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PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

**Highland music** — Twin brothers Waylon and Joseph Sprowl of Lohn played their bagpipes last week during Eldorado Elementary School's annual Veterans Day Program. The 15 year-old brothers took up the bagpipes at the age of 9 when they lived in Delaware.

## Bagpipes lend Scottish flavor to Veterans Day program

Bagpipes? Bagpipes in Eldorado? Yes, Bagpipes!

Eldorado Elementary School's annual Veterans Day Program held Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2002 was a rousing patriotic tribute to America. And...among the featured entertainment were Joseph and Waylon Sprowl, bagpipe playing twin brothers from Lohn.

The brothers made the trip to Eldorado especially to perform in the Veterans Day Program. Their sudden appearance on stage, dressed in full Scottish attire, complete with kilts, caught the audience by surprise. But the crowd roared its approval as the boys played "Gary Owen" and "Amaz-

ing Grace."

Later in the program, as the colors were being retired the brothers marched out with the flags playing "Scotland the Brave."

The show was the 13th consecutive Veterans Day program sponsored by the Elementary School. This year, as each of the past twelve, the program was directed by Elementary music teacher Joella Parker.

The program began and moved forward with a series of speakers acting as narrators. The first of the speakers was Laura Garcia. Rev. Stan Troy, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Eldorado.

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## Blanch resigns as SCISD superintendent, will remain on the job through end of school year

Finance Director Loretta Edmiston leaving post for similar job in Kermit

After nearly two hours in a closed door meeting, Schleicher County ISD trustees emerged into open session Monday night and voted to accept the resignations of SCISD Superintendent George Blanch and Finance Director Loretta Edmiston. It was noted that Blanch will be staying on the job until the end of the school year. However, Edmiston will be leaving her job on Nov. 30, 2002. She is leaving to take a similar job at Kermit and is slated to begin work there on Dec. 2.

George Blanch told the Success that he is considering retirement. He said that he might consider another administrator position, noting that he has received offers.

With about six months of advance notice, Blanch's resignation gives the school board time to search for a replacement. However, Edmiston's departure will come very soon and the trustees wasted no time in searching for someone to fill the position. An employment ad, listing qualifications for the position, may be found on page 7 of this newspaper.

The meeting was the board's regular monthly session and trustees Jo Helen Kotsch, Berta Nicholson, Eddie Albin, Phil McCormick, Lupe Sanchez and Kurtis Homer were on hand. Trustee John Paul Joiner was absent.

One item of business, brought by Ted Bedwell, representing JR3 Associates, appeared to offer the school district a way to reduce its payroll, while still keeping expe-

rienced classroom teachers. Bedwell explained that his company contracts with retired educators. He said his company can provide resumes of experienced teachers who wish to continue teaching. Bedwell says that under his company's plan, when a school reaches an agreement with a retired teacher as to salary, days off and length of contract, the district then formalizes the deal with JR3. The school pays the money to the company, and the company pays the teacher. That allows the teacher to continue receiving retirement through the Teacher Retirement System, while also being paid by JR3.

Bedwell says his company keeps 14.25 percent with which it pays for professional liability insurance, workers compensation and unemployment insurance. He went on to say that each quarter a teacher works for his company qualifies toward the 40 quarters needed in order to qualify for full Social Security retirement. Conceivably, a teacher could retire after 30 years in the classroom, go back to teaching under a contract from JR3, receive a pay check, plus full retirement and, after 10 years, qualify for Social Security retirement benefit, as well.

After considering the proposal, and discussing several options, the board voted to table further discussion of the matter.

Next, SCISD Athletic Director

Gary Grubbs met with the board to discuss the need for a new weight room facility. He noted that the current weight room, a triangular space of about 900 sq. ft., is too small. He proposed building a new facility with volunteer labor and funding from the community, at an estimated cost of \$40,000. Grubbs indicated that he has found a willingness among community members to participate in the project.

Trustee Phil McCormick stat-

ed that he was impressed with Grubbs' effort to find money for the project but said he thought it was the school district's responsibility to pay for construction projects. In the end, Grubbs was asked to prepare a thorough estimate of costs so that the project could be considered for funding. It was also suggested that community members might be approached about supplying equipment for a new weight room facility.

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**Egg Drop Soup?** An egg, secured inside a cup, attached to the head of a stuffed pony was the method Kimberly Samaniego (L) and Holly Ford (R) chose to use as 8th grade students prepared for their annual Egg Drop next week. The goal, protect an egg from breaking during a fall. The project is carried out by 8th graders each year as part of Ms. Spinks science class.

## EHS students named to All-District Band

Eldorado High School band members participated in the West Zone Region 7 All-District Band tryouts held in Ballinger on Saturday, November 16. Among the schools participating were Llano, Ballinger, Reagan County, Miles,

Coleman and Junction.

Seven Eagle Band members were named to the All-District Band. They include: Flute-Georgina Maritz, 2nd Chair; Bb Clarinet-Sheryl Alexander, 7th Chair; Oboe-Anna Troy, 1st Chair; Horn-

Hannah Robledo, 4th Chair; Tenor Trombone-Ashton Murr, 1st Chair; Percussion 2- Layna Murr, 1st Chair and Selina Rojas, 2nd Chair.

All-Region Band tryouts will be in Brownwood on Dec. 7th.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

All-District Band — Seven members of the EHS band were named to the All-District Band last Saturday. They include (L-R) Layna Murr, Sheryl Alexander, Selina Rojas, Anna Troy, Hannah Robledo, Georgina Maritz and Ashton Murr

## Rep. Stenholm accepting intern applications

WASHINGTON, D.C. — U.S. Representative Charlie Stenholm is now accepting applications from college students and educators interested in participating in the 2003 Omar Burleson Intern Program in Washington, D.C. The internship commemorates the Honorable Omar Burleson, who represented the 17th Congressional District for 32 years.

In order to be considered, completed applications must be submitted in person or postmarked by January 6, 2003. The Selection

Committee, consisting of eight judges chosen from across the 17th District, will review and score each applicant. The scores will be averaged, and the top ten applicants will be interviewed individually by the Selection Committee on March 22, 2003.

Interns are selected to work in the Congressman's office for one month in June or July. Interns are involved in the daily operations of the Congressman's office and assist the legislative staff in a variety of projects.

The internship program is open to college students from the 17th Congressional District, or those residents attending college outside the District. Also eligible are local elementary and secondary school teachers and administrators. Interns are paid a \$1,000 stipend to apply toward basic living and travel expenses.

Intern applications and information can be obtained by contacting Annette Wilson in the Stamford district office at 915-773-3623, from Congressman Stenholm's web page:

www.house.gov/stenholm; or by writing the Omar Burleson Intern Foundation, P.O. Box 1057, Stamford, TX 79553.

Applications must be postmarked by January 6, 2003, and then will be forwarded to the Selection Committee, who will notify finalists by February 19, 2003. Interviews will be held in Abilene on March 22, 2003, and selections will be announced following a luncheon hosted by the Omar Burleson Foundation with Congressman Stenholm in attendance.

## Notice:

### Holiday Deadline

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, deadlines for submitting articles and advertisements for publication in the next week's Success will be 12:00 noon on Monday. The Success will be published a day early and will be delivered to the Post Office on Wednesday afternoon. Unfortunately, rural route subscribers won't receive their copy until Friday, Nov. 29th. Also, out-of-county subscribers are likely to experience a delay in delivery due to the holiday. We regret the inconvenience and appreciate your patience and understanding.

## Community Thanksgiving Service planned for Sunday

The annual Community Thanksgiving Service will be on November the 24th at 7:00 p.m. in the Schleicher County Memorial Building.

This year's speaker will be Eldorado High School Principal Tim Seymore who is a member of First

Baptist Church. Everybody is encouraged to bring any canned goods for the Ministerial Alliance pantry. These will be distributed where needed in the community. There will also be an offering taken up for the Ministerial Alliance.



# OBITUARIES

## Alma Inez Williams

ELDORADO — Alma Inez Williams, 88, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2002, in a local nursing home. Service was Thursday, Nov. 14 at First Baptist Church with burial following in Eldorado Cemetery.

Alma was born Jan. 20, 1914, in Calf Creek, Texas, to T.E. and Maude McCoy Donaldson. She was a longtime resident of Eldorado and was a homemaker and a Baptist.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, W.W.

(Bill) Williams. She is survived by a sister, Imogene and Jack Bynum of San Angelo; a niece, Fayla and Tony Cheatham of Eldorado; nephew, Mike and Teena Blasdel of Lubbock; niece, Juanice and Charles Orr of Eldorado; niece, Helen and Glendon Aldridge of Eldorado; nephew, Gary and Angela Donaldson of San Angelo; nephew, Walter and Joyce Donaldson of Uvalde; nephew, Larry Donaldson of Eldorado; nephew, Cecil Childress of Florence; and nephew, David Childress of Fort Worth.

## Jesse Estrada completes Marine Corps basic training

Pvt. Jesse Estrada completed 13 weeks of basic training on October 25, 2002 at the MCRD in San Diego, California.

Estrada is a 2002 graduate of Eldorado High School and the son of Francisco (Pancho) Estrada and Carolina Zamarron. He has a brother, Frank, and a sister, Monica.

Estrada is the grandson of Carmen Estrada and the late, Francisco Estrada, of Quemado, Texas, and Elvira Zamarron and the late Jesus Zamarron all of Eldorado.

Numerous family members traveled to San Diego to witness Estrada's graduation into the Marine Corps.

Family members who attended the graduation were his father, Francisco (Pancho) Estrada, aunt and uncle, Marie and Dub Latham and cousin, "Little Dub" of San Angelo. Jesse's mother, Carolina Zamarron, sister, Monica Estrada, aunts, Jana Zamarron and Maria Rodriguez, and grandmother Elvira Zamarron also attended.

Following several family celebrations held in his honor, Estrada has returned to San Diego to complete three more weeks of Marine Corps training at Camp Pendleton. He then expects to be assigned to Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

## SCISD presents film on new State testing requirements

Schleicher County ISD will present a short film on the new state testing requirements for our students. The film is entitled "Students Success Initiative". It will be presented on December 5, 2002 in

the High School auditorium at 7:00 p.m. (English Version), 7:30 p.m. (Spanish Version). Please plan to attend so that you will be informed of your child's expectations.

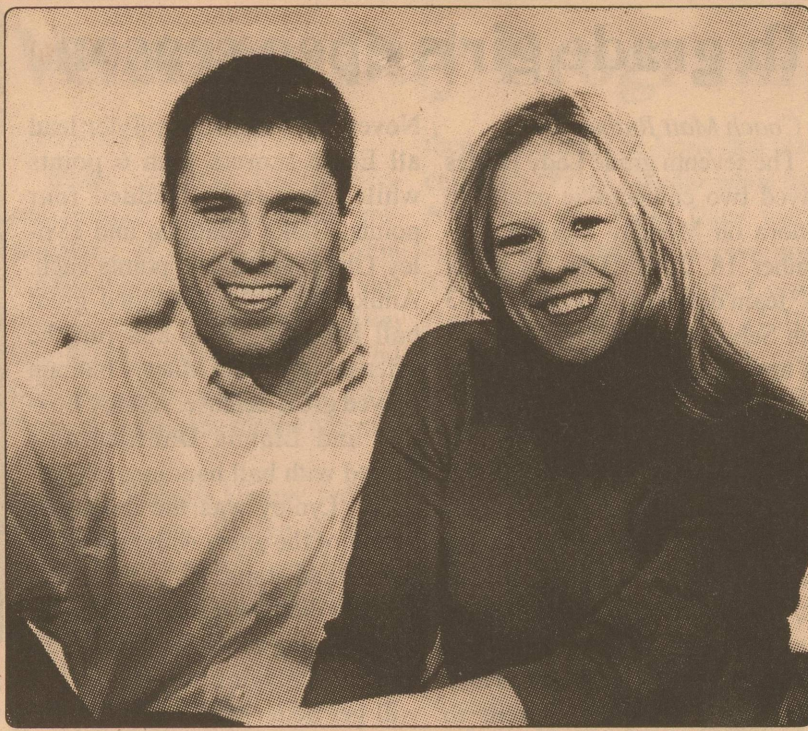
## November computer classes

Schleicher County Community Network (SCCN) is once again conducting FREE computer classes. Everyone is invited to attend these classes free of charge. Please sign up for the classes by logging onto the web site [www.sccn2.net](http://www.sccn2.net), click on Learning Center and enroll in the classes that you wish to take. You may also call Mary Doran at 853-2514 x226 to sign up for classes.

Thursday, November 21  
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
Microsoft Access - HS Library  
Troubleshooting and Minor Repairs - HS Computer Lab  
Sunday, November 24  
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
Basics of Excel - HS Computer Lab  
SCCN Web Site - HS Library  
Monday, November 25  
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.  
Internet Basics - held at the First

Baptist Church Preschool Annex  
Monday, November 25  
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
Making Calendars - HS Library  
Web Pages - HS Computer Lab  
Troubleshooting and Minor Repairs - Middle School Computer Lab.

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Travis Whitten and J.J. Peters

## Peters/Whitten engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Peters formerly of Seymour currently residing in Rockwall announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, J.J. Peters to Mr. Travis Whitten. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Whitten of Eldorado.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, February 1, 2003 at Christ the King Church in Dallas.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Texas Tech University and currently teaches and coaches at Ferris. The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Texas Tech University and currently works for Price-waterhouse Coopers in Dallas.

## SCISD plans senior citizens Christmas luncheon for Dec. 11

Any Schleicher County resident who is 55 and over are cordially invited to the 6th annual Senior Citizen Christmas Luncheon sponsored by the Schleicher County ISD which will be held on December 11, 2002 at 12 noon in the Eldorado High School Cafeteria. We will be serving the traditional Turkey and Dressing with all the trimmings. Also, special Christmas music will be provided by several members of the Eldorado High School Band and local talent.

Please R.S.V.P. no later than December 3, 2002 by 4 p.m. You may call Abbie McCormick at 853-2549 ext. 321 for your reservation.

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- NOVEMBER**  
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23rd Carolyn Gilstrap, Hoston Hanna  
24th Darlene Hardesty, Tucker Clark, Sonia Mills, Chris Crowder, Lolly Saldivar, Rusty Goodrum, Chris Kuykendall, Michele McCravey, George Mata  
25th Katrina Gonzales, Stacy Page, Jesse Muniz, April Robinson, Halie Althaus, Stacie Dunlap, Wesley Jones, Michael Jenkins, Shirley Kessler  
26th Ashley Johnson, Jenny Wink, Jeremy Wayne Estep, Victor Saldivar Jr., Chris Jenkins, Mada Gower, Paul Rebeck, Tiffany Hernandez, Christen Triplett, Gerald Huichapa, Mary Ann Gonzalez, Chad Montgomery, Jesse Rodriguez  
27th Jose Venegas, Virginia Fuentes, Arch Nixon, Rosa Cardenas, Misty Brown  
28th Kimery Garcia, Dora Beach, Pat Martin

## ANNIVERSARIES

- NOVEMBER**  
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66/38	65/35	66/38	61/27	51/25
A mainly sunny sky. High 66F. Winds NW at 10 to 15 mph.	Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 30s.	Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the upper 30s.	Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the upper 20s.	Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the mid 20s.

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## Congratulations



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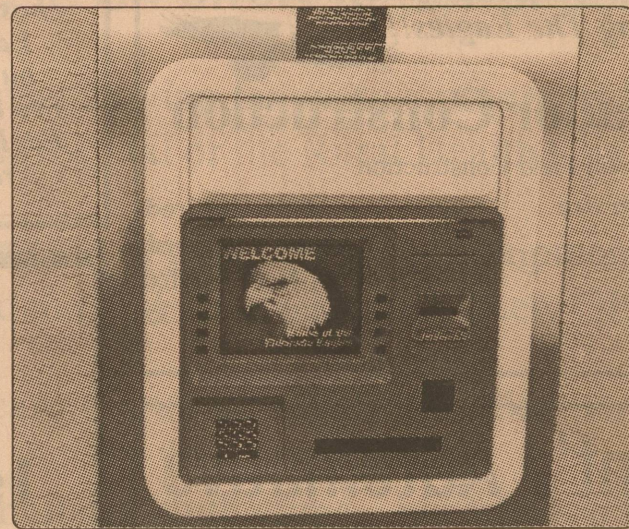
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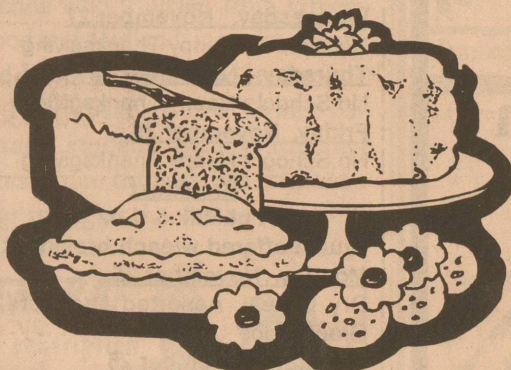
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## 7th grade girls open season

by Coach Matt Rutherford

The seventh grade Lady Eagles played two competitive games in Sonora on Monday evening, November 18, 2002. The 7th grade "B" team defeated the Broncos 4-3 with Selvia Arando scoring a basket and Misti Daniels making the winning basket late in the game.

In the "A" game the Lady Eagles fell to the Broncos 20-19. Lynley Glass lead all scorers with 7 points while Chelsey Hill added 6 and Kassie Tyler, Amika Gonzalez, and Ashley Lozano added two each. Liana Danford, Macy Chatham, and Blake Chatham also made important contributions to the Eagle effort. Congratulations to the girls who continue to work hard and get better each week. Keep it up girls.

The 7th grade Lady Eagles fell to Grape Creek 16-14 on Monday

November 11th. Kassie Tyler lead all Eagle scorers with 6 points while Chelsea Hill added four points. Blake Chatham and Lynley Glass added two points each. Amika Gonzalez provided great ball handling skills and ran the offense well while Macy Chatham played great defense. Ashley Lozano and Lianna Danford also helped with ball handling and defense. Lynley was the defensive player of the game with numerous blocks and stops.

Together the girls did a great job of seeing the floor, sharing the ball, and playing together. They will get better with a little defensive and rebounding effort. The Lady Eagles will travel to Sonora next Monday afternoon.

The B team lost to Grape Creek and Erika Estrada scored our only two points.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN  
**Fast Break** — Sandra Garza brought the ball down the court last week for the 8th grade Lady Eagles. The Eldorado girls fell to Grape Creek 32-8.



PHOTO BY RANDY MANKIN  
**Keep away** — Ryan Cathey fought to protect the ball Monday night as the 8th grade Eagles took on Sonora in the Middle School gym. Eldorado came out on the short end of a 31-23 score in that game.

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**HOOP SCORES**

**VARSITY BOYS**

November 11, 2002  
 Eldorado 02-11-07-10=30  
 Mason 00-00-00-00=33  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Ray David Buitron 1, Bobby Phillips 6, Trey Chavez 9, Quisto Gonzalez 4, Philip Martinez 3, Mike Adame 2, Jordan Fay 3, Danny Sanchez 2.

**J.V. GIRLS**

November 11, 2002  
 Eldorado 16-06-14-42=42  
 Stanton 13-11-08-45=45  
 Scoring for the Lady Eagles: Betsy Green 13, Allison Reynolds 1, Maxie Holley 2, Chandra Wanoreck 7, Lindsey Schwiening 5, Jessica Robertson 8, Taylor Baker 2, Rachel Joiner 4.

**8th GRADE BOYS**

November 11, 2002  
 Eldorado 13-00-03-00=16  
 Grape Creek 21-08-14-02=45  
 Scoring for Eagles: Ryan Cathey 4, Neal Higgins 1, David Hernandez 2, Juan Garcia 1, Sammy Estrada 6 and Cash Lane 2.

**7th GRADE BOYS**

November 11, 2002  
 Eldorado 07-05-02-07=23  
 Grape Creek 08-14-07-10-37  
 Scoring for Eagles: Louie Buitron 2, Michael Hill 4, Jorge Mata 4, Lalo Sanchez 1, Manny Gonzalez 3, J. Lynn Barajas, 3, Luis Huichapa 2.

**7th GRADE BOYS**

November 11, 2002  
 Eldorado 07-05-02-07=23  
 Grape Creek 08-14-07-10-37  
 Scoring for Eagles: Louie Buitron 2, Michael Hill 4, Jorge Mata 4, Lalo Sanchez 1, Manny Gonzalez 3, J. Lynn Barajas, 3, Luis Huichapa 2.

**7th GRADE BOYS**

November 18, 2002  
 Eldorado 02-01-06-12=21  
 Sonora 08-10-06-07=31  
 Scoring for Eagles: Louie Buitron 2, Manny Gonzalez 2, Jorge Mata 2, Lalo Sanchez 9, J. Lynn Barajas 2 and Michael Hill 4.

**VARSITY GIRLS**

November 12, 2002  
 Eldorado 04-02-02-16=24  
 Ballinger 16-16-13-18=61  
 Scoring for the Lady Eagles: Heather Homer 2, Christina Redish 14, Clara Herrera 6, Martha Lively 2.

**IV BOYS**

November 15, 2002  
 Eldorado 06-18-07-11=42  
 Garden City 15-16-09-13=53  
 Scoring for the Lady Eagles: Hannah Robledo 11, Christina Redish 25, Clara Herrera 2, Amanda Wanoreck 4, Martha Lively 2. 3 Point Goals-Hannah Robledo (1); Christina Redish (1).

**IV BOYS**

November 15, 2002  
 Eldorado 05-06-18-00=29  
 Mason 00-00-00-00=29  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Michael Ballew 2, Ryan Cathey 6, Jeremy Ussey 8, Jared Grubbs 8, Kolby Dombroski 2, Frank Wipff 3.

**IV-B BOYS**

November 15, 2002  
 Eldorado 06-07-02-04=19  
 Mason 00-00-00-00=40  
 Scoring for the Eagles: Jeffrey Bybee 2, Caleb Nixon 2, Michael Hill 2, Eric Garcia 11, Epolo Herrera 2.

**8th GRADE GIRLS**

November 11, 2002  
 Eldorado 02-00-02-04=08  
 Grape Creek 10-04-08-10=32  
 Scoring for the Lady Eagles: Anna Fuentes 2, J.C. Rodriguez 2, Rahegyn Franke 2, Mariana Guzman 2.

**8th GRADE GIRLS**

November 18, 2002  
 Eldorado 02-04-02-02=11  
 Sonora 15-11-18-09=53  
 Scoring for Lady Eagles: J.C. Rodriguez 2, Kimberly Samaniego 1, Sandra Garza 2, Mariana Guzman 6.

**School Menu**

**Milk & Bread Offered**  
**Menus Subject To Change**  
**Cafeteria Line**  
**Monday, November 25**  
 Spaghetti & Meatsauce, Peas & Carrots, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Dinner Roll, Chocolate Pudding w/ Topping  
**Tuesday, November 26**  
 Cheese Pizza w/ Breadsticks, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Whole Kernel Corn, Sliced Peaches  
**Wednesday, November 27**  
 No School - Happy Thanksgiving  
**Thursday, November 28**  
 No School - Happy Thanksgiving  
**Friday, November 29**  
 No School - Happy Thanksgiving  
**Breakfast**  
 ½ pt. Milk & 4 oz.  
**Juice offered w/each breakfast**  
**Monday, November 25**  
 Dry Cereal, Assorted Crackers, Grape Juice  
**Tuesday, November 26**  
 Muffin, Cheese, Orange Juice  
**Wednesday, November 27**  
 No School - Happy Thanksgiving  
**Thursday, November 28**  
 No School - Happy Thanksgiving  
**Friday, November 29**  
 No School - Happy Thanksgiving

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**Her first teacher** — Mary Nolen (L) of Eldorado was among the family and friends who attended Holly Mankin's (R) senior piano recital last Saturday at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls. Mankin took piano lessons from Nolen beginning at age 5. The lessons continued until she was 15 at which time her family moved to Greenwood.

## Family & friends gather for Mankin's senior recital

Holly Mankin, a senior at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls, was the featured pianist Saturday at a performance held in Akin Auditorium on the campus of MSU. The event served as Mankin's senior recital and fulfilled requirements for the Bachelor of Music Education degree she will receive on May 10, 2003.

During the recital, Ms. Mankin performed "Sonata in C Major" by Domenico Scarlatti, "Sonata in E Minor, Hob XVI: 34" by Joseph Haydn, and "Waltzes Nos. 1, 2, 3, 8, 15" by Johannes Brahms. Toward the end of the program, she was joined on stage by one of her professors, Dr. Ruth Morrow. Together they played "Root Beer Rag" by Billy Joel.

Among the family and friends attending the recital was Mary Nolen of Eldorado, Ms. Mankin's first piano teacher. The pair spent a moment together on stage where they posed for photos.

"I took my first lesson from Mary when I was 5 years old," Holly Mankin said. "Those lessons continued until I was 15. She is the sole inspiration for me to be a private piano teacher. She guided me so that when I got to college I could expand on what she had taught me. I will always be thankful for the years that I had with her as a piano teacher."

Also in attendance were Mankin's parents, Mike and Ann-thinette Mankin of Greenwood, along with her sister Courtney, a senior at Greenwood High School.

Other members of Ms. Mankin's family who were present for the recital included: grandparents Charlie and Rebecca McIlwain of Anson, and Donald and Sue Blankenship of Wichita Falls; aunt Kathy Mankin of Eldorado; cousin Sarah Mankin of San Angelo; aunt & uncle Dannette & Tom Russo and cousins Danial and Rebekah Russo of Conore.

Also present was Holly Mankin's fiancé, Jeffery Studer of Stillwater, OK, and members of his family: Joe and Leta Studer of Wichita Falls; Loy, Jessica, Ca-leigh, and Lilly Studer; Mary Lou Studer, John, Beba and Johnathon Studer; and Loy Dale, Lana and Landon Studer.

Among the numerous friends attending were many MSU students and faculty members, as well as friends who traveled from Greenwood and Midland, including Mary and Keith Nolen of Eldorado.

Holly Mankin is a former Eldorado student, having attended school here through her freshman year in high school. She is a 1999

## Veterans Day Program

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Briley Ledbetter was the second speaker, followed by the presentation of the colors by Sam Caldwell and Gene McCalla, representing the American Legion Bev McCormick Post #257. Phil Edmiston, post commander, gave the oral commands for the ceremony.

Next, Abigail Ussery led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. That was followed by two more speakers, Miles Mikeska and Carli McAngus.

Next, the 3rd and 4th grade singers performed "You're a Grand Old Flag." They were accompanied by Ms. Terry Green. At that point, the audience joined in for the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner."

"The Promise of America" was then sung by The Freedom Singers before speakers Marci Minor, Torey Griggs and Ashley Paulson addressed the audience.

The 3rd and 4th grade singers then performed "This Land is Your Land." Speakers Shelby Seymore and Deisy Aranda then spoke from the podium. At that point, the "Roll of Honor," a list of Schleicher County veterans who were killed in combat, was read aloud by Phil Edmiston. The service flags were

then presented. The Army flag was carried by Frank Gandar while the Navy and Air Force flags were carried by Samantha Brown and Tyler Farmer. The Marine Corps flag was presented by Holly Romero and Robert Buchholz presented the POW/MIA flag in honor of the soldiers who are missing in action, or who may still be held as prisoners of war.

"Taps" was played to honor America's fallen heroes and speaker Bailey Minor addressed the crowd.

Then, the songs of the various branches of military service was performed by the 3rd and 4th grade singers and the veterans in the audience were asked to stand and be recognized.

At that point, the Sprowl brothers appeared on stage and played their bagpipes.

Speakers Joshua Jurecek and Jorge Medrano addressed the audience next, followed by the 3rd and 4th grade singers, as well as the entire audience, singing "God Bless America!"

Speakers Zachary Taylor and Ashley Alvarez addressed the audience as the colors were retired. Elementary Principal Bob Wanoreck delivered the benediction to close out the program.



**Freedom Singers** — These 3rd grade students, known as the Freedom Singers, performed "The Promise of America" during the annual Veterans Day Program last week. Included in the group are (Front L-R): Ashby Ragsdale, Polli Guerrero, Maddison Billbrey, Amanda Garcia, Dacy Whiddon, Canu Acosta, Brianda Torres; (Second L-R) Nancy Granados, Carli McAngus, Evan Joiner, Jamie O'Harrow; (Third L-R): Marci Minor, Melissa Bullard, Morgan Gillespie, Rosy Iglesias, J.R. Martinez; (Fourth L-R) Shelby Seymore, Bailey Minor, Abigail Ussery, Colten Daniels, Oscar Robles (Back L-R): Ben Wipff, Briley Ledbetter, Josh Jurecek, Brenda Galan, Kimberly Conn, Amy Alvizo.

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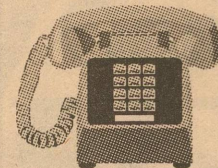
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Does the Lemon Law cover this? Richard Mendez showed off a couple of lemons he received last week from his niece, Joanne Morales in Bakersfield, CA.

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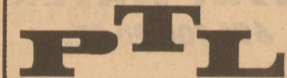
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School board meeting held

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ity. Booster Club President Bill Hodges said his organization would be happy to help in any way it could.

Next, the board voted to accept a State Compensatory Education Audit, as performed by Reed McKee & Co, the school's auditing firm.

The trustees then authorized four of the five out-of-district trips that were presented for their consideration.

board's approval if it is paying for the trip with money it has raised through fundraisers and if the trip is being taken after the school year.

Much of the discussion centered around question of allowing students to travel out of state.

Next, Supt. Blanch updated the board on leaks that have been found in various ceilings around the school since the onset of the recent rains.

The board then entered an executive session at 7:55 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.

Before adjourning, the trustees then heard an update from Debbie Griffin regarding a technology grant the district has received.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

Fundraising youngsters — St. Jude Children's Hospital received \$800 thanks to these youngsters who participated in the annual Bike-a-thon recently.



Eldorado Elementary Honor Roll 2nd Six Weeks

- Second Grade Mrs. Sessom's Class "A" Honor Roll: Miranda Arispe, Ashley Bullard, Camron Capps, Veronica Fuentes, Jalen Garza;
Honor Roll: Shelby Daniels, Lorenzo Fuentes, Lane Griffin, Edward Hernandez, Nikki Herrera, Dylan Ramos, Kevin Solis;
Mrs. Beach's Class "A" Honor Roll: John Cody Brenner, Lori Escobar, Nicholas Gonzales, Nancy Iglesias, Blaine Mitchell, Avery Nolen, Rose Turner, Stacey Valeriano;
Honor Roll: Robin Hibbs, Rico Martinez, Rudy Montez, Chasity Willis, Paige Boysaw;
Mrs. O'Harrow's Class "A" Honor Roll: Ryan Espinosa, M'Kenna Gillespie, Mary Lou Martinez, Victoria Ollivan, Brian Parsley, Hagen Porras;
Honor Roll: Brittany Arredondo,

County Agent's Update by Scott Edmonson

4-H Shooting Sports safety training slated

There will be a 4-H Shooting Sports Safety Training on Saturday, November 23rd, 2002 from 8:30 a.m. til 12:noon in the old Lions Club Room at the Memorial Building.

State Capital Highlights by Mike Cox

Meanwhile, her husband was sitting in his blind when a bullet ripped through it, barely missing him.

As the startled landowner looked on, the intruder took a second shot, this one knocking down a spike buck.

Solution to puzzle on Page 2

THANK YOU, FROM THE ELDORADO GAME ASSOCIATION FOR A SUCCESSFUL 2002 GAME DINNER

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Also, Thanks to all the Game Association members, the Schleicher County Sheriff's Department and all the individual volunteers!

Most of all thanks to the hunters and citizens of Schleicher County who supported the dinner and raffle.

If anyone was overlooked or we somehow neglected to say Thank You, please know that everyone's help is greatly appreciated.

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