessary adjustments to smooth one area of the new street.

The minutes of the November 8th meeting were then approved and various financial reports were reviewed and approved. City Secretary Carolyn Mayo distributed and explained the investment report following which the current bills were presented and ordered paid by the council.

A motion was offered by Tommy Minor and seconded by Richard Mendez to allow for longevity pay to be distributed to all city employees. Since it is unlawful for the city to give a Christmas bonus, each year the city gets around the rule by granting longevity pay, in the amount of \$50 for each year of service (up to 10 years), to its employees. The motion passed unanimously.

A request from the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce to close the 200 & 300 blocks of North West Street on Sunday, December 12, to allow the streets use by the Chamber for the purpose of hosting a Christmas Festival was also approved by the group.

A resolution regarding signatures for financial assurance letters of credit documents naming the Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, all Council members, the City Secretary and the City Administrator, was adopted upon a motion presented by Robert Bybee, seconded by Toni Sudduth. This action relieves the council from having to act upon this issue each time one of the individuals resigns, retires or otherwise leaves their position. Instead, all are designated by their title, not by name. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

As a final act, the council, upon a motion by Toni Sudduth, seconded by Tommy Minor adopted the Affirmative Action Plan and Resolution for TCDP Contract #719261. This action states that the city agrees to abide by the Civil Rights Act of 1968.

The business of the night having been completed, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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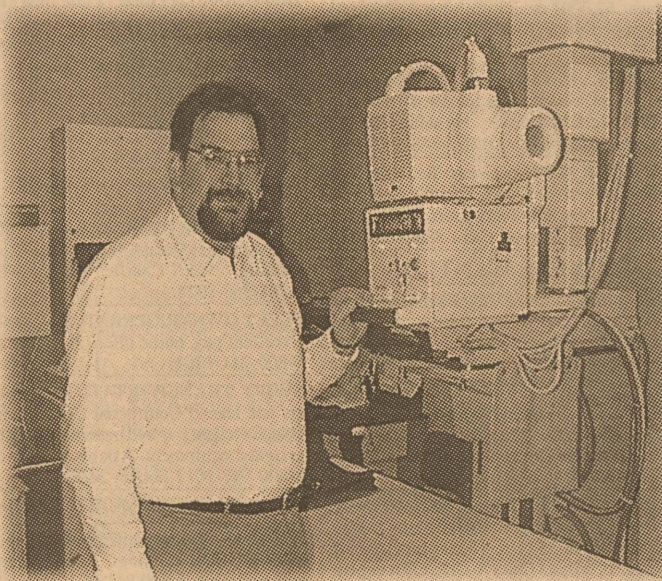
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### Meals for Friends Menu



- Monday, December 13th**  
Porkchops w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Hot Rolls, Fruit Cocktail, Milk
- Tuesday, December 14th**  
Beef & Cheese Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Spanish Rice, Cornbread, Fresh Fruit Salad, Milk
- Wednesday, December 15th**  
Chicken Supreme, Herbed Potatoes, Broccoli, Green Salad, Hot Rolls, Cherry Cobbler, Milk
- Thursday, December 16th**  
Spaghetti & Meatballs w/Sauce, Seasoned Spinach, French Garlic Bread, Tossed Salad, Banana Pudding, Milk
- Friday, December 17th**  
Pork Roast, Green Beans, Sweet Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Prunes, Milk

### BIRTHDAY LIST

- DECEMBER**
- 9th Rosario Sotio, Shanna Porter, Clayton Smith, Becky Saldivar, Doug Kuhlmann, Nora Fuentes, Bobby Andrews, Martha Spinks, Aaron Fuentes, Amy Evans, Cherie Niblett Paulson
- 10th Kyra Mahanay, Rikki Bosmans, Travis Lloyd, Vanessa Gonzalez, Stevie Sykes
- 11th Patrick Porter, Phil Edmiston, Lorenzo Herrera, James Avila, Delbert Taylor, Phil McCormick
- 12th Damon Kelly, James Avila, Adrienne Gamez
- 13th Karen Holley, Michael A. Turbeville, Christina Venegas, Elizabeth Niblett Lloyd, Maggie Middleton
- 14th Eric McGinnes, Bobby Newton, Matt Lloyd, Becky Lux

### ANNIVERSARY LIST

- DECEMBER**
- 11th Heliodoro & Sylvia Sanchez
- 15th Richard & Gloria Kent

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