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#### **DRN** Deadline

The deadline for information to be included in the Devil's River News is 5 p. m. Friday for the following week's paper.

Information can be brought to the office located at 220 N. E. Main St. or mailed to the same address

For pictures taken on Monday or Tuesday a two day notice should be given to our office.

#### **Team roping**

Sutton County Days Association will have a county team roping July 15th. Enter at 1:00 p. m., rope at 2:00. \$25 draw pot with each roper paying \$5 extra for chute help. Enter with one partner, draw 4 more. Progressive after 2. Ropers bring steers.

#### Volleyball tourney

During "Teen Nite" on July 5, a girls two (2) person volleyball tournament is at the City scheduled Swimming Pool.

On Friday, July 6, there will be an eighth grade and under tournament from 12:00 p. m. to 6:00 p. m.

Saturday, July 7, the Pool is sponsoring the 2nd Annual Fourth of July three-man volleyball tournament.

Anyone interested in participating in these three events should contact Brad Morgan or call the City Pool 387-5377 by noon on the day of the event.

#### **Social Security**

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his July visit to Sonora. He will be at the County Courthouse on Thursday, July 19, between 9:30 a. m. and 10:30 a.m.

Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at this time.

### **Health Dept. moves**

Texas Department of Health has moved to a new location: 211 Hwy. 277 N, adjacent to Perry's. The telephone number remains the same 387-2234.

### Bible school

Join the Journey to Vacation Bible School with the Episcopal, First United Methodist and Presbyterian churches of Sonora from July 9-

Registration will be at the Methodist Church Monday, July 9 beginning at 8:30.

### Fund set up

A fund has been established at Sutton County National Bank for the benefit of Clay Graves, anyone wishing to make a contribution to help defray medical expenses for the family may do so with any Sutton Co. National Bank employee.

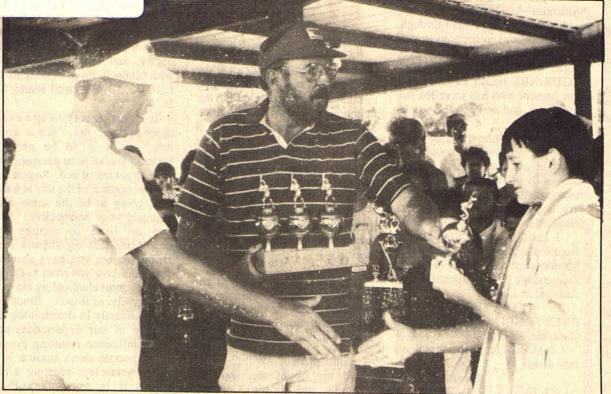
### LINKS

If you are over 60 and need assistance with household chores, home health care, transportation, home repairs, home-delivered meals and more. Let LINKS help you.

This is a program administered by the Texas Dept. on Aging and is brand new to Sutton County. The local caseworker is Robin Street. Please call her at 387-3176 for more information.

### Clinic Services

The Planned Parenthood of West Texas, Inc. is providing complete family planning services and confidential AIDS testing and counseling at the San Angelo Clinic at 2619 Sherwood Way. All services are confidential and based on a sliding fee scale. For more information call (915) 944-



DRN staff photo by Molly Zimmerman

TROPHY PRESENTATION - City League participants were honored last week with a gathering at the city pool. Everybody who played little league baseball was given a trophy. Pictured is Jason Morley who receives his trophy from Pony League coaches Scooter Surber and David Patton.

# How the times have changed

# City gathering was big thing

The cost of a city putting on fireworks is extremely high and getting higher. For a city to put on fireworks they must have a proper official take a safety course (which costs money) then purchase the proper fireworks (which costs more money) then also get the right launch equipment (which is even more money.)

The cost is something the city of Sonora just cannot afford. As a result the Fourth of July has

become more of a family oriented celebration.

That has not always been the case as this article from the July 5, 1890 San, Angelo Standard Times, shows,

The morning of America's natal day broke dark and gloomy upon the bustling little city of Sonora followed by rain, lasting until about 9 a.m., when old Sol shoved his bright and beaming face from behind a departing cloud, and the scene changed. All was

bright, gay and busy; a large American flag 12 X 24 feet was unfurled to the gentle breeze at the top of a fifty foot staff, erected upon the summit of the highest point in the vicinity, situated at the upper portion of the city and which could be disinguished at a distance of ten miles, acting as a signal to surrounding neighborhoods, ranchmen and travelers that festivities were being proceeded within the metropolis of Devil's River, and also that these people away down on the southern extremity of the border were loyal to their country.

Please see Fourth of July, page 7

# Pair of thefts solved by police

Two purse robbing incidents June 28 have resulted in the arrest of one man and the expected arrest of a woman. Police chief Brent Gesch said the two incidents were not related.

Gesch said arrested in one incident was 41-year old Tommy Marx of San Diego. He has been booked into the Sutton County Jail and is being held on \$1,500

According to Gesch, Marx was stopped about five miles east of Ozona on Highway 10 by the state patrol at about 9 a.m.

Marx is accused of stealing the purse of Maria A. Sanchez of Sonora.

All items in the purse were

recovered. Gesch said while the incident and arrest took place within an hour, it may have been a shorter time if the daughter of Sanchez had called police right away.

Sanchez's daughter, Mary Helen Castilleja, had apparently witnessed the incident through her window and looked for the van for more than 15 minutes.

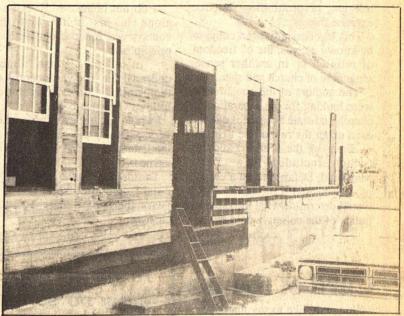
Gesch said during that time he had stopped the van Marx was driving to respond to a call from a person on Bonn Road that said the van had stopped and solicited auto body jobs.

The purse snatching incident had already taken place, but Gesch said it had not been reported.

The second incident occurred at about 1:30 p.m. when a woman called and said that her purse had been stolen while at the post

According to Gesch a woman was questioned at Perry's after allegedly cashing a check at a local gas station.

The woman was not arrested, but is expected to be charged this



CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES - The Sutton County Historical Society is having the old train depot refurbished. Once the work is completed the depot will be able to be used for small gatherings. Construction will continue until the middle of August.

# **Sutton County:** SONORA 100 years

By Griffin B. Cole

DRN Editor The word has been let loose, the Garrett and Payton gangs are

almost ready to do battle again. Rumors have been spreading about town that these two gangs, who last squared off during the sesquicentennial, are about to go at it again.

As of this time there has not been any shooting and the twogangs have been avoiding each other, but the confrontation is coming closer.

In interviews with the gangs leaders, each one said that it is unavoidable that the two will have a showdown.

Jim Garrett said he has added Espy Whitehead and David Patton to go with holdovers Preston Love, Scott Garrett and Virgil Polacek.

Tom Payton said he has Bruce Kerbow, Bob Brockman, Decky Spiller, Preston Faris, Dayton Armke and Julio Samaniego on

But, as can so often happen in scoundrelous groups like these, the members can change quickly.

While neither leader was willing to give away their plans for the

near future, both threatened to show up at the famous Covered Wagon Dinner Theater. There is no doubt they would be there only to cause trouble, not to take in the

In addition, both groups plan on being in town during the Sutton County Days celebration. It was during the sesquicentennial celebration when all the trouble started last time.

Reportedly the trouble occurred over a young lady.

Payton said that his gang won't wait so long to have revenge. He has threatened to "knock off" a couple from the rival gang.

Bravely, Garrett said the other day, "We consider this (Sonora) our town."

Payton responded, "That's a lot of talk."

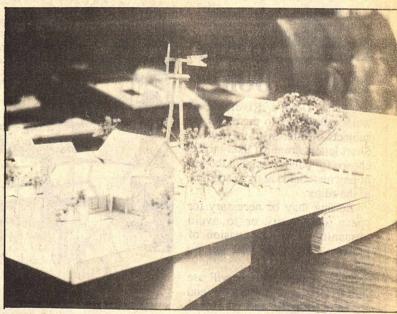
While there is no telling what could set off the spark for the confrontation, Faris did mention somet'ing about the Payton Gang needing horses and equipment. He said things are much better this time because plans have been made further in advance.

Faris even went as far as to say



ie thought the public actually enjoyed what happened last time and that is why the Payton Gang is not afraid to mix it up with the Garrett Gang again.

Please see Gangs, page 6



Photos by Jim Fish

FINISHED PRODUCT - The Historical Society is looking at this model for the final product of the restoration of the depot. On the far right is the depot which will include a small amphitheater which is located right in front of the depot.

# Clothing projects shine at county show

By Allison Schwiening **DRN** staff writer

Several local 4-H'ers have advanced to the district level after winning top honors at the County Clothing Show held June 29.

The models were clothed in everything from tropical summer short sets to magical prom dresses.

There was a total of 19 girls in this year's clothing project, which happens to be the largest group ever. The members began constructing their garments as early as May. Once they are completeted, they may compete in the county, district, and state clothing shows.

The individual is judged on the quality of her garment, as well as her ability to answer questions prepared by the judges.

'The judges were really nice," said Erin Marrs, a first place winner. The questions weren't really complicated, they just mainly wanted to know what we Please see 4-H, page 6



DRN staff photo by Allison Schwiening

SHOWING OFF OUTFITS - April Spiller and Laura Barleman show off outfits they made for the 4-H show.

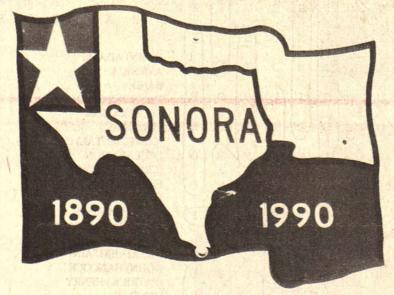


Photo by John Zimmerman

NEW SIGNS - These signs have popped up recently on highways around Sonora. See Letters to the Editor on page 2 for an explanation.



# Check the constitution

It appears to me that learning the constitution and what our nation was founded on is a lost art. Those feelings were sparked after the Jim Fish column on June 21 and the M.R. Ashe letter to the editor in this week's Devil's River News.

As a refresher, Fish wrote about backing a law banning the burning of the flag while Ashe said the real problem may be the decay of the "moral fabric" of the nation.

I was horrified when I read, "Our great country was founded on Christian principles, yet we have banned prayer from schools and given atheistic values more than fair treatment.

I was horrified, but not shocked, to read such a comment.

Contrary to the popular belief of these days, this nation was not founded on Christian principles.

As we all know, or at least should know, the constitution has 26 amendments. The first 10 amendments were ratified Dec. 15, 1791 and are known as the Bill of Rights.

The first amendment states, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof...

This has basically been come to be known as, yes, the ol' freedom of religion or in another sense, separation of church and state.

The authors of the constitution were looking for the separation of church and state because it did not exist under the rule of the British.

Each of the King's Colonies (which included New York, Maryland, Delaware and a couple of others) had a monarch which would determine what the religion policy of the colony would be.

Card of thanks

We would like to say thank you

to everyone who visited, called or

sent flowers or gifts to our baby,

Jose, while he was in the hospital.

thoughfulness and concern.

We appreciate your

Joe and Irene Casillas

To avoid going into a long and rather involved history lesson, let us generalize by saying the

situation was not acceptable. As a result, the United States of America is a nation based on freedom of religion, not Christian principles.

Banning prayer from schools was a Supreme Court decision based on the first amendment. Prayer is banned from public schools. Public schools are supported by the state and federal governments. There is your tie in. Separation of church and state.

The Supreme Court decision said absolutely nothing about private schools which are funded by the private sector of the community. They can do whatever they please as far as religion in the school system is concerned.

No details were provided by Ashe as to his comment, "given atheistic values more than their fair treatment."

All I can say is atheists have as many rights in this nation as do the followers of any religious faith.

I do not believe M.R. Ashe is alone in his belief that this country was founded on Christian principles. In a way, I can almost

understand it. The vast majority of the United States population follows Christian beliefs.

I would suggest everybody study very carefully the constitution of the United States. A lot would be learned.

Besides, the authors must have done something right. In 214 years there have only been 26

Tenga un buen dia y no se le olvide sonreir.

# Letters to the Editor

Among those attending the Covered Wagon Dinner Theatre, Saturday night (June 23) were Mrs. James Page from Eldorado and her guests, Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Lindsey, a former doctor in Eldorado in the mid 50's and also visiting the Pages was Dr. Bob Crompton from Canberra, Australia.

As Dr. Crompton went through the gate as was introduced to me, by Mrs. Page, I told him that each night we gave away a "GLAD YOUR ARE HERE BAG" to the one present who had travelled the furtherest, and no doubt he would get it tonight.

Sure enough he did and when our show was over he sought me out and ask me to pass on his thanks to all the merchants and everyone in Sonora. He stated in my country we always like to extend our thanks.

I handed him a Sing-a-long Book and asked him to write down his message and name. Here is the message he wrote down in the dark and in a hurry.

MY THANKS TO EVERYONE! Bob Crompton, Canberra, Australia.

I could not let such a gracious man down.

Maxine Locklin

It was with a myriad of feelings that I read Jim Fishs' article on flag burning. Although I find flag burning reprehensible I find alarming, the knee jerk reactions that have followed. Let cooler heads prevail and if we may, try to discern exactly where and what the problem really is. Is the problem really flag burning, or is the moral fabric of our very country being burned. In these days of sprawling inflation, and taxes coupled with the slow degeneration of our fine country, it is all to easy to point the finger at the other guy. It is becoming far to easy to become arm chair warriors being pulled into the battle of political and media hype.

It is far more difficult to face our problems head on and meet them with conviction in the spirit of our Lord. Our great country was founded on christian principles, yet we have banned prayer from schools, and given atheistic values more than fair treatment. Yet we wish to imprison a few misguided souls who have felt the disenchantment of paradise lost.

Let us firmly reach out to these Americans and try through leadership, pride, love and understanding to show that although we do not condone their actions, we will not react with pettiness to their impetulant behavior.

> Sincerely, M. R. Ashe

Dear Editor,

A few months ago, Wanda Davidson, one of the nurses at the hospital, told me about a sign that celebrated the centennial where her daughter lives, in Hall County. She told me it had a flag, and it said 'Hall County Proud' and gave the dates 1890-1990. She thought we ought to do something like that here.

I thought about it, but before I could get to someone who could do something about it, I forgot the specifics.

Not one to let a good idea go, she asked me again. This time, I called Joe Lane at the Highway Department about it. He'd never heard of it, but he'd look into it.

Time passed. Wanda again asked me about the sign for Sonora's and Sutton County's Centennial. I caught Joe Lane at the Steakhouse and he said that the district engineer was there with him and he'd asked him. He came back on the line saying the engineer knew what we were talking about and we could get it.

Three weeks later I had the sign in my hands. I especially wanted Wanda Davidson to see it before it was put up. It has the flag of Texas superimposed over the state of Texas. Within the state in large letters it says "Sonora". Below that "1890 - 1990".

All this to say thank you to Wanda Davidson and Joe Lane for their efforts to bring a good idea to fruition. Last Monday Louis Olenick's crew put up four signs: one across from Eddins Walcher on 277 North; one going out of town by the warehouse. One going east and one going west on They are beautiful expressions of our Centennial Celebration, please encourage people to go see them.

Very truly yours, M. Scott Gilmore Secretary, Centennial Committee

# Ramblin'

By Jim Fish

Contributing writer



# Happiness is easy

"I believe every human being has a moral responsibility to be happy, and to share happiness with others." From "Thoughts to Live By", by Maxwell Maltz, M. D., F. I. C. S.

It is just as easy to rise every morning and say, "It's a great day," as it is to be grumpy because you've been awakened or have to get out of bed. Regardless of your opinion of the day at hand, it is going to be the same until you add your perspective. You can do little to change the conditions that accompany each rising sun but you have absolute control of how you react to them.

Every individual colors his own world daily, as it were. Emotions weigh heavily in determining the quality of our experiences and often influence resulting events. Most people don't realize it is they, themselves creating a bad day. It is as if they think someone has gone out of their way to make their life miserable. If their negative thinking is questioned, they cling to it as if it was a sacred privelege.

The arguments supporting a negative state of being are usually very ridiculous, though logical to the one making them. "If I want to be depressed, I'm gonna be depressed." "Why should I be happy if no one else is?" The list is endless.

Look, the things we encounter have no good or bad qualities until we actively respond to them. A tree is a tree, is a tree. There is nothing you can do to change that fact. You do, however, have the power to make it a good tree by concentrating on its beauty, its ability to shade you in the heat of the day, or any number of other factors. Or, you may complain about its deficiencies and make it a bad tree.

You are in control. You are responsible for the way you feel and how you respond to your environment. You may even influence the responses of others. In your perspective, you are the center of the universe. The only

way to get favorable responses is to act favorable.

In your world, you are king (or. queen). Everyone in it plays a supporting role and you are the star. You write and direct your life's plot and select those who participate in it.

In order to get the most of the human experience we must be happy a good portion of the time. Remaining in a perpetual state of depression not only insures unhappiness but it causes us to withdraw from active involvement in the 'production' of our lives.

Problems are the reason we are here. We grow from the challenges we overcome and learn from those with which we deal incorrectly. Either way, a happy person will benefit from challenge. No one gains unless they are taxed.

When you want to increase physical strength, you lift weights - you tax your muscles. When you want mental might, you tax your brain. A happy person realizes this and keeps himself in a constant state of growth. When things go wrong, a happy person tries to right them. If he can't, he accepts them and changes his perspective to suit the situation.

Live in the moment. React to the things confronting you in the present. Don't worry how things will go tomorrow or wallow in the past. Learn from yesterday's events and use what you gained to help you now. Plan for tomorrow and use what you gain now to help you then; but concentrate all your actions and efforts on the challenges facing you now. Have confidence that you will come out of any situation smiling, no matter how large or small the outcome.

Most of all, happiness is the responsibility everyone has to themselves. We are bound by virtue to share it with others, but we must want it more than anything else. It takes just as much time and effort to be happy as it does to be unhappy.

# Weekly wordfind

On July 4th, 1776, in Philadelphia, the Continental congress formally adopted the Declaration of Independence. Firework displays are the main focus of this holiday. In fact, many children refer to it as "firecracker day".

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# Letter to the **Editor policy**

The Devil's River News welcomes letters to the editor on subjects of interest to its readers. Short letters are most likely to be chosen for publication, but the use of any material is at the discretion of the editor.

Editing may be necessary for space and clarity or to avoid obscenity, libel or invasion of privacy, but ideas will not be altered. Upon request, editors will use

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Letters do not necessarily reflect the editorial policies or beliefs of this newspaper.

All letters must bear the handwritten signature of the writer and include address and phone numbers for verification purposes (address and phone number will not be printed).



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CENTENNIAL PHOTO - This family travelled in style with the horse and buggy. Note the little girl holding on for dear life and the young lady in back waving to friends.

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## Order of the Eastern Star installs officers

Sonora Chapter #575, Order of the Eastern Star held installation of officers on Thursday, June 7.

Installing the new Board of Officers for the evening were: Dorothy Pettit, Daisy Lee Kane, Big Lake; Mary Leigh Kirby, Ozona; Mary McGinnes, Eldorado; Marjorie Russell, Ft. McKavett.

Special guests participating in the ceremony with presentation were: Joe Moore, the United States Flag; Tommy McKissack, the Holy Bible; Thia McKissack, the Square and Compasses; Callie Moore, the Altar flowers; Sheila Harris, soloist; with the Rev. Monte Jones leading the invocation and benediction.

### Eastern Star meets

The Sonora Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star met for the regularly scheduled meeting on June 19 where the annual reports were read and approved.

Candy Nelson, Associate Matron, presented the patriotic program. She discussed the different ways in displaying the United States Flag.

During the meeting the Chapter voted to have a booth at the courthouse during Sutton County

Following the meeting refreshments were served by Darla McKissack and Candy Nelson.

New officers for the 1990-91 year are: Darla McKisack, Worthy Matron; Wayford Tyler, Sr., Worthy Patron; Candy Nelson, Associate Matron; Virgil Polocek, Associate Patron; Charlotte Wilson, Secretary; Dorothy Baker, Treasurer; Patricia Tyler, Conductress; Beverly Valliant, Associate Conductress; Maxine Locklin, Chaplain; Troyce McKnight, Marshall; Open Office, Organist; Jackie Polocek, Adah; Maggie Glasscock, Ruth; Brenda Valliant, Esther; Open Office, Martha; Betty Dillard, Electa; Anne Rose Gillit, Warder; Jim Harrington, Sentinel.

Refreshments were served by Chapter members after the



The penguin, a bird that can swim but can't fly, can go as fast as 25 miles per hour underwater.

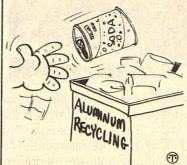


The word ye, in such expressions as "Ye Olde Shoppe," is pronounced like the word the. The letter y in Anglo-Saxon indicated the same th sound as apparent in the current

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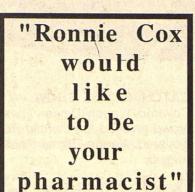
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COVERED WAGON DINNER THEATER-Final & entertainer Don Edwards

WAGON TRAIN/TRAIL RIDE-3 days & 2 nights

COMMUNITY BOX LUNCII-Courthouse Lawn

SUITON COUNTY DAYS ACTIVITIES-Courthous Lawn - PRCA RODEO - DANCE

PARADE-BARBECUE-PRCA RODEO

CENTENNIAL HOMECOMING WEEK

PRCA RODEO - DANCE

SUTTON COUNTY DAYS CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

**AUGUST 12, 1990** 

AUGUST 21-25, 1990

**AUGUST 21, 1990** 

**AUGUST 22, 1990 AUGUST 23, 1990** 

**AUGUST 24, 1990** 

**AUGUST 25, 1990** 

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OCTOBER 27, 1990

OCTOBER 28, 1990

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## Tanya Leija to Michael William celebrate 15th

Debutante, Miss Tanya Leija, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hilario Leija, Jr. of Big Lake, Texas will celebrate her 15th Birthday on July 7, 1990. Jose Israel (Joe) Sanchez of Sonora will be her honor escort.

Miss Leija's birthday mass will be held in St. Margaret of Cortona Catholic Church. A reception during the day will be followed by a dance in her honor. Music will be provided by Twin Cities Band.

# Sanchez

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sanchez are proud to announce the birth of their son, Michael William Sanchez. He was born on June 24, and weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounces and 19 inches long.

The proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Santos Duran and Mr. and Mrs. Alvino Sanchez. Michael also has a big sister, Christine, waiting to welcome him home.

# Tax increase takes effect

State Comptroller Bob Bullock reminded everyone who collects or pays sales tax that an additional quarter percent sales tax collected on all taxable purchases went into effect Sunday, July 1.

"The change means we'll all be paying a little bit more to help fund education and human services in Texas," Bullock said.

The new rate of 61/4 percent was approved by the Texas Legislature after a fourth special session on the issue ended in early June. The increase brings the maximum sales tax rate in Texas to 81/4 percent when optional local sales taxes are included.

Sonora's tax rate jumped to 71/4

Bullock's office estimates that a family of four making \$35,000 a year will pay an additional \$24.65

a year in the state sales tax.

The Comptroller's Office has sent almost half a million postcards notifying sales tax permit holders across Texas of the change.

"Business owners with retail sales outlets will have to reprogram their cash registers virtually overnight," Bullock said. "This is a heavy burden we tried to lighten a little by giving as much advance notice as possible."

Bullock said new 61/4 and 81/4 percent rate cards are available at the 33 Comptroller offices in Texas. Also available is a new listing of the combined state and local sales tax rates for every city in the state.

"We've sent out over 55,000 of the new rate cards but there are plenty more free of charge for anyone who asks," Bullock said.

DRN staff photo by Molly Zimmerman CATCHING THE SHOW - A short-sleeved crowd catches the Covered Wagon Dinner Theater show Saturday evening. The crowd enjoyed the Ronnie Ross Family for entertainment. The Covered Wagon Dinner Theater continues until the middle of

### Don't miss the CWDT this weekend

Both shows at the Covered Wagon Dinner Theater this weekend are musts. Alvin Davis, Executive Vice President and General Manager of the Ranching Heritage Association of Texas Tech in Lubbock, is the storyteller on Friday, July 6. For many years, Davis has been a feature writer, cowboy poet, and for a time, writer, editor and publisher of "Rodeo Roundup". Davis recently published a book of poems, "Collection of Cowboy Poems of Tex West." He will be performing his own poetry as well as that of other cowboy poets. Those who heard him last year at the Dinner Theater will not want to miss this man who has made many contributions to western heritage. His latest contribution has been to organize and promote "National Cowboy Symposium" at Texas Tech where Biscuits O'Bryan has been a participant both years of its existence.

Friday evening will be the famed

San Angelo Jazz Band, lead by Gene Smith with Olive Hays on the piano. Well known in this area, the band will be a welcome addition to the Covered Wagon Dinner Theater.

Saturday evening's show features two performers new to the Dinner Theater stage, Monte Noelke from Mertzon and Don Hedgpeth from Kerrville. Monte is well known for his weekly column in the "Livestock Weekly". His satirical humor is widespread around the cow centers of West Texas and among the ranchers that live the same lifestyle as he does. Don Hedgepeth is a free lance writer whose books include "The Texas Breed, Spurs Were a-Jinglin'," and "Horses and Wars." He is a founder of the Cowboy Artists of America Museum in Kerrville and comes to the Dinner Theater as a performer of cowboy songs. Don't miss this 4th weekend of the Covered Wagon Dinner

# Weekly police department report

5:34 p. m. Male caller requested animal control to come to his residence and pickup a gray and white dog that is trying to dig under his fence. Chief

6:08 p. m. Sonora Bus Station called and requested an officer immediately. Officer House responded to her call.

7:28 p. m. Female caller reported that she has found her lost dog and

thanks everyone for helping out. 8:18 p. m. Male caller reported that a gray pickup with dark tinted windows ran him off the road on Crockett Avenue at the intersection of 277

North and headed toward the rodeo grounds. Officer Gibbs was dispatched. 12:18 a. m. Female caller from Holiday Host Motel reported that someone

has just run into her vehicle parked in front of Room 39. Officers House/Humphrey were dispatched. 1:23 a. m. Male caller from Devil's River Inn reported that someone is

attempting to burglarize his vehicle which is parked in front of Room 267. Officers Humphreys/Gibbs responded. Alarm had scared off the burglar. 2:45 a. m. Officer Humphrey chased a male subject from a van parked in

front of Room 211 at the Devil's River Inn. Unable to apprehend this subject, but did recover a lady's jacket that was taken from a vehicle parked in front of the room. 6:58 a. m. Female caller has a dog in her yard.

3:52 p. m. Female caller has sick squirrels in her yard. 4:40 p. m. Male caller has a dog in his yard. 8:34 p. m. Information as to the identity of the girl that stole gasoline

from the Town & Country last night. 9:32 p. m. Caller reported that somebody is having problems with a drunk on the parking lot near Food Center. Officer Humphrey/Gibbs responded. 11:31 p. m. Shoplifter at the Town & Country. Officer Gibbs answered

call.

8:34 a. m. Male caller has locked keys in vehicle at Food Center. Chief Gesch unlocked vehicle.

10:00 a. m. City Hall reported that a female caller who lives on Wardlaw has a pit bulldog in her yard. Chief Gesch picked the dog up and took it to the pound.

8:02 p. m. Hospital requested officers to be notified of a transfer to San Angelo, Code 2.

8:40 p. m. Locate James McLaughlin in reference to problems with the water. Contacted Sammy and water has air in the line have turned on all pumps and problem should clear up.

9:54 p. m. Female caller requested officers. Her son is drunk and violent and she is afraid of him. Officer Routh responded.

11:28 p. m. Female caller from Crites Trailer Park requested an officer because she and her spouse are fighting and she has him locked out of the

Please see Police, page 7

# house at this time. Officer Routh notified.

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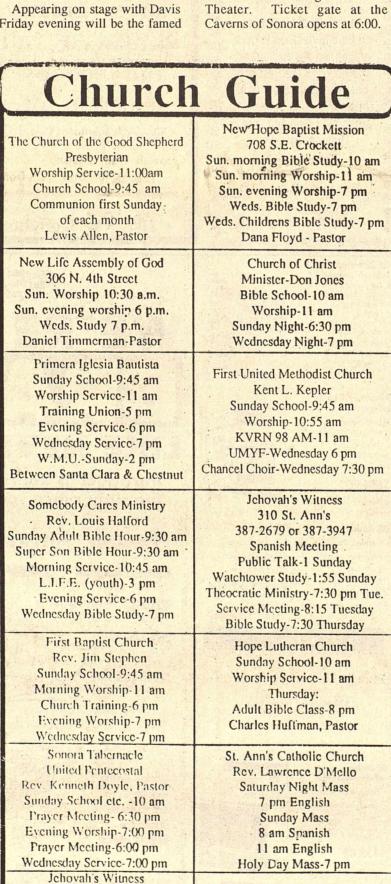
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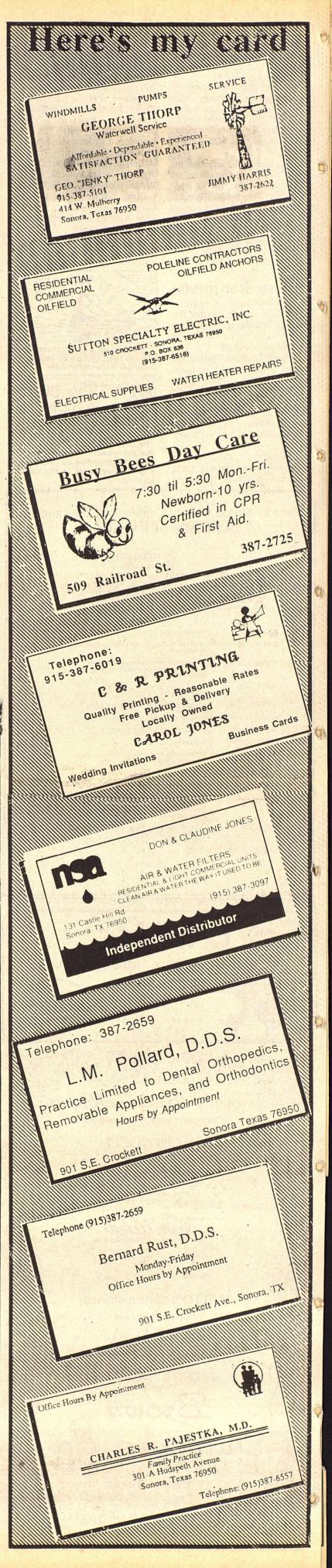
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# Sonora Intermediate School honor roll

6th six weeks

THIRD GRADE: All A's - Stacey Becknell, Clint Bowers, Ashley Brockman, Laura Castilleja, Erika DelRio, Dustin Dillard, Monique Favila, Sarah Frasier, Kristen Hardgrave, Breg Hughes, Cassie Jackson, Kelan Johnson, Kari Purvis and Blaine Wilkinson.

All A's, one B - Cathy Aguero, Kimberly Bustamante, Michael Castilleja, Mark Cooper, Tanner Fields, Zachary Kerbow and Erin Marrs.

#### FOURTH GRADE:

All A's - Charlotte Alewine, Will Allen, Mayer Anderson, Ashley Browning, Romy Casteneda, Miranda Castilleja, Drew Dempsey, Kellie Downing, Traci Hightower, Cara Jackson, Jason Jacoby, Amy Torres and Heath Webb.

All A's, one B - Katy Cooke, Fernie Emiliano and Erin Payton. FIFTH GRADE:

All A's - Michele Cramer, Sarah Marrs, Andy Mirike, Marty Roberts, Walker Wallace and Carla

All A's, one B - Shawna Faris, David Fisher and Charles Moss.

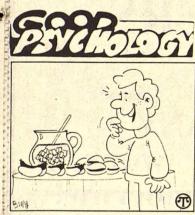
### **Obituary** newsworthy trends

**Elpidio Torres** Elpidio Torres, 81, died June 27

in Houston. Services were held Sunday, July 1 at St. Ann's Catholic Church with burial in Sonora Cemetery,

directed by Kerbow Funeral Home. He was born Feb. 17, 1909, in Remolino, Coahuila, Mexico. A carpenter, he was a member of the Catholic Church, director of the Crusillos and former president of the GI Forum. He also was a member of the Lions Club and Knights of Columbus.

Survivors include his wife, Amelia Torres of Sonora; one son, Elpidio Torres Jr. of Houston; three daughters, Josephene Salinas, Rosalinda T. Castillo and Marie A. Ayala, all of Houston; two brothers, Mike Torres of San Angelo and Francisco Torres of Torreon, Coahuila, Mexico; six sisters, Ofelia Torres, Beatric Apac and Lydia Merchaca, all of Laredo, Josefa Falcon and Oralia Rocamontes, both of San Antonio, and Elodia Conde of Houston; and 12 grandchildren.



Entertaining teenagers can be easier than you think. A weekend party will usually bring a chorus of approval. For entertainment, each guest can bring his or her favorite disc, and for refreshments place a platter of hot dogs and hamburgers on a buffet table for help-yourselfservice and flank them with a tall pitcher of iced tea and various "gowiths"-lemon or lime wedges, cinnamon sticks or candy canes, fruit kabobs on plastic stirrers. This "discotea" for teens could not only make you popular with your teenagers, but with their friends, too.

**Second Semester** THIRD GRADE:

All A's - Stacey Becknell, Clint Bowers, Ashley Brockman, Laura Castilleja, Michael Castilleja, Dustin Dillard, Tanner Fields, Sarah Frasier, Kristen Hardgrave, Breg Hughes, Cassie Jackson, Kari Purvis and Blaine Wilkinson. All A's, one B - Cathy Aguero, Gereard Barrera, Sarah Cook, Mark Cooper, Erika DelRio, Monique Favila, Kelan Johnson, Zachary Kerbow, Erin Marrs and Anthony

FOURTH GRADE:

All A's - Charlotte Alewine, Will Allen, Mayer Anderson, Ashley Brockman, Romy Casteneda, Miranda Castilleja, Katy Cooke, Drew Dempsey, Kellie Downing, Traci Hightower, Cara Jackson, Jason Jacoby, Randy Newbury, Erin Payton and Heath Webb. All A's, one B - Becky Clifton, Fernie Emiliano, Nina Martinez, Justin Morley, Clarissa Perez, Ricky Ponce and Amy Torres.

FIFTH GRADE: All A's - Josh Akins, Michele Cramer, Erica Kerbow, Sarah Marrs, Walker Wallace and Carla Weaver.

All A's, one B - Shawna Faris, Kasey Farrar, David Fisher, Andy Mirike and Charles Moss.

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THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT - The Ross family provided the entertainment Saturday evening

at the Covered Wagon Dinner Theater. Pictured are Tim Ross, Ronnie Ross, Cory Ross, Hal

Hanselka said most prickly pear varieties have spines, but a few are thornless.

"This past winter, some of the thornless varieties proved to be less cold-hardy than the thorny pear," he said. "But the extreme cold last December killed both kinds of pear over much of South Texas"

"Marketing groups in Texas, Arizona and California are looking at new ways to expand the human uses for cactus," Hanselka said. "In the western states, produce companies have well-organized campaigns going for their specialty products."

Dr. Peter Felker, scientist in charge of Texas A&I University's Semi-Arid Forest Resource Center, said several South Texas growers have planted nopalito varieties of cactus in rows and have from 300 to 700 plants established.

'With nopalitos retailing around \$1.50 a pound, they can grow from 4,000 to 5,000 pounds of fresh weight cactus on rather limited acreage," Felker said. "The plants need to be protected from winter's cold by plastic."

Felker said other growers, from Austin to San Antonio to Del Rio and southward, are in business to grow the fruit, or tunas.

"This cactus fruit sells from

\$1.80 to \$4 a pound, depending on the season," Felker said. "Food companies and specialty firms are buying most of the tunas, including a lime green fruit often called 'tuna blanco' or white fruit, from Mexico. But Texans are getting into the cactus fruit business just in time to benefit from a nationwide marketing

DRN staff photo by Molly Zimmerman

effort." At the July conference, Felker said, almost a dozen talks will be given by scientists working with prickly pear in Mexico, California and Texas.

Dr. Robert McLauchlan of Texas A&I will discuss the use of the A&I biomass harvester for chopping and harvesting prickly pear for cattle feed.

Salvador Valdez, director of the economic development office of the Texas Department of Agriculture, will speak on funding options for prickly pear production.

Mexican scientists reporting on their prickly pear research are Dr. Facundo Barrientos Perez of the Chapingo Research Center, Dr. J. Caballero-Mellado of Puebla and Fernando Escalante of Saltillo.

Besides the discussions, the program also will include displays of cactus products, a food contest featuring prickly pear fruit recipes, cooked nopalitos in casseroles and other dishes, and wine and sherry made from prickly pear.



### Rogers receives scholarship

Mark Rogers, a 1990 graduate of Sonora High School, is the recipient of the Houston Endowment Scholarship Award of \$1,250 for his active participation in U. I. L. Debate. He has placed in district, regional and state debate meets.

Mark plans to attend The University of Texas in Austin, and study law and legal practices.

### Perez completes course

Marine Pfc. Erasmo S. Perez, son of Humberto and Guadalupe Perez recently completed the Administrative Clerk Course.

During the eight-week course at Schools Battalion, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif., Perez was provided with the basic skills and knowledge required to perform as an administrative clerk.

He received instruction on typing and preparation of naval correspondence, and was introduced to the basic office functions performed by all Marine Corps administrative sections.

A 1989 graduate of Sonora High School, he joined the Marine Corps in October 1989.



Sweet potatoes were unknown in **Europe until Columbus found them** in the West Indies and took them back with him. They have turned into one of the world's cheapest food crops.

#### Prickly pear conference to be held Texans are taking a new look at cactus candies to prickly pear

a thorny old foe. They are exploring more ways to use prickly pear cactus as food for the table and feed for the range.

Barrix and Steve Ross.

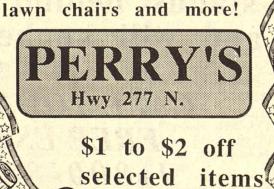
Prickly pear cactus is becoming fashionable as an ethnic food, and it is becoming more commonly found in the grocery produce section as a specialty food, said Dr. Wayne Hanselka of Corpus Christi, a range specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension

Ranchers, Hanselka said, also are extremely interested in using the prickly pear for livestock feed during drought periods.

Interest in the food potential of the cactus has prompted the planning of a Cactus Conference July 21 at Texas A&I University, Kingsville. The meeting, to begin at 9 a.m. in the Student Union Building, will be conducted by the Extension Service, Texas A&I and the Texas Prickly Pear Council.

Hanselka said people eat the cactus as a vegetable, when the green succulent leaves or "nopalitos" are sliced and used in salads. The plant also produces a

is expected to lead to an exciting time for book lovers, who are depear-shaped red, yellow or pale lighted at being courted and appregreen fruit, or "tuna." Products ciated by book stores. made from the fruits range from GIANT 4TH OF JULY SIDEWALK SALE Tuesday July 3rd & Wednesday July 4th from 9:00-6:00 Close out on air mattresses, pools,



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CALLING ALL QUILTERS!! We are at long last ready to assemble the Centennial Quilt and we need YOU! Please call the center if you could help us with this historic project.

THREE CHEERS FOR VOLUNTEERS!!! Sandra Gonzalez, Pablo Favela, Pat Street, Ramona Noriega, Sheila Castro, Pat Allen, Espy Samaniego, Smith Neal, Rudolfo Ramos, Dorothy Baker, Ezekial Ramos, Nacho Calderon, Ezekial Ramos and Mandy Turk.

We need volunteers throughout the summer due to staff vacations. We especially need help with meal deliveries, quilting, commodity distribution, and calling Bingo twice a week. If you have some

free time give us a call!
SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM will be the topic of discussion on Friday, July 6 following lunch. Program Director Deborah Ellsworth, will be here to tell us about the program and to sign up volunteers. If you would be interested in becoming Senior Companion, are 60 or older and have an income that does not exceed 125% of the poverty level, Be sure not to miss this presentation.

HERE'S LOOKING AT YOU KID!! Once again Dr. Thomas Ayers and staff from the Eye Institute of San Antonio will be here to provide eye testing, cholesterol and diabetes screening from 9 a. m to 3 p. m. on Tuesday, July 10. Four (4) hours of fasting is required for blood sugar testing. This service is for folks 60 and over.

**BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC -**Maria Carrasco with the Texas Department of Health will be at the center on July 18 to check your blood pressure. By the way, Maria and Dorothy are moving to their new office behind Perry's and, although we wish them the very best, we sure will miss having them around! Good luck ladies!

HOUSE CONFERENCE ON AGING LOCAL FORUM! Betty Ford, Director of the Concho Valley Area Agency on Aging, will be here Wednesday, July 25 to conduct this special event. Sutton County Senior Center has been chosen as host for this five-county wide forum which will provide local citizens of all ages an opportunity to discuss key issues

affecting older persons and their families. We will all be affected by aging in the long run and this is a chance for us to send our ideas along to State and National government representatives. At the 1 p. m. session we will try to identify specific needs of older Americans. At the 6:30 p. m. session, we will brainstorm in order to find ideas and solutions to help resolve problems, especially for our rural population. We encourage everyone in the community to attend and make your voice heard.

Committee on Aging meets on July 10 at 5:30 p. m.

Commodities will be distributed from 1-3 p. m. on July 11.

Van to San Angelo on July 24. County Home Economist Lolabeth Jones will give a

program July 31. July Birthday Party will be held on July 26. We'll celebrate with Clara Cooper, Dorothy Baker, Elifidia Martinez and Jeanne Davenport!

Senior Center menu for the holiday week includes: July 4 -Closed for holiday! July 5 -Lasagne, buttered carrots, garlic toast, green salad w/french dressing and oatmeal cake. July 6 - Turkey ham, candied sweet potatoes, green beans, hot rolls and cherry cobbler.

# 123456789012345678901234567 FACTS

The Health Care Crisis



· Health care costs are increasing at rates twice and three times the overall inflation rate. Today, close to 50 percent of corporate profits is spent on employee medical benefits.

· U.S. spending on medical care has doubled in a little more than 20 years to \$500 billion at present or 11.1 percent of

· Yet fewer people are receiving needed care. 37 million Americans have no medical insurance whatsoever. Many more have inadequate coverage. The cost of providing care to these people is passed on to everyone in higher doctor and hos pital bills.

The United Food and Commercial Workers Union (UFCW) and its 1.3 million members, is working to bring together labor, management, the health care industry and government to develop a solution to this serious problem.

As a first step, the UFCW believes all employers shoud be required to provide health insurance coverage to employees and their families. When companies don't provide basic coverage, taxpayers and other businesses wind up paying more.

# 4-H clothing designers advance/from page 1

learned, said Erin.

Sara Marrs, another district competitor, said she really wasn't nervous about getting up on stage in front of the audience.

"Once you get on stage, it's not scary," said Sara. The nerveracking part was all the waiting they had to do, she said.

The competition teaches selfdiscipline, poise, and improves self-image said project leaders

### Gangs/from page 1

With both gangs threatening violence which could last into late October, it looks like Police Chief Brent Gesch and his boys could be awfully busy.

Gesch said he will do what he thinks is necessary to keep the local citizens safe within the city limits. He said he will be watching the gangs carefully and will be at the scene of action quickly if anything happens.

For now peace and quiet continues in Sonora, but for how long only the Payton and Garrett gangs will be able to answer.

STRETCHING

Shopping by mail and telephone has always saved time, now a newly revised and updated catalog has been published that lets people purchase items and services at incredible discounts.



Consumers can get substantial discounts off list prices.

The catalog, aptly called "The Wholesale-By-Mail Catalog 1990," offers products of every description -artworks and appliances, cameras and clothing, musical instruments and medical supplies, foodstuffs and fabrics, over 500 entries. It's available at bookstores everywhere.

April Spiller and Laura Barlemann.

"It developes your leadership skills," said Barlemann. She said it really is fun to teach the smaller girls and watch them improve.

Along with the other 4-H projects, the clothing project is also a way of meeting new friends as a competitor advances to higher levels of competition said Spiller.

"It's really fun to see the pride

the new girls develope as they finish their projects," said Spiller.

The top place winners at the county level will participate at district in Boerne on July 28. They also have the chance to advance to the state show held in El Paso.

The project leaders would like to thank the high school for the use of the homemaking department's sewing machines.

# CLUB news & notes

#### Club For Crossword **Puzzle Fans**

What's a nine-letter word for hours of fun that really tests your intellect? If you guessed "crossword," you're probably one of the thousands of crossword puzzle fans nationwide. If you've ever been cross because you couldn't find a crossword puzzle to pass the time with, here's news of a fun club you might want to join.



Members of a fun-filled crossword puzzle club get five challenging new puzzles every month.

The Crossword Puzzles of the Month Club, one of the most prestigious Crossword Clubs in the world, provides its members with five intriguing and challenging puzzles each month. These are not reprints, but original, full-size puzzles created especially for members and edited by the noted crossword puzzle expert Henry Hook. These fiendishly clever puzzles offer the same degree of difficulty as those in the Sunday New York Times

Membership makes a great holiday gift for yourself—or a friend or relative who's a crossword puzzle "nut"! A 12-month membership, featuring 60 crossword puzzles, is available for \$29.95. To join the club, send a check or money order to: Crossword Puzzles of the Month Club, 629 Green Bay Road, Dept. 620, Wilmette, IL 60091. Or call toll-free: 1-800-433-4386.

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# **Computer Helps Convict Criminals** By Tracking Evidence

Grace Van Owen on "LA Law" questions a police officer as she displays a bloody jacket worn by a murder victim. And in courtrooms throughout the nation, thousands of lawyers repeat her actions, producing the vital evidence that proves suspects innocent or guilty of crimes.

Linking a criminal to a crime and then convincing the jury of that link rests to a large extent on the physical evidence gathered at the crime scene.

#### Lost Evidence a Problem

But what happens if the police lose, mishandle or even mistakenly destroy that evidence? As the headlines tell us, juries often believe defense lawyers who say that the lost evidence would prove their client

And even when the jury convicts a defendant, the conviction can be overturned. In a recent case in Nevada, a woman was convicted of beating her father to death with a tire iron. But police mistakenly let her brother take home a gun with which she said her father had threatened her. An appeals court threw out the conviction because this break in the chain of evidence" unfairly penalized her.

### Computer Solves the Problem

Police in Suffolk County, New York, tackled that problem head on with the ACE computer system-Automated Control of Evidence. It keeps firm control over the hundreds of thousands of pieces of evidence that can put criminals behind

Lieutenant Ronald Smith, Commanding Officer of Suffolk County's Property Section, was responsible for putting the ACE system to work in January, 1988. He calls the system "indispensable."

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8:08 a. m. Bond Road resident reported a man in a white van with California license trying to solicit Auto Body jobs. Subject checked out by Chief Gesch, Deputy Duncan and Deputy Fincher.

8:25 a. m. Female flags down Chief Gesch and reported that her mothers purse was stolen about fifteen minutes ago by a man driving a white van with California license plates. She has been looking for the van but can not find it anywhere.

8:35 a. m. Gesch advised Ozona to be on the lookout for the van and

gives California license number. 9:00 a. m. Ozona THP has van stopped and subject in custody.

9:16 a. m. Lady in a white suburban at the Town & Country has a cat in

the motor in her vehicle. 11:51 a. m. Crockett Avenue resident has a large truck in front of her house and wants an officer to come and move it. Officer Routh was notified.

1:26 p. m. Female caller reported that her purse was stolen out of her vehicle while it was parked in front of the Post Office.

1:53 n. Female caller wants to bring her mother down to make positive identification of her purse and property.

2:11 p. m. Female reported that one of the checks from the checkbook in the purse stole, and in the Post Office has been forged

3:58 p. m. Female caller reported peakers stolen from La Mexicana Resturant. Officer Routh took the report.

9:32 p. m. Female caller reported that the has just gotten home and believes that someone may be in their shed cutside. Officer Humphrey dispatched.

JUNE 29, 1990 8:10 a. m. Sick porcupine at J & V Mobile Home Park. Chief made the call and disposed of the animal.

9:20 a. m. Female caller reported that her neighbor is out of town and her dog needs some water or something. Chief Gesch took care of the problem. 10:19 a. m. Female has a dead cat in her flowerbed.

10:35 a. m. Stray dog at the Sonic. 10:35 a. m. Keys locked in a pickup at Tayloe and Del Rio. Chief Gesch

10:42 a. m. Female caller requested police check out someone selling food from a pickup. Chief Gesch notified.

4:01 p. m. Traffic accident at Sonora Auto Parts. A black 1961 Ford Pickup crashed into the building after the brakes failed. No personal injuries, but damage to the building. Chief Gesch investigated.

9:06 p. m. Male caller has locked the keys in his 1986 Ford Van at the IH 10 Texaco. Officer House unlocked the van.

9:24 p. m. Bus station in Odessa have officers check on a boy and girl that were put on the wrong bus and are in Sonora at the Bus Station. Officer Routh/House dispatched.

JUNE 30, 1990 7:24 a. m. Minor traffic accident at Zola's Motel. Chief Gesch investigated.

9:37 a. m. Male caller from La Mexicana has locked the keys in a U-Haul truck. Chief Gesch unlocked the truck. 4:36 p. m. Female reported a maroon Chevrolet Monte Carlo playing very

loud music near the swimming pool. Officer Routh was dispatched. 6:51 p. m. Female reported that she had locked the keys in her vehicle on Ben Juarez Street. Officer Routh responded.

9:34 p. m. Female caller reported that there is going to be a fight at a bar. Officer House/Trooper Crenwelge responded. 10:00 p. m. Report of a bunch of kids on Calle Useues making a lot of

noise and harrassing people. Officer House was dispatched. 10:35 p. m. Hot rodding going on on Saint Ann's Street. Officer House

dispatched. 10:39 p. m. Keys locked in a car at the Town & Country. Officer House unlocked the vehicle.

12:11 a. m. Female requested to speak with an officer in regards to problems with another female. Officer House took the report.



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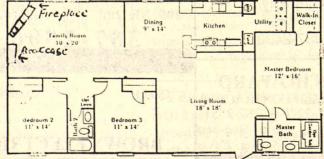


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The fires in the pits and the barbequed meats of which there was an enormous quantity, were protected from the weather. The picnic and barbeque grounds are situated about one mile northeast of the city, in a cluster of live oak where an almost natural arbor is situated and which was arranged with shade and seat comforts for the multitude, close at hand was a large table, probably about 150 feet long loaded with a large supply of good things conductive to one's contentment; refreshments consisting of lemonade, milk shakes, ice cream and fruit were among the delicacies. Horse racing was the principal sport, betting was quite lively and several of the boys returned home minus a few hundred. Hon. Mr. Hall, of Kimble County, made an elaborate talk on general matters dwelling to some extent on the tariff. The Standard's short hand reporter took down the speech but when submitted to the junior's inspection he immediately said "rot" and fired the manuscript into the waste basket. At the conclusion of Col. Hall's speech a

Democratic rally was held. Jerry Robinson was elected chairman; D.D. Wallace of San Angelo, was elected to represent Sutton County

in the legislative senatorial, congressional and state conventions and instructed to vote for Hogg for Governor; Perry McConnell was then elected chairman of the executive committee and the meeting adjourned.

The day's festivities came to a close without any disburbance whatever to mar it's pleasure, and our eastern and northern brothers who imagine that the West is not a peaceful country in which to reside are very much mistaken.

A grand ball was given at the commodious school house and the blissful pleasure of the dance was indulged in until a late hour. The music was furnished by Professors Erwin and Co., and your correspondent was agreeably surprised at the style, elegance and grace of the fair sex and their manly escorts.

A sociable given in the evening by Mrs. R.W. Callahan, assisted by her charming daughter, Miss May, was a grand success. Among the guests were: Miss Dee Drake, Miss Maggie Herbert, Miss Della Pool, Misses Annie and Ollie Gurley, Mrs. Helme, Messrs. J.F. Strugail, W.H. Sanderson, Will Drake, Jerry Robinson, Curtis Herbert, Henry Cusenbary, Myst Written, Coleman Whitfield, Willie Gurley, Bailey Pool, W.P. Armstrong and Drs. Dodson and Matthis, of Sonora and Sutton County; Miss Maggie Larkin, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Olney, Misses Florence Felton and Kate Durant, Messrs. Chas. Rueff, Guy Smith, Carl Atkinson and J.G. Murphy of San Angelo.

# When playing with fireworks be extremely careful

It is expected that Sonora residents who plan on shooting off fireworks will gather at the park near the rodeo arena. That is just fine with Police Chief Brent Gesch.

Gesch said the park has become the gathering point for celebrants the past few years. He added that the park is one of the safest places to shoot off fireworks.

Gesch added that actually there is a city ordinance banning fireworks within the city limits.

Last year there was one call to put out a small fire at the park, but the problems have been minimal, said Gesch.

With the fire danger currently at a critical stage, Gesch said

participants need to take special care. They should follow the standard safety procedures which include having adult supervision, being aware of the fire danger and what goes up must come down and chances are it will still be hot. Gesch said the people need to be careful in what they pick up and also watch the wind.

tend to stay on alert during this time of the year since three or four calls are usually received. The It's

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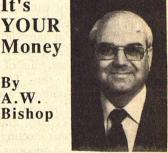
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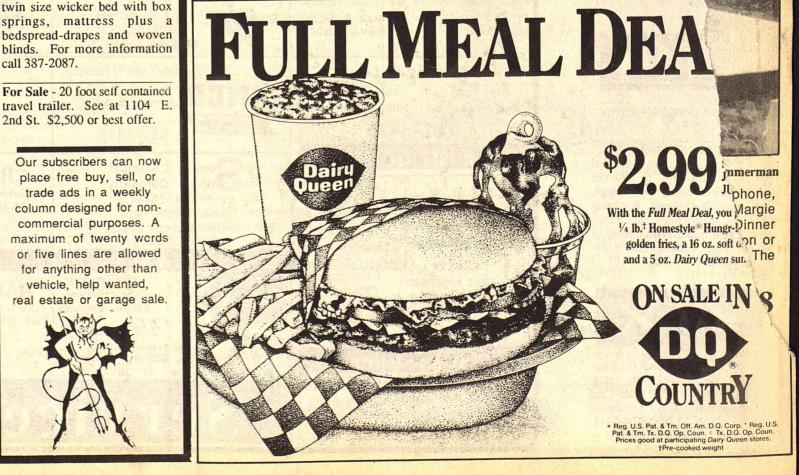
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Sutton County will hold a public hearing at 6:00 p. m. on July 10, 1990, at the Sutton County Courthouse Annex in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Commerce for a Community Texas Development (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TDCP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities and the use of past TCDP funds. The County encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend may submit their views and proposals to the County at the Courthouse Annex. Sutton County, County Judge Carla Fields. (7/5)

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Sutton County will hold a public hearing at 6:00 p. m. on July 17, 1990, at the Sutton County Courthouse Annex in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Commerce for a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. Topics to be discussed will include the application for water and sewer system improvements and the estimated amount of funds proposed for activities that will benefit low and moderate income persons. The application will be available for review at the Courthouse Annex during regular business hours. Sutton County, County Judge Carla Fields. (7/5)

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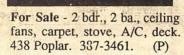
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