

# Four Lady Broncos selected for 5 AAA All-District team



KATE MATHEWS



MICHELLE McCLEERY

Four members of the 1986-87 Sonora Broncos Girls Basketball team have recently been selected to the 5-AAA All-District team.

Kate Mathews and Michelle McCleery were selected to the First Team. Gayann Dobbs and Kathy Richter were selected to the Honorable Mention Team.

These four seniors have just completed very successful careers and are to be commended for their outstanding achievements at Sonora High School.

Kate has been a three year starter and letterman, two time all-district selection and co-captain of the team. She has also been selected as an alternate to the Texas Girls

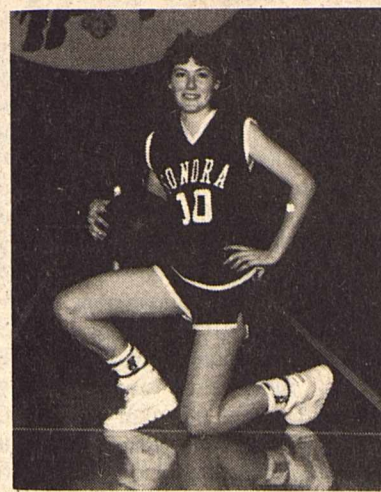
Coaching Association All-Star game to be played in Austin in July.

Michelle has been a two year starter, three year letterman and two time all-district selection.

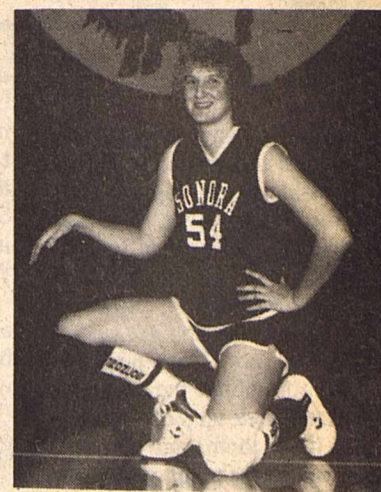
Gayann has been a two year starter and letterman, two time honorable mention all-district selection, and co-captain of the team.

Kathy has been a one year starter, two year letterman and this is her first year to be selected to the honorable mention squad.

Their contribution to Sonora girls basketball will be felt for many years. Congratulations to these fine young ladies.



GAYANN DOBBS



KATHY RICHTER



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In honor of St. Patrick's Day

## "Anything that Rolls" parade really did

"Anything that Rolls" and it did this past Saturday morning!

Despite gusty winds, cloudy skies and less than warm temperatures, "youngsters" of all ages turned out to participate in the "Anything that Rolls" sponsored by the Sonora Merchants Association.

The parade started promptly at 11 am from the First United Methodist Church parking lot, proceeded over to Main Street, down Main to Crockett, out Crockett to Hwy. 277 N., and north to the old Perry's parking lot.

Tryon Fields, as Master of Ceremonies, played a "Lets Make a Deal" type game with the audience, giving a total of ten \$5 Gift Certificates from the Merchants Association for various green items such as eyes, gum wrappers, key chains and an emerald.

Ray Smith, representing Sutton County National Bank, gave the

"Design an Ad" cash awards from the bank to the winners of first, second and third places. The winner of both first and second place was Roy Ivy, who was not present. Third place winner was Jeromy Yager.

On behalf of the Devil's River News, Carla Yager presented the Best-over-all "Design an Ad" cash award to Cyndee Morris.

Judges for the parade entrants had their work cut out for them but decisions were made and Albert Ward presented the "Wooly" awards given by First National Bank.

In the pre-school division, first place was won by Brad Jeffreys. Second went to the team of Shane Mathews and James Franklin with Patricia Yorba winning third.

Kelly and Kendra Jones, riding in a pony drawn cart, won first place in the pre-teen category with Kristi Jeffreys winning second and LeeAnn Barnes winning third.

In the teen division, Jared

Brosig, on a unicycle, won first, Tammy Strube won second and Allison Schwiening won third.

First place, adult category was won by Hudspeth Hospital with a tractor drawn gurney complete with patient and green IV bottles. Second place went to Virgil Polochek and third to Jim Mathews.

Dorothy Jungk won Best People Powered by pulling a green rickshaw through the parade route.

Best Animal Powered was won by Patti Strauch with her "team" of sheepdogs turned wagon dogs.

Earnest Lykins drove an old "Stephen"-mobile, the winner of the Best Motor Powered division entered by First Baptist Church.

Winner of the Best Over-All was the entry of the hospital, titled the "Lillian O'Hudspeth".

A great time was had by all and it was certainly proven "That Anything Rolls"!



Guy Crippin checks on "Rescue-Annie" prior to the "Anything that Rolls" parade this past Saturday. Armando Martinez sits on the dear John Deere ready to go as Chapa-Samaniego looks on. The entry of Hudspeth Hospital, "Lillian O'Hudspeth", was the winner of the adult division and winner of best-over-all.

## Board cautious on spending

The Board of Trustees of the Sonora Independent School District met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 1987, in the Board Room of the Administration Building.

The Board President recognized a delegation representing the Sonora Band Boosters. Nancy Farmer served as their spokesperson, requesting that the district consider purchasing new uniforms for the band. Her estimate of the cost was somewhere between \$35,000 and \$40,000.

Mr. Shurley commented that while the need was recognized,

expenses of the district were on hold due to the uncertain financial picture. Mr. Garrett asked if the Boosters would be willing to contribute part of the cost of the uniforms, and was answered that they would, but that they were not certain of the amount of their contribution.

At the end of the discussion, the Boosters were asked to provide the Board with a money figure as their share of the purchase price after work had progressed on the Boosters' 1987-88 budget. They were told that the Board would consider the matter further after budget work had begun.

Director of Business Warren McCarron reported on the status of the revenue and expenditure budgets, commenting that word had been received from the state that funding would be increased due; to the anticipated dramatic drop in property evaluation.

Superintendent James Bible said that recruitment for the anticipated vacancies on the teaching staff would get underway shortly. He then asked the Board's permission to purchase carpeting for one room of the school dwelling on the corner of Tayloe and Wardlaw. He said the cost would be under \$500, adding that the carpeting was needed since the floor in this area was bare concrete. Permission was granted.

Mr. Bible then told the Board that a new reading program for grades K-8 published by H.B.J. would be purchased at an initial cost of about \$15,000. The program would be in place in grades K-6 for the 1987-88 school year, and would thereafter be expanded at a minimal cost. It would be in use for at least six years.

The superintendent requested guidance from the Board on what to do about the bare space on the new high school grounds just outside the library next to the students' entrance. The area in question is completely in the shade at all times. After a brief discussion, he was directed to check with landscaping experts about the possibility of planting some type of ground cover which would require little or no sun.

Principals reported district enrollment as follows: Elementary-327, Middle School-248, Junior High-258, High School-316 for a total of 1,149. Middle School Principal Miguel Ramos announced that his students had raised more than \$4,000 for the American Heart Association in their annual "Jump-a-Thon."

Assistant Superintendent Mario Sotelo informed the Board that the gifted and talented program, now in place in grades 4 through 8, would be state-mandated in grades

## Briefly

### Who's filed . . .

Filing for City Council, School Board and Hospital Board has closed.

Absentee voting for all will start Monday, March 16.

### Find your phone number

The Devil's River News, each week, will "hide" three phone numbers within the pages of the paper.

These phone numbers will be "hidden" in plain view in either stories or ads so you'll have to read the paper carefully.

The phone number will look like this:

387-2507

If you find your phone number and are the first to call after 10 am Friday morning, and before 5 pm on Monday, you win. (Only one winner per week.)

The phone numbers listed last week were:

Alex Gonzales 387-3597

Rocky Jones 387-3711

Willie Gutierrez 387-2039

The winner of the gift certificate from image was Alex Gonzales.

This weeks winner will receive a gift certificate from Bright Spot Beauty Salon compliments of the Devil's River News.

### Chamber Luau

Tickets for the Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet will go on sale March 6, 1987. The theme of this years banquet will be Hawaiian Luau with dress to be in the theme or casual.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children and may be purchased at the Chamber office, 706 SW Crockett, or from any of the following directors: Mike Smith, Alvis Johnson, Jeanne Jackson, Diana Trainer, Virginia Jones, Bruce Kerbow, Earl Johnson, Jo Ann Jones, Smith Neal or Jim Stephen.

All tickets will be by advance sale.

### Al-Anon meetings

Al-Anon meets in Sonora on Thursday nights and in Eldorado on Tuesday nights. For more information on the organization or on the meetings, call 387-5775.

### Spring Picnic April 22

There will be a Spring Picnic, sponsored by the Womens Club, on April 12 from 11:30 am to 1 pm

on the front lawn of the Courthouse.

The menu will include Country Fried Chicken Breasts, pasta salad, fresh fruit, relishes, homemade buttered bread, brownie and iced tea.

Cost per Box Lunch will be \$5 and tickets can be purchased at the picnic.

Proceeds will go to the Sutton County Library.

Please bring your own lawn chair or quilt.

### Life saving class

The Concho Valley Council of Governments is sponsoring training classes which will lead to certification as an Emergency Care Attendant. The class will consist of 40 hours classroom and practical training.

Classes will begin March 24 and run through May 5. They will be held on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7 to 10 pm at the Sutton County Emergency Service Bld., 211 E. 3rd.

Cost for the classes is \$40 if volunteering for an area EMS organization and \$75 for the general public.

For additional information, contact Lenora Pool at 387-5132 or call 387-5318 after 5 pm.

### Challenge Tournament

The Sonora Golf Club will be hosting a Challenge Tournament this Saturday starting at 10am.

Twenty seven golfers from Ozona are expected to participate.

The town with the most winning teams will take home a "Traveling Trophy" plus *Bragging Rights*.

Ozona will host the next Challenge Tournament in July.

### Lions Broom sale

The Sonora Lions Club will be conducting their annual Sale of Blind Made merchandise on March 31 to raise funds for Lions Club projects.

Buy a broom, mop or other quality project made by our blind citizens and support our Lions in this worthwhile project.

The Caravan truck and all articles will be on display at the City Hall and the Post Office where you may make your purchase directly, or call A.W. Bishop at 387-2593 to have your order delivered.

Thank you for your support.

### Easter drama

On Saturday, April 11, the combined church choirs of Sonora will be performing "The Highest Place" in the new High School Auditorium at 7:30 pm.

The musical dramatization depicts the last days of Christ.

There will be no admission charged for the event.



## Notes from the Chamber

by Dede Doran

Well, I saw my first hummingbird this morning. I had to run outside in my nightie and fill up the feeder. Sure hope he comes back! It is so much fun in the Spring to see the birds and the flowers. REMEMBER, Now is the time to clean-up and get ready for those visitors. I am hearing lots of rumors about the trash in Sonora! Let's pick up those vacant lots and mow them and be sure not to throw trash out your car windows. We must show our visitors that we care about the beauty of Sonora. Otherwise, they think we don't care.

Help!! I am in need of listings for the Spring Turkey Hunt. I am getting lots of calls every day and I know that we have been published in several magazines and newspapers as the place to Spring Turkey Hunt. What a great way to make a little extra cash! Please get me that information right away!! It could make a difference.

You know, you could even help

us find Industrial prospects! If any of you know of a company, no matter how small, that is wanting to relocate, let us know. We are actively seeking new industry for Sonora. We have some information, but you could help if you have any ideas. Let us know!!

Let me remind you again about our Annual Banquet. It is going to be so much fun--you just will not want to miss this one! A Hawaiian Luau is the plan with great entertainment and great food--all for the price of a ticket! For just \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children, we promise you a fun evening. But, you must get those tickets early, as there will be no sales at the door!! Every one of my directors is selling them and, of course, they are available at my office. I know a lot of you will wait until the last minute to purchase yours and won't you be disappointed if there are none left!?? Entertainment will consist of speaker George McKinney (a funny, funny man) and "The Grasshopper Opera" to be presented by the First Baptist

Church Choir. And, of course there is always the fun that we all have just getting together and visiting. Call me right now or come on by my office before you forget. I will hold your ticket for you until you can get here with your money! Who knows, this might even be the social event of the year! We have lots of awards to give out including the Citizen of the Year award. You surely don't want to miss that one. See you there.

The Sonora Chamber of Commerce and the Caverns of Sonora will be going to the El Paso Travel Show this coming weekend. Don Clark from the Caverns will man the booth. They are taking material about ALL of Sonora and should help our tourist travel in the months to come! It sounds like a good idea to me.

I would like to salute these individuals for being members of the Chamber: Mr. G.H. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey DuRussel, Mr. and Mrs. Al C. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Elliott, and Ms. Sammie Espy. Also, the Downtown Lions Club! We certainly do appreciate each one of you and your interest in the future of Sonora!

See you next week!

## Publisher's Comment

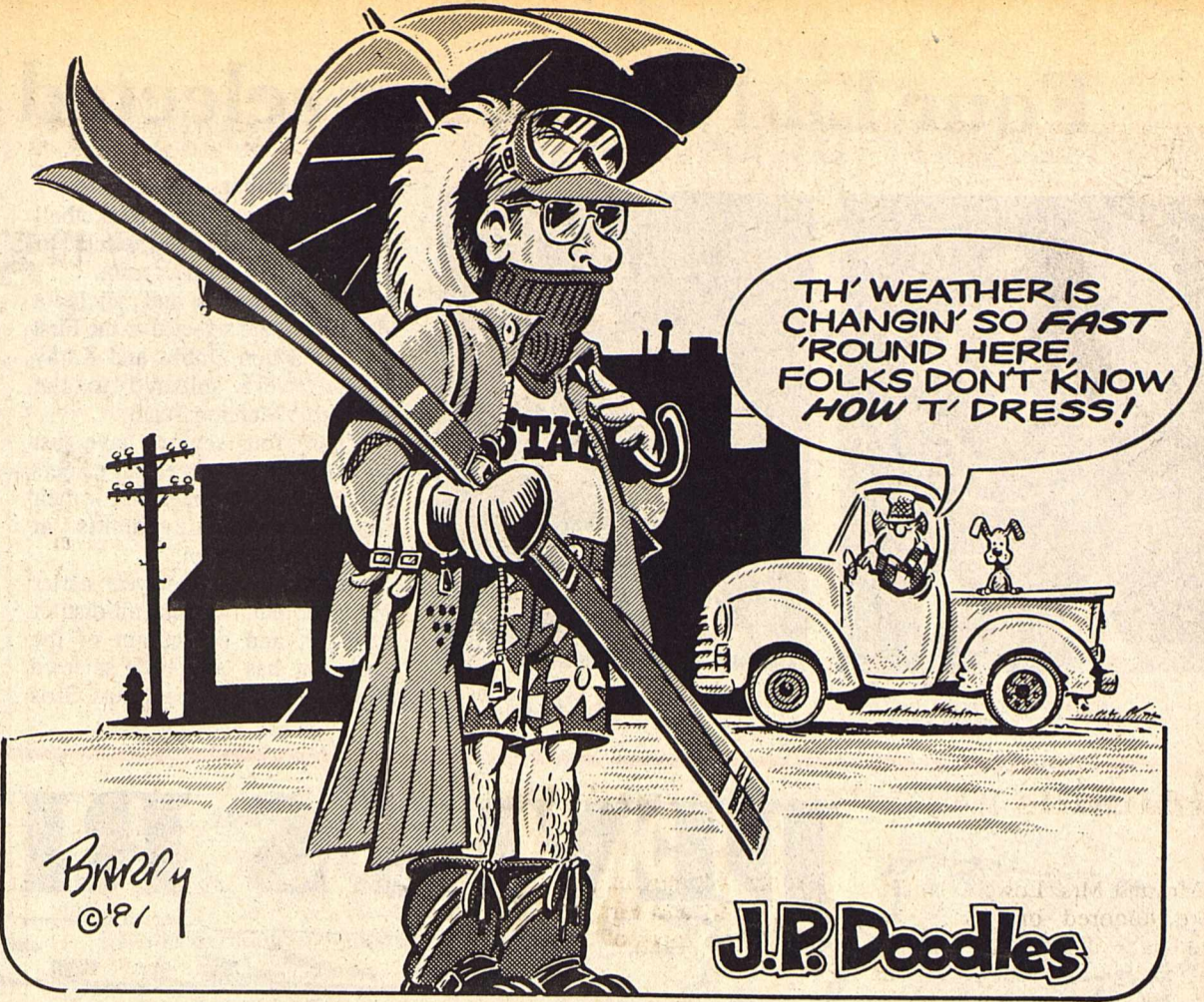
More of you have been paying for your papers from the news racks and for that we say "Thank You". For those of you who are still taking papers from the racks and not paying for them--Shame on you!

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In hopes of making your decisions easier for you at the polls, the Devil's River News has sent a list of questions to all candidates of the City Council, the School Board and the Hospital District.

The questions deal with the subject of taxes, policies and the personal desire to serve as an elected member for each entity.

The questions and the responses from each candidate will appear in the paper next week. It is our hope that having this information will be of help to you.



## Deficit needs help

T. Driskell

It is defined as the amount by which a sum of money falls short; the amount wanting. A simple subtraction problem. Income minus expenditures. The object is the answer which is positive (bigger than zero). Most fourth graders can solve the problem, but a logical solution seems to elude adult Americans, particularly on the national level.

We are prone to dismiss it as governmental indebtedness and forget it. Unfortunately, it is not a free ride by any means, and its magnitude may make it lethal in an economic sense.

Our national debt, I have been told repeatedly is not a source of worry--we owe it to ourselves. A slow learner, I turn over stones and find naiveness. Our national indebtedness is funded by the sale of treasury bonds. Big buyers of those bonds are foreign

governments such as Japan, Germany, various Arab Governments and others.

The meaning, we are paying 7.4% on our deficit to foreigners and about the same to ourselves on our earlier debt. Yet, like the village idiot, we worry about Brazil's 105 billion debt. Our indebtedness is 2.25 trillion dollars that is 2,250,000,000,000 dollars in the U.S. or Britain. Our debt is going up at the rate of 1 trillion dollars every 5.3 years. The annual interest on a trillion dollars at 7.5% is 75 billion dollars. Extended further the bill this year will be 168 plus billions--somehow I do not believe that shows up in the budget deficit.

So called experts says that the effect of the deficit cannot be anticipated. It would appear that, if the present trend continues, the dollar in ten years must sink to such a level that those experts cannot purchase a Salisbury steak dinner on their present, after taxes, income.

If it is not too late already, we must ask questions, make decisions and carry out corrective actions. Some of the questions involve our "sacred political cows" and must cover (to name only a few):

Can we provide blanket welfare without moving people into

cheaper living areas and requiring compensatory labor from the able? Can we afford total support for successive generations illegitimate children of women who are second and third generation illegitimates who's only means of support is child bearing and Governmental Aid to Dependent Children?

Can we afford a volunteer army? Can we afford participation in NATO? Is the umbrella of defence provided to Japan too expensive? Can we afford the multi-billion dollar subsidy of Pakistan to facilitate sending weapons to the Afghans?

Can we afford our agricultural support program for a system that continually ignores the basic laws of economics? Can we afford to guarantee surplus prices then provide Russia, Italy, and what have you, with a subsidy to escape storage bills? There are a hundred other questions in other areas--housecleaning, time is here!

The stakes on the table are the whole ball game, if we lose, it is gone. Gramm Rudman was a step, admittedly all that was politically feasible, but too little and too late. One consolation, however, if we lose this system by default; the one that follows will answer all the cited questions and thousands more. In any event our economy must become more hardnosed.

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Devil's River News:

I would like to address my thanks to you for choosing my ad. The money awarded to me will be put in the bank for my college education.

Thanks again,  
Cyndee Morris

## GTE News

The State Comptroller's office has ruled that the increase in the Texas state sales tax, which became effective January 1, 1987, must be applied on taxable telephone services received in January.

Since most telephone services, except long-distance, are billed a month in advance, the ruling requires that the difference between the old and new state sales tax rates be applied to the January portion of taxable services billed in December.

This adjustment is shown on General Telephone bills mailed in March.

## HEALTHCARE

by M. Scott Gilmore  
Hospital Administrator

### REAL PROGRESS

If there is one issue that transcends all the divisive walls of mankind, it is the care and well-being of our environment. Clean air, water, and an unspoiled food supply are clearly the most common of common denominators. Anyone who can deny this simple truth, while hiding behind the banner of progress, has a confusing notion of the word. Charles A. Lindbergh, Jr., once said, "Is civilization progress? The

challenge, I think, is clear; and, as clearly, the final answer will be given not by our amassing of knowledge, or by the discoveries of our science, or by the speed of our aircraft, but by the effect our civilized activities as a whole have upon the quality of our planet's life--the life of plants and animals as well as that of men."

The care and well-being of our "senior" citizens are very important concerns. At the Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital, 308 Hudspeth, TLC is our care standard. We know the families of the people we care for as friends and neighbors. This lessens the trauma and anxiety of the families in placing their loved ones in a nursing home. For more information, phone 387-2521. Happy St. Patrick's Day!

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## A Few of the Winners from the Anything that Rolls Parade



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## Draper, Gaines exchange vows



MR. AND MRS. PERRY DON DRAPER

Steffany Maxwell Gaines and Perry Don Draper were united in marriage on March 7, 1987 in a candlelight ceremony at the North Baptist Church in Lamesa.

The bride was given away by her father, Mr. Walter L. Maxwell of White Oak, Texas. The mother of the bride is Mrs. Phyllis Grisson of Lamesa, Texas. Mr. Perry D. Draper is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Draper of Sonora, Texas.

Matron of Honor, Mrs. Leigh Ann Archer of Lamesa was wearing a ankle length pink and white dress, carrying burgundy and pink roses. Miss Mandy Rashell Gaines of Midland, daughter of the bride wore a white and pink dress also. She carried a basket of rose petals. Niece of the groom, Miss Brandi Rea Bible of Santa Anna, Texas, was the flower girl.

Mr. Carey Draper, brother of the groom from Midland, Texas, served as best man. He wore a burgundy tuxedo. Brothers of the bride, Mr. Stacy Maxwell and Mr. Carey Maxwell of Lamesa served as ushers. Mr. Dayton Draper, nephew of groom from Comanche, Texas served as ring bearer.

The bride wore a Victorian style ankle length white lace gown. Her flowers were burgundy and pink roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Draper of Llano, Texas and Mrs. Gladys Behrens of Tow, Texas grandparents of the groom attended. Also Mrs. Mildred Maxwell of Gladwater, Texas grandparent of the bride also attended.

Singers at the wedding were Christy Stevenson and Billy Rollens both of Lamesa. Pianist was Lori Bivens of Lamesa. Photographer was of Arlington, Texas, Kelly Carta.

A reception was held at the fellowship hall at the church. Brides table was attended by Tiffany Parker, sister of the bride and friend, Dana Batchler. The grooms table was attended by sisters of the groom, Trudy Carta and Rae Ann Bible. Guest were registered by nieces of the groom, Amanda and Angela Draper.

The bride is a graduate of Lamesa High School and the Beauty College of Big Springs. She will continue as a hairdresser

in Midland. The groom is a graduate of Sonora High School and is a driller with TMBR Drilling Company. Mr. and Mrs. Perry Don Draper will reside in Midland.

## Hill's Bridal Registry

Mrs. James Rodney Dunn, nee Kari Hill  
Mrs. Richard McBue, nee Kari Eustace

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## Hankins anniversary honored

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Hankins were honored on their 57th wedding anniversary by their two daughters, Mrs. Frank McMullan of Ozona and Mrs. Louise Morriss at Mrs. Morriss' home in Sonora, on Sunday, March 8th.

A delicious candle-light dinner was served to all the family which included Mr. and Mrs. Jim

Brooks, Marcus and Wesley of Waco, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Cook, David and Sarah of Sonora, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff McMullan, Luke and Jess of Ozona, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Stewart, Lana and Jake of Ozona, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McMullan of Ozona, Mrs. Louise Morriss of Sonora, and the honorees, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Hankins of Rocksprings.

## Luckie celebrates 88th birthday

On Sunday, March 15, 1987 Jim Luckie celebrated his 88th birthday at his home with 45 guests.

Out of town guests were Irma Luckie and Aline Crawley from San Angelo; Chris and Gwen Lackey and girls; Kim Batchelor and boys, Vance and Pat Luckie

and family, from Midland; Bennie and Virgie Rosser, Don, Dee and Kari Roberts from San Antonio; Hilton and Patty Luckie and family, Midkiff; Jackie and Margaret Williams, Hobbs, N.M.

From Sonora: Vernon and Ruby Luckie; George and Hilda Smith; Clarence and Louise Simon; J.W. Joy; Ruby Mayhew; David McDonald; Ben, Lenora, and Levi Pool; and Trey Rushing.

### Now Arrivals

#### Courtney Blaire Caruthers

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Caruthers are proud to announce the arrival of their baby girl, Courtney Blaire.

Courtney was born March 2 at Angelo Community Hospital in San Angelo. She weighed 6 lbs. 8 oz. and measured 19 inches in length.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Don Grider.

Great-grandparents are Mrs. Blanche Grider of Abilene and Mrs. Polly Dickerson of Lockesburg, Ark.

## Library News

The Sutton County Library is please to announce the addition of a Record Dept. to the Library. The Record Dept. will be operated in the same manner as the book circulations. A patron may check out a record for the period of two weeks.

The collection of records includes: Classical, Opera, Popular, Showtunes, Sacred, International, and Childrens.

If you wish to donated any records to this collection, please drop them by the Library. The records should be in good condition, please.

The Library hours: Tue. through Friday from 9:00 until 5:00. In addition to records and books, the Library has an Apple IIE for public use as well as a vast collection of Spanish Novels, Cassette/Books, Micro-Film, and Periodicals.

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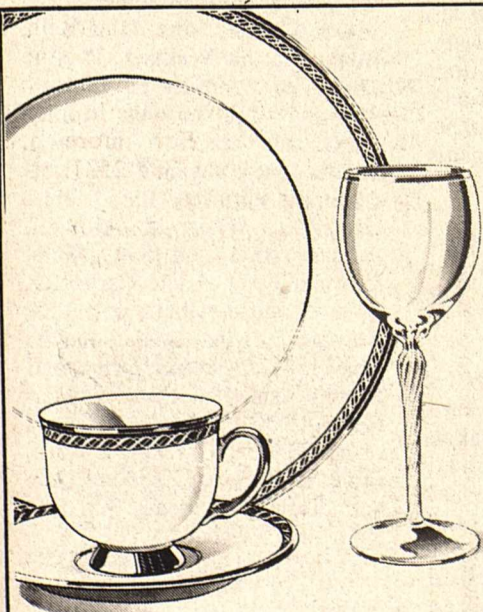
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All active patterns (except Holiday™) are on sale through April 19.



Lenox China - Monroe, 24 karat gold trim  
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Lenox Crystal - Monroe, gold trim  
Individual piece (water goblet/large wine glass, dessert/champagne glass, flute champagne glass, iced beverage glass) Reg. \$26 Sale \$22



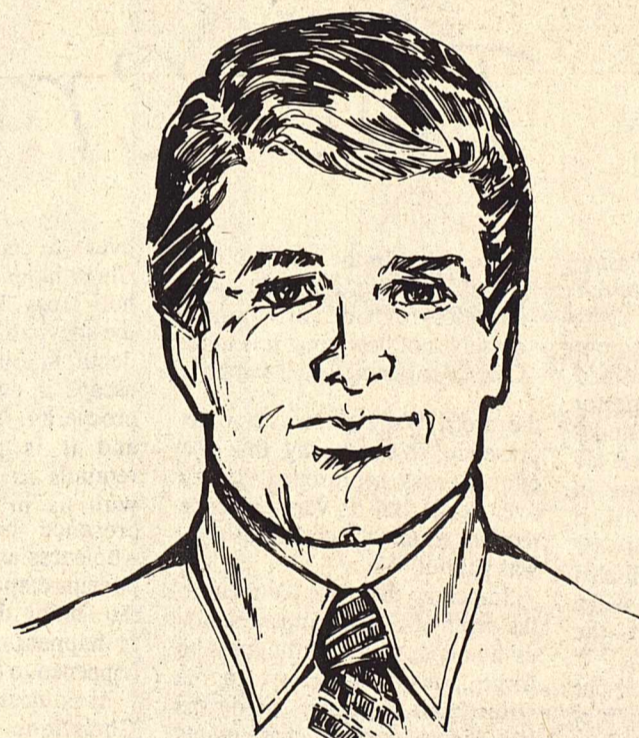
Lenox Chinastone - Poppies on Blue. 5-piece place setting (dinner plate, cup, saucer, salad/dessert plate, soup/cereal bowl) Reg. \$64.50 Sale \$54.82

Lenox Crystal - Ensemble Cobalt. Individual piece (water goblet/large wine glass, wine/juice glass, flute champagne glass, iced beverage tumbler) Reg. \$22 Sale \$18.

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The News has been authorized to announce the candidacy of the following, subject to the action of

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"Design an Ad" - Bryan DeWitt, 12 years old, 7th grade

### Pecos County Re-Election

For Sale-furnished or unfurnished, the W.E. James home; 5 rooms an bath; large lot, 100x200 feet; call at the residence for particulars.

For Sale-Bundled Sudan and Cane, 25 c per bundle. Walter Hanusch, at Joe Pfluger farm, 1 1/2 miles West Eldorado.

### The Sidewinder

When did you turn "hen" on us, O.B.???

Majorie's favorite sentence seems to be, "Dorothy, you do have the sweetest cousin!"

Ponc and Buster, do you have "em fooled???"

We wonder why Herbert goes around in a day dream all the time? Could Polly be any part of the reason???

Hollis-blondie or brunette-which is it this time???

Doris McDaniel and Mary Jo, who were the boy friends with you Friday?? We saw you out the San Antonio road.

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### Junior Class Cake Sale

The members of the Junior class are selling tickets for a cake to be given away January 27th. Each chance is 10c. The money



## Center Menu

**Thursday, March 19**  
Beef Enchiladas  
Spanish Rice  
Okra Gumbo  
Crackers  
Bread Pudding w/raisin sauce  
Milk or Juice  
**Friday, March 20**  
Roast Beef w/brown gravy  
Baked Potatoes  
Buttered Broccoli  
Hot Rolls  
Coleslaw  
Cherry Cobbler  
Milk or Juice  
**Monday, March 23**

will be used for the Junior-Senior Banquet. Patronize the Juniors.

### Volley Ball

On Friday, January 12, the volleyball girls went to Ozona to play at four o'clock. Sonora won with a score of 59 to 16. Since the game started early, Ozona's and Sonora's second string players played a game of two ten minutes halves. Ozona won with a score of 35 to 17.

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### PERSONALS

Libby Jo Wallace went to San Antonio Friday and came back Sunday.

Dorothy Henderson, Louise Merriman, Vinagene Powell, Patsy Gilmore, Lora Dell Ory, Merle Ory, Peggy Gilmore, Bessie Ray Kiser, Jamie Trainer, Edna Lee Wilson, Aleeta Willingham, Mary Lee Heflin, Billy Jo Henderson, Miss Allison, and Miss Milstead were in Ozona Friday.

Mary Lee Heflin and Billy Jo Henderson were in Eldorado Saturday.

Sue Glasscock and Doris Meckel were in San Angelo Saturday.

Marjorie Davis and Louise Morris were in San Angelo Saturday night.

Ravoli w/cheese  
Spaghetti Sauce w/meat  
Buttered Spinach  
Garlic Toast  
Vegetable Salad  
Banana Pudding  
Milk or Juice  
**Tuesday, March 24**  
Chicken Creole  
Red Beans  
Buttered Broccoli  
Corn Bread  
Brownies  
Milk or Juice  
**Wednesday, March 25**  
Meat Loaf  
Macaroni & Cheese  
Buttered Carrots  
Hot Rolls  
Apple Sauce  
Sugar Cookies  
Milk or Juice

## Around Town

by Hazel McClelland



A coffee for Kari Hill, bride-elect of James Nunn was given March 7, 1987 at the Ruth Shurley Ranch.

Hostesses were, Mrs. James Bible, Mrs. Cleve T. Jones, Jr., Mrs. S.M. Loeffler, Mrs. Mickey Powers, Mrs. Emil Prugel, Mrs. Joe Brown Ross, Mrs. James Wilson, and Mrs. E.D. Shurley.

The serving table was laid with a beautiful cloth. A centerpiece of Spring Flowers was on the table. A beautiful basket of flowers decorated the living room.

A delicious breakfast was served to about 40 guests.

Visiting Mrs. Myrtle Bridges were her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Calvery and their daughter, Mrs. Lee Johnson all of Waco.

The Hudspeth Hospital Auxiliary met March 9th at the Hudspeth Nursing Home.

Mrs. Ruth Shurley, president, presided; Mrs. Vivian Crites, Secretary gave the roll call and read the minutes from last months meeting, Mrs. Metha Trainer, Treasurer, gave a financial report, Mrs. Vera Jones gave a report on the Activity Luncheon, 23 people attended from out of town. Louis Olenick gave a talk of the highway project, the auxiliary plans for this year.

Mrs. Vera Jones will be President this coming year, Mrs. A.W. Bishop will be Vice-President, Mrs. Metha Trainer will be Recording Secretary & Treasurer, Mrs. Vivian Crites will be Secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Cusenbary, Parliamentarian; Mrs.

Roseann Albritton, Historian; and Mrs. Guila Vicars, Auditor.

Those present were: Mrs. Carrie Morrison, Mrs. Monte Yantis, Mrs. Dorothy Baker, Mrs. Edwin Sawyer, Mrs. Ruth Shurley, Mrs. Vivian Crites, Mrs. Metha Trainer, Mrs. Wilma Jones, Mrs. A.W. Bishop, Mrs. Harvey DuRussell, Mrs. Ruth Spalding, Mrs. Pauline Thompson, Mrs. Guila Vicars, Mrs. Sue Smith, Mrs. Vera Jones, Mrs. Freda Cooper, Mr. Scott Gilmore, Mr. Louis Olenick and Mrs. Hazel McClelland.

The Bunko Club met March 10th at the Fiddlers.

Members attending were: Mrs. Mandy Turk, Kippy Rodgers, Linda Franklin, Wilma Patric, LaDonna King, Kathy Gronski, Virginia Burch, Joetta Ritter, Darla Hernandez, Diane Luckie, Norma Gonzales, Faye Thorp, Molly Hite, Lila Mae St. Clare, Linda Burkes, Luanne King and Pat Allen.

Kathy Gronski-Bunko, Lila Mae St. Clare-High, Mandy Turk-High, Pat Allen-Low.

I spent Saturday in San Angelo with my daughter and family-Jo and George Thompson, Tracy and Mando, Terrell and Tina.

Johnny McClelland and son Jesso of Houston were here several days this week visiting his mother, Mrs. Faye McClelland.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Morris and Zachery of Georgetown spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Morris.

## "Over the Hill Gang"

News from the Nursing Home



by Doris Cahill

Our sympathy to Eva Perez, L.V.N., Lilia Gonzales, Act. Dir., and Ram Perez R.N., whose brother and uncle, respectively, Jimmy Gomez, died on March 5th, 1987 in Odessa, Texas.

Ruth Ann Dickerson came to the Nursing Home under gloomy dripping skies tuesday afternoon to conduct "Bible Study". She sang "Brand New Touch," and we could have listened on and on. The study, from the book of John, was about two of "The Seven Miracles" Jesus performed: turning water into wine during a wedding banquet at Cana, in Galilee, and feeding the 5,000 with five loaves of bread on a hill side near the Sea of Galilee (or Tiberias).

Bingo was called by Lilia Wednesday morning, and winners were: Hinojosa 2, Gonzales 2, Rodriguez 2, Hamilton 1, Cahill 1, Reiley 1, Ray 1, Bruton 1, Brotherton 1, and Drennan 1.

Every one who was able came, or was brought, to the "Sing-Along" Wednesday afternoon. Vera Jones was our Leader, and Annabel Wuest played the organ. Every one professed to be in fine form, and we clapped out with "Deep In The Heart of Texas."

A finger-licking good birthday cake, card and flowers were brought to Betty Lane, March 11, 1987, by Ilene and Angie Stewart, Brenda Surber, and children, from First Baptist Church Women's Group. The date of each residents birthday will be observed in this manner.

Dorothy Cusenbary has returned from St. John's Hospital in San Angelo, and we welcome her back.

Another Friday the 13th-and a November 13th coming up! Many of our friends have taken advantage of "Spring Break" to go places-like maybe the 55th annual San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo and Nieman-Marcus has been mentioned, one child wondering if admission would be charged. Anyhow, Ethelda Holland and Gertrude Webb were around to help Lilia in the beauty shop.

Lilia and Alma Brazee, took Modesto Mesa, Betty Lane, Thelma Phillips, and Doris Cox to the St. Patrick's "Anything That Rolls Parade" Saturday morning. Cold, windy weather dampened some spirits, but the parade was enjoyable, and we particularly noticed the cute tykes. "Annie" on a loan from the

E.M.S., rolled along on a stretcher, attended by Guy Crippen, R.N. from Hudspeth Hospital, and was awarded 1st Place All Around. "Annie" spent Friday night in Marilee's office, and several residents, walking in the hall, quietly wondered who she was. One curious lady entered the office, exclaimed, "She isn't breathing," and made a hasty retreat.

Radio services from First United Methodist Church Sunday morning were conducted by Albert Ward, District Superintendent, Rev. Bill Hathaway, Jr., filled the pulpit in the absence of Rev. Kepler, who is on a skiing holiday in Colorado with the youth. Annabel Wuest warmed up at the organ before the Rev. Charles Huffman's sermon Sunday afternoon. "The Crucifixion," and Jesus' words-"Father forgive them, they know not what they do." Together we recited "The Lord Prayer." Charles and Betty Huffman live in Ozona, and he has the pastordship of the Lutheran Church there as well as in Sonora.

Out of town guest were: David Reyna-Van Horn, Jack R. Drennan-Odessa, Ruth Thiers-San Antonio, Lesley Lewis-San Angelo, Susan and Arlon Hermes, Courtney and Whitney-New Braunfels, Gina Esquivel-Sterling City, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. O Ray-Eldorado, Jeri and Elliott Perryman-Big Spring, and Betty and Charles Huffman-Ozona.

Local guests were: Lena Belle Ross, Martha Wallace, Pauline Thompson, Dorothy Baker, Ruth Shurley, Lura Sawyer, Monica DuRussell, Hazel McClelland, Wilma Jones, Vivian Crites, Lois Calmont, Ruth Lee Eaton, Petra Gonzalez, Marie K. Aldwell, Adrian, Irma and Sam Mata, Virginia Epps, Adele Carpenter, Janette, Little Albert, and C.G. Borrego, Edwina Gandar, Juanita Chavez, Clara Brooks, Delma and Brooke Ashley Northcott, Francis Reyna, Yolanda Avila, Pete and Irene Gomez, Crystal Ponsetti, Frank and Jessica Esquivel, Bob and Kim Whitehead, Kristen, Kolby and Kylan.

Bueno Bye-Until next week!

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# The Cross

Kent L. Kepler, Pastor  
First United Methodist Church

I carry a small aluminum cross in my pocket. The first one I had was given by a woman pastor from the Rio Grande Annual Conference, who had helped me tremendously in my ministry in Hebronville. When I saw it, it reminded me of her friendship, her work, her caring ways. But it also reminded me that the cross is the characteristic symbol of the Christian faith.

Oh we really want to point our faith to Easter, to the triumph of the resurrection. But Easter is meaningless unless the cross

comes first. In the middle of all our affirmations about the power and glory of God, in reminding ourselves of how great it is to feel Christ's suffering is the symbol of

the cross We cannot escape its presence. We can say that the empty cross represents victory over death, but its very presence reminds us that the death was real, was painful.

Somewhat the cross points us to the depth of God's compassion for us humans, to his willingness to forgo power and glory, to his willingness to put his life on the line for us. And the cross points us to the way in which Christians

over the centuries have imitated Christ in his royal pathway to the holy cross. The cross points us to the inevitability of suffering and death in our lives. We cannot escape it, even in our peace and prosperity. The suffering is real and it is present. The cross reminds us that Christ is there with us in our suffering. His presence brings healing and wholeness and understanding. Or perhaps empathy is a better word, the feeling that God knows what is happening to us because it happened to him.

It is most appropriate that we Christians contemplate the meaning of the cross during this

Lenten season. For Lent points us to the death of Jesus, to the suffering and agony and loneliness He felt there, in pain, deserted by his friends and followers, it is only in capturing this sense of total isolation that we can understand the cry from the cross "My God, my God! Why hast thou forsaken me." For it is when we feel this loss of hope and of connection, that we can really hear the good news that Christ has risen, that the ultimate power of death and suffering have been broken.

With this in mind, may you be mindful of the cross in this season of Lent.

<p>Church of Christ Minister-Don Jones Bible School-10 a.m. Worship-11 a.m. Sunday night-6:30 p.m. Wednesday night-7 p.m.</p>	<p>The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian USA Rev. William R. Jones Worship Service-10 a.m. Communion first Sunday of each month</p>	<p>First Assembly of God Rev. Louis Halford Sunday Adult Bible Hour 9:30 a.m. Super Son Bible Hour-9:30 a.m. Morning Services-11:00 a.m. L.I.F.E. (youth) 3 p.m. Evening Service 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.</p>	<p>First Baptist Church Rev. Jim Stephen Sunday School-9:45 a.m. Morning Worship-11 a.m. Church Training-6 p.m. Evening Worship-7 p.m. Wednesday Service-7 p.m.</p>
<p>Primera Iglesia Bautista Sunday School-9:45 a.m. Worship Service-11 a.m. Training Union-5 p.m. Evening Service-6 p.m. Wednesday Service-7 p.m. W.M.U.-Sunday-2 p.m. Between Santa Clara &amp; Chestnut</p>	<p>First United Methodist Church Kent L. Kepler-Pastor Sunday School-9:45 a.m. Worship-10:55 a.m. KVRN 98 AM-11 a.m. Wednesday UMYF-6 p.m. Chancel Choir-7 p.m.</p>	<p>Hope Lutheran Church Sunday: Sunday School-10 a.m. Worship Service-11 a.m. Wednesday: Adult Bible Class-7:30 p.m. Charles Huffman, Pastor</p>	<p>St. Ann's Catholic Church Rev. Bernard L. Gully Saturday Night Mass- 7 p.m. English Sunday Mass- 8 a.m. Spanish; 11 a.m. English Holy Day Mass-7 p.m.</p>
<p>Sonora Tabernacle United Pentecostal Rev. Kenneth Doyle, Pastor Sunday School-10 a.m. Worship-11 a.m. Evening Worship-7:30 p.m. Wednesday Services-7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Live Oak Baptist Church Rev. Charles White Sunday School-10:00 a.m. Sun. Worship-11:00 Evening-6:00 p.m. Wednesday-7 p.m.</p>	<p>Jehovah's Witnesses 310 St. Ann's 387-2679 or 387-3947 Spanish Language Meeting Public Talk 10:00 Sunday Watchtower Study 11:00 Sunday Theocratic Ministry 7:30 Tuesday Service Meeting 8:15 Tuesday Bible Study 7:30 Thursday</p>	<p>St. John's Episcopal Church 404 NE Poplar Holy Eucharist-Sunday 8 &amp; 11 a.m. Sunday Schools-9:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist w/Prayers for Heal- ing, 1st, 3rd, &amp; 5th Wed., 7:00 p.m. Daily Morning Prayer-8:45 a.m., Monday-Friday The Rev. J. Monte Jones, Rector</p>

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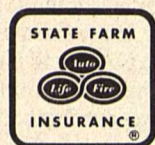
**High School Schedule**

MARCH	
Fri. 20	Sonora Relays Kerrville Tennis Tourn. Sat. 21 Kerrville Tennis Tourn.
Tues. 24	Dual Meet vs. Junction There 4:30
Wed. 25	One Act Play-District- San Angelo
Thur. 26	Cheerleader Tryouts
Fri. 27	Sonora Tennis Tourn.
Sat. 28	Sonora Tennis Tourn. Vars. Boys & Girls Track-Ballinger

**School Menu**

Monday, March 23-Beef-a-roni, Buttered Corn, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Jello, Milk	Cobbler, Milk
Tuesday, March 24-Pizza, Apple Half, Tossed Salad, Lime Sherbet, Milk	Thursday, March 26-Roast Beef/Gravy, Baked Potato, Broccoli & Cheese, Hot Rolls, Brownie, Milk
Wednesday, March 25-Steak Fingers, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Cherry	Friday, March 27-Sloppy Joe Burger, Potato Chips, Cole Slaw, Ice Cream, Milk

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Don't miss the Bronco Relays this Friday!

**Bronco Tennis Team places third**

On March 13 and 14 the Sonora Bronco Tennis Team traveled to Big Lake to compete in the Reagan County Tennis Tournament. Other teams competing were Crane, Eldorado, Forsan, Garden City, Greenwood, Iraan, Irion County, McCamey, Ozona, Paint Rock, Santa Anna, Stanton, Sterling City, Wink, Wall and Sanderson. Overall Sonora placed third with 24 points. Garden City was first with Reagan County taking second. The results were: Boys Singles-Sean Peek Def. Chris Smith (Wall) 6-3, 4-6, 6-1. Turner

(Garden City) Def. Peek 6-0, 6-1. Brad Morgan Def. McNew (Paint Rock) 6-2, 6-7, 6-3. Tucker (Ozona) Def. Morgan 7-5, 1-6, 6-1. Wood (Paint Rock) Def. Justin Condra 6-0, 6-1. Condra Def. Analin (McCamey) 8-0. Workman (Crane) Def. Condra 8-5. Boys Doubles-Mike Ramos-Joe Paul Solis Def. Rosa-Garcia (Garden City) 6-2, 6-3. Ramos-Solis Def. Flores-Schoolcraft (Stanton) 6-3, 6-2. Ramos-Solis Def. Mireles-Dean (Wink) 6-2, 6-2. Torres-Workman (Crane) Def. Goetz-Gonzales (Paint Rock) 6-2,

6-2. Torres-Workman (Crane) Def. Ramos-Solis 7-5, 6-2. Ramos-Solis won second place. Mike Hooper-Shon Jones Def. Montez-Hernandez (Irion County) 6-1, 6-0. Torres-Workman Def. Hooper-Jones 6-2, 6-3. Girls Singles-Jennifer Ramirez Def. Wellman (Reagan County) 7-5, 6-3. Ramirez Def. Landry (Wink) 6-3, 6-2. Holdamph (Garden City) Def. Ramirez 6-4, 6-4. Cindy Doran Def. Tomi (Stanton) 6-0, 6-1. Doran Def. Brown (Iraan) 6-1, 6-3. Carrasco (Sonora) Def. Doran 6-1, 6-1. Angie Carrasco Def. Martinez

(Sanderson) 6-0, 6-0. Carrasco Def. Doran 6-1, 6-1. Carrasco Def. Tucker (RC) 6-4, 6-2. Carrasco Def. Helmers (Eldorado) 2-6, 6-3, 6-0. Holdamph (Garden City) Def. Carrasco 2-6, 6-3, 6-4. Carrasco won Second Place. Girls Doubles-Leah Brown-Cindy Ramirez Def. Capp-Ramirez (Sanderson) 6-7, 6-3, 6-4. Brown-Ramirez Def. Ullrich-Chapman (Wall) 6-3, 6-2. Wood-Poss (Greenwood) Def. Brown-Ramirez 6-3, 6-3. The Broncos next tournament will be at the Tivy Invitational in Kerrville March 21 and 22.

**Historical Society News**

The Sutton County Historical Society met on Sunday, March 8, 1987 at the First National Bank Annex. The Society adopted new by-laws, heard reports from the Depot Fund Raising Committee and the Miers Home Museum Renovation Project. They agreed to sponsor the Second Annual Sonora Hometown and Craft Fair. Charlotte Gilmore outlined the creation of a community wide effort to depict the heritage of our area and be a means of increasing tourism for Sutton County and Sonora. This is currently known

as the Outdoor Drama Group. The Society agreed to give their endorsement to this project. Charlotte, also announced the observation of the John and Mildred Cauthorn Day on April 26th by the Church of the Good Shepherd. The public is invited to participate in this and in a story telling "fest" to be held following the Cauthorn ceremonies. It was announced that a nominating committee would be appointed and give their report at the next meeting on Sunday, May 3rd, 1987.



**Bronco Tails**  
News from SHS

by Alex Duenes

Spring Break was an enjoyable time for all! St. Patrick's day put some excitement into the first day back to school. The tennis and track teams didn't take a break though! The

tennis teams went to the Big Lake Tournament and did well. The track teams went to the Plateau Relays in Eldorado. The Varsity Boys placed 3rd overall. The J.V. boys placed 2nd overall. The next meet is here in Sonora. Come watch the Bronco Relays!

**Pageant to be held**

Miss West Texas National Teen-ager Pageant will be held at the Holiday Inn Centre in Odessa on March 27 and 28, 1987. There will be participants from all over the West Texas area competing for the title-contestants are between the ages of 13 and 18. The Miss West Texas Teen-ager Pageant is the Official Regional Pageant to the Miss Texas National Teen-ager Pageant to be held June 5-7 at Texas Christian University in Ft. Worth, Texas. The winner of the West Texas Pageant will receive a \$500 U.S. Savings Bond, Scholarship to Wayland Baptist University, Crown, Banner, and Trophy and her entry fee will be paid to the State Pageant. Nessa Brandon of Lubbock, Texas is the reigning Miss West Texas Teen-ager and will be at the Pageant to crown the new queen. Shaira Roberts of El Paso will

crown the new Miss Hospitality during the Pageant weekend. Additional awards will be presented for the following: Miss Hospitality, Miss Congeniality, Miss Photogenic, Program Participation, Volunteer Community Service and Best Letter To The Sponsor. Contestants will be judged on Scholastic Achievement-Leadership, Poise, Personality and Appearance. There is no swimsuit competition. Talent may be presented at the option of the participant or an essay given on the subject "What's Right About America". The Pageant Finals will be held Saturday, March 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the Holiday Inn Centre ballroom. Tickets may be purchased from contestants or at the door prior to the Pageant. Ticket prices are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 10.

**Reduce total fats in your diet**

Many people are trying to cut back on saturated fat because of its association with elevated blood cholesterol levels and increased risk of heart disease. "What people often don't understand is that to decrease their intake of cholesterol from saturated fats, they must change their overall eating habits to reduce total fat," maintains Mary Kinney Sweeten, a Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service nutritionist. "It's not simple to cut out saturated fats alone since fats in foods are mixture of saturated and unsaturated fats," she explained.

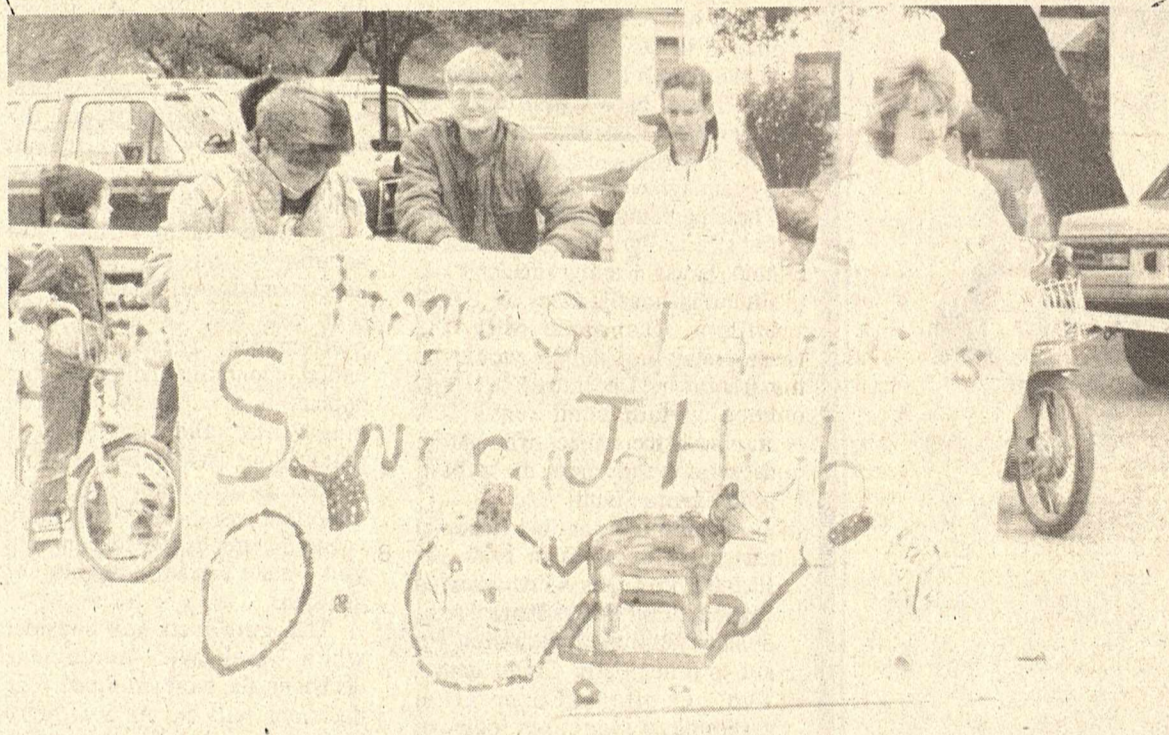
In general, foods containing saturated fats are solid at room temperature, says Sweeten. They include animal products such as poultry, fish, meat, eggs and some dairy products. There are two types of unsaturated fats. Mono-saturated fats do not seem to have any effect on cholesterol levels, and polyunsaturated fats seem to lower blood cholesterol. Unsaturated fats are usually from plant sources and are liquid at room temperature. "But even a polyunsaturated oil, such as a standard vegetable oil, will contain 40 percent

polyunsaturated fat and 13 percent saturated fat," she remarks. "Palm oil and coconut oil are also important exceptions to note," says the nutritionist. "Both these vegetable oils, which are used extensively in processed foods and commercial baked goods, are over 80 percent saturated fat." Sweeten says it would be very difficult for many people to eat only foods that are low in saturated fats. "Most people want and need to include some foods from animal sources in their diets, because they are a major source of protein.

Trimming visible fat, eating lean cuts of meat and removing the skin from poultry will help reduce saturated fats from these protein foods," she says. The nutritionist advises building a diet lower in total fat around the recommended two servings daily of protein foods and rounding it out with fruits, vegetables, breads and cereals, and low-fat dairy products. "Simply watching your intake of fried foods and the fats you're getting from processed foods will also help reduce both saturated and unsaturated fats in your diet," adds Sweeten.

**School Board**

(Con't from pg. 1.) K through 12 by the 1990-91 school year. He said that a plan for expansion of the existing program would be presented for the approval of the Board at the April meeting. With reference to the proposed track resurfacing, Scott Shurley reported that a figure of about \$80,000 had recently been quoted for sloping and resurfacing the track. The Board agreed that the figure was much too high for a "patch job", and that further investigation was warranted. After a brief presentation by Superintendent Bible on the subject of the proposed parking lot across the street from the new high school, the Board agreed by consensus that in case the water runoff from the area proved to be a problem for the landowner of the property immediately adjacent on the south side of the parking lot, the district would, at no cost to the property owner, correct the situation by means of whatever additional drainage facilities were necessary to divert any excess water. Mr. Bible suggested that the district change the Precinct 2 polling places from the vocational building to the junior high gym area, since the vocational building now contains numerous classrooms. The Board agreed, and instructed that the Department of Justice be contacted for permission to do so. Board President Scott Shurley appointed a three-man committee consisting of Julio Samaniego, Jim Garrett, and Joe Garcia to serve as an inspection team to plan for summer maintenance in the school buildings and the school housing. Jim Garrett asked the superintendent about travel and sleeping arrangements for the upcoming UIL District 5-AAA literary events in Abilene for our high school participants. He was answered that overnight sleeping accommodations had been arranged. A motion was made by Sam Perez and a second by Julio Samaniego to offer 1987-88 teaching contracts to all teachers as recommended by the principals and the superintendent. The motion carried unanimously.



Sonora Junior High students are seen marching down the street during the St. Patrick's Day "Anything That Rolls" parade held this past Saturday.

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# Taxpayers information pamphlet available at appraisal office

Rex Ann Friess, chief appraiser for the Sutton County Appraisal District, offers area taxpayers a pamphlet called "Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies, Responsibilities" to help them save on their property taxes.

Published by the State Property Tax Board in Austin, the pamphlet explains how the property tax system in Texas operates and offers suggestions for possible tax savings. Friess noted that the pamphlet applies to property taxes collected by all types of taxing units: counties, cities, school districts and hospital districts).

Homeowners may qualify for various property tax exemptions offered by taxing units on

residence homesteads, Friess said. In Texas, a homestead is generally the house and yard used as the owner's principal residence. The pamphlet lists and explains each exemption and how to apply for them.

For example, all school district homeowners are eligible for a \$5,000 general residence homestead exemption. And, certain disabled homeowners and those aged 65 and older may qualify for an additional \$10,000 exemption from the value of their homesteads.

"A school tax freeze, or ceiling, on the residence homestead is a benefit for a homeowner who was 65 or older on January 1 of this year, Friess said.

"In other words, the homeowner's school taxes cannot increase above the amount assessed in the year the homeowner first receives the over-65 homestead exemption. This tax ceiling stays in effect as long as the elderly taxpayer owns the house, such as a pool or patio," Friess continued.

The chief appraiser pointed out, though, that over-65 homeowners do not need to re-apply for the exemption this year if they received the exemption and tax ceiling last year. Only those who became 65 during 1986 and those who have never had the exemption and tax ceiling must apply in 1987.

Homeowners are also eligible for a \$3,000 general homestead exemption from the county on the tax which the county levies for farm-to-market roads or flood control.

Friess added that any taxing unit may offer a local-option homestead exemption which allows a percentage of each residence homestead's appraised value to be exempt. In 1987, a taxing unit may exempt up to 30 percent of each qualified homestead's appraised value.

The pamphlet also describes other exemptions available, such as those for disabled veterans. And disabled persons.

Productivity valuation is another type of tax relief available to owners of agricultural land. It is available in two forms, generally referred to by its location in the Texas Constitution: agricultural-use or "I-d" valuation and open-space land or "I-d-1" valuation.

Landowners who wish their land to receive I-d-1 valuation do not need to reapply, unless the chief appraiser requests in writing that

they do so.

"Appraisal district personnel can offer more information about special land valuation, tax reductions and exemptions," Friess said. The information is also found in the Remedies pamphlet.

She said the pamphlet also contains information about preparing and presenting an appeal

to the appraisal review board (ARB). The ARB is an appointed body which examines appraisal records and hears appeals to ensure that property values are fair and uniform.

Another section deals with the process of initiative and referendum by which voters can petition for an election to limit

the amount of tax increase adopted by any taxing unit.

"I urge all property owners in the Sutton County Appraisal District to read the pamphlet and avail themselves of all possible property tax relief," Friess said. "Remember, all applications must be filed with the appraisal office by April 30."

## Land Bank reports year-end results

An official of the Federal Land Bank Association of Sonora reported that the Federal Land Bank of Texas and 44 Federal Land Bank Associations had a combined net income of almost \$8 million on Texas operations in 1986. The Federal Land Bank and Federal Bank Associations, however, reported an overall loss of \$93.7 million, caused by financial assistance to other Farm Credit Banks outside Texas.

Jack B. Smith, Jr., association president, said the FLBA of Sonora had a net gain (loss) of \$33,461 in 1986, compared to a net gain (loss) of (\$87,661) in 1985. He added that aid to other Farm Credit districts had come from the district Federal Land Bank and that the FLBA of Sonora had not paid or put any assistance funds on its own books. In 1986 the association provided \$37,512,448.88 in credit to farmers and ranchers in Sutton, Schleicher, Crockett and Edwards counties of Texas. The Land Bank specializes in long-term agriculture real estate financing and rural home loans.

Smith said the combined net gain on Texas Federal Land Bank and association local operations was \$7.9 million, and improvement over the \$6.6 million local loss in 1985. Smith explained that much of the 1985 loss was caused by \$35 million in earnings that the bank used to buy back high-cost bonds at a lower interest rate.

"In 1986 the district bank expended \$101.6 million for aid to other financially stressed Farm Credit districts," Smith said. He emphasized that only \$16.4 million of the 1986 assistance money had actually been sent to other districts. The rest remains on the bank's books as payables. The Texas bank's assistance to other districts was in accordance with a nationwide Farm Credit System agreement to share losses. These agreements provided a way for strong Farm Credit banks to help banks needing financial aid. Financial assistance of \$72.4 million was made with the understanding that it would be reversed by December 31, 1986, upon certain conditions. This amount is the subject of litigation to which the bank is a part, according to Smith.

In addition to the financial assistance recorded in 1986, the FLBA's in Texas were assessed \$50.5 million by the Farm Credit System Capital Corporation for aid to other Farm Credit banks. The Capital Corporation assessments were not paid or recorded in 1986 and are not included in the results announced.

These assessments are the subject of two separate lawsuits filed by the Texas bank and associations. The suits challenge the legality of the regulations under which the assessments were made.

In one court case the regulations were declared invalid and a permanent injunction issued forbidding their enforcement. In the other, an injunction was issued blocking the assessments until the case could be tried on its merits.

"Future financial assistance amounts and forms are not possible to predict at this time due to the legal uncertainties," said Smith. "The Federal Land Bank, as well as all other banks in the Farm Credit System, are jointly and severally liable for the outstanding debt issued by the

system."

Loans outstanding for the Land Bank and associations declined from \$2.6 billion on December 31, 1985, to \$2.4 billion at the end of 1986. Smith attributed the loan volume decrease primarily to the adversity in the agricultural community and increased competition for agricultural loans.

More and more farmers and ranchers are experiencing difficulty in their operations," Smith said. "We are doing our best to work with farmers having problems."

The Federal Land Bank charged off \$2.5 million. Smith pointed out that although the 1986 charge-offs were greater than the amount for 1985, they represented less than one-tenth of one percent of the bank's and association's \$2.4 billion in loans outstanding.

## Indicators benefit decisions

(Editor's Note: This is the first of two articles on economic indicators.)

Have you ever considered why investors buy common stock in a particular company? Most people invest in a company because they're familiar with it. Others may be influenced by a new plant in the area, a new product, an appealing advertising or a variety of other reasons. While these motives are well-intentioned, a potential investor should make a decision only after measuring the performance of the company he or she's interested in. Past and present profits and dividends, increased assets shown in financial statements and anticipated results all should be researched before making this decision. However, it's most important to remember that although a company's past performance is important, the value of your investment depends strictly on how well that company will perform in the future.

To predict future results most accurately, an investor must understand overall business trends that can affect a company's performance. These trends are called economic indicators and appear in newspapers, financial magazines and government publications. While they're by no means gospel, they do show important past, present and future economic trends which can help you make wiser investment decisions.

The more facts you consider when making investment decisions, the more informed your decisions will be. As a military leader once said, making decisions would be no problem if all the facts were known. In other words,

the more you know, the more accurate your decision-making process will be.

Since most of us make investment decisions regularly, it's reasonable to want every possible clue to past and present industry and company performance. By looking at past performance, a multitude of information can be found—trends of earnings, dividends paid, cyclical quarters and so on.

The overall national economy also has patterns. It reacts to power changes within the government, major military conflicts and major labor disputes to name just a few. Each of these economic events, good or bad, sets off a reaction.

Although economics isn't an exact science like physics or mathematics, it is somewhat predictable. And, although there's no way to guarantee future behavior, certain indicators may suggest where the economy is headed based on where it has been. It also generally follows that if the economy is favorable and industry will demand higher market prices. This may sound to simple but like the military leader pointed out, the more facts you have, the easier decisions will be to make.

No one has all the facts or answers about the economy, so you must gather all the available information by using economic indicators. You can then base your investment decisions on these and other facts. These indicators can be of real benefit in investment decision making. Read your newspapers and magazines, and you'll begin to pick some of them out for yourself.



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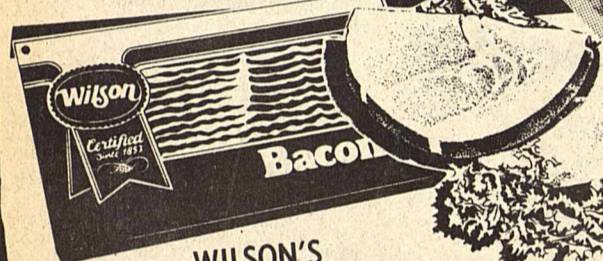
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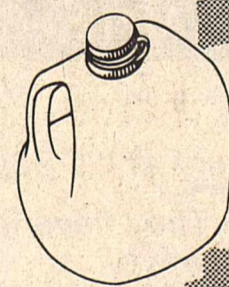
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