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Hi I'm Shawn Ellis I'm the manager at the Ellis Ranch.

Kim Ellis office manager at Ellis Ranch.

[Shawn Ellis] The ranch my Grandpa bought in 1963 and it was a horse ranch for many years and in 1990 we started switching over to wedding venue and tour stuff and started doing weddings officially in 2003.

[Kim Ellis] I came on 13 almost 14 years ago.

[Shawn Ellis] I've been part of the Ellis Ranch all my life, 47 years been on the ranch living here, working it, doing many things.

[Ted] Bartender and security going on nine years. I've got married here and has never left not planning on it either unless they fire me. Family, I mean they kind of took us in my wife, the very first day is family and it's just grown from there.

[Libbi] My name is Libbi Alcorn and I am the wedding coordinator here at Ellis Ranch. So I did my first wedding in 2013 which was a couple weeks after the Big Thompson flood, and then got married here later and been here ever since.

I think the thing one of the things that sets Ellis's apart from some of the other venues is that when a couple books here at Ellis Ranch the entire family as well as the staff is included in their entire process it's also for the couples that book here they kind of become part of the family.

I think one of the coolest things is that there this was a couple years ago but there was a couple that were married here they had a child and they named their child Ellis. And that is a really good picture of how our couples feel about being here because they become part of the Ellis family.

[Shawn Ellis ] Well the events center is our bigger venue, we can do up to 450 people. Our average is probably 100 to 250 right in that area. But we have a beautiful wedding park outside and it's very country-rustic feel. Been doing that since 2003, so at least 20 years there. And our smaller venue back in 2009 we started doing that one, it's more of an outdoor venue to do smaller, more romantic wedding stuff like that.

[Kim Ellis] I think what sets Ellis Ranch apart from other venues is that we are family run and operated for 60 years. Everyone knows of the Ellis Ranch.

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[Libbi] The first thing that comes to mind I guess is that there have been a lot of changes and upgrades that the family has done which have been really wonderful.

The fact that when I was first doing weddings here The Event Center had a dirt floor it was still kind of an arena. And so then a while back they went in and put all new flooring, and then recently the upgrade to this room which is the bridal Suite. So those are the two biggest ones I can think of.

[Shawn Ellis] Instead of just doing weddings at the Ellis Ranch, we also do like fundraisers, celebrational lives. But yeah, we'll do any kind of party.

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