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Merry Christmas

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Sonora, Texas 76950



"Home for the Holidays" drawings

The winners keep coming

Saturday's drawings went faster than did the drawings on the first two Saturdays as more people seemed to be in attendance. Well, at least there weren't as many numbers called to produce the happy nine.

Cool temperatures did little to hamper the enthusiasm of those who gathered to see if they would share in the \$1250 worth of Gift Certificates given on this day by the Sonora Merchants Association.

Winners of the 11:00 drawing were:

Frankie Gonzales: \$25 from Sonora Auto Parts, \$25 from Commercial Restaurant, \$25 Spain's, Inc., \$5 Country Fried Chicken 'n Fish, \$10 Patricia's Place, and \$35 from the Hair Studio.

Primitivo Gonzales, Sr.: \$25 from Flowers by Irene, \$25 from DiCon Enterprises to be used with any of the participating merchants, \$25 from Gosney's, \$25 Chaparral, and \$25 from Jim's Thriftway.

Florie Mesa: \$25 from First National Bank of Sonora, \$25 from image, \$5 from Country Fried Chicken 'n Fish, \$20 from Quick Stop Oil and Lube, \$25 Tedford Jewelry, and \$25 from

Vivian's Modern Way.

The 1:00 drawings produced these winners:

Ed Carrasco: \$50 from Hill's Jewelry, \$25 from Kathie's Kasuals, \$25 Chaparral Motors, and \$25 from Rudy's Bakery.

Leticia Trinidad: \$25 from O'Bryan's Fashions, \$25 Food Center, \$25 from Doyle Morgan Insurance to be spent with any of the participating merchants, \$25 from Ol' Sonora Trading Co., and \$50 from Sutton County National Bank.

Victoria Richardson: \$25 from Tedford Jewelry, \$25 from Gosney's, \$25 from Pat Walker's Figure Salon, \$25 from Son-Tex Rathole Service to be spent with any of the participating merchants, \$25 from Branding Iron Smokehouse, and \$25 from First National Bank of Sonora.

At 3:00 the winners were:

Lupe Soriano: \$25 from Kerbow's Radio Shack, \$25 from Westerman Drug, \$5 from Country Fried Chicken 'n Fish, \$20 from Quick Stop Oil and Lube, \$25 from Carol's Merle Norman, and \$25 each from Mike Kropp Insurance Company and Stateline Drilling /Statex Petroleum to be spent with any of the participating merchants.

Rebecca Short: \$25 from Western Auto, \$25 from First National Bank of Sonora, \$25 Westerman Drug, \$25 from Perry's, and \$50 from Hill's Jewelry.

Odelia Gartman: \$50 from Sonora Ford Sales, \$25 from Spain's, Inc., \$20 from Sutton County Steakhouse, \$5 from Country Fried Chicken 'n Fish, and \$25 each from Carl J. Cahill Construction Co. and Stateline Drilling/Statex Petroleum to be spent with any of the participating merchants.

Numbers called whose owners were not present were:
Yellow tickets: 564950, 566249, 592857, and 600843.

Blue tickets: 362181, 847218, 860411, 884679, 900518, 901363, 912608, 923322, 956062, 966191, and 998663.

The final drawings for this Christmas season will be held on Thursday, December 24 at 11 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m. on Main Street, downtown. Winners will share in over \$1700 worth of Gift Certificates at these drawings.

The drawings are the merchants way of saying thank you for your loyal patronage throughout the year and also a means to wish you a Merry Christmas.



A typical West Texas snowman . . .

When you live in an area where there is no snow, people become extremely resourceful as is evidenced by the snowman in the front yard of the Thorp's house on W. Main.

While he may not be able to be called Frosty, he gets the point across. Staff photo/Clay Cates.

Briefly

Office to be closed

The Sutton County Tax Appraisal office will be closed on December 24, 25 and 31.

Last meeting of year

December 17th was the last meeting this year for the Storyhour at the Sutton County Library.

On January 8th, the Storyhour will again be meeting on Friday mornings at 10 am.

Special Christmas Dinner and Services

On Thursday, December 24, there will be a Super Adult Christmas Dinner and Holy Communion at 7 pm in the basement of the First United Methodist Church.

Christmas Eve Candelight Communion Service will begin at 11 pm at First United Methodist Church.

Registration

Registration for commodities for the 1988 year will be held on Thursday, December 31 from 9 until 3 at the Senior Center, 104 Wilson. For additional information call 387-5657.

Early deadlines

Because of holidays, the Devil's River News will be printing early the week of New Years.

Deadline for all news articles will be at 5 pm, Thursday, December 24 for the paper dated December 31.

Class of '78

An organizational meeting for the Class of '78 has been scheduled for Saturday, December 26. The meeting which is being held at Fiddlers will begin at 2 pm.

All members of this graduating class are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Photos available

Photos of the Hudspeth Hospital Nursing Home Fashion Show are available for viewing and ordering of prints at the Devil's River News office.

Prints of each picture will be 40¢ each and must be paid for at the time the order is placed.

"Adopt-a-foot"

In order to "top off the Depot" persons may "adopt" one square foot of the Depot roof for \$4.00. Names of all donors will be placed on a plaque in the Depot.

For more information or to "adopt" a square foot, contact Patricia Johnson at 387-5921 or 387-5334, Gil Trainer at 387-2028, or Preston Love at 387-3516.

Al-Anon meetings

Al-Anon meets in Sonora on Thursday nights and in Eldorado on Tuesday nights. Ozona meets every Tuesday night and Al-Ateen meets every Sunday afternoon in Ozona.

For more information on the organization or on the meetings, call 387-5775.

Legalization Program

A Legalization Committee for persons wishing to apply for amnesty under the new Immigration Law will meet every Tuesday at St. Ann's Catholic Church Parish Hall from 8 to 10pm.

Employers welcomed. ***

Juntas para personas que desean aplicar para amnistia bajo la Nueva Ley de migracion se llevaran acabo cada Martes de las 8:00 a las 10:00 pm. en el salon de la Iglesia Catolica St Ann's. Amos bien benidos.

New Year's Dance

Los Amigos Club will be hosting their Annual New Year's Eve Dance, Thursday, December 31, 1987 from 9 pm till 1 am at the 4-H Center. Tickets are being in advance only by any member of the Club. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Tickets are \$10 per person or \$20 per couple for 21 year old and over only. This year music will be provided by J.R. and Company from Sonora.

Proceeds will go to the Cindy Favila Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Lions will not meet

Sonora Downtown Lions Club will not have their regular noon meeting and lunch on Tuesday, December 22 and on Tuesday, December 29.

Money normally spent for the meals on these meeting dates will be donated to the Welfare Council to assist with purchases for the Christmas food baskets given in Sonora.

Meeting for Little League

A meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, January 14, 1988 at 7 pm in the HNG building to further discuss the topic of a local Youth Baseball Association.

A representative from the Eldorado Youth Baseball Association has been scheduled to present the pros and cons to this type of organization. All prospective coaches, parents, and interested individuals are invited to attend this important meeting.

Winners

Winners of the St. Ann's Yard Committee raffle are: \$25 Gayle Lisa Martinez, \$50 George Noriega, Sr., and \$100 Suzanne Surber.

The winner of the Scooter raffled by Boy Scouts, Troop 19, was Vallree Draper.

Christmas program

Templo Jerusalem will be having a Christmas Program Wednesday night, the 23rd of December. The program will be 7 pm. After the program the Church will have a supper.

Templo Jerusalem wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and God's best blessings for the New Year.

There's still time

Have someone on your Christmas shopping list that you can't seem to find the right gift for?

There is still time to order a subscription to the Devil's River News. Prices are \$13 in county and \$16 out of county for a full year of "what's going on in Sonora". Come by the office or give us a call at 387-2507.

Trooper Tex visits in Sonora ISD

Students of Sonora Elementary School had an opportunity to meet a new kind of State Trooper the other day-Trooper Tex.

Trooper Tex started with the department in April of 1986 and since that time he has been to approximately seventy-five schools and visited with almost 50,000 children.

Trooper Tex talks to the children about how to act when

approached by a stranger, what to do if they are home alone and someone comes to the door or calls on the phone, and about bicycles and bike safety. Soon he will also discuss the dangers of drugs.

He likes to work with small groups of children so that he can answer questions and interact with the students. Age and grade make no difference, he speaks to

kindergarten classes and plans to start talking to junior high school students. His visits last about forty minutes and he closes each visit by asking the children to give him a hug or a handshake.

He not only visits schools but also makes the circuit of county fairs and occasionally stops by a shopping mall.

Sounds like Trooper Tex is a

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Historic deer research valuable

by Steve Nelle, SCS Biologist
December 1987 marks the 30th anniversary of one of the most useful pieces of deer management research ever conducted in Texas. This research from the Sonora Experiment Station shows the

relationship between livestock grazing and deer populations. An article describing the research appeared in the December 1957 issue of the *Sheep and Goat Raiser*.

Deer were beginning to be seen as a potentially important economic resource in the mid 1950's, and a good many ranchers were leasing hunting rights.

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Well sampling

The Sutton County Underground Water Conservation District has hired consultants to assist with setting up a monitoring system of approximately twenty-five wells in Sutton County. A tentative date of January 11, 1988 has been set for the first sampling to be done and the process of notifying all owners of those designated wells to gain their approval is underway. The Sutton County Underground Water Conservation District will pay for the expenses related to the

sampling of those designated wells.

Anyone else wishing to have wells tested at this time and at their own expense should contact the Sutton County Underground Water Conservation District, 387-2369, or Joe David Ross, 387-3044, prior to January 1, 1988. If anyone has a suspected "problem" well, please notify the District. The District will be glad to collect samples at later dates if other problems arise.



Employer's lax attitude may boomerang

DEAR COMMISSIONER NABERS: I need clarification on the TEC's interpretation of misconduct. I had an employee I fired for coming to work under the influence of alcohol. This had happened before but because this employee was basically a pretty good guy and had been with the company a long time, I tried to work with him and get him to straighten up his act. To make a long story short, we were very busy the week he last came in somewhat boozed up, so I let it slide until things slowed down, then I let him go. He filed a claim and got benefits. Can you explain why coming to work intoxicated is

Commissioner

Mary Scott Nabers

Texas Business Today

not misconduct?

F.S. Marathon, Texas
DEAR F.S.: Coming to work intoxicated IS misconduct unless the employer gives reason to believe that it is not such a big deal...as you did. Either you consider an act of misconduct

serious enough to warrant immediate attention, or you don't. If you don't consider it serious, don't expect anyone else to.

You allowed this employee to continue working because you were busy and you needed his services. In essence you overlooked an act of misconduct and took action only when it was convenient to do so. This pattern of employer behavior almost always results in a decision for the claimant when it comes to unemployment benefits.

DEAR COMMISSIONER NABERS: I recently got a claim notice from the Texas Employment Commission on the LAST DAY available to respond. I assumed that because I received the notice so late I would be given a little grace time to get it back in. Evidently not. The people at my local TEC office told me that I had forfeited my right to appeal their decision on the claim because my response was one day late.

Under the circumstances, I feel I made a very prompt response and should not be penalized because of the mail. Can you help me?

F.D. Palestine, Texas

Dear F.D.: I wish I could but, unfortunately, I can't. Even if a notice arrives on the last day you should respond and get your response postmarked on the same day. The Commission is charged with properly providing notice. Under the law, you have properly been notified if you receive the notice any time within the statutory time frame for response.

Ms. Nabers represents 336,000 employers throughout Texas. If you have any questions you want answered, please write Commissioner Nabers at: TEXAS BUSINESS TODAY, 614 Texas Employment Commission Building, 15th and Congress, Austin, Texas 78778.

Consumer Facts

from the Texas Attorney General's Office

The C.O.D. Fraud Game

The C.O.D. Fraud game is about as blatant a rip off as you can imagine.

Usually it involves a call from a boiler room telephone operation informing you that you have just won a precious gem or similar valuable prize. All you have to do to receive it is order the company's product.

You order and in due course, the package arrives—which you must pay for C.O.D. You pay \$39 and find nothing inside but a note stating that another \$50 will bring you your prize.

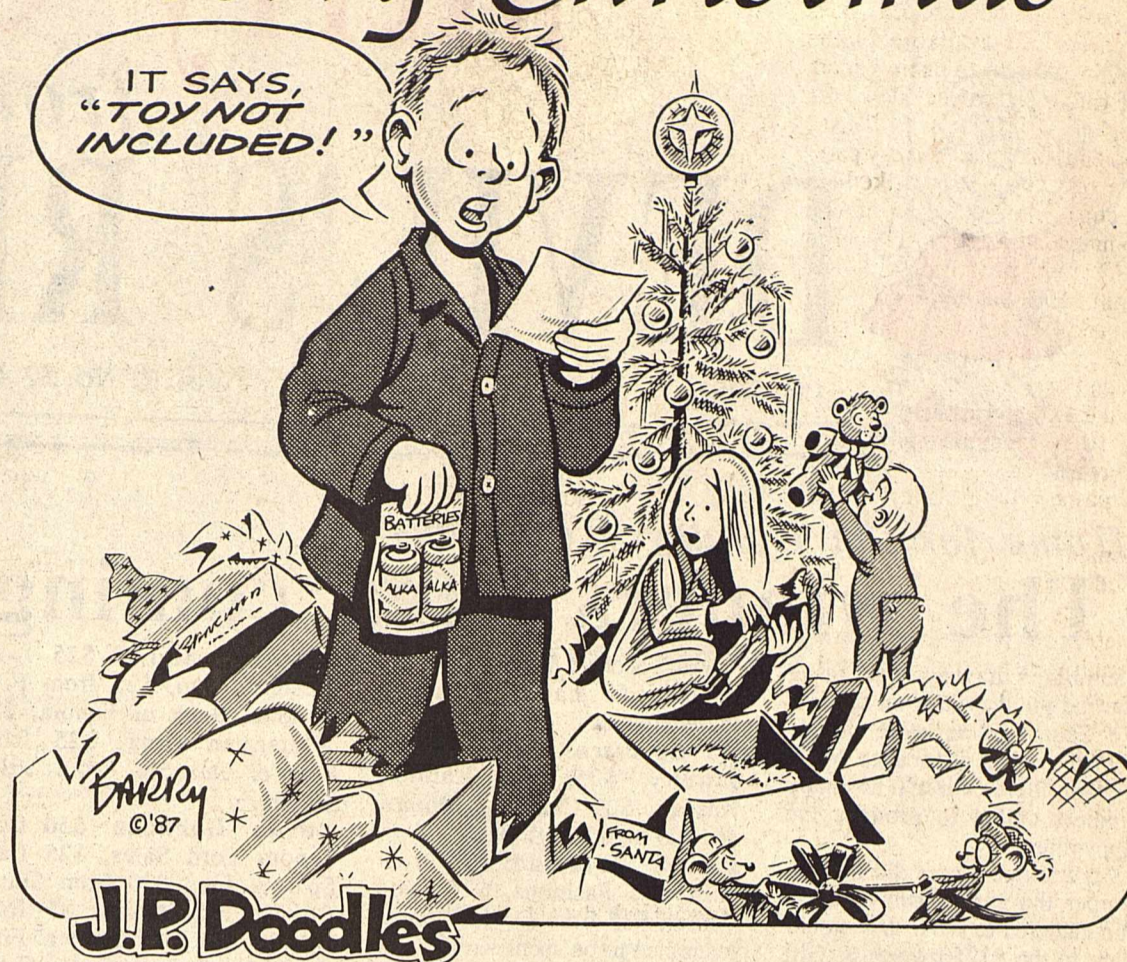
And the products you must buy? You pay \$50 and get a Timex computer that sells for \$25 at the store down the street. You pay \$33 and get a pen and pencil set that retails normally for \$3.

The precious gem or other prize? Either non-existent or worthless.

The C.O.D. game is a perfect example of the Consumer Protection Division's motto: "If it looks too good to be true, it is."

But fortunately for you, although the Post Office is required to deliver all C.O.D. packages, the consumer is NOT required to accept them.

Merry Christmas



Just Between You and Me

by Tommie Holley

Christmas is a time for togetherness. It should be a time to reflect on our lives, to enjoy our families and remember those, who in our constant haste, we may have forgotten over the year.

My thoughts are especially with my mom, as it was a year ago today that I lost my dad. My mom and dad were married for 59 years. I thought that my dad would be around forever. There is a big empty space this year. I can recall too many times I could have spent with him that I didn't.

My dad was a preacher, an evangelist he preferred to be called. We went by Baptist, but you would have had to have known Daddy. He preached the Gospel for 30+ years. Sometimes his sermons didn't go exactly by the Baptist standard, his father was an Assembly preacher. I think we got a mixture. All Daddy would ever say, "If the pill is too bitter to swallow, maybe you had better get a bigger glass to drink from." He preached the truth as he understood and believed.

I guess the last real conversation I had with Daddy was a couple of weeks before he died. The doctors had sent him home from the hospital, there was nothing more they could do. I had gone to the pharmacy for some medication that would make him a little more comfortable. As I prepared to leave and go back to work, he grabbed my hands and with tears rolling down his face he told me, "I don't know how we can ever repay you for all you've done these last few months." Struggling to find my voice I finally replied, "Daddy, if I live to be 100, I wouldn't have even begun to pay you back for all you've done for me."

I guess what I want to say is that the way we act and live on Thanksgiving and Christmas should be an everyday thing.

Human nature and the pressures of everyday living keeps us from doing all that we should do.

To those of you that have elderly parents or relatives who sometimes seem to be a burden, stop and think. Visit them you can and write and call when you can, it means so much to them. To you young people, (and even some of us who are not so young) remember, parents are human. Parents make mistakes, sometimes big ones. Some hold grudges and can't understand or won't try to understand why their

parents have done some of the things they have done. Parents need love and attention from their children (no matter what age) just as much as children need love and attention.

Make this holiday a very special one. Don't take life for granted. Try to be a little more patient, a little more forgiving, and remember that none of us have any guarantee on the time we have here.

With these thoughts, I will leave you. Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

ONE MAN'S OPINION

by T. Driskell

One must wonder if there is an, as yet, unnamed political party replacing both the Republican and Democratic parties on the American political scene. Behavior patterns certainly indicate it exists, along with an acute implication for our national economic and political survival hopes.

Look at the Atlanta Federal Prison riots. Three days earlier a minimum security prison was taken over in Louisiana; a red flag to the maximum security prison warden to lock down. Was he out to lunch for three days?

Maximum security guards are paid for one thing—to keep the prisoners under control. If a guard falls in the hands of the prisoners he must be considered as a loss. Instead, for malfeasance, he is commended and paid overtime for the period he was held prisoner by the (so called) prisoners.

The representatives of the American people turned in a performance that indicated the new party's power. After convicted prisoners had taken over a maximum security prison, held hostages for a number of days, and

done fifteen million dollars damage they were allowed to give an ultimatum to a nation of two hundred million people. That certainly sends a message to the rest of the world. There are no victims, only volunteers, and as a nation we have been volunteered against our will.

The frosting on the cake is a foreign relation faux pas, or was it a Republican political deal for the dominant Cuban vote in Florida? We take 27,000 Cubans a year and we are able to return two thousand plus. Our able representatives have established an open channel for Cuban and Russian agents into this country at best. At worst, we are to become a cesspool for the Cuban prison system. The back edge of a butter knife (or the handle) looks sharper every day.

The new party is here! In power perhaps. Its characteristics are (the dictionary has no word so we reach into modern slang) Wimpism. Its legislative function is the liberalized judiciary (which is all powerful and represents only the voters of the for-life appointees) hardly affected by Congress or Presidential veto. It has a strong representation in both parties. Listen to the debates, there are potential WIMP nominees in both major parties. The 1992 might be a one part election—the WIMPS.

First National Bank of Sonora and Sutton County National Bank will close at 3 p.m. Thursday, December 24 and will be closed all day Friday and Saturday, December 25 and 26.

All facilities will be open regular hours on Monday, December 28.

Merry Christmas

The friendship of those we serve is the basis for our success.

Thanks, all, from

All of us at:

Sonora  FORD Sales

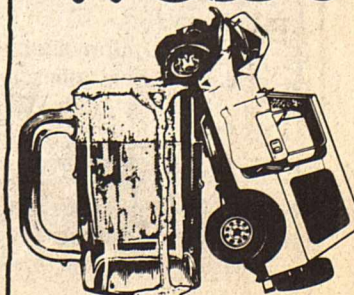
115 NW Concho Sonora, Texas 387-2549

We will be closed on December 25 and 26 so that our employees can spend the Holidays with their families



Last Drawing Thursday, December 24 Downtown

they won't



mix.

Letter to Santa

Dear Santa Claus,

The children of the Sutton County Library Pre-School Storyhour have been bouncy, happy and good this year. They love being read to and they have learned about taking care of books.

During Storyhour this morning each child thought of one thing they would really like to have.

Jason Gutierrez-remote controlled Big Foot; Amy Gutierrez-Baby Grows & "Heather"; Katie Dwyer-Fisher Price Doctor Kit; Brook

Bolt-stuffed elephant; Austin Youngblood-big gorilla; Ricky Lumberras-a little dog like Alvin's (neighbor); Daisha Henson-a My Little Pony's watch; Afton Browning-Barbie Ice Cream Shop; Tabitha Prather-a My Little Pony's watch; Emily Lind-a horses watch; Ryan Hardgrave-power wheel motorcycle; Bryce Williams-walkie-talkie; Landon Brockman-man on the Bucking Bull.

Merry Christmas Santa
The Storyteller

Homemakers Update

by Micki Miller

You don't have to be Italian to love pasta-all 600 shapes, sizes and colors are available in the stores. In addition to tasting good, it's nutritious and can be a low-cost food.

Two ounces of enriched dry pasta makes one cup when cooked. In that cup, you get 10% of the Recommended Dietary Allowance (RDA) for protein, 30% of thiamin, 15% of riboflavin and niacin and 10% for iron. That same cup of pasta has less than 1 gram of fat and only 200 calories.

Plain enriched pasta is expensive-about 10-15 cents per serving. But the flavored pasta and "gourmet" fresh pasta will cost considerably more.

Specialty pastas are flavored and colored with vegetables. But since only very small amounts of vegetables are present in the pasta, their nutritional value is about the same as regular pasta. The only exception is vitamin A. Plain macaroni, for example, has no vitamin A while some varieties of spinach pasta have 25% of the RDA.

Whole-wheat pasta has more fiber than regular pastas and may be higher in protein and iron. It's brown and has a nutty flavor. You may want to mix whole-wheat pasta with a regular variety for a milder taste.

To get the most nutritional value from pasta, cook just until tender but firm. The longer it cooks, the more vitamins leach out. Unless a recipe calls for it, don't rinse pasta either. Rinsing washes away nutrients, especially B-vitamins.

Keep pasta meals low in fat by sticking to simple tomato, vegetable or fish sauces. Use low-fat cottage cheese or part-skim ricotta cheese, skim milk or yogurt instead of sour cream. Substitute margarine for butter on hot pasta and use low-calorie salad dressing for salads.



Standing (l to r)-Daisha Henson, Jason Gutierrez, Ricky Lumberras, Amy Gutierrez, Emily Lind, Katie Dwyer, Austin Youngblood; Sitting (l to r)-Brook Bolt, Tabitha Prather, Afton Browning, Landon Brockman, Ryan Hardgrave, Bryce Williams. Staff photo-Ann Cates

BRONCO TAILS

News from Sonora High School
by Heather Bunkley

Sonora High students have really gotten into the true spirit of Christmas this year, and the community has benefited from this. Many participated in carolling through their church youth groups and other community organizations. Some also participated in the nativity scene in front of Hudspheth Hospital.

Student Council members and other volunteers purchased food and distributed it to needy families in our community. The National Honor Society members sponsored one family by providing food and gifts for Christmas.

Thanks to all of you for helping to make Christmas better for everyone!

The Sonora High varsity cheerleaders gave us a preview of their competition routine at lunch time last Friday. Wow! It was obvious they have spent many hours and worked very hard to represent us well in Dallas later this month. Everyone was impressed with the incredible routine they have put together. Good Luck in Dallas!

Graduating seniors don't forget that many colleges and universities have January deadlines for

applications for admittance. Also, the SAT will be given again in San Angelo on January 23rd.

Congratulations to all the 4-H'ers from Sonora that participated in the District Food Show in Hondo on December 12th. We had four second place winners from Sutton County which is no small feat!

Raffle tickets are on sale for a hindquarter of beef to be given away in January at the Sutton County Livestock Show. You do not have to be present to win and tickets can be purchased for \$5 from any 4-H member.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!

Merry Christmas
We'd like to thank our many faithful customers!

Remember Spain's for your last minute shopping.
We will be open until 5:30 Christmas Eve

Spain's, Inc.
205 E. Main Downtown Sonora
387-3131

New Arrivals

Jaqueline Aileen Ramirez

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Ramirez are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Jaqueline Aileen on December 7, 1987 at 10:15 p.m. in Angelo Community Hospital.

She weighed 6 lbs. 2 ozs. and measured 18 1/2 inches long.

Welcoming her home are Maternal grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Francisco Valdez and Paternal grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Acension Ramirez.

Also Maternal great-grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Arturo Valdez, Sr. of Del Rio and Mrs. Guadalupe Mendoza of Cd. Acuna.

Paternal great-grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Luis Canela of Cd. Acuna and Mr. and Mrs. Jose Villegas of Del Rio.

Juno ranch ranked eighth in Angus Registrations

Juno Ranch Co of Sonora ranked as the eighth largest producer of registered Angus beef cattle in Texas having recorded 110 head of Angus with the American Angus Association during fiscal year 1987 which ended September 30, according to Richard L. Spader, Association executive vice president.

Angus breeders across the nation in 1987 registered a total of 141,239 head of cattle. This is an increase of almost 6% over a year earlier, and more than any other beef cattle association in the world, Spader said.

The American Angus Association, headquartered in St. Joseph, Missouri, was founded in 1883. It is the largest beef registry association in the world in terms of both annual registrations and active members.



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A message from this newspaper and the Texas Dept. of Public Safety

Happy

SCNB
Sutton County National Bank

Holidays



Living Nativity . . .

Once again this year, Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital has been proud to present a living nativity on three separate evenings through the Christmas Season. The Holy Night has been portrayed by the combined youth choirs of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Episcopal Churches; by the Baptist Youth Choir; and by the Catholic Choir of St. Ann's. Photo courtesy of Scott Gilmore.

Special book presented to local students

Students in the third grade at Sonora Elementary School have received the gift book entitled "Feeling Good About Me". It is a handsomely bound book of stories about learning traditional values and self-esteem.

"Feeling Good About Me" contains eight stories about realistic problems young people might encounter and how, using traditional values, they are resolved.

Each story has a full-color illustration and teaches such lessons as right and wrong, appreciation of family, what it means to be a good citizen, living up to one's full potential, and why (and how) to stay away from drugs.

In the first story, "A Day With Granddaddy", young Wendy is mad. The most popular girl in school has invited her to a slumber party but SHE has to go to her grandparents house on the lake, a visit she usually enjoys.

During a conversation that takes place as Wendy fishes with Granddad, she learns the relative importance of the party and the visit (her values are put into perspective) and she feels good about herself and visiting her grandparents.

Other stories involve the meaning of friendship, family relationships, respect for others, loyalty and the importance of being your own unique self, lessons not always covered in school curriculums. They reflect positive influences that build a child's self-esteem.

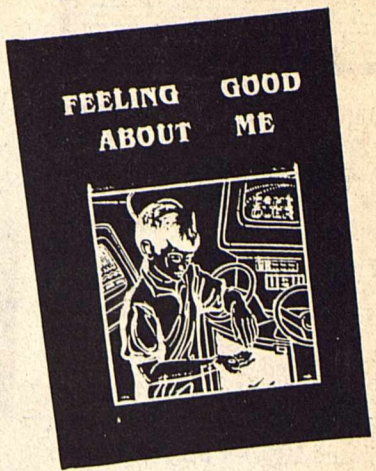
Each story is accompanied by a teacher's guide, which covers lesson objectives, discussion starters and follow-up applications. The purpose of the lessons is to teach young people good values and

encourage discussion of values between children, their parents and other family members in a home setting.

In "Real Heroes", a war game among a dozen boys and girls results in several broken windows at school. At the principal's office, the youngsters learn from an Army veteran that being an American hero isn't something that must happen on a battlefield, but also occurs by being a good citizen, doing whatever they can for their country.

In another story that takes place in a video arcade, Brian and Darrick must weigh the change to get free games dishonestly against the effects of such action. With the help of a lesson learned from Darrick's dad, honesty wins out.

These beautiful books are made to last and are likely to become keepsake editions for the students. Local sponsors provide this



important gift to the children because they know young people are the most precious resource of this community. The local sponsors are: Food Center, Edward D. Jones and Co., Sonic Drive In, and Dr. and Mrs. Gregory C. Lind.

Snips, Quips, and Lifts

by Lottie Lee Baker

"Merry Christmas to our Christian friends. Happy Hannukkah to our Jewish friends. And to our atheist friends, good luck.

One time we were certain people are alive, is when the Christmas cards begin to arrive.

It wouldn't be bad if civilization were only at the crossroads, but this is one of those cloverleaf jobs.

If it weren't for the optimist the pessimist wouldn't know how happy he isn't.

There is a five letter word troubling all of the earth: Not "enemy", "study", or "dying" or "birth".

But springtime or autumn, in dark days or sunny, a five-letter word-a real problem--is "money."

It is hard to resist temptation that we go out of our way looking for.

"Ronnie Cox would like to be your pharmacist"

Money isn't everything-sometimes it isn't enough.

The taxpayer no longer fears that Congress will let him down; he just hopes it will let him up.

Credit cards are what people use after they discover that money can't buy everything.

Life, like a mirror never gives back more than we put into it.

HAY
Grass a la mode.

Isn't it a shame that future generations can't be here to see all the wonderful things the government is doing with their money?

You can always take a day off, but you can never put it back.

No man in the world has more determination than he can stop after eating one peanut.

The preacher took his watch in for repairs and explained: "I have all the faith in this watch, but faith without good works is dead."

When a woman asks to see something more expensive she's shopping; when she asks to see something cheaper, she's buying.

A LIFT FOR THE WEEK
Smiles are contagious, spread them around.

For your convenience

A Saturday Clinic

at Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital
with a doctor on duty
will be in operation every Saturday

9 am to 12 noon

This clinic is for routine illnesses or for routine office visits which can not be taken care of during the week.

Se abrira una clinica para su conveniencia cada Sabado de 9am al doce de medio dia.

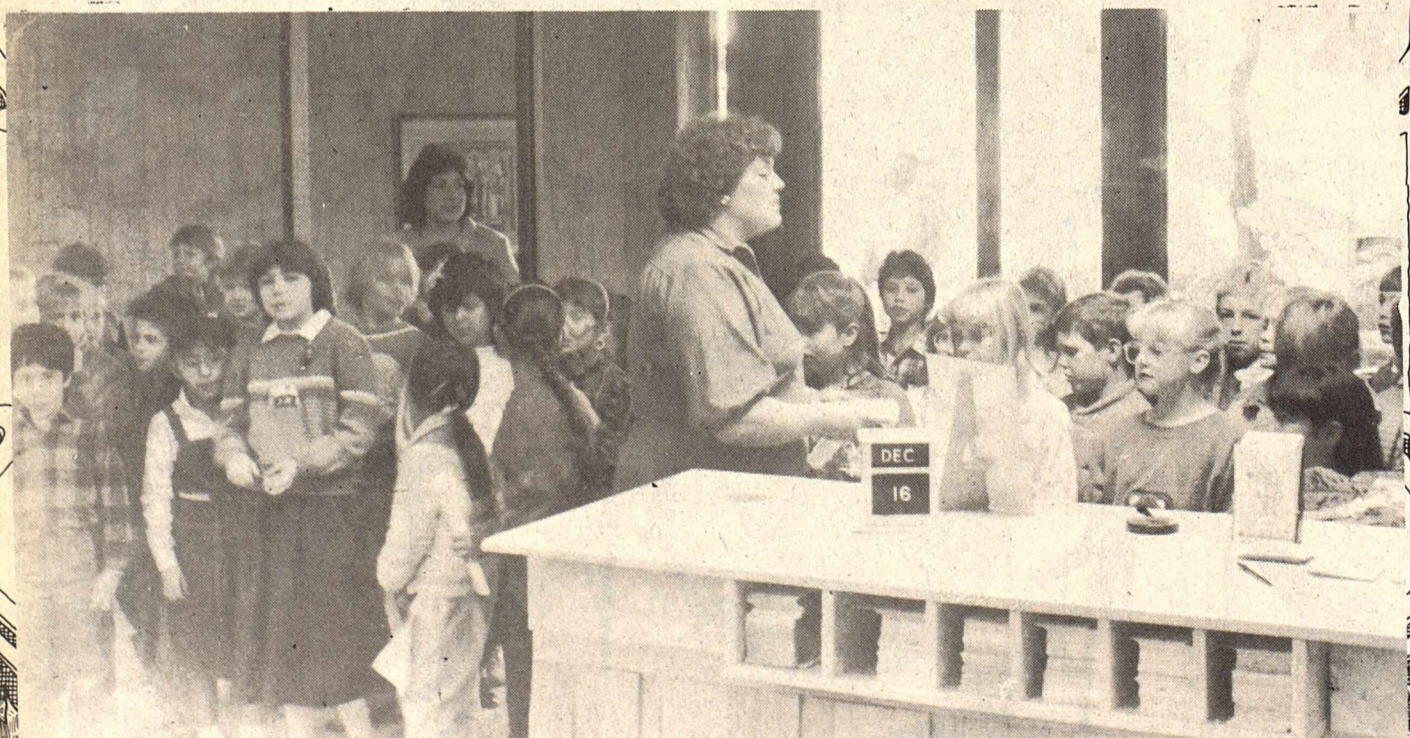
Esta clinica es para enfermedades oh visitas rutinias que no se pudieron hacer durante la semana

L. M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital
Hudspeth Drive

387-2521

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES ENRON GAS PROCESSING COMPANY HAS MADE APPLICATION WITH THE TEXAS AIR CONTROL BOARD FOR CONTINUANCE OF PERMIT NO. R-118 FOR A NATURAL GAS PROCESSING PLANT NEAR SONORA, SUTTON COUNTY, TEXAS. THE LOCATION IS 5 MILES SOUTHEAST FROM SONORA ON RANCH-MARKET ROAD NO. 1691. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS APPLICATION IS CONTAINED IN THE PUBLIC NOTICE SECTION OF THIS NEWSPAPER.

Merry Christmas from the Third Grade Class and First National Bank of Sonora



The third grade class of Sonora ISD joined us at the bank this past week to celebrate the season with a delightful assortment of Christmas carols.



102 W. Main
Downtown Sonora
387-3861

Tedford Jewelry

BRIDAL GIFT REGISTRY

Emily Palos, bride-elect of Eddie Castro

Downtown Sonora-

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Couple to celebrate 50th Anniversary

The children of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Coker, Mrs. Jack Elane Slone of Palo Pinto and Ted R. Coker of Charlotte, North Carolina, request the pleasure of your presence as their guest at the 50th wedding anniversary of their parents, Roy and Doris Lee Coker.

The reception will be held at the Coker's country home in Cleo on January 1, 1988 from 10 a.m. until 12. From Interstate 10 west of Junction, take F.M. 2291 to Cleo. Follow the signs to the Coker's home four miles west of Cleo.

The Cokers resided in Sonora from 1954 until 1975. Roy is retired from the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

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MR. AND MRS. T. R. COKER

"My Mother couldn't do it."

Early this year, sixteen senior teacher education students from Concordia Lutheran College, under the direction of Concordia Vice President, Fred Bleeke, surveyed 1,500 Texas high schools in search of the *Most Creative Excuses* given by students for tardiness, absence and missed homework.

Secondary teachers and attendance officers in each school were asked to reply to a brief questionnaire. 300 replies were received during the survey period. The empirical data collected served to prove that high school students are still very creative and their excuses will change to meet the available situations.

Consider the following, deemed by professional Texas teachers to be the most *The Most Creative Excuses*.

"Someone super-glued my car tires to the ground," claimed one student.

A note brought to class by another student read, "Mary was out of school for a reason I cannot mention in this note. But she was not playing hooky." The note was signed "... my Mother" ...

Using inescapable logic, a student said, "I would have been on time but the bell rang." Another just asked, "Have you ever tried to find toilet tissue in this school?"

The modern age has brought new excuses. "I had jet lag," said one. "My water bed leaked and I spent two hours mopping up water," said another. By far the most used of the new excuses was "My garage door opener broke and I couldn't get my car out of the garage."

Students have strange illnesses, report the teachers. One boy claimed "morning sickness" and another had an "uncontrollable stomach". A girl said she was absent because she had "hot contacts", her teacher was uncertain if it was a medical or a business-related excuse.

In a case of betrayal by an inanimate object, homework can disappear because "my locker ate it." Also the favorite, "My truck drove itself into a pothole and

couldn't get itself out," asserted a student.

"My cat snatched my car keys and ran under the couch and I couldn't make it come out," said a student. He had to spend the entire day coaxing the cat out.

Three students were so completely honest that their explanations warranted mention by their teachers:

For being tardy: "Total irresponsibility on my part."
For being absent: "Just lucky."
For missed homework: "My mother couldn't do it."

"We've learned in education classes that a sense of humor is necessary for teachers," says Donna Menzel, a Concordia student teacher who helped compile the test results. She went on to add "It's been fun ... and educational ... to be forewarned about the kinds of excuses we will

be getting."

Vice President Bleeke said, "Concordia Lutheran College is justifiably proud of its teacher education program. In 1986 its graduates scored a perfect 100% passing rate on the first administration of the Examination for the Certification of Educators in Texas (ExCET). In 1987 an outstanding 96% cumulative passing rate on the ExCET test was compiled by Concordia students."

"Concordia Lutheran College recognizes that each student is unique, with different talents and goals. We're here to help each student make the most of who he is--to reach for his best. We prepare students with the skills necessary for employment, but we extend beyond that--we challenge our students," concluded Mr. Bleeke.

4-H'sers place in District Food Show

Nine 4-Hers from Sutton County recently attended the District 13 4-H Food Show. The competition was held December 12, 1987 in Hondo.

Sutton County 4-Hers competed against 18 other counties. 4-Hers were interviewed about food and nutrition knowledge.

Those attending-Pre Junior division Jason Morley-main dish, second place; Curt Dempsey-breads & cereals, second place; Davis Hale-fruits & vegetables, second place; Candie Sessom-nutritious snacks and desserts; Junior Division Julie Jones-fruits and vegetables, fourth place; Beverly

Cooper-main dish; Jody Trainer-nutritious snacks and desserts; Senior division-Laura Lee Barlemann-breads and cereals, second place; and April Spiller-main dish.

The food and nutrition project manager was Linda Fisher. Mrs. Fisher did an excellent job in coordinating leaders and project groups. Project leaders also doing and excellent job were: Mrs. Rita Hale, Cleve Jones, IV, Sandra Cooper, Christi Spain, Brenda Edwards, Carmen Ramirez, Lupe Ramos, Francis Moore, Kay Faris and Linda Fisher. These leaders helped 4-Hers learn about foods and nutrition at various project levels.

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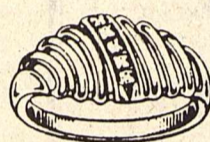
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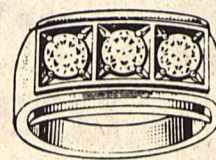
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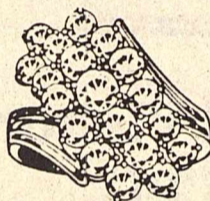
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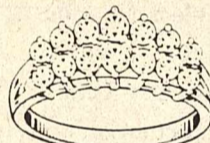
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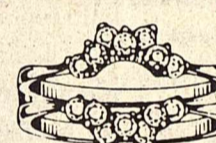
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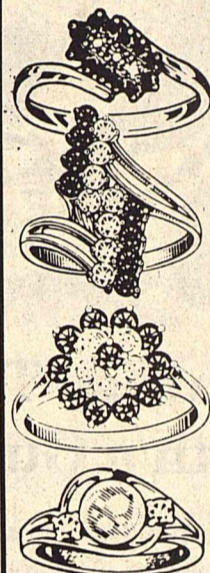
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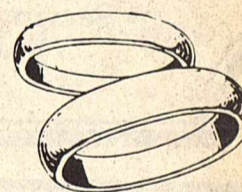
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Deer research . . .

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However, basic biological information on how stocking rate and class of livestock affected deer was unavailable. The research project was conducted by Leo Merrill, James Teer and Charles Wallmo, each now a legend in range and wildlife amangement. The information derived from the project is as useful today as it was in 1957. Actually it may be more

applicable since the deer resource has become increasingly important to ranchers over the past 30 years.

The research compared deer intensity to heavy, moderate and light continuous grazing by cattle, sheep and goats and various combinations of the three. Heavy grazing was considered as 13 acres per animal unit, while moderate grazing was 20 acres and light grazing was 40 acres per animal unit. All of the 15 different grazing treatments were adjacent so that deer had equal access to all and could "choose" the habitat they preferred. It should be pointed out that these stocking rates be applied to any other ranch. Each ranch is different and will have its own levels which result in heavy, moderate and light stocking.

Grazing by cattle only, as would be expected, created the most favorable habitat conditions for deer. Heavy and moderate grazing both allowed a deer density of 15 acres per deer, while light grazing resulted in twice as many deer at 7.3 acres per deer. Deer habitat showed improvement at the light rate of stocking and was stable at moderate and heavy stocking.

Grazing by sheep only resulted in lower deer numbers as compared to cattle. Heavy sheep grazing resulted in a population of 40 acres per deer and drastic habitat deterioration. Moderate grazing by sheep held a density of 20 acres per deer with slight habitat deterioration. Light grazing with sheep kept the same 20 acres per deer, but allowed slight habitat improvement.

Grazing by goats was the most detrimental of any single class treatment. Heavy grazing resulted in severe habitat deterioration and a deer per 40 acres. Even moderate goat grazing resulted in the low deer density of 40 acres per deer with some habitat deterioration. Low goat stocking allowed a density of 20 acres per deer and no habitat deterioration or improvement.

Grazing with equal ratios of cattle, sheep and goats at the heavy stocking rate resulted in no deer and habitat deterioration. Moderate stocking allowed a population of 20 acres per deer and light stocking resulted in 15 acres per deer. Neither moderate or light stocking resulted in habitat deterioration or improvement.

Cattle and goats grazed at the heavy rate resulted in no deer and habitat deterioration. Moderate grazing allowed a deer per 20 acres and stable habitat trend. Light grazing by cattle and goats was not tested, and the combination of cattle and sheep was not tested.

The 14 treatments described above were all for continuous, yearlong grazing with no periodic pasture deferment. The final treatment involved a four pasture, three herd deferred rotation grazing system where pastures grazed twelve months and rested four months in a cycle. This treatment was grazed at the moderate stocking rate with cattle, sheep and goats and held a deer population of 13 acres per deer. Deer habitat was improving. A number of very useful

Deer density and habitat trend according to grazing treatment Sonora Experiment Station			
Deer density (acres per deer) at various stocking rates			
Grazing treatment	Heavy	Moderate	Light
Cattle-continuous	15 (0)	15(0)	7.3 (+)
Sheep-continuous	40(-)	20(-)	20(+)
Goats-continuous	40(-)	20(-)	20(0)
Cattle, Sheep			
Goats-continuous	No Deer (-)	20(0)	15(0)
Cattle, Goats			
continuous	No Deer (-)	20(0)	15(0)
Cattle, Sheep			
Goats-deferred			
Rotation System		13(+)	
	(-) habitat deterioration	(+) habitat improvement	(0) habitat trend stable

Data from "Deer and Grazing Management, Sheep and Goat Raiser, December, 1957, by Leo Merrill, James Teer and Charles Wallmo.

principles can be applied to ranching and deer management from this study.

1. If maximizing deer carrying capacity is the landowners primary objective, then light grazing by cattle is the suggested grazing treatment.
2. Grazing sheep or goats with cattle is compatible with good deer management when moderate or proper stocking is combined with a grazing rotation.
3. Heavy grazing involving sheep or goats is not only detrimental to deer habitat, but results in greatly reduced deer number.
4. Moderate grazing of any combination of classes, except goats, only results in moderate deer numbers.
5. When goats make up more than about half of the animal units, deer numbers and deer habitat can be expected to decline.
6. The only heavily stocked treatment that will maintain

moderate deer numbers and not seriously harm the habitat is with cattle only.

7. The only moderately stocked treatment that improved deer habitat was the grazing system that provided for periodic rest.
 8. No continuously grazed treatment allowed habitat improvement except at light stocking.
 9. Except for light grazing by cattle only, the treatment that resulted in the highest deer numbers was a moderately stocked pasture rotation involving cattle, sheep and goats.
- What it all boils down to is the basic principles of range management. When we as act as good stewards of the range, wildlife populations thrive. Proper stocking rates and periodic pasture rest always have been and still are two of the most important keys to successful ranching and wildlife management.



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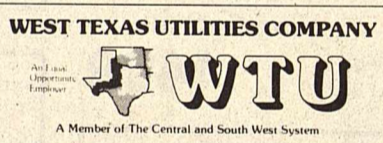
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Sonora Tabernacle United Pentacostal Rev. Kenneth Doyle, Pastor Sunday School-10 am Worship-11 am Evening Worship-7:30 pm Wednesday Service-7:30 pm	Live Oak Baptist Church Rev. Charles White Sunday School-10:00 am Sunday Worship-11:00 am Evening-6:00 pm Wednesday Service-7 pm	Jehovah's Witness 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	St. John's Episcopal Church 404 NE Poplar Holy Eucharist-Sunday 8 & 11 am Sunday School-9:45 am Holy Eucharist w/Prayers for Healing, 1,3 & 5 Wed., 7 pm Daily Morning Prayer-8:45 am Monday-Friday The Rev. J. Monte Jones, Rector

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You are hereby notified of the opportunity for written public comment concerning the application for continuance of permit No. R-118 by Enron Gas Processing Company for a natural gas processing plant near Sonora, Sutton County, Texas. The location is 5 miles S.E. of Sonora on R.M. #1691. This facility is emitting the following air contaminants: Nitrogen Oxides, Sulfur Oxides, Carbon Monoxide, Particulate Matter and Petroleum Hydrocarbons.

A copy of all materials submitted by the applicant is available for public inspection at the Texas Air Control Board Odessa Regional Office at 1901 East 37th Street, Suite 101, Odessa, Texas 79762, telephone (915) 367-3871 or (915) 367-3872, and at the Texas Air Control Board, 6330 Highway 290 East, Austin, Texas 78723. All interested persons may inspect these materials and submit written comments to the Executive Director of the Texas Air Control Board. Any person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the proposed facility may request a contested case hearing from the board on the application for continuance pursuant to Section 3.271(c) of the Texas Clean Air Act. All comments and hearing requests must be received in writing by January 8, 1988. All written comments submitted to the Executive Director shall be considered in determining whether to continue the permit. All comments will be made available for public inspection at the Texas Air Control Board office in Austin.

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF SUTTON

In the name and by the authority of the State of Texas, notice is hereby given as follows: TO

Genaro Gonzales Estate; Alma Mata; Gloria Gonzales; Arturo Gonzales; Lamar Gonzales; Blanca Castaneda; Esther Avila; Ismael Avila; Ernest Gonzales; Francisco Rodriguez Estate; Margarita Avila; Idelia LaRosa; Erasmo Villareal; Francisco Usebio; A.F. Bellows; Josefa Sanchez Lopez Estate; Octavio Esquivel; Leon Lopez; Augusta Bermed; Bernard Garcia AKA Bernardo Garcia; Marianna Garcia; Pilar Garza; Mrs. Esau Ramirez; Arnulfo Virgen; Victoria Virgen; Miguel Sanchez; Aniseto Duran; Catarine Duran Estate; Juanquin Lopez, Jr. Estate; Cleto Garza; Sanjuana Perez Garza; Celestino Perez; Chris Hernandez; Maria Ignacio Garcia Hernandez; Juan Moreno; Scott Henderson Roberts; Mary Luella Roberts; Wanda Lou Grimm; Marie W. Hollmig; Mrs. Lula Hollmig Estate; L.D. Hollmig; Forrest C.

Whitehead; George R. Whitehead; Hazel B. Whitehead; Amor B. Whitehead; Minnie Whitehead; Pedro Chavez Estate; J.M. Grimland

if living, and if any or all of the above named defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of each or all of said above named persons who may be dead, and the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land; and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property, delinquent to Plaintiff(s) herein, for taxes, all of said property being located in said County and State, to-wit:

The following property being located in the Pedro Dominguez Addition to the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas: Lot 4, Block D.

The following property being located in the West Mexico Addition to the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas: Southwest Part of Lot A 2, De La Rosa Block; Part of Tract 30, Block 9 AKA Being a part of Survey 85, Abstract 315, Block B, HE & WT Ry. Co. Beginning at an iron pin driven in the ground at the NE corner of the Hudspeth trap for the SE corner of this lot of Survey, THENCE North 9 degrees 45' W 112 Feet to an iron pin for corner this survey, THENCE South 89 degrees 15' W 100 ft. to top of an iron bolt set in the ground for the NW corner of this survey; THENCE South 7 degrees 15' W 123 ft. 6 inches to an iron pin in ground under Hudspeth North fence for SW corner this survey; THENCE with said fence 146 ft. 6 inches to the beginning, and containing 14,611 square feet more or less, being more particularly described in Volume 42, Page 570 of the Deed Records, Sutton County, Texas.

The following property being located in the Sinaloa Addition to the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas: Lot 8, Block H; Lot 8, Block B. The following property being located in the Grimland Addition to the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas: Southeast part of Lot 2 A, Block 6; Lots 4, 5, 6, Block 6.

The following property being located in the Santa Rosa Addition to the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas: Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 47 A.

The following property being located in the Mexico Addition to the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas: Lot 3 A, Block 1; Part of Lot 5, Block 7; Lot 5, Block 9 AKA Tract 28.

The following property being located in the Original Townsite of the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas: North 1/2 of Lot 3, Block K; Lots 3, 4, 7 and 8, Block W 34.

The following property being located in the Loma Alta Addition

to the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas: Lots 6 and 7, Block 2.

The following property being located in the Eaton Addition to the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas: Lot 3, Block 35 E.

The following property being located in the South Heights Addition to the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas: Lots 9, 10, 11 & 12, Block 37 A.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiff(s) for taxes in the following amount: \$6,827.13, exclusive of interest, penalties and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes, all said interest, penalties and costs therein allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been bought by the Sutton County Appraisal District, Plaintiff(s), against the above named persons, as Defendants, by petition filed on the 20th day of July, 1987, in a certain suit styled the Sutton County Appraisal District et al vs. Genaro Gonzales Estate, et al, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Sutton County, Texas, 112th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 3374, that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit are NONE.

Plaintiff(s) and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, and in addition to the taxes all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiff(s), defendants, and intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties and costs allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefor, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file and which may hereafter be filed in said cause by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the 18th day of December, 1987, same being the 25th day of January, A.D., 1988, (which is the return day of such citation), before the honorable

District Court of Sutton County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then to show cause why judgement shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiff(s) and the taxing units parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court in the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas, this the 18th day of December, A.D., 1987.

Erma Lee Turner
Clerk of the District Court
Sutton County, Texas
112th Judicial District

Joe Fincher, Deputy

ORDINANCE NO. 340

Accepting the bid of the Sutton County National Bank as Depository Bank for the ensuing term; and approving the pledge of securities of said depository bank in lieu of bond as such city depository bank; publication; validity; declaring and emergency.

Accordingly ordained, this the 15th day of December, 1987.

Billy Gosney
Mayor, City of Sonora

ATTEST:
Becky Covington
City Secretary
APPROVED:
Elizabeth W. Wallace
City Attorney

ORDINANCE NO. 341

An ordinance affecting participation of City Employees in the Texas Municipal Retirement System; granting the additional rights, credits and benefits authorized by Sections 64.202(F), 64.204, 64.406, and 64.410 of title 110B, revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended by the 70th Legislature; and prescribing the effective date of this ordinance. And it is so ordered.

PASSED on this first reading on the 15th day of December, 1987, by a vote of 5 to 0.

Billy Gosney
Mayor, City of Sonora

ATTEST:
Becky Covington
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City Attorney

ORDINANCE NO. 342

An ordinance authorizing and allowing, under the act governing the Texas Municipal Retirement System, "Updated Service Credits: in said system for service performed by qualifying members of such system who presently are in the employment of the City of Sonora: providing for increased prior and

current service annuities for retirees of the City; and beneficiaries of deceased retirees of the City; and establishing an effective date for such actions; publication; conflict; validity; emergency. And it is so ordered.

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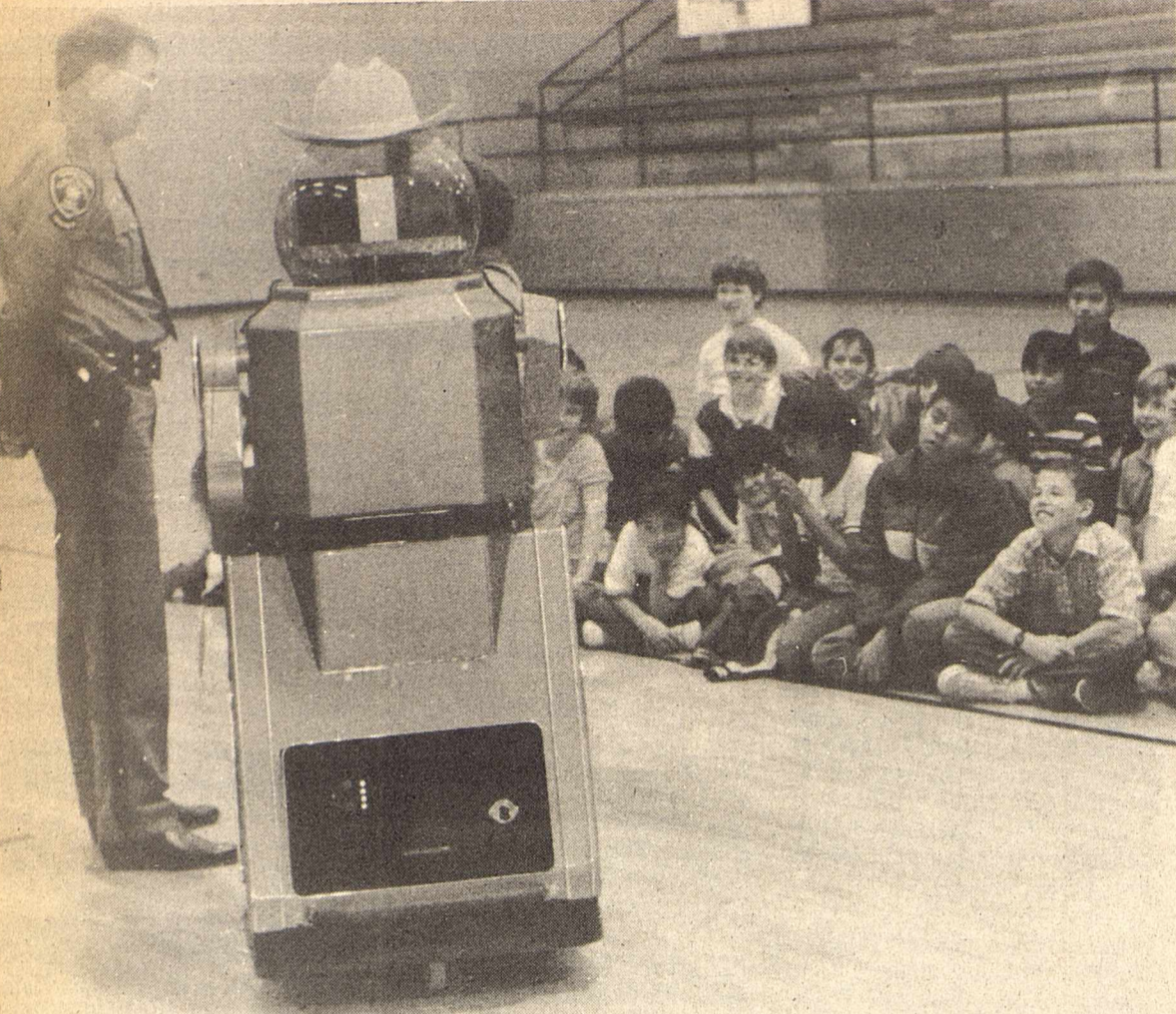
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Trooper Tex . . .

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good caring individual who is doing a super job of the education of children and an excellent job of PR for the Department of Public Safety. What makes him unique?

Trooper Tex is a fully automated robot. He was purchased and donated to Region Four of the Department of Safety by the New Car Dealers Association of Odessa and his boss, Lieutenant Jimmie F. Rhoads of Midland, says he has

been a tremendous asset to the department. "Not only do the children pay attention to Trooper Tex but they also seem to remember what he tells them." While Trooper Tex jokes with the children, he is extremely careful to not embarrass them.

Trooper Tex is an amazing piece of machinery but as with any computer, he is only as good as the people behind him. On his visit to Sonora, Trooper Tex was accompanied by Troopers Alvin

Hale, Jack White, and Lieutenant Jimmie Rhoads who do their part with enthusiasm. Trooper Tex gives all the correct answers because these men are so well versed in their job and also because they have a special way of dealing with children.

Yes, kids, there are some secrets to how Trooper Tex operates but we won't tell what they are, it's more fun wondering how he knows what to say to you.

Operation Motorcide in effect

Major Kenneth D. Bertling, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety's West Texas Region, announced that Operation Motorcide will be in effect again this Christmas and New Years Holiday.

Major Bertling said, "The Christmas period will be 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 23 to midnight, Sunday, December 27. During this period, we estimate 42 persons will be fatally injured in motor vehicle traffic accidents."

The New Year's holiday period has been designated as beginning at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 30, and ending midnight, Sunday, January 3. We estimate that 35 people will be killed on Texas highways during this time.

Major Bertling said during last years Christmas Operation Motorcide we did not have any traffic deaths in our 49 county West Texas Region. If every motorist will use defensive driving and apply

the spirit of Christmas to their driving, we can have another deathless holiday.

During the last ten years our Region has averaged 4.2 traffic deaths during the Christmas Holidays Period and 4.5 deaths during the New Years Holiday. If every driver would do everything in their power to be a safe driver, we could save lives, come under the estimates, and lower the the average number of traffic deaths.

"The drinking driver and excessive speed are the leading causes of traffic accidents; especially during a holiday such as Christmas and New Years," Bertling said.

We do not try to tell people not to drink, but we encourage them to let someone else drive who has not been drinking. We also encourage citizens not to allow persons that have been drinking to drive and if they do, not to ride with them.

A class was recently surveyed as

to the possible gains and possible losses of a drinking person. The survey showed:

POSSIBLE GAINS	POSSIBLE LOSSES
1. Good times	1. Life
2. Friends	2. Friends
3. Self Esteem	3. Self respect
4. Sense of power	4. Money
5. Relief of problems	5. Problems with peers, parents, spouse
6. Fit in with group	6. Accidents
7. Relaxation	7. Health
8. Helps me perform better	8. Time
9. Get away from it	9. Licenses
	10. Car
	11. Freedom
	12. Job

It is a little strange that the survey showed that some of the things thought to be gained were also things lost. Before you go to that holiday party and drink, ask yourself, "Do the possible gains outweigh the possible losses?"

We hope that every driver will consider this question and apply it to every phase of their driving. With everyone's help we can all prevent accidents and have an enjoyable holiday season.

"What was that light?" Trooper Tex asked when the flash of the camera went off. When Trooper White told Trooper Tex that he was being photographed, he responded "It's no wonder since I'm so cute." Staff photo/Ann Cates.

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For Sale-Couch, chair and coffee table. \$150 or best offer. Call 387-3905. 1tp

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Call before making trip

It is a good idea for people to call Social Security before taking the time to visit the office. The reason is that most Social Security business can be taken care of by telephone, Franklin H. Upp, Social Security manager in San Angelo, said recently.

Unless the person's business is urgent, it is best to call after the middle of the month and later in the week. Inquiries can be handled more quickly then, Upp said.

Even if a person needs to visit the office, it is a good idea to call for an appointment. This can help

shorten waiting time.

Examples of the business that can be handled by phone include:

- *Applying for Social Security benefits. A claim can be started by phone and completed by mail.
- *Applying for Medicare.
- *Changing name and address in Social Security records.
- *Reporting a change in marital status.
- *Reporting stopping or starting work or to report any other event that can have an effect on benefits.
- *Reporting a lost or stolen check or delayed payment.

*Getting help in completing a Medicare form.

*Arranging for direct deposit of checks.

*Getting a benefit estimate.

*Requesting a statement of earnings.

*Getting help in requesting a review of a claim decision.

*To ask any question about Social Security.

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