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Hundreds of children gathered plastic eggs for candy and prizes at Silver Creek Fellowship church on Saturday.



Approximately 100 children attended the Silverton Elks annual Easter egg hunt at Mark Twain Middle School.



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Kids rake in Easter eggs in Silverton hunts

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The Easter Bunny was nowhere to be found on Saturday, but eggs were plentiful at a variety of Easter egg hunts throughout Silverton.

At Mark Twain Middle School kids 12 and under lined up along age-designated areas for the opportunity to get a hard boiled egg. Some were painted with dollar signs and an amount between \$.25 and \$5.00 to collect. Before the hunt started there was a warning that some eggs had mistakenly been painted without being boiled. Four-year-old Lucy Ra-

mirez found this out the hard way.

"She stepped on an egg and the yolk got all over her new shoes," said her mother Johanna. "She cried for a bit, but managed to get a few more eggs."

At Silver Creek Fellowship several hundred children in the fifth grade and under grabbed their share of thousands of plastic eggs. Baskets overflowed with some children returning to their parents to unload before going out for more.

"This was so fun," said Alex Murphy, an eight year old who was busy opening his eggs to get tickets to exchange for candy. "I'll get more candy than Halloween."



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