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Source: Jeffs building Temple at YFZ Ranch

FLDS has never before built a temple

Sources close to Prophet Warren Jeffs of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints tell the Success that the reclusive leader is planning to build a temple here in Schleicher County similar in size and scope to the one originally built by Mormon founder Joseph Smith in Nauvoo, Illinois.

"Warren has gone too far," one Utah man said on condition of anonymity. "He thinks he is God, so he has to have a temple."

Aerial photos of the YFZ Ranch show a massive foundation under construction just west of the already completed meeting hall. The footprint of the foundation roughly matches that of the original Nauvoo temple.

A recent round of rumors that Jeffs was forecasting the end of the world sometime near the end of December and therefore called a halt to construction at the ranch was debunked by the latest photos which show work progressing on a number of structures. (See Aerial Overview on Page 5)

Also clearly evident in the photos is a new fire truck and a large shipment of propane tanks, apparently intended for the various buildings on the ranch. A large stone quarry is evident, as well as a stone cutting area near the temple foundation where numbers of smoothly cut limestones can be seen near the huge

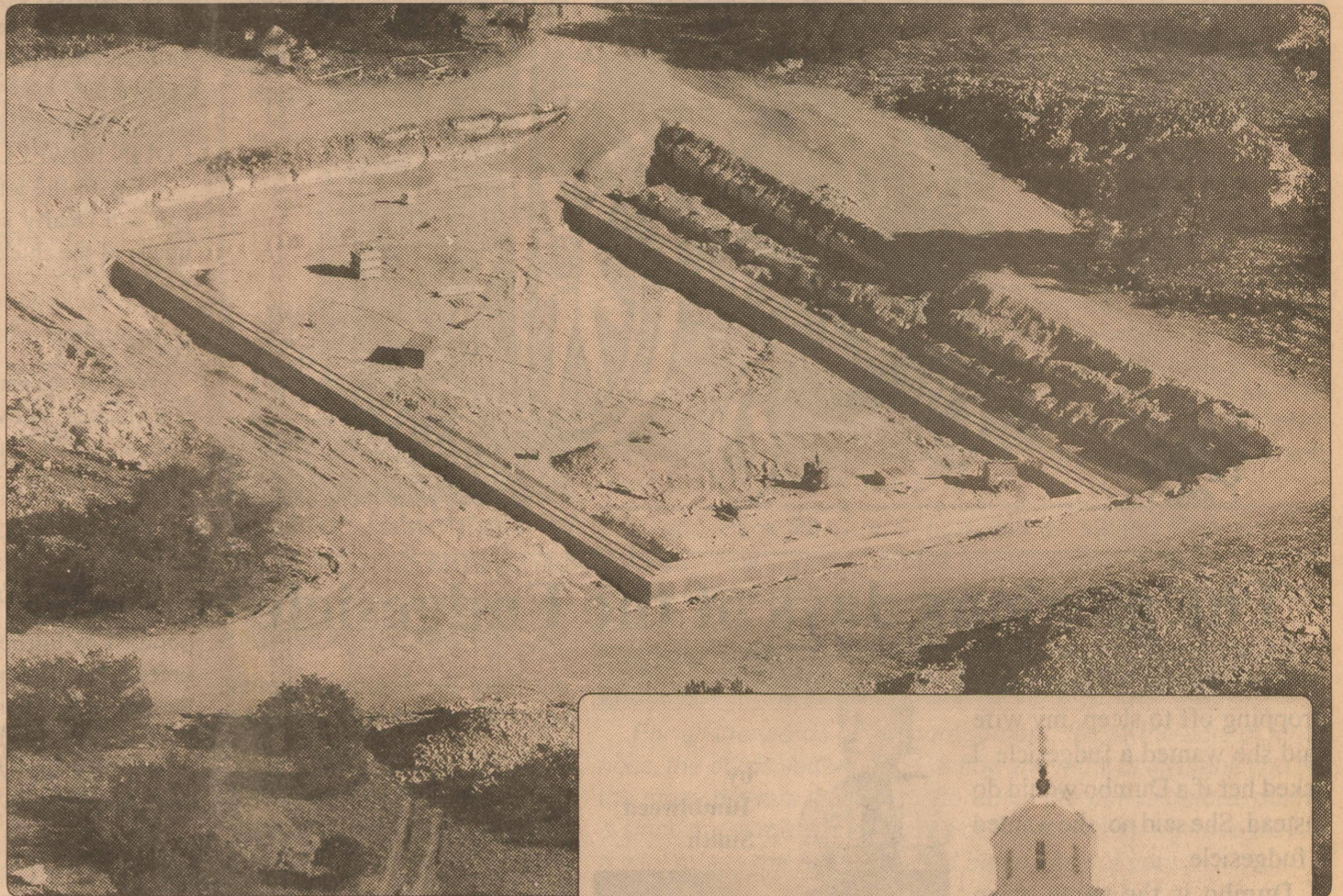
stone saw.

Ben Bistline, long-time critic of the FLDS and author of *The Polygamists: A History of Colorado City, Arizona* tells the Success that the construction of a temple at Eldorado will bring a new dynamic to the FLDS story. "This will have serious repercussions," Bistline said. "Warren building a temple means this will be a bigger and more permanent move than I would have anticipated."

Author Jon Krakauer agrees. "This is a significant development," Krakauer told the Success on Tuesday. "The fundamentalists have never before built a temple. Warren Jeffs is proving to be a different kind of prophet."

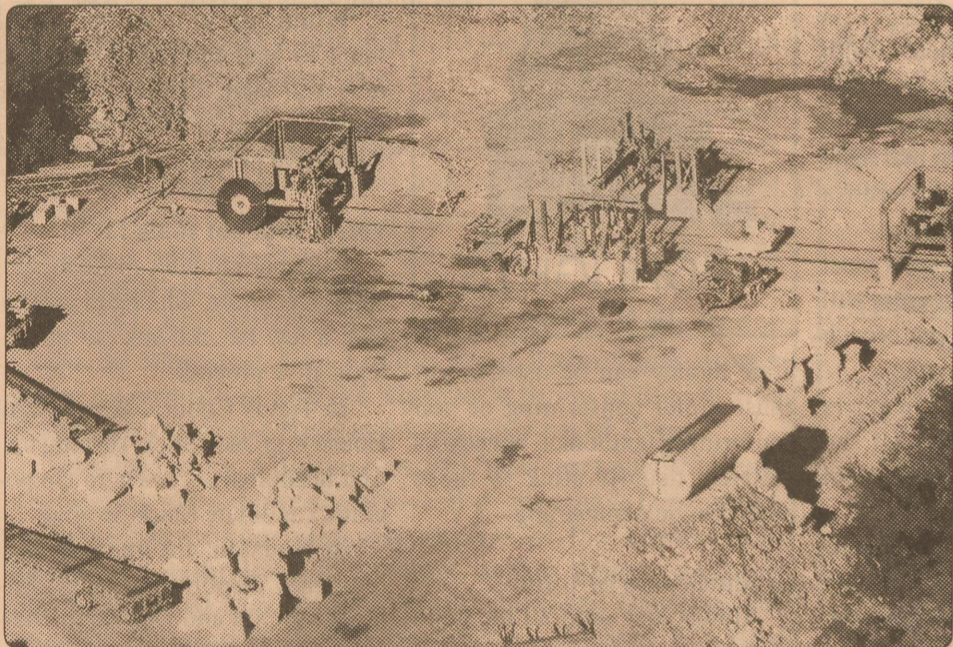
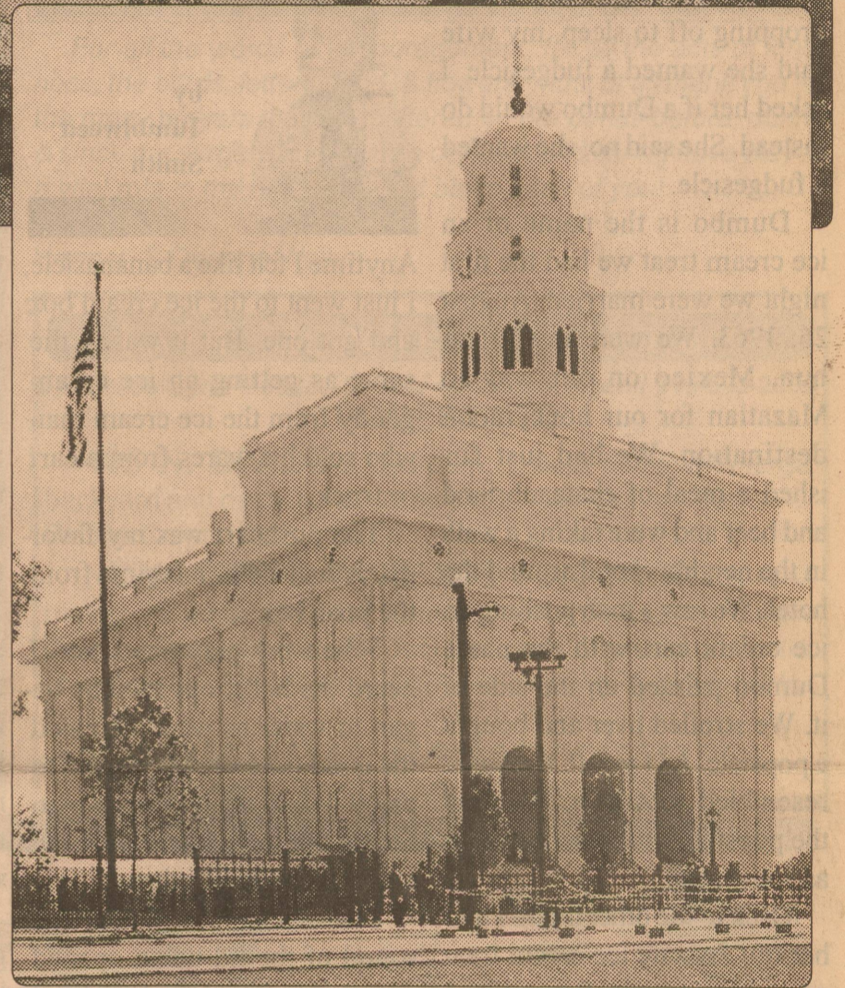
Krakauer, who wrote *Under the Banner of Heaven*, cited Mormon prophecy that "the destructions" will begin with the laying of the temple cornerstone. "I can't tell you exactly what this means for Eldorado," Krakauer added. "Just that it's very significant"

Editor's note: As has been the case since the YFZ Ranch story broke here in March, no one currently affiliated with the FLDS church is willing to comment on the record. The Success has repeatedly sought the comment of church leaders and continues to seek input from Prophet Warren Jeffs or any of his lieutenants.



A massive foundation (above) stands ready at the YFZ Ranch to support the limestone building blocks of a new temple, currently planned by FLDS Prophet Warren Jeffs. Sources in Arizona and Utah tell the Success that Jeffs plan to build a temple signals a break with decades of fundamentalist Mormon tradition since none of the FLDS leaders before him went so far as to build a temple. Insiders tell the Success that the Mormon temple at Nauvoo, Illinois, pictured here after it was recently reconstructed by the mainline LDS church, is Warren Jeffs favorite temple. The footprint of the Nauvoo temple roughly approximates the foundation now complete on the YFZ Ranch.

COURTESY PHOTOS



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The rock cutting area pictured above was built near a large foundation on the YFZ Ranch where confidential sources tell the Success FLDS Prophet Warren Jeffs intends to build a new Fundamentalist Mormon Temple.

Commissioners approve moving Dist. Courtroom to Memorial Bldg.

The Schleicher County Commissioners court met Monday, November 8, 2004, and, among other business, discussed using the Memorial Building to hold District Court. County Judge Johnny Griffin explained that Dist. Judge Barbara Walther is unhappy with the current court room, located on the 2nd floor of the courthouse. He noted that the lack of an elevator renders the room inaccessible to people with disabilities and the poor heating and lack of air conditioning makes the room uncomfortable most months of the year.

Griffin said that he had met with Walther and had agreed to relocate the court room to the Memorial Building. "I hope that's OK with y'all," Griffin said. "I told her we would do whatever she needed."

One concern was the need to renovate the women's rest room in the Memorial Building, especially replacing the door in order to make it handicap accessible. Griffin said that the doorway would need to be widened to accommodate wheelchairs and that a hallway would be constructed connecting the rest room to

the Woman's Club Room, which would be used as a Jury Room.

County Clerk Peggy Williams explained that setting the building up for a court would take awhile but that it had been done before and that things had worked well then. Williams noted that she thought Judge Walther would transfer any long jury trials to San Angelo so that the could be held in her courtroom there.

The commissioners expressed no objection to the move.

The meeting was the first of the month for the commissioners and was called to order at 9:18 a.m. by Judge Griffin with commissioners Bill Clark, Johnny Mayo, Kirk Griffin and Matt Brown in attendance.

The men approved the minutes of the Oct. 25, 2004 meeting then met with County Agent Scott Edmonson regarding the search for a Family and Consumer Science agent to replace Nancy Lester, who retired last year. Also discussed was the annual Game Dinner which was held in the County

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Game Dinner crowd fills new Civic Center

Hungry hunters joined a throng of local residents Saturday, November 6, 2004 at the annual Game Dinner sponsored by the Eldorado Game Association. More than 1,000 pounds of barbecue brisket, gallons of chili and 120 pounds of pinto beans were served to a crowd that EGA officials estimated in excess of 900 people. No one was disappointed, either.

But, even as the mouth-watering meal, prepared by Steve Nelson and Felipe Pina, whetted appetites, the crowd gathered in anticipation of winning one of the 50+ guns to be given away, along with a bevy other prizes.

This year's game dinner, held the past two years in a large tent on the courthouse square, moved inside the more spacious, and recently renovated Civic Center complex south of town. Even with the extra room, patrons spilled out into the parking lot as they enjoyed a glorious sunny day.

Emcee for this year's event was Schleicher County Judge Johnny Griffin who kept the audience entertained while awarding more 50 guns to the lucky winners of the door prize drawing. And, despite the delicious meal, it was the drawing that everyone came to see. Matt Lloyd of Eldorado won the Grand Prize "Raptor" 4-wheeler utility vehicle and Jimmy Gilstrap of Eldorado claimed the 1st Place Prize of a Pot Belly Deer Blind.

Gabriel Lozano of Whitehouse, Texas claimed the first gun awarded in the drawing, a 30-06 rifle. Other gun winners included: Rex Enochs of San Angelo (2 guns); Jerry Bass of Eldorado, Gary Adams of Burnett, Kary Gibson of Eldorado, B.J.'s Garage of Eldorado, and Christopher Barry of Sonora.

Also, Wilburn Hozire of San Angelo; Curtis Wilson of Eldorado; Stacy Jurecek of Eldorado; Billy Bryant of

Navarro CO.; T. Cy Griffin of Eldorado; Dee Ann Rohmfeld of San Angelo; and Melvin Kiser of Odessa.

Also, Roney Testerman of Aubrey; Keven Stanford of Eldorado; James Powell of Troy; Walter Delcambre of Bridge City; Dennis Marshall of Houston; Ronnie Dunn of McKinney; Angela Robertson of San Angelo and Shelly Phillips of Eldorado.

Also, Dale Weber of San Angelo; Seburo Valencia of Mertzon; Charles Tunal of Midland; Peggy Nino of Eldorado; Paul English of San Angelo; Willie Isaacs of Christoval; Jimmy Agiular, Gus Hinojosa of Eldorado; Charles Robinson of San Angelo; Clint Jackson of

Eldorado; Danny Porter of San Angelo; Joseph White of Laughlin AFB; and Steve Gould of Lubbock.

Also, Douglas Cravey of Boerne; Randy Beasel of Stanton; Domingo Martinez of Ft. Worth; Don Young of Dripping Springs; Edde Elliott of San Angelo; Henry Mittel of Arlington; Joe Little of Eldorado; and Logan Jones of Eldorado.

The Eldorado Game Association sponsors the Eldorado Game Dinner each year in order to promote hunting in and around Schleicher County and as a way of saying thank you to the hundreds of hunters who contribute so much each year to the area economy.

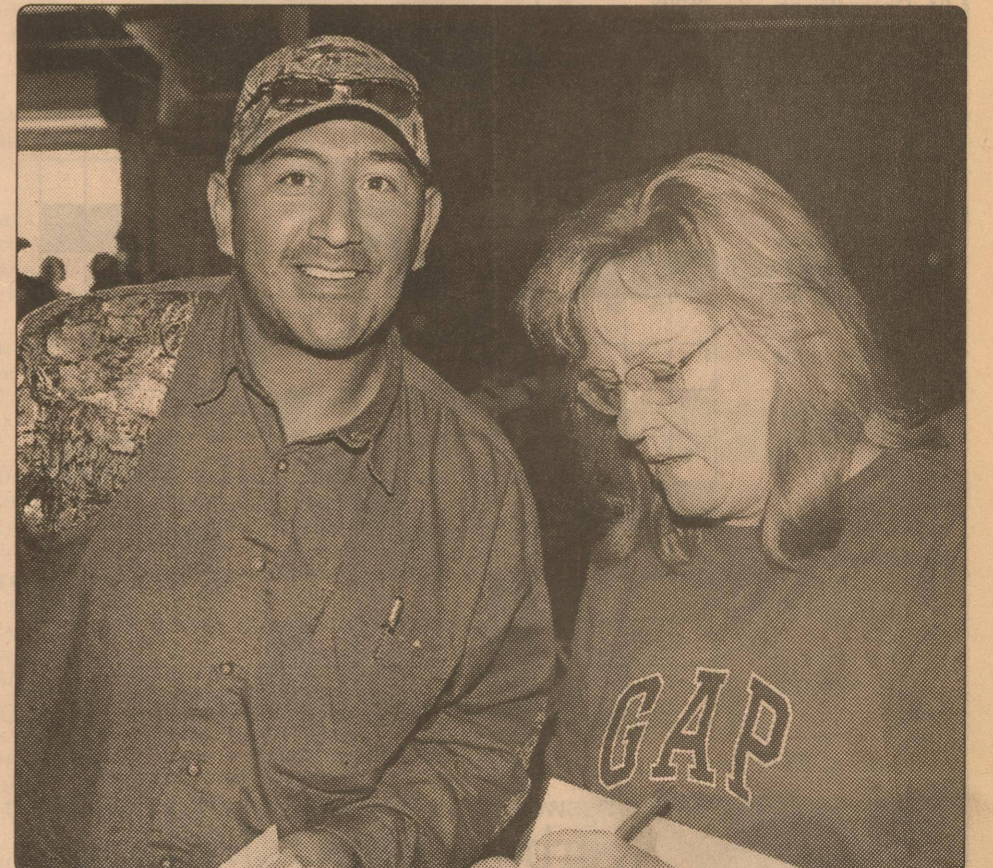
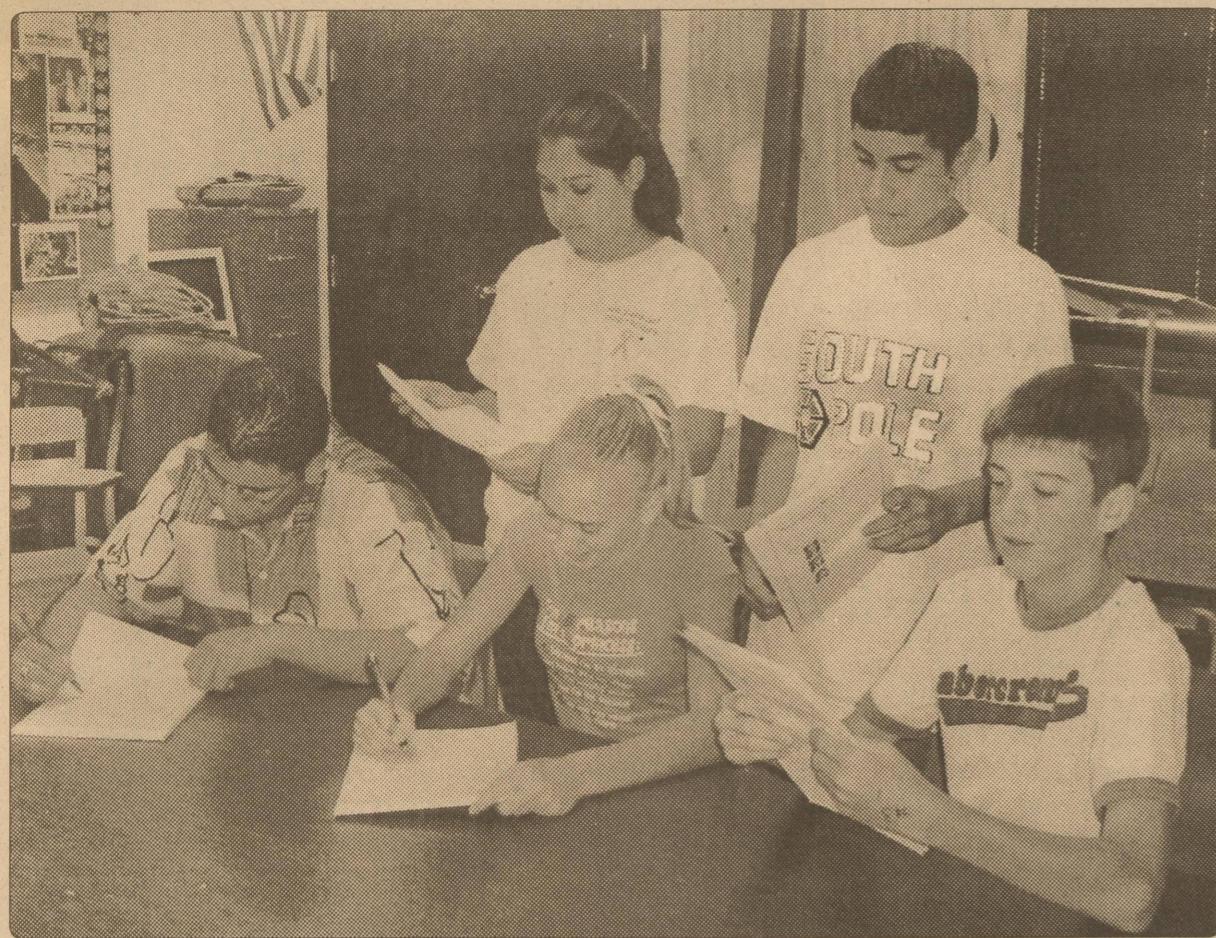


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And the winner is — Gabriel Lozano of Whitehouse, TX, presented Sheila Prater with his winning ticket after winning the first gun awarded Saturday at the annual game dinner. Lozano claimed 30-06 rifle, the first of fifty-two weapons raffled away of as door prizes at the annual Game Dinner.



Eldorado eighth-grade students Juan Sanchez (from left), Jessica Valero, Bridgett Mitchell, Dustin Ramirez and Rance Cathey count votes from the mock election held last Tuesday. J.J. Guidry's eighth-grade American Heritage class conducted the mock election, which concluded six weeks of study of the American presidency. A total of 80 seventh and eighth grade students participated locally, with George W. Bush receiving 51 votes (64 percent), while John F. Kerry garnered 28 votes (35 percent) and David Keith Cobb had one (1 percent). The mock election was in conjunction with Project VOTE (Voters of Tomorrow Through Education), sponsored by the Secretary of State's Office.

Annual 4-H Food Show termed "A BIG SUCCESS"

by Scott Edmonson

Thirty-two 4-H members recently participated in the Schleicher County 4-H Food show on November 2nd at the First Baptist Church. The participants are divided into 4 age divisions: sub-junior, junior, intermediate and senior. Also, within each age division, there are 4 categories: main dish, fruits and vegetables, breads and cereals and, snacks and desserts. In total, approximately 100 people showed up for the event.

In the sub-junior division, main dish category, first place honors went to Baylee Griffin, second place was Sunni Cate McCormick, third place Arden Mertz and honorable mention went to Claire Wide-man and Kaitlyn Lindsey. In the fruits and vegetable category, first place went to Jackson O'Harrow and second place honors went to Canyon Faul. Rylea Self took top honors in the breads and cereals category while Chase Mertz won second. Finally, in the snacks and desserts category, first place went to Dalton Buchholz, second place to Elizabeth Griffin, third place to McKenzie McAngus and honorable mention to Jess Gonzalez and Branda Gail Arispe.

In the junior division, main dish category, first place went to Allyson Jarrett and second place to Abbi Spradley. In the fruits and vegetables, first place went to Ashby Ragsdale, second place to Jaymie O'Harrow, third place to Lane Griffin and honorable mention to Carli McAngus. Top honors in the breads and cereals category went to Miranda Arispe.

Finally, in the snacks and desserts category, first place went to Robert Buchholz, second place to Zack Brame and third place went to Maddi Bilbrey.

In the Intermediate division, main dish category, first place went to Corie Williams and second went to Maygen Eubanks. In the breads and cereals category, first place went to Meg Griffin while Miles Mikeska took top honors in the snacks and desserts category.

And, in the senior division, main dish category, first place went to Will Griffin and second place went to Emily Newman. Lauren Brown took top honors in the fruits and vegetable while Allison Reynolds won the breads and cereals category.

All first place winners in the junior, intermediate and senior divisions qualify for the District 7 4-H Food Show which will take place in Abilene on November 20th, 2004. Congratulations to all the 4-Hers and good luck to those going to the district contest.

Sunni Cate McCormick shows off her *Ranchero Enchilada Casserole* before the annual 4-H Food Show got underway last Tuesday, November 2. The annual food show was held at First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. Sunni Cate *Ranchero Enchilada Casserole* received 2nd place honors in the Junior Sub Main Dish Division.



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Golf Play Day

by Su Scott

The Eldorado Golf Club held its monthly Play Day on Sunday, November 7th. There were 28 adults and two youths, Chance Meyers and Clark Meyers, who participated.

The results were:
1st place-score 56-Tip Finley, Roy Guerrero, Branda Gray, and Chance Meyers

There was a tie for 2nd place because there were two teams that tied and the two teams played off on the course to determine the 2nd and 3rd place winners.

2nd place-score 57-Rocky Robles, George Scott, Gordon Emmons, and Nancy Lester

3rd place-score 57-Tom Gray, Su Scott, Joe Garza, and Joe Max Edmiston

The other teams were as follows:

Score-59-Moises Hill, Phil McCormick, Gordon Jones, and Albert Torres

Score-60-Victor Belman, Chris McCravey, Little Chris McCravey, Tip Van Court, and Guy Crippin

Score-60-Steve Snelson, Keith Nolan, Wayne McGinnes, John Callison, and Clark Meyers

Score-60-Barry Lane, Johnny Lee Arispe, C.R. Sproul, and Cindy McGinnes

The next Play Day will be Sunday, December 5th, weather permitting. The Eldorado Golf Club will host a Turkey Shoot-3-Person Select Shot Tournament on Saturday, November 13th.

Meals for Friends Menu

Monday, November 15
Beef Stew, Sweet Peas, Crackers, Canned Peaches, Choc. Pudding, Milk

Tuesday, November 16
Baked Ham, Glazed Carrots, Summer Squash, Wheat Roll, Fresh Fruit Cup, Milk

Wednesday, November 17
Meat Loaf w/ Tomato Sauce, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Wheat Roll, Fruit Cocktail, Sugar Cookie, Milk

Thursday, November 18
Chicken Fried Steak w/ Cream Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Vegetable, Dinner Roll, Fresh Orange, Milk

Friday, November 19
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Warbirds put good scare into playoff-bound Hawks

The Wall Hawks came to town last Friday night, looking for an easy victory over the hapless Eldorado Eagles. With Hawk fans calling their friends in Eldorado during the week to ask if the visitor's box on the scoreboard in Eagle Stadium had room for three digits, it became clear to the Eagles players and fans alike that the Hawks were expecting little more than token resistance from the Warbirds. A tune-up game, if you will. What they got, was something else entirely as the Eagles made the Hawks fight tooth and nail for the 20-18 victory. By the time the game was done, Hawk fans who expected an 80-point rout were thrilled to be leaving Eldorado with a 2-point win.

Coach Gary Grubbs' Eagles squad, known more for its reliance on the pass than for its running game, brought a more balanced attack to the field, and amassed 365 yards of total offense, with nearly 40 percent of it coming on the ground.

Conversely, the Hawks looked more to their running game. In all, the Hawks offense tallied 323 yards.

But the story of the night for Eldorado fans was the Eagles defense as time and again it stymied the Hawks, putting the ball back in

Garcia 17th at Regional C-Country

Eric Garcia played football for Eldorado last Friday night, then traveled to Lubbock where he arrived at 3:30 a.m. Garcia managed an hour or two of sleep before rising at 7:30 a.m. and making his way to Mae Simmons Park to compete in the Region 1-2A Cross Country Track Meet. Despite the hectic schedule and the fatigue that certainly accompanied him, Garcia placed 17th in the meet and represented Eldorado well.

the hands of the Eagles offensive unit.

The combination seemed to be working for the Eagles as they carried an 18-14 lead into the locker room at the half. The lead would hold until late in the third period when the Hawks found the endzone on a trick pass to quarterback Chris Sturm. The 2-point conversion failed, leaving the Warbirds within a mere field goal away from a win.

And, the Eagles had a chance, late in the game, but the Hawks defense rallied, blocking a field goal attempt to clinch the win.

After the game, coach Gary Grubbs praised the play of his team and noted that the players showed a lot of pride and tenacity.

Quarterback Ryan Cathey was the Eagles leading rusher with 79 yards on 19 carries. Frank Edmiston tallied 15 yards on 4 carries and Andy Mejia added another 2 yards on 1 carry.

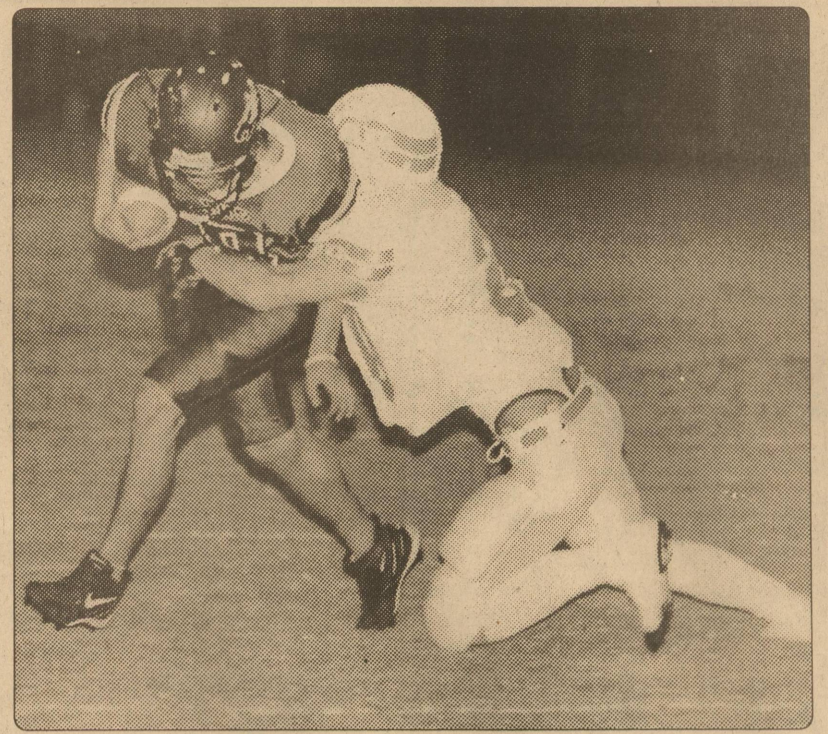
Terrell Boyssaw was again the Eagles leading receiver, counting for 116 yards on 10 catches. Jorge Bustos gained 55 yards on 5 catches and Kolby Dombroski tallied 42 yards and a TD on 3 receptions. Jared Grubbs counted for 31 yards and a TD on 4 catches and Michael Ballew added another 25 yards on 2 receptions.

Quarterback Ryan Cathey connected on 24 passes for 269 yards and two touchdowns through the air. He also ran for one touchdown.

Nester Hernandez led the Warbirds defense with 14 tackles, while Jared Grubbs recorded 10, Frank Wipff had 9, including 3 for losses and a sack, and Epolo Herrera added 8. Hernandez forced a fumble and recovered another, while Frank Edmiston and Andy Mejia also recovered fumbles. Kolby Dombroski had two pass break-ups and Simon Duran blocked a punt.

The loss ends the Eagles season with a 4-6 season record. The Eagles were 1-6 in District 2-2A play.

The district will be represented by Mason, Wall and Sonora in the State playoffs.



Eagles receiver Jorge Bustos pulled a Wall Hawk defender down field as he fought for additional yardage last Friday night in Eagle Stadium. Wall posted a 20-18 win despite a superb effort by the Eagles.

EMS Eagles teams claim pair of District 2-2A titles

The Eldorado Middle School football teams both claimed district titles after a double-header against Wall last Thursday night at Eagles Stadium.

The eighth-grade team fought to a 20-20 tie against Wall. The Eagles finished their season with a 7-1-1 record.

Wall jumped ahead 8-8 in the opening minutes of the contest, but Eldorado tied the score with 2:16 left in the quarter. Dustin Ramirez crossed the goal line from 3 yards out, and then quarterback Austin Grubbs connected with Jesus Vasquez for the conversion. The TD was set up by an 11-yard pass from Grubbs to Johnny Mejia.

The Eagles took their first lead of the contest at the 5:24 mark in the second period when Gabriel Gomez rumbled 13 yards for a touchdown.

Wall drove the ball down the field late in the first half, but Eldorado stopped the drive as Grubbs intercepted a pass at the 1-yard line with 14 seconds left.

The Eagles took control early in the second half. Grubbs recovered a fumble on the opening kickoff to give Eldorado possession at the Wall 49-yard line. Ramirez then

raced 37 yards to set up Gomez's 12-yard TD run for a 20-8 lead.

Wall came back to score two more times in the second half as the game ended in a tie.

The seventh-grade Eagles finished their campaign with an 8-0-1 record after pitching a 36-0 shutout over Wall.

Wes Brown and Tony McCord both scored twice to lead Eldorado's attack.

McCord put the first points on the board after intercepting a pass and racing 30 yards for paydirt. Ivany Sanchez ran in the conversion for an 8-0 lead at the 4:22 mark in the opening stanza.

Brown scored on a quick pitch from 15 yards out with 4:32 left in the first half. Sanchez added the point-after as the Eagles went up 16-0.

On Wall's next drive, Abel Fuentes recovered a fumble on the 37-yard line. Three plays later, Brown raced 32 yards for a touchdown, putting Eldorado up 22-0 with 1:39 remaining in the half.

Sanchez found the end zone at the 1:05 mark in the third quarter after breaking loose for a 68-yard scamper.

McCord scored his second TD of the night on a 22-yard run with 4:45 left in the game. Brown scored the conversion on a quarterback sneak to put Eldorado up 36-0.

"I would like to thank everybody involved in the seventh-grade football team," Eagles coach Larry Mitchel said. "It was a great year for the guys and I hope they had a lot of fun."

"This old coach enjoyed all of the guys and their different personalities. Thank you again," he added.

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Aerial Overview of Ongoing Construction at the YFZ Ranch

City Council okays 4-way stop & amends noise ordinance

The Eldorado City Council met Monday for its regularly scheduled meeting in the council chamber at Eldorado City Hall. Among other items of business, the council met with Eldorado Elementary Principal Macla Edmonson regarding her request for a 4-way stop sign at the intersection of West Warner Avenue and North Oak Street. A public hearing on the matter drew no opposition from the public and the council voted unanimously to grant Ms. Edmonson's request.

Utility Superintendent Floyd Fay was then directed to install the new stop signs and to erect school zone signs around a two-block ra-

dius of the school. The school zone signs will restrict the speed limit to 20 miles per hour in that area when school children are present.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Nikolauk with Council Members Bill McCutcheon, Dora Bosmans, Richard Mendez and Juakin Rojas in attendance. Council members Toni Sudduth and Tommy Minor were absent.

Also on hand were City Secretary Carolyn Mayo and Utility Supt. Fay, as was Rev. Bob Jacobsen, of Community Baptist Church, who opened the meeting with a prayer.

In other business the council also conducted a public hearing regarding a proposed noise governing offensive noise and music within the city limits. Again, no one was present to address the matter and the council voted unanimously for the measure which restricts offensive noise and loud music within a 1,000 feet of any hospital or nursing home.

The move to amend the ordinance was begun when football fans from Sonora last year brought a loud air-horn mounted atop a propane tank filled with compressed air to a football game in Eagle Stadium. News that the city had a noise ordinance, along with word that the council was working on reinforcing the ordinance, prompted the Sonora school authorities to leave the noisemaker at home this season.

Next, Floyd Fay and Carolyn Mayo updated the council on work in their departments and the council moved to amend and approve the minutes of the previous month's meeting. A change in the minutes regarding the portion of the meeting in which the council met with representatives of C-bridge Connections, the local cable company, was approved.

The council then took up a request from First Baptist Church for a 15-foot variance, allowing the church to build a fence around its basketball court at the intersection of West Mills and South Oaks. The council discussed the matter briefly but voted unanimously to deny the request.

A discussion about the deannexation of 8.5 acres of land owned by Alma Corbell led to a disagreement between Councilman Bill McCutcheon and City Secretary Carolyn Mayo over whether the land was ever properly annexed and whether the city council has the authority to disannex it now. Ultimately the council voted unanimously to disannex the property since no city services extend to it. At one time city gas service reached the property but that service was discontinued when the system was upgraded nearly twenty years ago.

Ms. Mayo restated her belief that the council could not take the action and said she would check with Chief Appraiser Scott Sutton of the Schleicher County Appraisal

District. Mayor Nikolauk and Councilman McCutcheon advised that it would not be necessary to contact Sutton since they had already been in touch with him about the issue and would visit with him again.

Talk then turned to the need for a Hotel/Motel tax. Council member Bill McCutcheon explained that recent interest in a Star Party held at the X Bar Ranch made him aware of the tremendous potential Eldorado has to attract other such events. He said that a Hotel/Motel tax would be helpful in advertising the town and county to outsiders who might consider traveling here. McCutcheon was asked to visit with community members, including the owners of local motels and bed & breakfasts, to get their input on the idea.

The council's next meeting is slated for 6:00 p.m. on Monday, December 13, 2004 in the City Hall Council Chamber.

BIRTHDAY LIST

NOVEMBER

- 11th Luke Wideman, Sergio Lee Arispe, Ashley Paulson, Daniel Mata, John Paul Fuentes, Francie Freeman, Sonny Dean, Stacy Jurecek, Delfina Dominguez, Kemper Aylor, Lindsey Edmiston
- 12th Lee Barajas, Jeremy R. Ramos, Belinda Fuentes Braly, Erica A. Buitron, Gene Jones, Hannah Wolfe, David Barajas, Blanca Martinez, Brittany Lynn Caulder, Judy Lange, Blanca Charboneau, Kaitlyn Neihaus
- 13th Jonathan Mejia, Matt Curtis, Randy Scott, Jani Mitchell, Joe Beach, Lynley Glass, Heath Andrews, Ray Wheeler
- 14th Mandy Burgess, Brandon Lopez, Kristen Montgomery, Ethan Droll
- 15th Sammy Estrada, Cassandra C. Buitron, Brandon Ray Lopez, Skyler Sheppard, Adan Rodriguez, Cristine Buitron, Isis Pina, Mark Paulson, Melonie Reynolds, Earl Lloyd, Dee Williams, Riley Umphress, John Paul Fuentes
- 16th Cyd Manning, Austin Barajas, Andy Mejia, Charles Allen, Kayla Case, Roxanne Adame, Trey Preston, Austin Reece,
- 17th Andrew Anderson, Golla Pina, Beverly Minor, Billy McCravey, June Wheeler, Bradley Beach

ANNIVERSARIES

NOVEMBER

- 12th Wayne & Cindy McGinnes, Marcus & Angela Mose
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FLU SHOT UPDATE

Schleicher County Medical Center wants to keep the public informed about the "flu" vaccine situation in the community, and clarify concerns that have been voiced:

The influenza "flu" vaccine is not available to Schleicher County Medical Center at this time. We had hoped that the vaccine would be available the first of November, as we had been told by the Centers of Disease Control (CDC), which did not happen. If and when we receive the vaccine, it will be distributed according to the CDC guidelines.

Until that time, it is prudent to avoid as much hand contact as possible within the community. It is also prudent to wash your hands often especially after being around very young children (generally under the age of two) and elderly community members. If you have further questions or concerns, please call:

Beckie Silva MSN, GFNP, GCNS at 325.853.3137 Extension 143

Or Vicki Farmer BS, RN, DON at 325.853.2507 Extension 110

- We have free pamphlets with information about hand washing, and the CDC guidelines for distributing the flu vaccine if and when we receive it. Information is available in our Family Clinic waiting room.

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Angel Tree Application Extended

Applications MUST be turned in by November 12, 2004. No later than 3:00 p.m. and no late applications will be accepted. Children infants through the 6th grade only.

This application is not a guarantee that your child will be placed on the Angel Tree. After careful screening, the angels will be selected. If your child is not selected, you will be notified by telephone no later than December 10, 2004.

Your child, if selected, will be eligible to receive any combination of 1 to 3 gifts THAT TOTAL IN THE PRICE RANGE OF \$25.00 TO \$30.00. Please help us know what your child would like for Christmas by listing three items they would like to receive. Remember not to exceed \$30.00 limit.

It is the responsibility of the parents to come to the Community Resource Center after notification, to pick up your child's packages. Any packages not picked up will be donated to a worthy cause.

It is also the responsibility of the parents to provide the correct sizes for your child/children. If you disagree with any decisions concerning this, you have the right to address the Child Welfare Board at their regular scheduled meeting. The date of the meeting is always posted 72 hours before the meeting at the Schleicher County Courthouse. Please contact Patsy Kellogg 853-2574 to be placed on the agenda.



PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

"She Wore A Yellow Ribbon" was the popular song sung by the 3rd and 4th Grade Elementary "Freedom Singers" during their 15th annual Veteran's Day performance. "America! The Dream Goes On" was the theme of this years program performed last Thursday evening to a auditorium full of patriotic veterans, family and community members. Front L-R: Ruben Vasquez, Avery Nolen, Sasha Rodriguez, Marcus Perez, Addye Chatham, Bree Anna Cortez, Odette Barrientos and Nikki Herrera. Middle (L-R): Robin Hibbs, Sunni McCormick, Stacey Valeriano, Brooke Guerrero, Megan Reel, Adriana Rios, Nancy Iglesias, Victoria Olivan, Hagen Porra s. Back (L-R): Austin Stapp, Macy Milkeska, Ysenia Ramirez, Brittany Galan, Lane Griffin, Paige Boysaw, Mary Lou Martinez, John Cody Brenner, Abriana Islas. Elementary music teacher Mrs. Joella Parker far right directed the group and Ms. Terry Weaver played the piano.

School trustees get update on No Child Left Behind Act

Suzanne Johnson, SCISD English as a Second Language teacher gave a presentation Monday evening to members of the Schleicher County ISD board of trustees on the district's results under the Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment, a requirement of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.

Ms. Johnson advised the board that, of the district's 578 students, there are presently 68 who fall under this program. She noted that 25 of the students are in Elementary, 18 in Middle School and 25 in High

School. She explained that her job requires her to test the students proficiency and understanding of the English language.

The meeting was the board's regularly scheduled session and was called to order by Board President Jo Helen Kotsch. Trustees present for the meeting included Eddie Albin, John Paul Joiner, Jan Wanoreck, Lupe Sanchez and Kurtis Homer.

SCISD Business Manager Ray Ballew was on hand to review the district's financial reports with the board. He reported over \$1.3 million of the school's property tax revenue has been received and noted the district fund balance stood at \$1,272,499.00 as of October 31, 2004.

The trustees reviewed Ballew's numbers then approved all financial reports as well as the minutes of the Oct. 11, 2004 meeting.

In other business, the board approved a shared service agreement with the Menard Special Education Cooperative for the 2004-2005 school year. Ballew advised the trustees that the cooperative has refunded \$17,500.00 to SCISD because of frugal operation of the program.

Next, a bid of \$18,928.00 was accepted for a 2005 Silverado Regular Cab, 3/4 ton pickup. The vehicle is equipped with an automatic transmission and work truck package, as well as a large V-8 engine and towing package. The pickup will be assigned to the

school's maintenance department.

Approval was then given for Superintendent George Blanch and Maintenance Director John Kotsch to choose the lowest of five bids for air conditioning units for the Administration building and Cafeteria building. Kotsch advised the board that the new units will replace the oldest on the campuses.

Next came approval for a new scoreboard at the girls softball field. The scoreboard will cost \$9,385.00 with delivery included in the price.

The trustees then approved a request for the use of school buses for the 2005 Project Graduation.

Next, the board went into executive session for just over an hour, emerging from behind closed doors at 7:19 p.m. when they voted unanimously to accept Middle School teacher Delia Herrera's resignation. It was noted that Ms. Herrera's letter to the board stated she was retiring with her last day being January 20, 2005.

Supt. George Blanch then updated the trustees on enrollment, reporting 576 total eligible students as of October 29, 2004. Of that number, 228 students were enrolled in Elementary, 164 in Middle School, and 184 in High School.

Maintenance Director John Kotsch then presented a written report on campus improvements which included remodeling the football concession stand, ordering replacements stools for the cafeteria, remodeling of a teacher's house and starting the installation of new outdoor swing sets on the elementary playground. He said he hopes to replace 70 percent of the outside security lights during the Spring semester and complete the retro-fit of the school's indoor lighting.

Before adjourning for the evening, the board heard from Supt. Blanch that Rosa Romo has resigned from her janitorial position and Ms. Elizabeth Sanchez was hired as a replacement.

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Amigo's Dream Restaurant, G & G Fiberglass/Pot-Belly Blind, The Eldorado Success Newspaper, West Texas Lumber & Trading Post, Jack Turner, Shell Star Stop, McCormick Real Estate, John Meador Construction, Angelo Pellets, Eldorado Bed & Breakfast, The Wash House, Angelo Bolt, Cathy's Florist Jewelry & Gifts, Creek Swabbing & Roustabout, Halbert Propane, Las Palmas Drive-In, Eldorado Wool Company, Kent's Automotive, Sutton County Steak House, First National Bank of Eldorado, Guadalupe Meat Company, West Texas Game Feeders, D & L Automotive, Hinojosa Appliance Service, Eldorado Animal Clinic, Petal's & Potpourri, Southwest Texas Electric Coop, H & G Automotive.

Most of all, THANKS to the hunters and citizens of Schleicher County who supported the dinner and drawing.

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

Notice of Application

Fluid Injection Well Permit

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The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Strawn Formation, Camar SW (Strawn) Unit Lease, Well Number B-1. The proposed injection well is located 25 miles East of Eldorado in the Camar, SW (Strawn) Field, in Schleicher County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4280 to 4350 feet.

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