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## SONORA BRONCO VARSITY BASEBALL TEAM BOASTS FIRST WIN OF SEASON

submitted

The Sonora Bronco Varsity Baseball Team defeated the Eldorado Eagles 3-2 on Friday, March 31st for their first win of the season. Adrian Mata pitched the complete game, and did a tremendous job. Cody Renfro and Shawn Adkins came through with timely hits in the late innings that helped pull the Broncos over the top. Overall, this was the best defensive game the Broncos have played all year. Shawn Adkins, Colely Thompson, Hadley Smith, and Cody Renfro all came up with good plays in pressure situations. The next game will be against the Reagan County Owls in Big Lake. The time and date for this game is unknown due to the rain.

The Broncos traveled to Brady on March 7th to play the Brady Bulldogs in the first game of the season. Their first game was a good showing for this new ball team. The Broncos were defeated, however, by the Brady Bulldogs with a 10 run ruling, 15-5.

On March 10th, the Broncos hosted the Ozona Lions for the first home game of the season. The first two innings of the game did not start well for the Broncos, with the Ozona Lions scoring 4 runs. The Broncos came back in the 3rd scoring 2 runs. Jarrod Johnson hit the first home run of the season bringing in Shane Deel. The Broncos got a break in the 4th by scoring 4 runs, 2 due to pitcher balks. Ozona scored 3. The Broncos were keeping close with scoring until the 6th inning, but only scored one more run. The Broncos were defeated by the Ozona Lions with a score of 12-8.

The Broncos hosted the Wall Hawks on Monday, March 14th due to a cancellation. The Broncos started the 1st inning well. In the 2nd inning, Wall pulled ahead by scoring 3 runs. The Broncos kept them from scoring in the 3rd. The 4th inning, the Broncos scored another run, but the Hawks scored 2 more. The Broncos were unable to score in the remaining innings, but only allowed Wall to score 1 more run. The Broncos were defeated by a score of 7-2.

The Broncos again hosted Wall on Thursday, March 17th. The Broncos did very well in the first 4 1/2 innings of the game, but the Wall Hawks pulled ahead, scoring 4 runs in the 5th inning. The Broncos held them to scoring only two more runs. They played a good game, but were defeated by a score of 13-8.

The Broncos traveled to Ozona on March 21st to play the Ozona Lions. In the 1st inning, the Ozona Lions scored 3 runs. The Broncos held them in the 2nd, but were unable to score any runs until the 3rd inning. The Ozona Lions also scored 1 run. The Broncos pulled ahead in the 4th, and kept the lead until the 5th inning, where errors lost them the lead. The Broncos were only able to score 2 more runs in the remaining innings, losing to the Ozona Lions, 11-9.

The Broncos traveled to Eldorado Friday, March 24th to play against the Eldorado Eagles. The Broncos started the first inning good, scoring three runs. Eldorado came back scoring 5. In the 2nd inning, costly errors put Eldorado ahead with 8 more runs. The Broncos held them in the 3rd inning to one run, and came back in the 4th inning to score 3 runs. In the 4th inning, Eldorado scored 3 runs. The Broncos only scored one run in the 5th inning, ending the game in the 5th inning with a 10 run ruling.

### LEPC HELD MEETING

submitted by Treva McReynolds

The Local Emergency Planning Committee held a meeting March 23, 1995.

The members received updated LEPC member lists and a copy of Annex A of the Sutton County/Sonora Emergency Response Plan. Annex A (Warning) was reviewed by the LEPC Committee.

The members present were Treva McReynolds, Carla Garner, Ramiro Perez, Brent Gesch, Carl Teaff, Gary Smith, Tom Payton, Smith Neal, Carla Crites, Patrick Campbell, Lenora Pool, Donna Keese, and guest Kelly Carta, City Manager.

### BOOSTER CLUB TO MEET

Bronco Boosters' next meeting will be Monday, April 10, 6:00 p.m. at the High School Library Conference Room. The purpose of the meeting is to plan the Sports Banquet. All Boosters are encouraged to attend.



Varsity Baseball Team: (Front Row, L-R) Justin House, Mirike; (Middle Row, L-R) Peter Noriega, Shane Deel, Hadley Smith, Jason Morley, Cody Renfro, Shawn Adkins; (Back Row, L-R) Casey Fitzgerald - manager, Coach John Creek, Coach Adrian Mata, Colely Thompson, Jarrod Johnson, Levi Pool, Andi Smith, Reggie Williams, Coach Bob Bellard, Nikki Claxton - manager

### MOHAIR COUNCIL TO MEET

submitted

The Mohair Council of America will hold its Executive Committee Meeting at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 11, 1995. The meeting will be at the Santa Fe Depot Building in Brady, Texas.

Jeffrey Sutton, President of the Mohair Council, urges all mohair producers and persons with an interest in the U.S. mohair industry to attend. Items on the agenda include the 1995 Farm Bill, Texas Mohair Tour, retail promotion, Naturally Texas Show, new publicity photos.

A full morning's activities have been planned. Mohair Council officers, President Jeffrey Sutton, Vice-President Layton Black, and Secretary/Treasurer Lanny Leinweber invite and encourage all mohair producers to attend.

For further information regarding the meeting, contact the Council office in San Angelo at (915) 655-3161.

### NEELY ACHIEVES HIGH HONOR

Edwin Sawyer Neely, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe P. Neely of San Antonio, has been named to the High Honor Roll at Blair Academy in Blairstown, New Jersey. Neely achieved this by maintaining a 3.6 or above average in his courses during the winter term at the independent secondary school. Edwin is the grandson of Lura Sawyer of Sonora.

### MAYFIELD NAMED CONSERVATIONIST OF THE YEAR



Seco Mayfield

The Edwards Plateau Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Directors, Edward Earwood, Norm Rousselot, Bob Brockman, Judy McDonald, Glen Fisher, named Seco Mayfield as Conservation Rancher of the Year.

Seco has made a conscientious effort in range and wildlife management and has shown genuine concern for natural resources. He has a continuous program for brush control management of cedar and mesquite and has utilized the Great Plains Conservation Program to add fencing, water storage and troughs to improve his grazing management.

He implemented a rotational grazing system to keep forage and livestock in balance, and manages the wildlife with an active deer harvest program. He has also been actively involved in the range field day, and continuing education opportunities such as co-ranch management school. He participates in range research projects, range care projects of Texas A&M University, the Extension service, and the National Resources Conservation Services.

In addition to his concern for land, he is also very active in community affairs, serving on the Chamber of Commerce board, and participating in the Wild Bunch.

This award is sponsored by the Sonora Westside Lions Club.

## FIND THE RABBIT

**Children 12 & Under**  
are invited to enter the **Find the Rabbit Contest**. All you have to do is find the rabbit (like the one to the left), circle it, and bring it to the Devil's River News Office. Each winner receives a **FREE PERSONAL PAN PIZZA** from SONORA PIZZA.





#### Concho Valley Singles Club

Invites single adults to attend its annual Membership Drive Reception at 3 p.m., Sunday, April 30, in the El Toro Room of the El Patio Motel at 1901 W. Beauregard. For more information, call Robert 653-4418 or Katie 942-6121.

#### Water District Election

The Sutton County Underground Water Conservation District will have an election on May 6, 1995 to elect one director for Precinct 2, one director for Precinct 3, and one director At Large.

Those wishing to file for a position on the ballot may do so at the Water District Office located in the Mercantile Building, 222 NE Main, Suit 101. The filing deadline for a place on the May 6 ballot will expire at 5 p.m., Wednesday, March 22, 1995. However, under the election laws, a write-in candidate has until 5 p.m. Thursday, April 6, 1995 to file an intention to run as a write-in candidate.

#### City League Basketball Ceremony

Sonora City League Basketball will have an Awards Ceremony Monday, April 10 at 7 p.m. in the Jr. High Gym.

#### Hope Lutheran Lenten Services

Hope Lutheran Church will have Lenten services at 7 p.m. every Wednesday night until the week before Easter.

#### FUMC Lenten Services

The First United Methodist Church is offering an informal, come as you are, Lenten service on Sunday mornings. The services will be held at 8:30 a.m., and will last for 45 minutes, starting Sunday, March 5th. Childcare will be provided.

#### One Act Play Performance

There will be a one act play performance on Thursday, April 6 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free. Performance will be held at the High School.

#### Lenten Luncheons

The Ministerial Alliance is sponsoring a series of Lenten Luncheons to be held at St. John's Episcopal Parish Hall every Wednesday at noon during the season of Lent.

#### April 12 - Hope Lutheran

**Christmas in April**  
April 7 - Last day to order materials; April 29 - Christmas in April work day.

Groups that want to work this year should contact Michelle Anderson at 387-2950 or 387-3881. Contact Paul Chevalier at 387-5402 for questions. Donations may be mailed to Christmas in April of Sonora, Inc., PO Box 63, Sonora, TX 76950.

#### Cub Scout Bake Sale

Cub Scout Pack 19 will hold a bake sale Saturday, April 8 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Food Center. Proceeds will be donated to the library fund.

#### Barbecue and Chili Cookoff

West Texas Championship Barbecue and Chili Cookoff will be held in Sonora Saturday, April 8 at Will Carver Park.

For more information contact Sharon Key at the Chamber of Commerce 387-2880.

#### 4-H Health Program

The Sutton County 4-H Health project will start on April 11, 1995 at 6 p.m. at the Sutton County EMS Training Center. The program will cover dental care, first aid and one man CPR certification. All interested participants contact Ram Perez at 387-2521 or 387-2620.

#### Boosters April Meeting

Boosters will meet Monday, April 10, 6 p.m. at the High School Library Conference Room to plan the Sports Banquet.

## Our Sympathy

### Vera Hayes Stewart

Former Sonora resident and elementary teacher Vera Stewart died Thursday, March 30, 1995 at Greenville, Texas.

Mrs. Stewart taught in the Sonora school system from 1953 to 1969. She was a fourth grade teacher at Central Elementary for many years and also taught at the L.W. Elliott school.

Her teaching career included terms at Juno in Val Verde County and other rural school locations in West and Central Texas.

Following her retirement in 1969, she returned to her family farm in Hill County, Texas, where she was active in church, community, and volunteer work.

She was born at Whitney, Texas, April 22, 1908, the daughter of Enoch and Ruth Hayes.

Mrs. Stewart was preceded in death by her husband, James N. Stewart, in 1979, a daughter, Sara Stewart Bretsky, in 1990, one brother, and one sister.

She is survived by a son, Samuel James Stewart, of Greenville and three grandchildren; Rachael Stewart Taylor of Mesquite, Texas, Philip Bretsky of New Haven, Connecticut, and James Matthew Stewart of Greenville.

She was a graduate of Sul Ross State University and also attended North Texas State and East Texas State Universities.

Mrs. Stewart was a member of the Whitney Order of Eastern Star, Hill County Retired Teachers Association, and King Memorial United Methodist Church of Whitney.

Burial was at the Prairie Valley Cemetery near her home in Hill County.

### Gregorio Morales

Gregorio Morales went to be with the Lord Wednesday, March 29, 1995. He was born March 1, 1917 in Jimenes Coah, Mexico. He was a retired carpenter and sheep shearer.

He is survived by his wife Emilia Morales; four daughters, Elida Trevino and husband David, Mary Luna and husband Ben, Margret Trevino and husband Armando, and Gloria Moreno; ten grandchildren; Alfred Jimmy Bejil, Joe Bejil, Debbie Montes, Daniel Trevino, George Trevino, Johnny Trevino, Eva Trevino, Greg Martinez, and Cindy Moreno; nine great grandchildren; Crystal Bejil, Jimmy Bejil, Leticia Bejil, Joey Bejil, Daniel Nicole Trevino, Mark Trevino, Arron Martinez, Brad Montes, and Jr. Montes.

Mr. Morales is also survived by four sisters; Irene Coronado of Irving, Texas; Rosa Galindo and Francisca Guajardo both of Sonora; and Martha Maldonado of Del Rio, Texas; two brothers Frank Morales of Sonora and Antonio Morales of Del Rio; and numerous nieces and nephews.

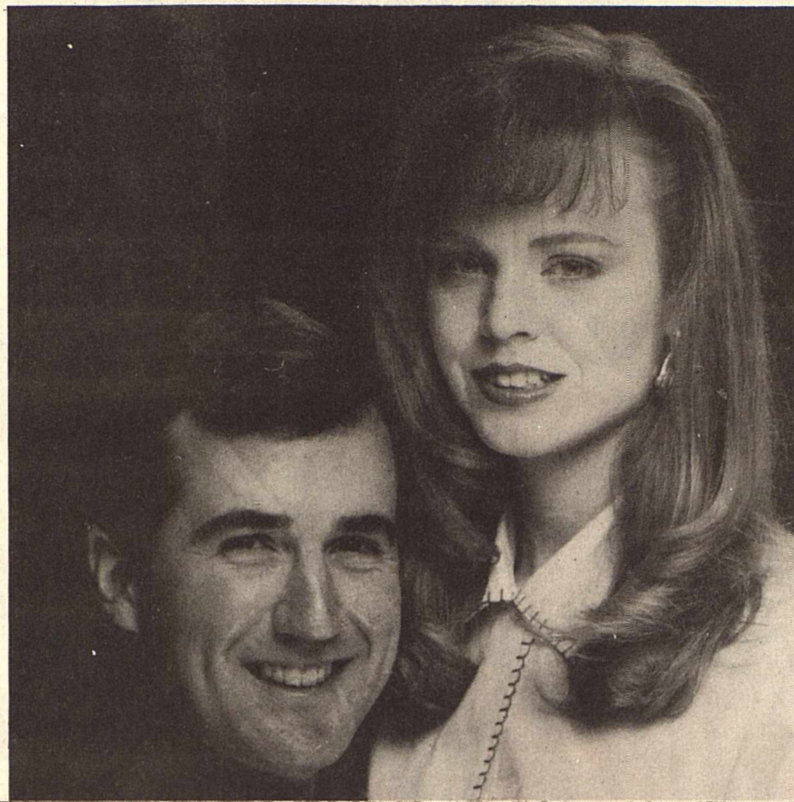
He was preceded in death by his parents Feliz and Francisco Morales and one sister Julia Garza.

He was a catholic and member of St. Mary's Church. Services are pending at Robert Massie Funeral Home. Grandchildren will be pall bearers.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." St. John 3:16

## Card of Thanks

We, the members of the Sonora High School tennis teams, wish to thank all of those who helped with our local tennis tournament last weekend. Thanks to Linda Fisher and Linda Burge for organizing and running the concession stand for us. Also, thanks to Vickie Barker and to the Bronco Booster Club for providing tables, Gatorade, ice, and cups. We also greatly appreciate Vaughn and Debbie Thompson for allowing us the use of their courts. Thank you also to all the parents who donated food and their time in helping out with our tournament. It takes much time and preparation to host a tournament and this would not have been possible without all of your help.



Descom (Decky) Spiller and Misty D. Meuzies

## Engagement Announcement

Duery and Lawanda Meuzies, of San Angelo, announce the engagement of their daughter Misty D. Meuzies to Descom (Decky) Spiller of Sonora.

Ms. Meuzies grew up in Fredericksburg and graduated from high school in 1988. She graduated from Texas A&M University in 1994. Ms. Meuzies received a Bachelor of Science and Masters of Science from Texas A&M. She is associated with OI' Sonora Trading Company.

Mr. Spiller is a 1989 graduated of Sonora High School. He received a Bachelor of Science from Texas A&M University in 1994. Mr. Spiller is a local rancher.

The wedding will be June 3, 1995 at an outdoor garden in Fredericksburg.



Florencia Mesa and Francisco Gonzales

## Engagement Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Girardo Mesa wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Florencia Mesa, to Francisco Gonzales, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Santiago Gonzales.

Florie is a 1984 graduate of Sonora High School and is employed at the Sutton County Public Library.

Frankie is a 1983 graduate of Sonora High School and is employed by Schlumberger.

A July wedding is being planned to be held at the St. Ann's Catholic Church.

## Happy 15th Birthday, Jennifer!

1980



1995



Love Mom, Dad,  
John David, Blanca & Bianca

## Community Calendar

### April 6th-16th

#### Thursday, April 6th

5:00 p.m. - Deadline to file as write-in candidate for May 6th Election

#### Friday, April 7th

High School Boys and Girls Track Meet - Sonora

#### Saturday, April 8th

West Texas Championship Barbecue & Chili Cook-Off - Will Carver Park  
10:00 a.m. Pie Baking Contest - Will Carver Park  
11:30 p.m. - Pie Auction from Pie Baking Contest - Will Carver Park  
2:00 p.m. - Varsity Baseball Team vs. Midland Greenwood - H Junior High District Track Meet - Crane  
High School District Tennis - Reagan County  
High School Boys and Girls Golf Tournament - Crane (District)  
One Act Play Contest - Alpine  
7:00 p.m. - Blessing of the Palms (Hall) and Mass - St. Ann's Catholic Church

#### Sunday, April 9th

Passion/Palm Sunday  
8:30 a.m. - FUMC Lenten Services - Methodist Church  
8:00 a.m. - Blessing of the Palms (Hall) and Mass - St. Ann's Catholic Church  
11:00 a.m. - Blessing of the Palms (Hall) and Mass - St. Ann's Catholic Church

#### Monday, April 10th

High School District Tennis - Reagan County  
7:00 p.m. - JV Baseball Team vs. Bracketville - H  
7:00 p.m. - Little Dribbler's Awards Ceremony

#### Tuesday, April 11th

5:00 p.m. - Varsity Baseball Team vs. Colorado City - T

#### Wednesday, April 12th

Junior High U.I.L. Awards Assembly  
High School Boys and Girls Golf Tournament - Greenwood (District)

#### Thursday, April 13th

Holy Thursday

#### Friday, April 14th

Good Friday  
NO SCHOOL - EASTER HOLIDAY  
High School District Track Meet - Greenwood

#### Saturday, April 15th

9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. - Easter Egg Hunt at Food Center  
5:30-6:00 p.m. - Confessions - St. Ann's Catholic Church  
8:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil and Mass - St. Ann's Catholic Church

#### Sunday, April 16th

EASTER SUNDAY  
8:00 a.m. - Mass - St. Ann's Catholic Church  
11:00 a.m. - Mass - St. Ann's Catholic Church

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## School Menu

All Meals are served with milk.

LUNCH	
<b>Mon., April 10</b>	Steakfingers, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans, Mixed Fruit, Roll
<b>Tues., April 11</b>	Chili Cheese Dog, Corn Chips, Peaches, Fruit Roll-Up
<b>Wed., April 12</b>	Hoggie Sandwich (Ham, Turkey & Cheese), Lettuce, Pickle Spears, French Fries, Fresh Fruit
<b>Thurs., April 13</b>	Baked Chicken w/Dressing, Corn, Chilled Pears, Roll
<b>Fri., April 14</b>	NO SCHOOL

**BREAKFAST**

<b>Mon., April 10</b>	Breakfast Pizza, Juice
<b>Tues., April 11</b>	French Toast, Fruit
<b>Wed., April 12</b>	Steakfinger, Biscuit, Gravy, Juice
<b>Thurs., April 13</b>	Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Tater Tots
<b>Fri., April 14</b>	NO SCHOOL

## It's A Girl!

Ed and Kathryn Parker Howie of Mabelton, Georgia, wish to announce the birth of their daughter, Sarah Layton Howie. She was born at 12:18 a.m. on February 10th in Atlanta Georgia. She weighed 8 pounds 3 ounces and was 20 3/4 inches long. Proud grandparents are Carol and Jamie Parker of Sonora, and Betty and Bill Howie of Durham, North Carolina. Great grandmothers are Mrs. Ray Parker of Odessa and Mrs. Reubin E. Johnson of Durham, North Carolina.

## SENIOR CENTER MENU

**Thursday, April 6**  
Lasagna, Peas, Tossed Salad, French Bread, Oatmeal Raisin Cookies

**Friday, April 7**  
Baked Flounder, Cole Slaw, Pinto Beans, Corn Muffins, Applesauce

**Monday, April 10**  
Oven Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, Squash & Zucchini, White Bread, Lemon Squares

**Tuesday, April 11**  
Beef & Cheese Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Cole Slaw, Corn Tortilla, Fruit Salad

**Wednesday, April 12**  
Pork Chops, Turnip Greens, Cucumber & Onion Salad, White Bread, Apple

**Thursday, April 13**  
Polish Sausage, Macaroni & Cheese, Cole Slaw, Bean Salad, White Bread, Cherries, Vanilla Pudding

**Friday, April 14**  
GOOD FRIDAY - HOLIDAY  
SR. CENTER CLOSED

Happy Easter

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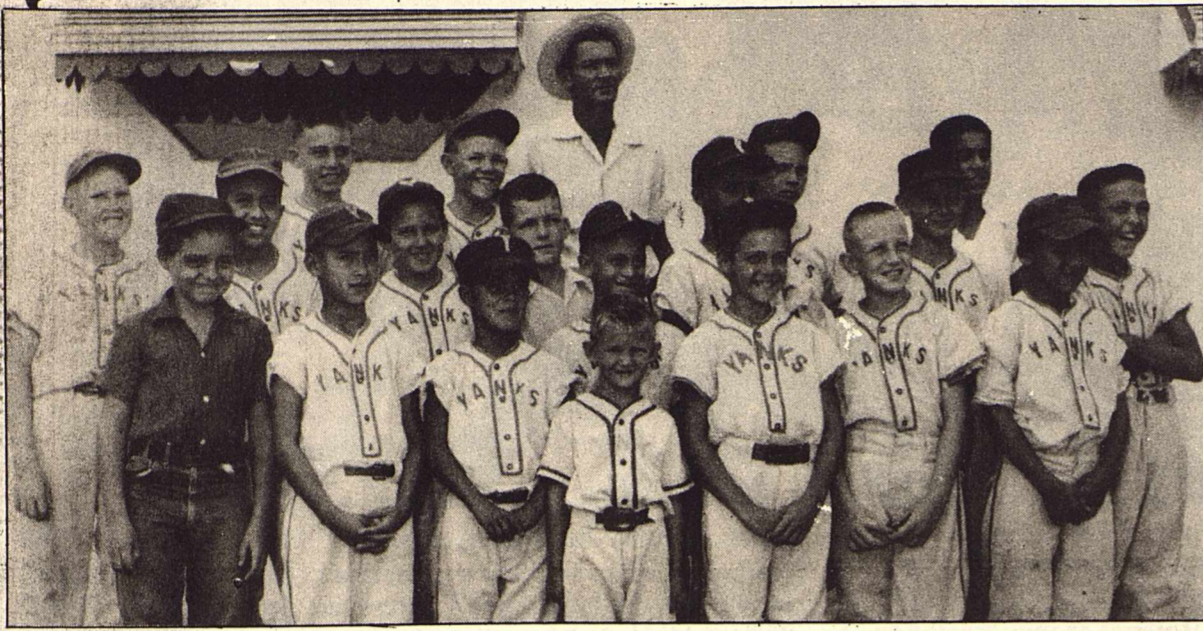
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# Ask The Historical Society



Melvin Glasscock's 1955 Yankees

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer, Secretary Sutton County Historical Society

Q. Could you please tell me who the people in this picture are and when it was taken?

A. This is a photo by Lovelace. It was taken in August of 1955 when Melvin Glasscock's Yankees won the Little League series.

In the front row are Raymond Watson, Tony Perez, Ruben Castillo, Tommy Glasscock, Rodney Watson, Larry Bob Moore, and Robert Gutierrez. Second row are Douglas Wood, Lemuel Lopez, Richard Watson, Glen Chenault, Joe Willman, Ram Castillo, David Archer, and Primo Gonzales. Third row are Herman Moore, Jr., Melvin Glasscock, Jr., Manager, Melvin E. Glasscock, Gary McCauley, and Ben Castillo Jr.

The picture was printed in the Devil's River News of August 19, 1955 and the following story accompanied it:

"Yanks Feasted By Loyal

Fans" The Yankees, winners of the Little League series, won more than the right to be called champs. The Yanks have been handsomely treated to feeds coming from three sources. Their manager, Melvin Glasscock, fed the boys a barbecue supper Saturday night.

Mrs. Ella Archer and Mrs. Herman Moore set up milk shakes for the champs at the Sonora Drug.

Santos Lopez treated all the boys to a Mexican supper complete with pop and ice cream.

All the boys agree that the food alone is worth the hard work and hours of practice it took to win the championship.

In the same issue we find that Willis Dean Minnick and Richard Gerald Mayer enlisted in the U.S. Navy on August 3, 1955 in San Angelo and are headed for U.S. Naval Training Center, San Diego, California.

The following boys are listed as leaving for 4-H Annual

Camp in the Sacramento Mountains near Cloud Croft, New Mexico: Turney Friess, Rodney Davis, Reed Jennings, Joe Friess, Tommy Love, and George Ed Hill.

There is a big article telling how U.S. 290 opening will be September 6th and that over \$1,000 in cash and prizes will be awarded to the first cars crossing the newly opened highway.

Mr. G.C. "Cal" Ory died at his home in Brady at the age of 76. He had served as deputy sheriff under John Allison in 1910 and was city marshal of Sonora in the early 1930's.

At Reed Oil Stack's Service station in Eldorado gasoline was selling for 21.9 for regular and 23.9 for Ethyl. Pat Lyles Buick Company, Concho & Chestnut, Sonora, are advertising a 236 hp Century, six passenger, 4 door, Riviera, Model 63. Piggly Wiggly has 5 lb Imperial Sugar for 35¢, 12 oz. cans of luncheon meat for 39¢, Del Monte sliced or crushed pineapple for 15¢ a can, a 46 oz. can of pineapple

juice for 33¢, green beans for 25¢ a can, 3 cans of Scrappy Dog Food for 25¢, 10 lbs. of Red McClure's Spuds for 29¢, seedless grapes for 25¢ a pound, round steak baby beef at 69¢ a pound, chuck steak baby beef at 39¢ a pound and rump roast at 55¢ a pound.

At the Eagle Drive In in Eldorado you could see the following movies for the week: Untamed with Tyrone Power and Susan Hayward, Bell Starr's Daughter with Ruth Roman, East of Eden with Robert Wagner and Debra Paget, Violent Saturday with Victor Mature, Richard Egan, and Stephen McNally.

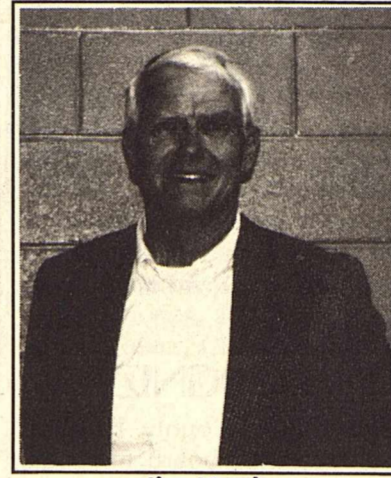
Elmo Johnson and Stanley Mayfield are reminding everyone to get ready for Dove Season at the Corral Trading Post in Sonora. There are also ads for Wesley C. Young's Water Well Drilling Co.; Ratliff Funeral Home and Ambulance Service (that brought all kinds of pictures to mind); Taylor & Moore Stock Medicine Co.; Sonora Gas Company; Elliott Brothers Co., has real estate, insurance, ranch loans and tax consultants; Joy's Cactus Station No. 17 and Greenhill's Texaco Station.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history, send them to "Ask the Historical Society" PO Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or give us a call at 915-387-5144 or 387-2855 after noon please.

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## SPOTLIGHT ON EDUCATION

by Joan Latta



Jim Hardy

Despite the fact that he is an admitted native of Oklahoma, Jim Hardy has spent a good part of his life in Texas, and has become the personification of the "long, tall Texan". He even rodeo-ed in his younger years, working between steer wrestlings at everything from truck driving to cow trading to earn enough for entry fees.

How's that for a background for a staid teacher of high school chemistry and physical science? Hardy has led a life to be envied, and will have memories galore to keep him company during his retirement years, which will begin at the end of this academic year, when he returns to the small farm he has purchased in Oklahoma to raise "a few calves".

Jim was raised on a farm in Lindsay, Oklahoma, and attended college at Oklahoma University before joining the Marine Corps. After his release from the service, he returned to Central State and earned his degree and teaching credentials. Early in his career, he coached and moved around the states of New Mexico, Texas, and Oklahoma frequently due to job changes.

From time to time, Hardy worked in the oil field, and while driving from Eldorado to Midland on a daily basis some years ago decided to speed up his lifestyle. He found a plane for sale, took flying lessons, and continues to pilot his Cessna 172 whenever feasible. He also dabbled in real estate development before returning to teaching full time at Sonora High School in 1986.

Jim has three daughters, Jamie, who attends Leander High School; Lindy, who attends Tyler Junior College on a tennis scholarship; and Katy, a student at the University of Texas at Austin. He looks forward to having more time to spend with them after retirement.

While looking forward to his leisure years, Jim Hardy expressed thanks for the fact that he ended his career in public education in a place like Sonora, where he had good students, a flexible curriculum, and backing from administrators and the Board of Trustees.

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(Back Row, L-R) Bob Brockman, Harold McEwin, Al Elliott, John Tedford; (Front Row, L-R) Ruth Shurley, Randee Faucett, Smith Neal. Not pictured are Sam David Hernandez, Victor Chavez and Bruce Kerbow.

### HOSPITAL BOARD RECOGNIZED

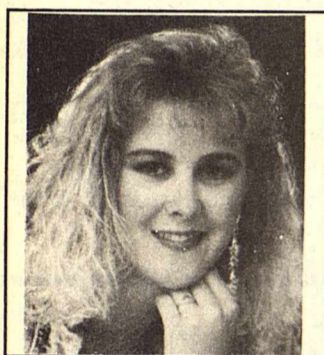
Alvis Johnson, President of the Sutton County Hospital District Board of Directors, recognized past board members during the Sonora Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet. Each board member was presented with a plaque in appreciation of the time they spent serving on the Hospital Board.

Those honored were: Ruth Shurley - initial board member, served from April 1987-May 1992; Sam David Hernandez - initial board member, November 1986-April 1987; Randee Faucett - initial board member, April 1987-May 1992; Harold McEwin, April 1987-May 1993; Bob Brockman, April 1987-May 1992; Smith Neal, November 1986-May 1994; Victor Chavez - November 1986-April 1987; Bruce Kerbow - April 1987-May 1992.

Al Elliott and John Tedford were also recognized for their help and long hours spent to help keep the hospital open before the Hospital District was formed.

### ADKINS NAMED WHO'S WHO

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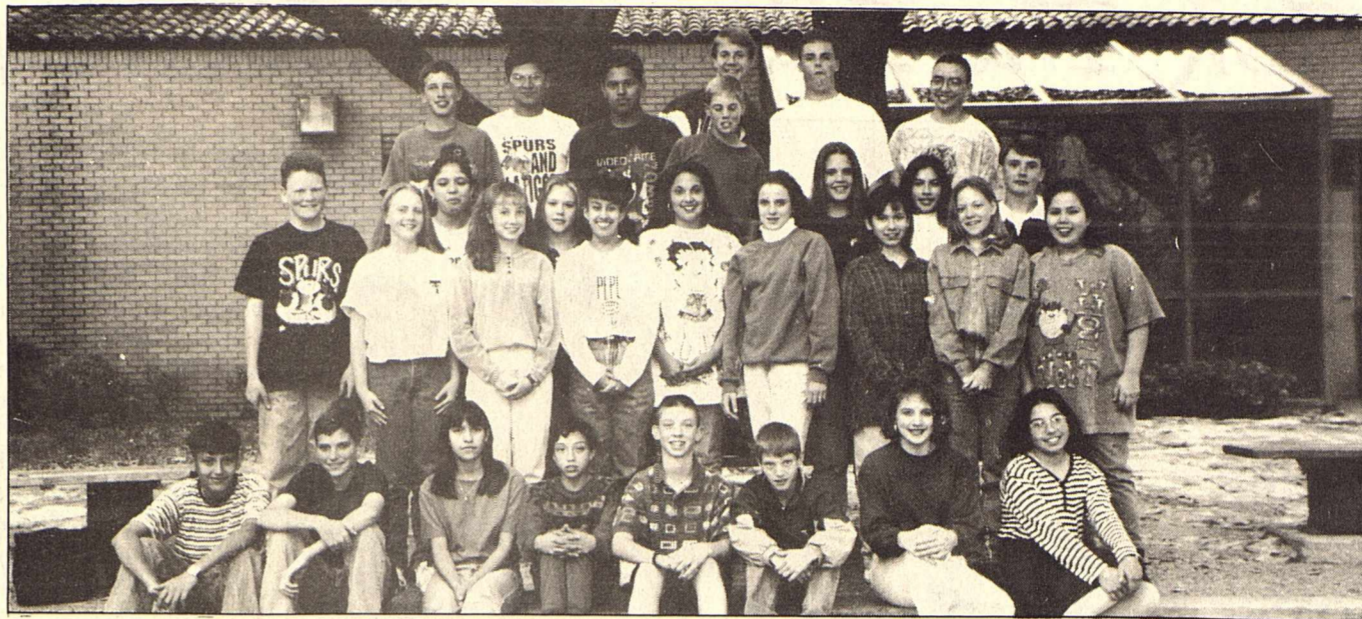
Christie Lee Adkins

Christie Lee Adkins, daughter of Jack and Nellie Adkins, is one of 66 outstanding students at Angelo State University who has been tapped for membership in the 1994-95 *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* honors program.

Over the past 61 years, *Who's Who* has honored and rewarded the individual scholastic excellence of outstanding campus leaders. This prestigious *Who's Who* award is one of the greatest honors conferred each year by the American academic community.

It should always be remembered that college students are the reservoir from which our nation draws its leadership strength. This feeling about American students is the guiding principle behind the *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* program and our efforts to proudly continue to aid campuses in honoring their students who demonstrate consistent excellence.

### 67 SJH STUDENTS COMPETE IN REGION XI SCIENCE FAIR



(Front Row, L-R) Issac Ramos, Russ Dempsey, Lorena Alishia Scheidemann, Noemi Diaz de Leon; (Middle Row, L-R) Hardgrave, Erin Marrs, Kimberly Bustamante, Crystal Ponsetti, Marisha Henson, Dustin Dillard, Teresa Lozano; (Back Row, L-Brad Legan, Blaine Wilkinson, Homer Lozano

Lopez, Amelia Rodriguez, Bryce Williams, Joseph Perciful, Walker Thompson, Stacey Becknell, Blanca Loera, Kristin Sarah Cook, Vonnie Daniels, Ester Diaz de Leon, Daisy Mireles, R) Breg Hughes, Edward Maskill, Lupe Ramon, Zack Kerbow,

submitted

Sixty-seven Sonora Junior High students participated in the Region XI Science Fair at the Convention Center in San Angelo on March 29th. The following students received special awards: Sweepstakes Award - Stacey Becknell, 2nd Sunset Mall Award - Walker Thompson, Angelo Trophy Award - Russell Dempsey, Army Award - Russell Dempsey, Edison Society Award - Dustin Dillard and Russell Dempsey, NASA Award - Issac Ramos, Corrosion Engineers Award - Dustin Dillard, Math Award - Stacey Becknell, and the Department of Energy Award - Edward Maskill.

Zoology - Erin Marrs-2nd; Biochemistry - Lorena Lopez-3rd, Amelia Rodriguez-3rd, Teresa Lozano-4th, Blanca Loera-5th; Botany - Marisha Henson-3rd, Sarah VCook -4th, Alishia Scheidemann-5th; Chemistry - Kimberly Bustamante-3rd, Breg Hughes-5th, Crystal Ponsetti-6th; Earth/Space Science - Dustin Dillard-2nd, Ester Diaz de Leon-5th, Noemi Diaz de Leon-6th; Physics - Russell Dempsey-1st, Bryce Williams-3rd; Medicine/Health - Blaine Wilkinson-1st, Kristen Hardgrave-2nd,

Vonnie Daniels-4th, Zac Kerbow-6th; Microbiology - Daisy Mireles-4th; Math - Stacey Becknell-1st, Homer Lozan-2nd, Lupe Ramon-3rd; Engineering - Joseph Perciful-2nd, Edward Maskill-3rd

First place winners in each category received medals and calculators. Stacey Becknell received a trophy, army certificate and a \$100 savings bond for her second place Sweepstakes Award.

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#### 5rd & 6th Grade Girls

**Ladybugs vs. Dream Team**  
6 - 12

Ladybugs: Heather Felts 4, Marie Samaniego 2  
Dream Team: Lindsey Bowers 2, Monica Lira 10

**Barracudas vs. Dream Team**  
7 - 11

Barracudas: Ashley Bible 2, Cassi Cole 2, Paula Gonzales 1, Heather Lawson 2  
Dream Team: Morgan Hobbs 2, Selina Duran 2, Monica Lira 5, Whitney Martin 2

**Tigers vs. Bulldogs**  
4 - 11

Tigers: Mary Jo Galvan 2, Crystal Montgomery 2  
Bulldogs: Maribel Hernandez 5, Kayla Burkett 2, Daisha Henson 2, Stephanie Haro 2

**5rd & 6th Grade Boys**  
**Wildcats vs. Hornets**  
24 - 8

Wildcats: Crispin Lira 13, Ryan Hardgrave 4, Tom Jacoby 2, Kolby Whitehead 1, Daniel Ward 2, Harvey Villaneava 2  
Hornets: Chance Dillard 2, Bill Renfro 2, Joe Calindo 4

**Devils vs. Spurs**  
15 - 23

Devils: Pete Samaniego 2, Matt Torres 5, Jake Trainer 8  
Spurs: Joey Quiroz 2, Adrian Mendez 2, Bryce Williams 15, Byron Williams 2, Marley Machado 2

**DaBoys vs. Hawks**  
23 - 20

DaBoys: Juan Reyes 6, Chang Hernandez 2, Joe Percifull 4, Riley Crain 11  
Hawks: Jerry Lopez 2, Donald Hubble 8, Nicholas Lozano 8, Javier Gaytan 2

**Devils vs. Attack Pack**  
16 - 19

Devils: Pete Samaniego 4, Matt Torres 5, Jake Trainer 7  
Attack Pack: Cole Cearley 2, Justin Router 6, Ed Mayfield 4, James Elliott 7

**Attack Pack vs. Hawks**  
31 - 28 (overtime)

Attack Pack: Cole Cearley 4, Justin Routh 4, Baldemar Hernandez 4, Ed Mayfield 10, Cody Ainsworth 1, James Elliott 8

Hawks: Jerry Lopez 2, Donald Hubble 6, Nicholas Lozano 6, Javier Gayton 6, Anthony Sanchez 1, Stetson Hall 7

**DaBoys vs. Wildcats**  
12 - 19

DaBoys: Riley Crain 10, Lionel Cervantez 2  
Wildcats: Tom Jacoby 2, Crispin Lira 5, Daniel Ward 1, Kolby Whitehead 1, Ryan Hardgrave 10

**Attack Pack vs. DaBoys**  
23 - 28

Attack Pack: Cody Ainsworth 3, Cole Cearley 8, Ed Mayfield 2, Justin Routh 2, James Elliott 8

DaBoys: Jake Percifull 1, Riley Crain 13, Chance Armke 1, Lionel Cervantez 2, Juan Reyers 11

**Spurs vs. Hornets**  
13 - 8

Spurs: Cory Scheidemann 1, Adrian Mendez 2, Bryce William 10  
Hornets: Danny Solis 2, Bill Renfro 2, Beau Hughes 4

### 7TH GRADE BOYS TRACK RESULTS

**submitted**  
The Seventh Grade Boys Track Team scored 135 points and won the McCamey Junior High Track Meet. The track team did an outstanding job overcoming the heat, wind, dust, and eleven other teams to win their third meet.

The final results were: Shot Put - Andy Sanchez-1st; Discus - Andy Sanchez-1st, Bobby Salinas-6th; Long Jump - Alan Nicholas-1st, Graham Bloodworth-2nd; Triple Jump - Alan Nicholas-1st; High Jump - Juan Samaniego-1st, Baldo Vaquera-3rd; Pole Vault - Jared Perciful-3rd, JASON Surber-5th, Sloan Holley-5th; 400 Meter Relay - Anthony Luna, Alan Nicholas, Edgar Gonzales, Graham Bloodworth-1st; 800 Meter Run - Juan Samaniego-5th; 110 Meter Hurdles - Anthony Luna-5th; 100 Meter Dash - Graham Bloodworth-1st; 200 Meter Hurdles - Edgar Gonzales-1st, Jared Perciful-6th; 200 Meter Dash - Alan Nicholas-2nd; 1600 Meter Relay - Edgar Gonzales, Anthony Luna, Graham Bloodworth, Alan Nicholas-4th

### SCOUTS SCALE GUADALUPE

**by Lewis Allen**  
Twelve Boy Scouts of Troop 19 scaled Texas' highest mountain, Guadalupe Peak, this past weekend.

The Scouts camped near the base of the mountain at the National Park campground at Pine Springs. They awoke Saturday to find a heavy frost on their tents. After a slow but steady hike of 4 1/2 miles, ascending 3,000 feet, the Scouts reached the top of the mountain by noon. The view was spectacular, 50-60 miles in all directions.

Scouts who climbed the mountain were Sam "Junior" Odom, Timmy Bauldree, Eddie Maskill, Loty Burns, Chris Weingart, Jonathan Folds, Cody Ainsworth, Ryan Hardgrave, Corey Scheidemann, Stetson Hall, Sean Fields, and James Elliot.

Brothers who accompanied were Joseph Ainsworth, Laramie Hall, and Brandon Scheidemann.

Adult leaders for this trip were Lewis Allen, Joe Weingart, Rhonda Hall, John and Sandy Ainsworth and Terry Scheidemann.

### 7TH GRADE GIRLS TRACK RESULTS

**submitted**  
The 7th girls scored 91 points at the Ozona Cub Relays and placed 4th. The highlight of the evening - the 800 and mile relay - taking first and Lizzy Badillo with a first in the 800 and 1600 run. The girls are looking forward to the next track meet Saturday, April 8.

Long jump - Kara Eaton - 6th; Running high jump - Cindy Jones - 2nd; 400 meter relay - Sarah Ball, Rita Lopez, Cindy Jones, and Kara Eaton - 4th; 800 meter run - Lizzy Badillo - 1st, Maribel Capuchina - 5th; 400 meter dash - Maribel Capuchina - 6th; 300 meter intermediate hurdles - 5th; 1600 meter run - Lizzy Badillo - 1st; 1600 meter relay - Sarah Ball, Rita Lopez, Cindy Jones, and Kara Eaton - 1st; 800 meter relay - Sarah Ball, Rita Lopez, Cindy Jones, and Kara Eaton - 1st; Shot put - Kim Marshall - 5th; Discus throw - Kim Marshall - 5th; Triple jump - Kara Eaton - 3rd, Cindy Jones - 5th

### FRANCO MAKES ALL STAR CAST

**submitted**  
The Fort Stockton High School One-Act Play advanced to U.I.L. district competition with their presentation of *The Diary of Anne Frank*.

Among cast and crew members receiving honors for the One Act Play was Becca Franco. She was named to the All Star Cast.

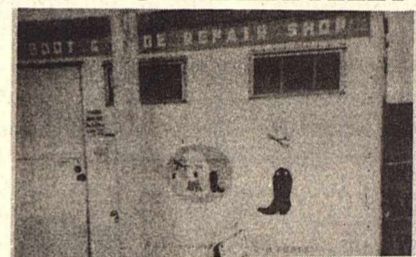
Becca is the daughter of Janice and Simon Franco and the granddaughter of J.W. and Maida Sutton of Sonora.

### 4-H PROJECT TO BEGIN

**submitted**  
The Sutton County 4-H Health Project will start on April 11, 1995 at 6:00 p.m. at the Sutton County EMS training center. All interested 4-H participants please contact Ram Perez at 387-2521 or 387-2620. The program will cover dental care, first aid and one man CPR certification.

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Trend offers a wide range of products; from all furniture items, to carpets, custom draperies, wallpaper, and office furnishing.

To meet the needs of everyone Trend offers value priced furniture, as well as the more exquisite design pieces. Trend has added in the last year a catalogue department which allows the consumer to customize their furniture wants with over 200 different lines. With the new Direct Buying Plan, the consumer can choose what they want and enjoy huge savings over manufacture suggested retail. Trend can save furniture buyers money if they have time to wait for the goods to be made and shipped.

Russell and Kristie are both Texas State Licensed Interior Designer, Certified Home Counselors and have both served as officers in the Society of Interior Design professionals. They make in-home visits to offer suggestions on furniture arrangements, style, color and room planning. They also do commercial work and specialize in furnishings for health care facilities.

Trend Furniture represents lines such as Lexington, Century, Flexsteel, La-Z-Boy, Berkline, Henkel-Harris, Ashley, McGregor, Universal, Action Lane, Fairfield, Bob Timberlake, Waverly, Stiffel, and many, many more. Trend has always operated on the idea that quality and value go hand-in-hand.

## SONORA RECEIVES TREE CITY USA GROWTH AWARD

submitted

Sonora has been named a Tree City USA by The National Arbor Day Foundation. It is the second year Sonora has received this national recognition.

Sonora is also the recipient of a Tree City USA Growth Award for demonstrating progress in its community forestry program in the following activity areas: youth education, new project or organization, and recycling.

The Growth Award was created to recognize environmental improvement and higher levels of tree care in Tree City USA communities.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by The National Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the USDA Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters.

To become a Tree City USA, a community must meet four standards: a tree board or department, a city tree ordinance, a comprehensive community forestry program, and an Arbor Day observance.

"Trees make a world of difference in our communities," John Rosenow, The National Arbor Day Foundation's president, said. "Trees have long been recognized for the beauty and value they lend to our homes, neighborhoods, parks and business areas. At the same time, those trees conserve energy, help clean the air, protect rivers and streams, and provide a home for wildlife in our towns and cities."

"An effective community forestry program is an ongoing process of renewal and improvement - a program of tree planting and care that continues through the years," Rosenow said. "The Tree City USA award is an excellent indication that there is a solid foundation for the process of improvement."



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## AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY REPORT

submitted by Lou Faulks

### CANCER CONTROL MONTH

April is Cancer Control Month and the Sutton County Unit of the ACS is ready. Ready for the many special volunteers to call on their friends and neighbors with life saving information and asking for a generous donation to continue the fight against cancer with research, education, prevention, and detection programs, to reduce your risk of cancer. To ask for donations to help continue treatment programs, and effectively deal with cancer diagnosis. These programs are at work today in our community and in towns and counties all across the country. If you would like to volunteer to call on your neighbors in this crusade please call Mr. Neal at 387-2826 or call 387-3269.

### RESEARCH PROGRAM

The American Cancer Society recognizes that tomorrow's clinical advances can only come from one place: today's research.

The Society began funding cancer research grants in 1946, and continues to make a significant investment in the careers of scientists striving to understand what causes cancer and how it can be prevented. Our long history of funding the nation's best researchers has resulted in remarkable advances which have led to better methods of early detection and treatment of cancer. The Society has invested more than \$1.7 billion in research since 1946.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SOCIETY'S RESEARCH PROGRAM

- In fiscal year 1994, the Society awarded over \$94 million in research grants, approximately 26% of our total budget. This supported 800 grants of all types.

- In 1994, 3,329 applications requesting \$558,299 in funding were received by the National office a decrease of 3.5% over 1994.

- In 1994, there were 76 research grants in effect throughout Texas. These grants totaled \$10,027,359 and represented 14 different institutions.

- Since the National Research Program began in 1946, the Society has spent more than \$1.7 billion in cancer research.

- American Cancer Society sponsored research discovered the Oncogene, which has been called a turning point in cancer research. Besides basic science work in DNA, viruses, and genetics, the society's research contributions led to the PAPtest, mammography, smoking control, and environmental tobacco smoke discoveries, asbestos, nutrition and more in the areas of prevention and early detection. The area of treatments has also benefited with lumpectomies, bone marrow transplants, and hormonal treatments like tamoxifen being supported with ACS funds. One of our researchers discovered the gene for hereditary breast cancer, another the gene for an inherited form of colon cancer.

- The Society has funded 27 scientists who went on to become Nobel Prize recipients for their cancer research.

- The Society has invested more than \$87 million on research in breast cancer over the past 22 years. Approximately \$18 million is invested in research currently underway.

- The Society is only able to fund 10% of all grant applications rated as "excellent" through our peer review system; we would need to more than double the current research budget to fund them all.

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Contrary to the self-serving efforts of a few special interest groups, the state's electric utilities have proposed legislation to increase competition in a way that will benefit all consumers. The proposal would open the wholesale generation market to all who want to participate, thus allowing every consumer to benefit from the least costly sources of power. Unlike the unregulated power producers' scheme, no consumers or group of consumers would face higher rates so a few could pay less.

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# Valiant Effort

by Marti Valliant McLain

What a wonderful banquet for the Chamber of Commerce! Sharon Key did a fantastic job organizing and putting on one of the best events of the year. I am not a fan of banquets. I have had to speak at so many that I really think that I am almost allergic to cold roast beef, watery mashed potatoes, and English peas that always end up on my best blouse. The programs go on and on because the people on the program do not prepare; they quite often just get up and begin rambling. There is usually a noise level in the back of the room that keeps you from being able to hear. The sound system never works. It quite often squeaks. Does anyone else think that the above description is the typical banquet? I had given them up for my own peace of mind and sanity. I usually only go if I have a special friend being honored.

Since I have not been to the banquet for several years, I am not comparing this one to recent ones in Sonora. My memories are of years of banquets in Perryton, Midland, and the general area. The banquet in Sonora last week was wonderful. I remember one banquet where I looked at chicken so raw that it was still bleeding. I remember once scraping my plate into the trash after tasting the food. I remember attending banquets where they ran out of food before they got to me. I remember banquets that lasted four hours.

Last week's banquet was very close to the perfect banquet. The food was delicious: smothered pork chops, mashed potatoes, green beans, corn, rolls, and red marble cake. The meal was catered by the Sutton County Steak House. It was wonderful. The decorations followed a baseball theme, "Field of Dreams". The tables were beautifully served by charming "bat girls" in baseball uniforms. It is very difficult to serve a crowd that size, but it was managed easily. The tables were beautiful in red, white, and blue. Place mats were made by the children in elementary school. They were wonderful crayon drawings of sports scenes. Centerpieces were striped red sacks with helium balloons rising at varied heights. Each table had crackerjacks, peanuts, and popcorn.

The program was printed, prepared, and appropriate. Pre-dinner music was by Mo Salinas, and the banquet began promptly at 7:00, as promised, with Lewis Allen's invocation and the National Anthem, sung by Joy Galbraith. Bill Ferguson gave the president's report. It was short, motivational, positive, and to the point. Joe Lane took over as the Emcee for the evening. Joe was totally prepared and used the baseball theme in his introductions of each person receiving awards.

The first awards were presented by Dr. Alvis Johnson to those who have served on the Hospital Board. Plaques were presented to John Tedford and Al Elliott, who had kept the hospital open against many obstacles when it was operated by a private corporation. When the new hospital district was formed, directors worked very hard to keep the doors open. Those honored for their service were: Ruth Shurley, Sam David Hernandez, Randy Fawcett, Harold McEwin, Bob Brockman, Smith Neal, Victor Chavez, and Bruce Kerbow. Present directors were also thanked for working at a thankless job. They are Lee Bloodworth, Ray Smith, Clair Powers, Ben Solis, Lewis Allen, Carol Parker, and board president Alvis Johnson. Dr. Johnson thanked these individuals because their service to the community has saved lives by working to keep the hospital open and effective.

The Lion's Club presents an annual conservation award to an outstanding rancher in Sutton County. Edward Earwood presented this year's award to Seco Mayfield. Lewis Allen recognized Nelson Stubblefield as the one who has been a member of the chamber the longest. Thanks were also given to Mary Lea and John Eaton and to Joe David Ross for allowing their property to be used by the Chamber.

The award to the outstanding person of the year in law enforcement was presented to Norbert Ortiz, a trooper with the Texas Dept. of Public Safety. Trooper Ortiz has an uncanny ability to detect vehicles transporting drugs through Sutton County. In the six years since he has been stationed in Sonora, he has been responsible for 29 felony arrests for the use of a controlled substance and 130 misdemeanor arrests for the use of a controlled substance. All of his statistics are remarkable. He has been responsible for the seizure of 500 lbs. of marijuana, 30 vehicles, \$275,000 in cash, and \$60,000 of recovered gold and diamond jewelry. All of this plus his regular work as a trooper has brought him to the attention of the state where he has also been honored for his work. We are fortunate to have him in our community. The award was presented by Brent Gesch, last year's recipient.

The award for Educator of the Year was presented to Clay Cade for his dedication and work as principal of Sonora Elementary. Clay Cade spends his time as a visible influence in the school. He is there to help students and teachers. For example, he has been known to go find a student's grandfather and retrieve a lost lunch. He will be the pizza delivery man if that will help teachers and students. He will be retiring this year, and he will be missed by the entire community, the teachers, and the students. The award was presented by Lori Solis, last year's winner. Richard Key, manager of West Texas Utilities, the company sponsoring the award, presented Clay with a check for \$100, to be spent on anything that he chooses for the school.

The award for the Businessman of the Year was presented to A.W. Bishop, president of Sutton County National Bank. Although A.W. has only been in the community a short time, he has been fully active. He is a past president of the Lion's Club, has been chairman of the board at First Methodist Church, served on the board of the Chamber of Commerce, chaired the Library

Building Fund Committee, and always been available for whatever hard job that comes along. His family sent their love and regrets that they could not be in Sonora for the award. His wife, Leona, was unable to attend because she is helping with their new grandson, James McAllister Porter in Austin. The award was presented by Tim Thorp, last year's recipient.

The new library under construction in Sonora was the reason for the organization of the year award that was given to the Sonora Woman's Club Library Committee. For generations, the Woman's Club has helped provide a library in Sonora. The need for a new library was recognized by Sharon Holman, the chairperson of the Library Committee of the Sonora Woman's Club. The Aldwell home which had housed the library was sinking under the weight of the books. A committee was formed to build a library. The group, sanctioned by the County Commissioners was chaired by A.W. Bishop and members were Virginia Epps, Sharon Holman, Doris Rousselot, Lori Solis, Lemuel Lopez, Kristin Hicks, Al Elliott, and John Wade. The second year Marti McLain, Mabel VanderStucken, and Patricia Johnson were added to the committee. The committee has raised over \$468,000 from a variety of sources: federal grant, private foundation grants, businesses, civic clubs, and philanthropic individuals. The Library Building Fund Committee became a committee of the Sonora Woman's Club to receive the benefits of the organization's non profit status. Since the club has the library as its only project, the extras at the library are donated by the club. This year, the club has given over \$8,000, but has continued to fund book buying, summer help, and other projects of the Sutton County Public Library. The award was presented to Sharon Holman, the chairperson of the Library Committee of the Sonora Woman's Club.

The event everyone waits for each year is the Citizen of the Year Award. This year's award was presented to Lena Belle Ross. Mrs. Ross taught school in Sonora and ranched with her husband, the late Joe Brown Ross. She has spent some 70 years working for the betterment of her community. She was active in church, scouts, the Cancer Drives, the Red Cross, the Sheep and Goat Raiser's Auxiliary, the Hospital Auxiliary, and all of the school activities through the years. One thing that we all look forward to each year is "the field of dreams" in front of the Ross home. Every spring, her front yard is filled with blue bonnets. Her award was presented by Mabel and Joseph VanderStucken, last year's winner.

Did I say that the Chamber of Commerce banquet this year was almost perfect? I've changed my mind. I think that this year's banquet was PERFECT.

We had bridge club on Wednesday evening last week at the Sutton County Steak House. Linda did a lovely table in gold and black with fresh flowers. Linda Love did a heart healthy meal with a chicken breast in pastry, asparagus, and wild rice. We had angel food cake and yogurt banana splits for dessert. It is wonderful to know that even if you have been out of town, you still can have a party when it's your turn. Thank goodness that we have Linda in Sonora. High was won by Ron and Alice Cox, travel by Doris and Norm Rousselot, and bingo by Glen and Rosalea Richardson.

Gayle Cade is planning a jaunt to Las Vegas with her brother. It will be a first time visit. Let's hope that she doesn't get the gambling bug.

Charolette Wilson has returned from a visit with her great granddaughter, Jordyne Gunther in Hampton, Virginia. On the way she stopped for a visit in Midland with the Jim Wilson family. Jordyne is the granddaughter of John and Karen Wilson of Sonora. Her father is in the Air Force and is stationed at Langley Field in Virginia. While visiting, she saw the Thunderbirds, the Air Force's precision flying team, perform. They are wonderful and it is a spectacular show.

This week San Antonio was beginning to prepare for fiesta and was mourning the loss of Salena, the Tejano singing star. Her boutique, Salena's, is on Broadway just a few blocks down the street from Incarnate Word. It was amazing to see how many lives were caught up in her music. She had been singing since age 10 and had a huge following in San Antonio. Traffic was lined up for blocks by people trying to go by the store to pay their respects, take flowers, and leave messages. It seems that violence is everywhere and is always tragic.

There is much excitement in San Antonio with the opening of Retama Park, the new race horse track. If you love the races, there is now a first class track really close to home. Maybe now, there will be more horses bred and trained in our area. It is nice to know that you could drive over for an afternoon of racing and be home by bed time, or in time to shut up the chickens, (as most country people would say). That reminds me of a story I heard. I'll tell it in a later column. It's about the mayor of a small town and "shutting up the chickens". Look for it here in this column.

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