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Meador & Andrews named Man and Woman of the Year by the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce

FNB recognized as Business of the Year, J.D. Doyle named Educator of the Year

A crowd of about eighty people were on hand Monday night at the Memorial Building to see Stan Meador and Connie Andrews named Man and Woman of the Year at the annual meeting of the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce. James Kosub presented beautifully engraved plaques to the pair in recognition of the honor.

Other award recipients includ-

ed First National Bank of Eldorado, recognized as the community's Business of the Year and J.D. Doyle, honored as Educator of the year. FNB President Hyman Sauer accepted a plaque on behalf of the bank. Doyle, who is employed as Technology Director at Schleicher County I.S.D., was on hand and received a plaque, as well.

Following an hour-long reception, Chamber President Con-

nie Andrews called the annual meeting to order. She briefly outlined a number of projects the Chamber carried out during the past year. Among those were the relocation of the Chamber office to the County Museum, sponsorship of the Schleicher County Day festival last June and a partnership with the newly formed Southwest Tourism Partnership.

Chamber board member Stan Meador then updated the attendees on efforts by the Tourism Partnership to expand tourism in and around area that encompasses Schleicher, Sutton and Crockett counties.

Next, Eldorado High School Librarian Debbie Griffin updated the group on efforts that are underway to win a half-million dollar grant for the purpose of bringing high-speed Internet access to Eldorado. She noted that the group, calling itself Schleicher County Community Network, is only \$1,300.00 short of the \$50,000.00 needed in matching funds. Griffin explained that \$10,000.00 donations from the Hospital District, City of Eldorado, Schleicher County and Schleicher County ISD, plus additional monies from the Eldorado Lions Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Economic Development Board as well as private citizens and local businesses, have pushed the group toward the \$50,000.00 goal.

Hospital Administrator Ann Fagan-Cook then updated the group on plans for the hospital district to act as fiscal agent and administer the grant, if it is received. Schleicher County Community Network is one of sixty-one community groups applying for the grant. It was explained that there is enough money in the program to fully fund forty-eight of those applicants.

The Chamber members then voted to elect Albert Torres, Beverly Minor, John Ben Cawley and Stacy Jurecek to fill three-year terms on the Chamber's board of directors. They will join Princess Gruben, Stacy Haynes, Rachel

Nixon, James Kosub and Stan Meador on the group's board of directors. It was noted that Board President Connie Andrews is leaving the board after eight-years of service.

Next, Ilse Williams advised the audience about changes in the Summer Jobs Program. She encouraged local businesses to consider hiring local students during the summer through a program that subsidizes a portion of the students' wages.

The Eldorado-Divide Soil and Water Conservation District took advantage of the meeting to publicly recognize Douglas Buchholz for his support of the district's various activities, including his service on the district's board of directors. Buchholz was praised for his help with annual conservation programs during his tenure with the district, including Wool and Mohair Judging, Range Judging and Plant I.D. contests for the 4-H youth and planning of various conservation field days and tours. He received a plaque presented by district directors Mary Leigh Dunagan and Roy Gene Lloyd.

First National Bank of Eldorado was then recognized as the Schleicher County business of the Year. Connie Andrews presented a plaque to FNB President Hyman Sauer.

Stan Meador then presented J.D. Doyle with a plaque denoting him as the Educator of the Year.

Next, Knights of Columbus District Deputy Albert Torres introduced Rojelio Adame, Grand Knight of Our Lady of Guadalupe Council #11282. Adame recognized Rolando Teresa Vasquez as the council's Family of the Year. He also recognized Damien Beach as Knight of the Year.

Schleicher County EMS President Bobby Andrews then took the opportunity to present a Distinguished Service Award to Susie Richters, who has served on the volunteer ambulance service for nineteen years.

Board member James Kosub

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Photo by Kathy Mankin

Man and Woman of the Year — Stan Meador and Connie Andrews were named Man and Woman of the Year Monday night at the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce's annual membership meeting.



Photo by Kathy Mankin

Business of the Year — First National Bank of Eldorado was named Business of the Year by the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce Monday night. Here bank staff and officers accept a plaque commemorating the honor. Pictured are (L-R) Gary Gruben, Deanne Walker, Stacy Haynes, Chamber President Connie Andrews, Glenda Harris and FNB President Hyman Sauer.



Photo by Kathy Mankin

Educator of the Year — J.D. Doyle (L) was named Educator of the Year Monday night by the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce. Here he is shown receiving a plaque from Chamber board member Stan Meador. Doyle serves as the Technology Director at SCISD.

Burglar hits hospital gift shop Crimestoppers offers \$450 reward

A thief with a fondness for Valentine's merchandise managed to squeeze through the accordion cage doors at the Schleicher County Medical Center gift shop last weekend and make off with a number of items. Included among them were two coffee mugs filled with Valentine's candy, a pair of stuffed Valentine's bears wrapped around vases, one vase with flowers, two Valentines bears on sticks, and a large stuffed monkey.

Annie Arispe, the hospital's activity director, explained that

items were on sale in the gift shop with the proceeds going to benefit the nursing home residents.

Parents are asked to take note if any of the missing merchandise is found in their children's belongings.

Senior Crimestoppers, a program recently begun at the nursing home, has weighed in, offering a \$450.00 cash reward for information in the case. A toll-free number is available to persons wishing to make a report. It is 1-800-590-5850. Callers will remain completely anonymous.



Courtesy Photo

Valentine's bandit? Medical Center employees Jesse Guadarrama and Annie Arispe posed for this photo at the hospital gift shop recently.

UIL to announce district realignment on Monday

by David E. Hill

The University Interscholastic League has bunkered in for their bi-annual "Re-Alignment" for Texas public schools the last several weeks. The results of that process will be announced next Monday at 9 a.m. They will be posted on the UIL web site at www.UIL.texas.edu.

It has been said that U.S. war strategy or the location of Vice President Cheney might not be as secretive as the UIL process of re-districting Texas schools. Therefore, any comments, predictions, or those who claim to be "in the know" might as well be trying to predict West Texas weather rather

than trying to predict what district SCISD might wind up in on Monday. Let's just hope that Anthony and Eldorado don't fall in the same paragraph.

Eldorado's current district, 2-2A, consists of San Angelo Grape Creek, Wall, Junction, Mason, Sonora, and EHS. Eldorado turned in 207 students (fewest of those in our current district) to the UIL for the process, while Grape Creek turned in somewhere around 352. SCISD has been the smallest participant as far as student numbers in District 2-2A and based on the figure sent to Austin would likely be there again. The range of enrollment for 2A school's for the

2000 realignment was around the 170 to 344 range. As in the past, these numbers should again increase somewhat in 2002.

Some area schools that may be "on the bubble" of changing classifications and affecting area realignment are: 3A to 2A - Crane, Alpine, and Ballinger, 2A to 1A McCamey. The potential drop of Crane and Alpine might keep Ozona, Reagan County, or Eldorado from going to the "far west" the next several years.

SCISD Athletic Director Karl McCormack stated that he would be at the Region XV center to pick up the realignment announcement and make any necessary schedule

changes for next year's football schedule. When asked his take on the realignment McCormack stated, "I've missed it the last several years, but I always take a stab at it. I think we will lose Junction and Mason to Region II or IV and pick up Reagan County and Ozona. Under this scenario, the district would consist of Eldorado, Wall, Grape Creek, Sonora, Ozona, and Reagan County." If McCormack is correct, both football and girls basketball will have a very competitive district.

In next week's Success, we will have the new alignment for EHS as well as comment from SCISD personnel.

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T.R.'s political savvy amazes 100 years later

A foreign national carries out a heinous act of terrorism and murder on American soil. The world watches to see if the new president is up to the task. Congressional leaders attempt to derail the president's economic reform package while he is distracted by more pressing events overseas. Sound familiar?

Remember, there's nothing new under the sun. The events that read like headlines from today's newspapers are actually from 1901, when President Theodore Roosevelt swept into office following the assassination of William McKinley by anarchist Leon Czolgosz in Buffalo, New York.

T.R., as the American people, affectionately called him, faced a situation oddly similar to that fac-



ing President Bush, or G.W., as he has come to be known, today.

I've been reading lately the second installment of Edmund Morris' biography of Theodore Roosevelt entitled "Theodore Rex." In it Morris tells the tale of T.R.'s eight tumultuous years in the White House.

Political allies, and I use that term loosely, maneuvered T.R. into accepting the Republican nomination for Vice President. Following the election, the outspoken T.R. found himself, in the weakest political office in the land. Czolgosz changed all that with two shots from a .32 pistol at the Pan American Exhibition in Buffalo. With McKinley's tragic death, America's most dynamic President ever moved into the Oval Office.

T.R. is probably best known for building the Panama Canal, after the French had abandoned the project as a lost cause. He also faced down the steel, railroad, oil and coal monopolies, dismantling the "trusts" as they were known then.

T.R.'s motto was, "Walk softly and carry a big stick." He put that to practice in 1904 when an American businessman was kidnapped in Tangier by a Berber bandit named Rasuli. A show of force by the American Navy and a contin-

gent of Marines, convinced Morocco's Sultan to cooperate with America's cowboy president. The businessman was quickly returned and Rasuli faded into obscurity.

T.R. proved himself equally adept as a diplomat when he negotiated the peaceful end of the Russo-Japanese war in 1905. He received the Nobel Peace Prize for his efforts, the first American ever to win a Nobel Prize of any sort.

T.R. called the American Presidency a "bully pulpit." He understood its awesome power and was perfectly willing to exchange the high approval ratings he received in foreign and economic affairs for victories on the environmental front. Remember, it was T.R. who presided over the largest expansion ever of the National Park and National Forest systems.

I must admit that I admire T.R.'s style. As a former Secretary of the Navy, he pushed through a massive expansion of the U.S. fleet. When construction was complete T.R. wanted to show off his "Great White Fleet" and asked congress for money to send it on an around-the-world tour. The legislators were appalled by "such foolishness" and refused to appropriate the money.

Never one to be easily deterred, T.R. used the Navy's entire budget to send the fleet to Japan. Then, he notified the Congress that the world's first all-steel ship navy was stranded, out of fuel and out of funds, half a world away. Of course, Congress quickly coughed up the money to bring the ships home and T.R. did so...by sending the fleet the rest of the way around the world.



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Texas municipal employee goes to jail over pollution charge

AUSTIN — His mug shot appeared in the newspaper and on television along with word that he had been booked into jail on a criminal charge.

Another accused killer behind bars?

No. Fifty-two-year-old Everett Conner had not been charged with any traditional crime. He went to jail as a paid city official of Buda, in Hays County, charged with the misdemeanor offense of improper disposal and discharge of raw sewage.

If convicted, he could spend up to a year in jail and be fined up to \$100,000.

Conner was arrested Jan. 23 at his city office by Texas Parks and

State Capital Highlights

by Mike Cox

Wildlife Department game wardens and officers with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Lower Colorado River Authority.

The Manchaca man is accused of having knowingly dumping raw sewage into a treatment lake on private property. From there, the effluent entered tributaries of the San Marcos River.

This is believed to be the first time a Texas city official has ever faced a criminal charge in connection with a pollution violation.

Conner was quickly released from jail on his own recognizance.

The investigation into the dumping is continuing and a felony charge is possible if it is determined that any dumping occurred after June 2001, when a new law went into effect making it a more serious crime.

The debate debate

No, that's not a typographical error.

Texas' two contenders for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination are debating how they will debate.

Former Attorney General Dan Morales, the latecomer to the race, has said he will not debate opponent Tony Sanchez at all unless Sanchez agrees to conduct one debate in Spanish and have more than one English language debate. Sanchez has proposed having only two debates, one in English and one in Spanish. Morales wants six debates between now and the March 12 primary.

Until the Sanchez-Morales contest is decided, Republican incumbent Rick Perry has no one to debate debates with.

Other than their debate over debates, the only issues that have surfaced so far in their campaigns are differences of opinion on minority recruitment at the Univer-

sity of Texas and on the issue of gambling at the Tigua Indian reservation in El Paso.

That will soon change as the campaign begins to thaw out along with the weather.

Education commissioner resigns

Texas Education Commissioner Jim Nelson is leaving the state agency he headed for two years to go to work for a private company in Dallas.

Nelson, 51, announced his resignation on January 22, effective March 31. His new job will be as a senior executive with the higher education division of Voyager Expanded Learning, a company that sells reading program training materials nationwide.

At the Texas Education Agency, which is responsible for overseeing the state's education laws and policies, he had been earning \$164,000 a year.

Gov. Rick Perry will appoint Nelson's successor.

During Nelson's time as Texas' top education official, TEA changed the state's landmark student and school evaluation system, the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills. The new program, the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills, starts next year.



ROLLING ALONG

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Browsing in the Alto Library

A couple of old buildings in downtown Alto have been remodeled and transformed into a substantial library.

"We have thirteen thousand volumes," says librarian Virginia Singletary. "We think that's pretty good for a town of this size."

Virginia volunteered for the library job thirty years ago and she still has it. She has never taken a penny in salary. "We used to be pretty crowded when our library was in a residential area, but now we have four thousand square feet of floor space. People have meetings here. We can display things and have our books, tapes and videos where people can get to them conveniently."

The library is located right next door to a dollar store and gets plenty of traffic. The Gates foundation donated two computers to the Alto library. "The kids really use those things."

The library is open three afternoons a week and Saturday mornings. It was started by a women's group called the Thursday Study Club and is still maintained by those women. "The city provides the utilities and the insurance. All the other support comes from these sixteen women. They've done all kinds of fund raising activities. They've been successful enough in the past that they bought CD's and are now providing funds from the interest."

The library has some unique displays. An old rope counter sits in the front of the building. Various types of ropes were sold on it years ago.

"We have a big collection of historic photographs. We started during the sesquicentennial year of

1986 and made photographs our main project. We had people from all over the area bring in photographs of their families, the town, industries, buildings, anything they had that was fifty years old or older."

The library copied the photos and returned them to their owners, then developed an elaborate filing system to store them. The collection has 2500 photographs from Alto and the surrounding area.

"If somebody's house burned and they lost their pictures, they could come here and get copies of them."

The library also has some items from a German prisoner of war camp that was on the edge of Alto during World War Two. "The prisoners were hired out to work in the woods. The camp didn't last very long, less than a year. Whenever they closed down the camp, they took away all the buildings. There's nothing left there. Not many people know about this camp. There's a book out called Nazis in the Piney Woods and talks about other camps in the area, but this one is not mentioned. We know it was there."

A local doctor went to the camp regularly to treat the prisoners when they became ill. One of them gave the doctor a beautiful carving which has been donated to the library.

"We also have a copy of a prisoner of war newsletter that was published at the big camp in Tyler and circulated to all the smaller camps around. It's written in German and English. I suppose they had to translate it into English so the officers at the camp would know what was being said."

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OBITUARIES

William Christopher "Bill" Brooks

SAN ANGELO — William Christopher "Bill" Brooks, 64, died Monday, Jan. 28, 2002, in a local hospital. Service will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at The Heights Baptist Church with graveside service at 2 p.m. in Eldorado Cemetery. Arrangements are by Johnson's Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife,

Shirley Brooks of San Angelo; daughter, Susan Johnson of El Paso; sons, Brick Stine of The Woodlands and Bob Stine of West Des Moines, Iowa; mother, Christine Brooks of San Angelo; brothers, Gene Brooks of Midland and John Brooks of Arlington; and sisters, Cindy Owen of San Angelo, Beverly Avery of Kerrville and Jo Ann Norred of Big Spring.

Douglas Dale Franklin

Douglas Dale Franklin, 65, of Eldorado died Friday, Jan. 25, 2002, in a San Angelo hospital.

Douglas was born on Jan. 26, 1936, to Douglas Durden and Adelein Mays Craig Franklin in Ranger, Texas.

Survivors include his wife, Grace; son, Joe Dale Franklin of

Boerne; daughters, Wendy Burkett and Caryl Simmons, both of San Angelo; mother, Adelein Franklin of Eastland; sister, Barbara Hill of Eastland; and six grandchildren, Misty Marsh, Victoria Norman, Carrie Burkett, Jarrod Simmons, Jessica Simmons and John Simmons.

Mary O'Harrow Robinson

SAN ANGELO — Mary O'Harrow Robinson, 93, longtime West Texas resident, died Sunday, Jan. 20, 2002 at her residence in San Angelo. Graveside service was Jan. 22, in Fairmount Cemetery.

Mary was born on Sept. 15, 1908, in Schleicher County to Jeremiah and Grace Parker

O'Harrow. She married the love of her life, Luke Robinson, in 1931. He preceded her in death in 1968 after 37 years of marriage.

Mary was a world traveler. She loved history, genealogy and gardening.

Numerous nieces, nephews and friends survive her.

Yvonne Espinosa Rodriguez completes AF basic training

Yvonne Espinosa Rodriguez successfully completed seven weeks of Basic Training January 18, 2002 at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, TX.

Yvonne graduated from Squadron #320, Flight #124 with a badge for Expert Marksmanship.

Yvonne is currently attending tech school at Sheppard Air Force Base in Wichita Falls, and is training for Air Crew Life Support Apprentice.

Yvonne's address is; AB Rodriguez Yvonne 5795 - 528 E. Ave. #18847 Sheppard AFB, TX 76311-3469



Courtesy Photo Yvonne Espinosa Rodriguez

Rehab 2002 Update

by Mabel Freitag

Another year has passed, "Thank you" for the 12th year in Schleicher County, all I can think to say is "Schleicher County You Are The Greatest" and we were at the "Top of the list" again this year!

We appreciate Southwest Texas Electric Coop who furnish the facilities for the Telethon and to Buff Whitten who opens the doors at 6 p.m. and stays with us until closing time.

The book work was taken care of by Stacy Haynes, Susie Richters and Mabel Freitag. Orval Edmiston, Mike Haynes, Domingo Pina, Buff Whitten and Bill Freitag were the "Pick up Crew". Telephone work was taken care of by Delia Pina and Mary Leigh Dunagan. Charlene Edmiston as usual kept us all in line! The Nikolauks brought snacks and stayed for a while and Elton McGinnes

came by to say "Hello", we missed you Mary. A big Thank you to Becky Sterling for the great candy. To Randy and Kathy for getting our news in the Success and for coming by on Telethon night to take pictures.

Some of the "main helpers" were not in the picture last week. The Edmiston had worked cattle all day and left early to get some rest. The Nikolauks and Elton McGinnes were by earlier and Mike Haynes had to leave early. So, you see, the years are creeping up on these old folks, but, we are still hanging in there!

Since we started the Telethon in 1991, Schleicher County citizens have donated a total of \$76,352.00, and average of \$6, 362.67 per year.

Since January 19th, we have received the following donations! Mr. and Mrs. Luther Dunham, Mr. and Mrs. David Meador, Mrs. William L. McWhorter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bland, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kent. This brings our total to \$5,185.00.

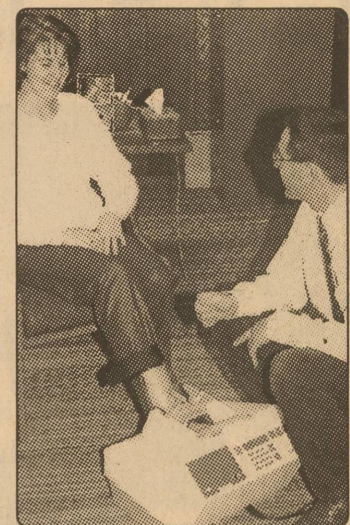
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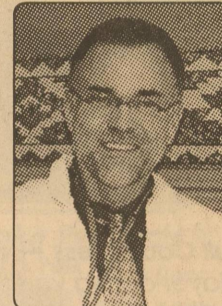
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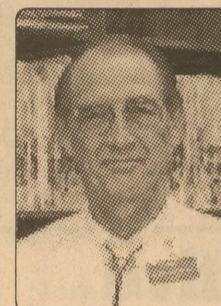
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Beta Sigma Phi Report

by Barbara Jackson

Seven members and one guest met on January 22, 2002 in the home of Dorothy Dacy. Flora Hubble presided over the meeting with Lindsey reading the minutes of the precious meeting. Kim'et Nelson gave the treasurer's report.

Members discussed a need for a ways and means project. After much discussion it was decided that they would bring garage sale items to Mrs. Dacy's sale set for March 14th. and 15th. Some mem-

bers plan to bring bake sale items as well.

Following the closing ritual the hostess served a array of cheeses, ham squares, chips, dips and lemon squares to those previously mentioned; Barbara Jackson, Mary Leigh Dunagan, Dorothy Clark and one guest, Doris Vanecek.

The next meeting will be a Valentine salad supper on February 19th. in the home of Mary Leigh Dunagan.

Meals for Friends Menu



- Monday, February 4** Spanish Meatballs, Rice, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Sliced Tomatoes, Pineapple Rings, Milk
- Tuesday, February 5** Beef Burrito, Pinto Beans, Spinach, Coleslaw, Gelatin w/ Pears, Milk
- Wednesday, February 6** Oven Pork Chop, Noodles, Carrot, Bread, Tossed Salad, Apple Sauce, Milk
- Thursday, February 7** Meatloaf w/ Tomatoes, Black-eyed Peas, Okra, Cornbread, Banana Pudding, Milk
- Friday, February 8** Chicken Supreme, Herbed New Potatoes, Broccoli, Hot Rolls, Green Salad, Cherry Cobbler, Milk

EMT training set for February

Schleicher County EMS will be offering EMT training beginning on February 12, 2002. Classes will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays weekly.

We provide excellent EMS instruction from your local State certified EMS instructors. The EMT training you will receive will include but not limited to, classroom instruction and skills, ambulance

ride-outs, and Emergency Room internships. At the completion of the course the individual may sit and take the State administered exam to become a certified EMT. The cost for the course is only \$100.00, which includes the textbook.

Registration prior to the course is required so please contact us today at (915) 853-3456, Tim or Melissa. We look forward to hearing from you.

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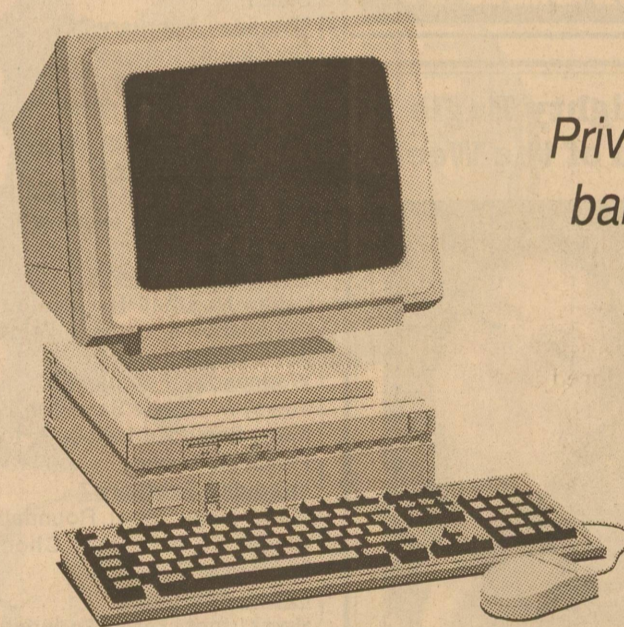
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Lady Eagles defeat Grape Creek, fall to Mason

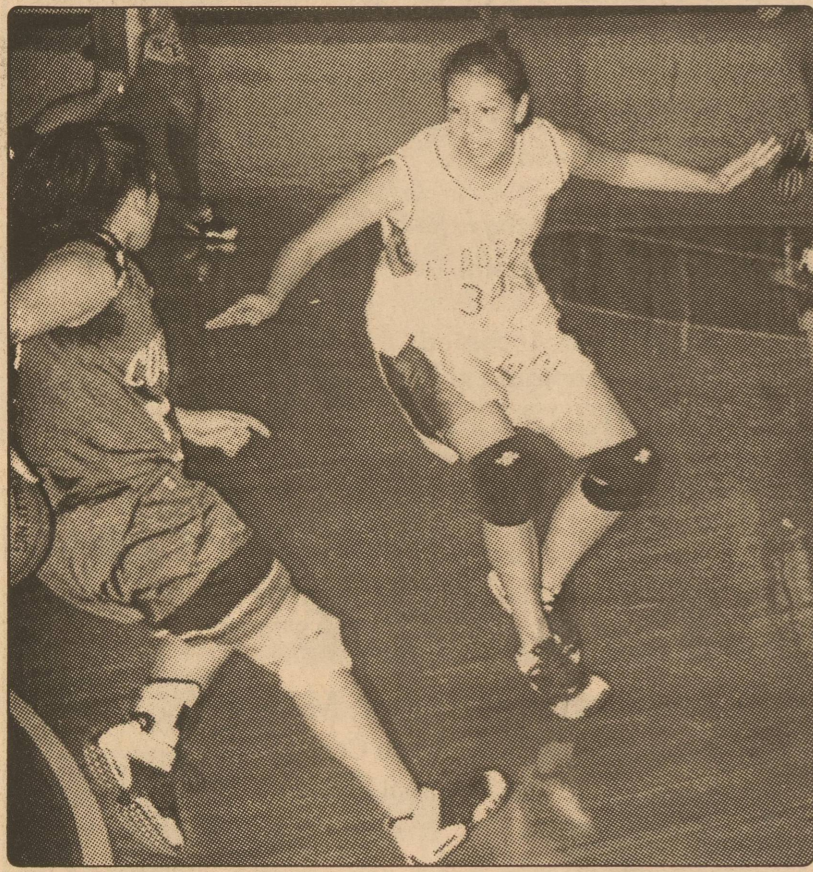


Photo by Kathy Mankin

Full Court Press — #34 Clara Herrera harassed a Mason Cowgirl player during varsity girls action here last week. The Lady Eagles fell to Mason 49-34.

by David E. Hill

The Eldorado Lady Eagles saw themselves go 1 and 1 last week. They defeated Grape Creek, a game they were supposed to win, and came up short against Mason, a game they could have won. The bottom line is that the Lady Eagles now have to win 2 of their next 3 to force a "play-in" game with Sonora.

Last Tuesday the Lady Eagles traveled to Grape Creek and came away with a 52 to 38 win. EHS never trailed in the game and played well on both ends of the floor.

Eldorado came out strong in the first quarter and found themselves up by 12, leading 18 to 6. Grape Creek chipped away at the lead in the second; however, the Lady Eagles were up 24 to 17 at the half.

EHS extended their lead by 1 in the third and 6 in the fourth for the 52 to 38 victory.

Seven Lady Eagles scored on the night. Christina Redish led all scores with 9, Gentry Newman had 8, Hannah Robledo and Clara Herrera had 6, Leigh Ann Neal and Martha Lively had 2, and Teresa

Barajas had 1. EHS went 7 of 14 from the free throw line.

After the game Coach Gooch commented, "We played a good defensive game. We are getting a lot of good shots that we just can't get them to fall. This was a good win."

The Lady Eagles hosted Mason last Friday at Eagle Gym and came up on the short end of a 49 to 34 score. EHS was always in the game, but could not get close enough at any given time to overcome Mason. It was a tough loss.

EHS found themselves down 13 to 2 at the end of the first quarter. The Lady Eagles took what seemed to be a "ton" of good shots that went into the cylinder, then bounce out. At the half, Eldorado trailed by 9, 21 to 12.

Eldorado's offensive woes continued in the third as EHS only managed 5 points in the quarter. EHS continued to play good defense and allowed only 8 Mason points. As good as the Lady Eagles were playing on the defensive end of the floor, they could not overcome their "cold" shooting in the first three quarters and couldn't close the gap in the fourth.

Scoring for the Lady Eagles were Redish with 21, Herrera with 9, Robledo with 8, and Newman and Neal with 7. EHS went 9 of 13 from the line.

Coach Gooch commented after the game, "We just could not get the ball to fall for us tonight. We kept close with a good game defensively, but just could not get it to go our way on the other end. We now have to take 2 of our last 3 to extend the season."

The Lady Eagles have Wall, Junction, and Sonora left on the schedule. They will host Junction tomorrow night at Eagle Gym for their final home game of the season. EHS must win against Junction and Sonora to have the opportunity to get a shot at the post-season.



Photo by Randy Mankin

High flying Eagle — Phillip Martinez soared over a Mason Puncher defender last Friday as the Eagles coasted to a 72-45 victory.

Eagles fall to 3rd after going 1-1 last week

by David E. Hill

The Eldorado Eagles went 1 and 1 on the hardwood last week and found themselves falling from second to third place in District 2-2A. Eldorado's district record is now at 3 and 2. The Eagles will begin the second half of loop play this week and will have several must wins to move up in the standings and firmly secure a playoff position.

Eldorado traveled to Grape Creek last Tuesday and ran into a team that has drastically improved as the season has progressed. EHS dropped the game by a 50 to 53 score.

EHS battled several factors in the loss. First, the Eagles got into foul trouble from the opening tip off and had to back off of their full

court pressure. Second, although the Eagles shot 15 of 22 (75%) from the line misses came at a time that wound up being the difference in the ball game.

Eldorado came out and maintained a 1-point advantage in the first and second quarters. Grape Creek then took a 2-point lead into the fourth and EHS could not come away with the win. Grape Creek made 7 of 10 from the charity stripe in the fourth quarter and that was the difference.

Ramon Barajas led the Eagles with 18, followed by Wesley Jones with 8, Benji Gonzalez and Tony Fay with 6, and Thomas Ballew, Philip Martinez, and Johnny Herrera all had 4.

After the game Coach Gillespie commented on the loss, "We just can't get into foul trouble that early and stay in our kind of game. We played hard but didn't play smart and that was the difference."

The Eagles then hosted Mason at Eagle Gym last Friday and came away with an impressive 27-point thrashing of the Punchers, 72 to 45. Nine Eagles scored in the contest and defensively EHS played almost flawlessly. Eldorado had 26 steals on the night.

EHS came out strong early and outscored the Punchers 17 to 5 in the first. Both teams traded baskets in the second quarter as Eldorado went into the half leading 33 to 21. The Eagles extended their lead by 3 in the third and 12 in the fourth for the win. The exclamation point came on a half court shot at the buzzer by Quisto Gonzalez. All went well for the Eagles.

Scoring for Eldorado was B. Gonzalez and Thomas Ballew with 14, Barajas with 10, Herrera with 9, Martinez with 8, Fay with 6, Q. Gonzalez with 5, Jones with 4, and Bobby Phillips with 2.

Coach Gillespie said after the game, "This was an excellent team effort on both ends of the floor."

The Eagles will have played Wall on Tuesday and host Junction at Eagle Gym on Friday.

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Tuesday, February 5
Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, English Peas, Sliced Bread, Apple Crisp

Wednesday, February 6
Bean & Cheese Chalupas, Spanish Rice, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Pineapple Tidbits

Thursday, February 7
Corn Dogs, Tater Roundabouts, Whole Kernel Corn, Chocolate Pudding w/ Topping

Friday, February 8
Hamburger, Tater Roundabouts, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Sugar Cookies

Breakfast
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Monday, February 4
Honey Bun, Cheese Sticks

Tuesday, February 5
Dry Cereal, Crackers

Wednesday, February 6
Cinnamon Roll, Cheese, Apple Sauce

Thursday, February 7
Dry Cereal, Crackers

Friday, February 8
Muffin, Mozzarella Sticks

Fast Food Line

Monday, February 4
Corn Chip Pie w/ Cheese, French Fries, Shredded Lettuce & Tomato, Iced Cupcakes

Tuesday, February 5
Italian Meatball Sand/Sub, Tater Roundabouts, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Apple Crisp

Wednesday, February 6
Turkey w/ Cheese Sandwich, French Fries, Shredded Lettuce & Tomato, Pineapple Tidbits

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Cocaine discovery sends local man to jail

Joe Louis Lozano, 34, of Eldorado, was arrested Friday evening January 25, and charged with possession of a controlled substance after a routine patrol revealed lights on in a home that was supposed to be empty. Schleicher County Deputy Jason Chatham contacted the Sheriff's office at 8:52 p.m. to report finding lights on in a home on San Antonio Street. Knowing that the occupant of that house was in jail at the time, and noticing an open door on a car parked in front of the home, Chatham stopped to investigate.

That's when he encountered Lozano leaving the residence. According to Deputy David Oliván, who responded to back up Chatham on the call, Lozano was carrying a bag as he walked away from the home. As Lozano was questioned, the officer noticed a mirror on the front seat of his 1990 model Oldsmobile. A powdery white substance was detected on the mirror and, upon further questioning, Lozano reportedly identi-

fied the powder was crack cocaine. As Deputy Chatham placed Lozano under arrest, he reported seeing the man drop a bag. Closer inspection of that bag revealed that it contained a 4-ounce rock of cocaine, Deputy Oliván said.

Lozano was booked into the Schleicher County Jail and charged with possession of a controlled substance. He was later released on a \$10,000.00 surety

bond. Sheriff David Doran reported Tuesday that the 1990 Oldsmobile involved in the investigation has been seized by his department and that forfeiture papers will be turned over to District Attorney Steve Lupton.

State law allows state and local law enforcement agencies to seize autos and other property in cases involving illegal drugs.



Photo by Kathy Mankin

Here's where we want to go — Verizon representative Joel Mulkey pointed out areas on a county map where his company is going to install new telephone cable. The company is under pressure from the Public Utility Commission to replace all rural radio telephones before the end of 2003.

Verizon to do away with rural radio phones

by Kathy Mankin

Radio phones will soon be a thing of the past for rural residents of Schleicher County. Verizon telephone company will soon begin laying new cable to rural customers who must now use radio telephones. There are currently about 130 such phones in service within the county.

Verizon representatives Joel Mulkey and Manuel Ortegón, met Monday with Schleicher County Commissioners and made known their company's intentions to begin laying telephone cable to rural radio telephone customers. Mulkey explained that the Public Utility Commission mandated the upgrade and is requiring that the work be completed by the end of 2003. So, beginning in March of this year Verizon will start laying new phone cable in Schleicher County. The men projected the price tag for the project to be \$3-4 million.

The men advised that Verizon is seeking to bury the cable along county roads. Installation will be in the county road right-of-way, at least 5 feet from the fence line. Cables are to be buried at least 18 inches deep. Four remote switches will also be installed.

After discussing the matter, and with the understanding that Verizon would indemnify the county from liability in case future road maintenance should cut the cable, the commissioners voted to authorize the company to proceed with the work. Commissioners Johnny Mayo, Kirk Griffin and Ross Whitten voted in favor of the measure. Commissioner Bill Clark arrived moments after the vote.

Sheriff David Doran also met with the commissioners and explained his intention of acquiring a second pickup truck for a patrol vehicle. Currently the Sheriff is the only officer in the department driving a pickup. Doran said he wants to purchase a pickup, instead of a car, when the county next buys patrol vehicles. He explained that a pickup more practical for use out in the county. Pickups have higher ground clearance and would be helpful, especially when assisting the fire department, the Sheriff said.

Doran further noted that resale values of pickups is higher than cars and that, to date, the department's one pickup is just as fuel efficient as the department's patrol cars.

Before moving on to other business, Commissioner Bill Clark asked Doran about reports from citizens that patrol cars had been seen traveling to San Angelo. Doran replied that some of his deputies have been attending required classes in San Angelo and that he allows them to use the patrol cars for such purposes. Doran further noted that several of his dispatchers have also been attending class-

es and that they are car pooling in private automobiles in order to hold down mileage expenses.

In other business the men called for bids for a transport load of diesel fuel. They also voted to take bids on painting the library. It was agreed that the Schleicher County Library Board is to choose the color of paint.

Next, the men selected a grievance committee for the year 2002. The purpose of the grievance committee is to hear payroll disputes brought by elected officials. Committee members are selected from current grand jurors and the commissioners court. Commissioner Kirk Griffin made the selection by drawing four names from a cigar box. They include Victor Belman, Sidney Reynolds, Anna Buitron and alternate William Dykstra.

County Extension Agent Scott Edmonson then appeared before the court to request new panels for portable pens at the Ag Barn. He also sought permission to remove the existing pens and clean up contaminated soil. The commissioners asked Edmonson to check prices on new panels and report back to them. They could not reach an agreement, however, on the question of removing the old pens.

An extended discussion followed concerning use of the Ag Barn. Judge Johnny Griffin reminded the commissioners that the county acquired the building with the intention of remodeling in for a Civic Center. He said that the community is in favor of the idea, which would still allow it to be used for livestock shows.

Commissioner Clark asked the court to consider other matters such as rest rooms at the baseball park, construction of airport hangars and needed repairs at the county swimming pool. After discussing the topics at length, the men moved on, taking no action on the matter.

Next, the men okayed the expenditure of \$750.00 in budgeted funds by the Natural Resource Conservation Service and the payment of \$600 to the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas for membership dues during 2002.

Commissioner Mayo presented a request from the American Legion to place a spotlight on the Old Jail to shine on the flag pole that will be placed by the canon that is being installed as a memorial on the courthouse square. The men agreed to the request.

After reviewing and paying the county bills, the men visited with County Treasurer Karen Henderson who presented them with her annual Treasurer's Report. (see copy of report on Page 6.)

Before adjourning the meeting, the men then discussed hiring a maintenance worker to help with upkeep at the Ag Barn and to assist with other projects as needed.

Commissioner Ross Whitten noted that he preferred creating a part-time position while Commissioner Mayo expressed his belief that a full-time worker would be needed. In the end, the men took no action on the matter, citing concerns over costs as well as questions about supervision.

Chamber of Commerce meeting held

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then presented the Man and Woman of the Year awards to Meador and Andrews.

Before calling the meeting to an end, Connie Andrews asked the audience to join her in recognizing the local emergency service personnel. One by one, members of the Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department, the Schleicher County EMS, the Schleicher County Sheriff's Department and Explorer Post #33 were recognized for their dedicated service to the community. Each member of the organizations received a certificate of appreciation.

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Hot Shots — Knights of Columbus Free Throw winners posed at the front of the pack while other participants gathered around last Saturday following the event in the Middle School gym.

2001 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship

Four boys and four girls from Eldorado, ages 11 to 14, were named local champions of the 2002 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship and have earned the right to compete at the district level. The Knights of Columbus of Our Lady of Guadalupe Council #11282 in Eldorado sponsored the local competition this past Saturday at the Eldorado Middle School Gym. All youngsters ages 10 to 14 were eligible to participate. Coordinator for the event was Jimmy Aguilar.

Helping with the event was Grand Knight of the Council Rojelio Adame and District Deputy of

Eldorado Albert Torres. There were no 10-year-olds to compete this year competition.

In the 11-year-old Cassanda Buitron was the girls champion, Rance Cathey was the winner in the 11 year old boys division.

12-year-old winner in the boys division was J.P. Joiner and winner in the 12-year-old girls division was Kassandra Lynn Tyler.

In the 13-year-old boys division free throw winner was Russell Cathey and 13-year-girl winner was Amber Valdez.

14-year-old girls champion was Selina Rojas and 14-year-old boy champion was Frank Edmiston. Each contestant was allowed 15 free-throw attempts per contestant until a winner emerged.

Each of these winners will compete in the district competition to be held on a later date.

Those participating included: Drew Bosmans, Juan Manuel Garcia, Sammy Estrada, Richard Logan Jones, Adam Dominguez, Michael Redish, Paul Martinez, Relando Gonzalez, Ashley Lozano, Rhapsody Swyter, Chelsey Hill, Amika Gonzalez, Charlotte Adame, Manny Gonzalez, Richmond Adame, Jose Luis Buitron, Cash Lane, Matthew Hill, Michael Hill.

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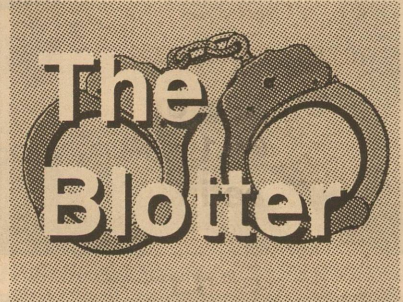
4-H to host Shooting Sports safety training class

The Schleicher County 4-H Shooting Sports project will again be hosting a safety training on Sunday, February 3, 2002 at 2:00 p.m. in the Extension office. This course is required for anyone wanting to participate in the shooting sports project. If you have already been through this training, you are not required to go through it again.

This training is open to anyone

wishing to participate in the shooting sports project. Again, this is required before 4-Hers will be allowed to go to the shooting range. If you are interested in the shooting sports project, we urge you to attend this very important meeting because it could be some time before this training is offered again.

For more information, please feel free to call the Extension office at 853-2132.



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

ARRESTS
January 24 • Olguin, Juan Jr., male age 17, arrested by SC Officer, charge two warrants Theft By Check. Released time served.

January 25 • Lozano, Joe Louis, male age 34, arrested by SC Officers, charge Controlled Substance (more than 4 grams, less than 200 grams). Released on \$10,000 Surety Bond.

January 26 • Guzman, Juan Diego, male age 17, arrested by SC Officers, charge Public Intoxication. Released on Citation.

Anguiano, Crespín Lozano, male age 41, arrested by DPS Trooper, charge No Liability Insurance/Failure To Appear.

January 29 • Martínez, Jesus, male age 56, arrested by SC Officer, charge Disorderly Conduct.

REPORTS
January 22 • 9:00 a.m. Female subject reported a suspicious person. Officer responded.

January 23 • 4:36 p.m. Tom Green County Sheriff's Office requested a officer be on the lookout for a blue car occupied by 1 Hispanic male and 1 white male. Officer responded.

• 5:56 p.m. Subject on Hill Street reported kids shooting out guard lights. Officer responded.

• 8:12 p.m. Female subject reported a pickup had run her off the road south of Eldorado on Hwy. 277. The pickup was driving on the wrong side of the road at a high rate of speed. Officer responded.

January 28 • 9:49 a.m. Complainant on El Paso Street reported items taken from their residence. Table, 4 chairs and a large mirror. Estimated value \$275.00.

• 9:37 a.m. Subject needed to speak to an officer about oxygen tanks that are missing from their residence on Poplar Street.

• 12:08 p.m. Subject requested an officer to write citations for vehicles that are parked illegal at the school in front of gym.

• 1:00 p.m. Complainant reported that someone had taken items from the gift shop at the medical center lobby. Items valued at \$100.00.

• 4:30 P.M. On Friday, January 25, their son had left his watch in the locker room while he played in a basketball game. When he returned to the locker room his watch was missing.

• 5:25 p.m. Subject reported a brown/white dog that looked injured.

• 11:33 p.m. Subject reported that they were driving by a white house on North Divide and some people were drinking and threw a beer can at their car. Officer responded.

January 29 • 4:14 p.m. Complainant reported that a male subject was causing problems at their grandmothers house. Officer responded.

4:15 p.m. Complainant reported a woman carrying a baby was pacing back and forth near her car. Officer responded.

9:00 p.m. Complainant reported that there was a puppy that had been shot in the leg and was still alive. Officer responded.

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The City of Eldorado (hereinafter called the OWNER) will receive Bids for WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS, until **6:00 PM (local time), Monday, February 11, 2002** in person at City Hall, #6 South Cottonwood, Eldorado, Texas or by mail to **Randy Mankin, City Administrator, City of Eldorado, P.O. Box 713, Eldorado Texas 76936-0713.** All Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at: **6:00 PM (local time), Monday, February 11, 2002.**

Consideration for award of the Bid will be made at **6:00 PM (local time), Monday, February 11, 2002,** City Council Meeting, City of Eldorado City Hall, #6 South Cottonwood, Eldorado, Texas 76936.

Bids are invited upon the several items and quantities of materials as follows:

MATERIALS/EQUIPMENT BASE BID: Bids are invited upon the several items and quantities

of materials as follows:
 Furnish and deliver a Bio-Separator Diversion Curtain including all cables, clamps, floatation and chain weights as shown on the plans.

Furnish and deliver an Aerator including all cables, clamps, floatation, motor, electrical wiring and pump as shown on the plans.

Furnish and deliver six (6) aluminum Baffle Plates as shown on the plans.

Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications, are on file at the office of Gutierrez, Smouse, Wilmut & Associates, Inc., 1030 Andrews Highway, Suite 211, Midland, Texas 79701 and can be reviewed at City Hall, #6 South Cottonwood, Eldorado, Texas.

Copies of the Contract Documents may be purchased for **\$35.00** from Gutierrez, Smouse, Wilmut & Associates for each set of documents obtained. No refunds will be made.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of the OWNER, negotiable U.S. Government bond (at par value) or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable Surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total Bid shall be submitted with each Bid.

The OWNER reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or to waive any informalities in the Bidding.

If the Bid is not awarded at the previously mentioned meeting of the Eldorado City Council on **February 11, 2002** then the Bids may be held by the OWNER for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of the opening for the purpose of reviewing the qualifications of Bidders.

Date: January 7, 2002
 By: John Nikolauk, Mayor
 City of Eldorado

SCHLEICHER COUNTY ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2001 BY KAREN HENDERSON - SCHLEICHER COUNTY TREASURER

FUND	BALANCE JAN. 1, 2001	RECEIVED FROM TRANSFERS	RECEIVED FROM AUTO LICENSE	RECEIVED FROM TAX COLLECTION	RECEIVED FROM OTHER SOURCES	TOTAL RECEIVED (INCLUDES TRANSFERS)	TOTAL DISBURSED (INCLUDES TRANSFERS)	TRANSFER TO OTHER FUNDS	CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2001
GENERAL FUND MMIA*	746,966.07								815,279.60
GENERAL FUND	17,497.90	3,000.00	0.00	1,171,376.93	247,408.09	1,421,785.02	1,369,522.30	0.00	1,447.09
COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER M.M.I.A.*	12,911.18								13,394.80
COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER FUND	2,401.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,409.32	15,409.32	15,310.76	0.00	2,016.46
RECORDS MANAGEMENT FUND	1,137.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,032.68	7,032.68	6,910.28	0.00	1,259.71
COURTHOUSE SECURITY M.M.I.A.*	23,629.39								32,634.68
COURTHOUSE SECURITY FUND	2,593.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,786.04	8,786.04	1,543.59	0.00	830.55
ROAD & BRIDGE M.M.I.A.*	120,674.11								149,618.50
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	47,876.21	-112,000.00	149,030.52	0.00	262,534.50	299,565.02	316,222.47	0.00	2,274.37
MEMORIAL BUILDING M.M.I.A.*	5,554.31								7,318.58
MEMORIAL BUILDING FUND	1,616.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,442.91	3,442.91	1,552.00	0.00	1,742.65
HEALTH SERVICES M.M.I.A.*	12,960.54								18,710.50
HEALTH SERVICES FUND	4,187.93	0.00	0.00	0.00	86,275.82	86,275.82	79,948.98	0.00	4,764.81
JUSTICE OF PEACE M.M.I.A.*	14,765.89								27,679.71
JUSTICE OF PEACE FUND	7,245.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,567.17	25,567.17	13,284.06	0.00	6,614.73
ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL M.M.I.A.*	6,604.70								7,622.47
ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL FUND	713.85	0.00	0.00	159.04	276.24	435.28	0.00	0.00	131.36
MEALS PROGRAM M.M.I.A.*	8,668.00								2,059.07
MEALS PROGRAM FUND	3,274.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	39,845.37	39,845.37	48,105.47	0.00	1,623.45
FARM*MARKET M.M.I.A.*	163,718.28								178,065.72
FARM*MARKET ROAD FUND	40,293.54	0.00	0.00	255,394.78	6,432.88	261,827.66	231,950.26	0.00	55,823.50
LATERAL ROAD FUND	3,996.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,363.06	14,363.06	10,492.93	0.00	7,866.56
SERIES 1997 LTD. TAX NOTE M.M.I.A.*	3,427.03								3,914.78
SERIES 1997 LTD. TAX NOTE FUND	186.31	0.00	0.00	538.47	142.67	681.14	0.00	0.00	379.70
AIRPORT M.M.I.A.*	1,201.24								0.00
AIRPORT FUND	1,831.31	9,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,216.98	10,216.98	11,602.00	0.00	847.53
SELF-INSURANCE M.M.I.A.*	76,924.89								110,122.41
SELF-INSURANCE FUND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	80,289.28	80,289.28	47,091.76	0.00	0.00
HOT CHECK FUND	1,019.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,697.14	5,697.14	5,524.50	0.00	1,191.92
CONTINGENCY FUND M.M.I.A.*	326,874.06								442,862.82
CONTINGENCY FUND	0.00	100,000.00	0.00	0.00	15,988.76	115,988.76	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL SECURITIES*	1,524,879.69								1,809,283.64
TOTAL FUNDS	135,071.05	0.00	149,030.52	1,427,469.22	820,708.91	2,397,208.65	2,159,061.36	0.00	88,814.39

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

SIGNED: *Karen Henderson*

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Schleicher County Commissioner's Court will be considering the closure of County Road #115 as a public road @ 10:00 am at the next regular scheduled meeting on February 11, 2002.

All interested parties are urged to attend.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids, addressed to the Schleicher County Commissioners Court will be received by the County Clerk, until 10:00 a.m. February 11, 2002 in regular session when such bids will be opened in the Commissioners Courtroom for:

Painting & repairs to the Schleicher County Library (Bid Specifications shall be picked up at the Clerk's Office)

The Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Peggy William
County & District Clerk
P.O. Drawer 580
Eldorado, Texas 76936

REAL ESTATE

ELDORADO-For Sale By Owner-3 Br / 2 Ba - 2,100 sq. ft. large Kitchen, fireplace, whirlpool tub, covered patio. Double lot w/ sprinkler system. Shop/garage and large storage bldg. 2 bks from school. 402 Park Lane Call for appt. 853-2756. 5b

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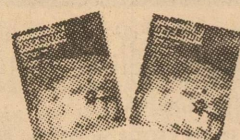
Call Philip Meyer at 915-347-0046. 9p

ELDORADO - 602 Nance. Selling unfinished house, 2/BR, 1 master room, 1/BA, large storage room. Asking \$15,000. FMI call 481-0203.

ELDORADO-For Sale-Small restaurant at 602 S. Main. Includes all equipment. Asking \$18,000 as is. For more information call 481-0203.

OZONA-HOUSE FOR SALE: 209 Ave. E. Will take smaller house or mobile home in on trade. 3 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath, garage, carport, large pecan trees, Has new furnace. CH/A. \$79,900. Call 392-3287 or mobile 650-9535.

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AUTOS

MAKE OFFER: 1995 Mitsubishi Galant, Black Leather Interior, Fully Loaded, Player Custom Wheels, Sun Roof. Call 853-2065, or 853-1067 or 853-4718 and ask for Missy. 4p

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NOTICE OF JOB OPENING

The City of Eldorado is accepting applications for a full-time position in the Public Works Department. Applicants must be High School graduates and hold a valid Commercial Driver's License. Salary shall be commensurate with experience and ability. The Benefits Package includes group health insurance and retirement benefits. Application forms may be obtained and returned to the City Hall during regular office hours.

FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOP

FEB. 13, 2002
6:00 PM

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A representative will be at Eldorado High School to discuss grants, loans and financial aid.

Miscellaneous

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ELDORADO-GARAGE SALE: 1001 S.W. Main Friday; Feb. 1st; 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.; furniture, sofa, dining room suite, tools and misc.

OZONA-GARAGE SALE: 703 1st Street. 8:00 until 11 a.m. Saturday, 3 until 6 Sunday. Stove, vacuum cleaners, computer, kids' stuff, adults stuff, clothes. Will be cleaning out another storehouse for the big sale on Sunday.

Reporter Needed

The Eldorado Success is seeking an individual interested in reporting local news stories. Writing ability is a must. Please contact Kathy Mankin at the Success office.

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Eldorado Spotlight



This week the Eldorado Spotlight shines on Dora Arispe. When the Spotlight camera caught up with Dora she was celebrating her newly obtained standing as an American citizen. Local Girl Scouts presented Dora with a cake in recognition of the honor.

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Local family prays for return of missing A&M coed

Page Price, 19 year-old granddaughter of Eldorado's Lucy Price was reported missing from her College Station A&M dorm room on Sunday, January 27. Price had returned to College Station on Saturday, after visiting her parents, Willis and Carolyn Price, in Midland.

Authorities report that Price told friends she was going to visit her brother and left her dormitory room around 4:30 p.m. Sunday afternoon. She reportedly left

her cellular telephone in her room and there has been no contact with Price since that time, investigators say.

Price is 5'7" tall and 120 lbs, with brown eyes and brown hair. She is believed to have left the A&M campus in her blue 1998 Explorer bearing Texas license plate #ZLT28C. Officials ask anyone with information as to her whereabouts to contact Texas A&M University Police Department at (979) 845-2345.

Tourism Partnership promotes Texas Friendly Program

The area's first Texas Hospitality Instructor Workshop was conducted last week as the first step in implementing the "becoming better host to visitors" strategy of the Southwest Texas Tourism Partnership (SWTTP). Nine local volunteers were certified as instructors to conduct local "Texas friendly" workshops for employees and managers of local businesses. Participants included: Shannon Hunnicutt, Vickie Williams, Kelly Owen, Carmen Sutton, Kelly Thorp, Stacy Juracek, Lill Kothman, Ladonna Wardlaw and Nancy Lester. The instructor training was sponsored by SWTTP in cooperation with the Texas Cooperative Extension, Department of Recreation, Park and Tourism, Texas A&M, and the Texas Tech University Restaurant, Hotel and Institutional Management Program.

"Becoming Better Hosts to Our Visitors" is one of the strategies developed by the Southwest Texas Tourism Partnership (SWTTP) to increase tourism in the Sutton, Crockett, and Schleicher counties area. Justin McGeath, chair of the Partnership steering committee, noted, "One thing we have learned in the last year is that the service sector of our economy has great potential for expansion. Tourism is one economic development

strategy that makes sense, but we have to be aggressive to make it work. We are fortunate to be part of a pilot project with A&M and Texas Tech. Our next step is to make preliminary contacts with a few of the businesses in Ozona, Sonora and Eldorado. The business contacts will give us feedback that will be used by A&M and Tech to adapt the program for local businesses."

Dr. Carson Watt, A&M professor and extension specialist, explained, "The SWTTP area was originally selected to be a model for rural communities seeking ways to enhance their economy and preserve a desired way of life. The tourism potential for this area was recognized early in the process. The enthusiasm and hard work led to the formation of the Partnership and the development of strategies to grow tourism. Implementation of the "Texas friendly" workshops is still several months away. This delay will give us (A&M and Tech) time to customize the program for local implementation. The hospitality project is scheduled to be fully implemented within the next 5-6 months."

Anyone interested in the activities of the South West Texas Tourism Partnership should contact Justin McGeath at (915) 387-6280. Other members of the SWTTP steering committee include: Lollabeth Jones, Gerry Ingham, Shannon Biggerstaff, Stan Meadors, Dan Brown, and Stacey Juracek. The state manager of the Texas Hospitality Program is Diane Breeding, Texas Cooperative Extension, Department of Recreation, Park and Tourism at Texas A&M University.



Photo by Kathy Mankin
Girl Scouts Peanut Sellers: Front (L-R) Sierra Arispe, Marysa Espinosa, Miranda Arispe, M'Kenna Gillespie, Chasity Willis; Back (L-R) Dacy Whiddon, Amy Alvizo, Samantha Brown, Torey Griggs, Morgan Gillespie.

Eldorado Girl Scouts go nuts selling peanuts!

Girl Scouts in Eldorado know how to sell those peanuts! Recently, the girls received \$861.20 profit for the Eldorado Service Unit from the sale of 957 cans of peanut products netting \$5,104 in overall total sales.

The girls from several troops gather Sunday for a special award ceremony and celebration. Troop Leader Shannon Gillespie presented the awards to the winners of each troop.

Top seller in Troop 156 was M'Kenna Gillespie who sold \$562.00 in peanuts. She also, had the top over all sales of all the other troops. M'Kenna received a large stuffed owl for this accomplishment and a patch, small owl and a T-Shirt for being top seller of her troop. Chasity Willis and Miranda Arispe received a patch, small owl and T-Shirt; Marysa Espinosa and Veronica Fuentes received a patch and a small owl; Brooke Guerrero and Victoria Olivan both

received a patch as a reward for sales. Michelle Collett also participated in sales.

Troop 231 top seller was Sierra Arispe who sold \$293.00 with Abby Fuentes who came close with \$292.00 in sales. Both girls received a patch, small owl and a T-Shirt for their efforts. Diamantina Torres and Dacy Whiddon both received a patch and a small owl and Brianda Torres received a patch.

Troop 232 top seller was Morgan Gillespie who sold \$331.00 in peanuts. She received a patch, small owl and a T-Shirt; Ashley Paulson also was rewarded a patch, small owl and T-Shirt; Samantha Brown, Torey Griggs, Kymberlin Conn and Amy Alvizo all received a patch and small owl. Jessica Sellers and Kaitlyn Bluford both received a patch.

Ashley Gardner from Troop 298 and Heather Powell from Troop 153 both received a patch for their effort.

Haley Higgins helped April Porras raise \$35.80 profit for Troop 152. April Porras received a patch and a small owl.

Sheryl Alexander was top seller for Troop 87. She sold \$300 worth of peanuts. She and Jessica Robertson both received a patch, small owl and a T-Shirt. Amy Doran sold enough peanuts to receive a patch and small owl and Jennifer Bybee took home a patch.

The girls present for the ceremony were able to witness something very special. Troop Leader Shannon Gillespie presented Troop Leader Dora Arispe with a cake decorated as an American Flag to celebrate Dora's accomplishment of being sworn in as an American Citizen on January 17, 2002.

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January 08, 2002	
Eldorado	13-15-13-11=52
Christoval	12-14-09-18=54
Mike Adame 8, John Fay 6, Trey Chavez 20, Danny Sanchez 3, JL Mankin 3, Kolby Dombroski 2, Logan Neal 2. 3 Point Goals-Trey Chavez (2), Jordan Fay (1), John Fay (3).	
January 25, 2002	
Eldorado	11-13-17-16=61
Mason	18-07-13-15=55
Mike Adame 16, John Fay 4, Trey Chavez 8, Timmy Martinez 2, Cole Wilkerson 2, Eric Garcia 2, Danny Sanchez 2, JL Mankin 8, Logan Neal 13.	
January 5, 2002	
Eldorado	17-14-07-10=48
Stanton	17-02-08-16=47
Scoring for the Eagles: Mike Adame 9, John Fay 2, Ray David Buitron 7, Trey Chavez, Bryce Leggett 2, Jordan Fay, JL Mankin 9, Kolby Dombroski 2. 3 Point Goals-Trey Chavez (1), Jordan Fay (1).	
January 28, 2002	
Eldorado	02-12-12-11=37
Wall	15-16-03-10=44
Mike Adame 10, John Fay 3, Trey Chavez 10, Eric Garcia 3, JL Mankin 2, Logan Neal 9. 3 Point Goal-John Fay (1). Eric Garcia (1).	

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