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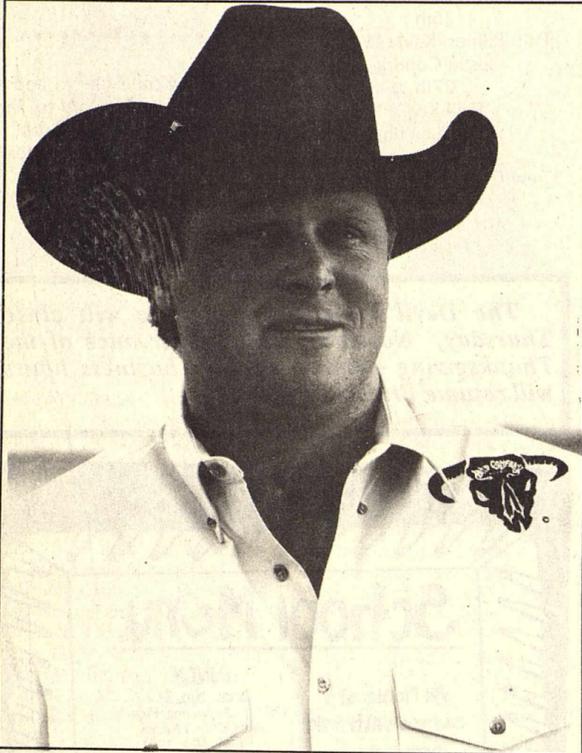
# THE Devil's Ribber NEWS

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Frank Davis

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## Davis To Bulldog at NFR

submitted

While football tends to grab all the headlines around West Texas during the fall months, another sport involving several Sonorans will conduct its "Super Bowl" in Las Vegas, Nevada, from December 1-11. Frank Davis, a Sonora rancher, will be competing in the Bulldogging competition at the National Finals Rodeo, and for Davis the chance to show what he can do in Las Vegas is a dream come true. Getting to Las Vegas, however, doesn't leave much time for sleep; to get there cowboys have to drive or fly all over the country to compete in up to 100 rodeos, be able to count on friends and family to help keep them going, and be just a little bit lucky. This year Frank Davis hit the right combination of all three, and a trip to the National Finals is his reward.

Qualifying for the Nationals this year took a record amount of money, and the top 15 Bulldoggers are not separated by much; Davis qualified 11th this year with a yearly gross from 104 rodeos of \$44,750 in a season that stretched from November 7, 1994, to November 5, 1995. Davis said he realized he had a shot at the Nationals when, over the 4th of July weekend, he took in several thousand dollars in earnings and saw himself climb into the rankings. He rounded out his year by making the Short Rounds in

Denver, Fort Worth, Santa Maria, Dodge City, Colorado Springs, Pendleton, and Waco, winning the Average at Dodge City and Waco. The last win at Waco was the biggest of the year; Davis won the Short Round and the Average, moving him from 16th to 9th in the rankings.

Davis gives much of the credit for his success this year to several friends and supporters. "Pat", Davis' competition horse, is owned by Jimmy Powers, who along with Houston Powers and Ollie Smith taught Davis to bulldog steers in 1987. Davis said these people have been instrumental to his success, and along with his sponsor, Bad Company Rodeo, have made the trip to Las Vegas possible. He also gives much of the credit for his success to his traveling team; Dale Meinecke, Mike Smith (#1 in the world), Guy Murphy, and Bill Pace, who, according to Davis, took care of entering him and allowed him "Just to concentrate on bulldogging." Davis said he never really expected to make it to the National Finals, and that these people, along with many other friends and especially his family, supported his efforts and helped him through some times out on the road that weren't all fun, and helped take care of his ranch at home, so they should share in his success. *continued on page 4*

## Broncos Defeat Ozona, 51-40

Harrelson era of Bronco basketball opens with road win submitted

Sonora fans who ventured through the rain and mist to Ozona Friday night to see the game between the Ozona Lions and the Sonora Broncos were treated to something that hasn't happened with Sonora basketball in a long time - a comeback win on the road. The Broncos appeared, at least after the 1st quarter, to be relaxed and to play well in a more disciplined system installed this year by new coach Scott Harrelson.

The 1st quarter really wasn't anything to write home about for either team, as both struggled to get first-game jitters out of the way and learn their offenses against opponents who weren't their teammates. While the Broncos worked hard to get the ball inside to John Paul Hudman, Curt Dempsey, and Josh Burnham, the Lions were able to take advantage of turnovers and make several easy baskets that led to a Lion lead after one quarter, 11-6.

During the 2nd quarter the Bronco offense heated up, giving fans a glimpse of how good they will be when all the football players get their "basketball" legs. Ty Harrelson, Curt Dempsey, John Paul Hudman, Josh Burnham, and Caleb Barker all scored to bring the Broncos within 2 points at halftime, but still trailing the Lions, 20-18.

The 3rd quarter was devastating for the Lions, as the Broncos came out after halftime and, looking far more energetic and tenacious on defense than they had in the first half and picking better shots under the basket, took control of the game and never looked back. Burnham, an all-district defensive player last year, was particularly effective in slowing the Lion attack. The Broncos held the Lions to 6 points scored in the 3rd quarter while scoring 14, and confidence appeared to build with every trip down the court. After three quarters the Broncos led Ozona 32-26. *continued on page 7*



L-R top, Drew Dempsey; Michael Castilleja; Dustin Dillard  
2nd Row, Sheryl Robertson; Crystal Martin; Shauna Nitsch  
3rd Row, Stephanie Davenport; Raymond Hubble; Kristie Wallace  
4th Row, Erin Payton; Camille Marshall; Amy Massey; Jason Arredondo

## Practice Good Sportsmanship

by Charles Russell, Supt.

As we begin another basketball season, I would like to ask that fans practice good sportsmanship at all times. It is very important that everyone understands that the Sonora ISD is responsible not only for the conduct of its players and students but also must answer to the University Interscholastic League (UIL) for the conduct of its fans. It is not unusual for a school to be reprimanded and put on probation by the UIL for misconduct by a fan--in most cases, the misconduct involved a game official.

I would encourage you to attend our athletic events and support our young people but to please refrain from unsportsmanlike conduct that could result in a penalty to our school district.

Listed below, and taken

from the UIL's newspaper *The Leaguer*, are two recent instances of schools that have been reprimanded and placed on probation for improper conduct of their fans:

The State Executive Committee issued a public reprimand to Sulphur Bluff High School and put the school on probation through January 16, 1996 for violation of the Athletic Code. The violation involved a fan who came on the floor and pushed an official during a basketball game.

The District 30 AA Executive Committee issued a public reprimand to Kenedy High School and put the school on probation through the 1995-96 basketball season for failure to provide proper supervision at a UIL activity and failure to control their fans, students, and athletes.

## Caverns of Sonora Host NCA Convention

National, as well as international, cave owners, operators, and managers assembled at the Caverns of Sonora last Wednesday. The theme of the NCA's 30th anniversary convention was Cave Restoration and Conservation. They meet to exchange ideas and strategies on business and conservation.

Wednesday morning the conventioners were entertained by the gold buckle Sonora cowboys during an exhibition rodeo. Boyd Pohamus, PRCA rodeo announcer, made a trip to Sonora just for this

occasion. He explained the sport of rodeo to many who have never been exposed to the event. Jerry Diaz, a World Champion Charro thrilled the crowd with his unparalleled horsemanship. The bucking bulls were provided by Haynes Ranch. Sonora Mohair & Company conducted a style show at the rodeo grounds.

The conventioners then traveled to the Caverns of Sonora to participate in cave tours and workshops. Sonora's own, Lee Silver Company and Sonora Mohair & Company displayed their unique *continued on page 5*

## All-District Band Contest Held

Kenneth Ersch, Band Director at Hondo High School was the clinician at the All District Band contest held at Sonora High School, November 18. Ronnie Watson, Sonora High School drama teacher, narrated *The Battle Hymn of the Republic* and introduced Kenneth Ersch. Individual band members competed against students with like instruments to qualify for the All District Band.

Students from Ballinger, Brady, Coleman, Eldorado, Llano, Mason, Menard, Reagan County, San Saba, Sonora, and Wall earned positions.

The following Sonora

students placed. Amy Massey, 1st chair clarinet; Stefany Davenport, 4th chair clarinet; Camille Marshall, 5th chair clarinet; Kristie Wallace, 13th chair clarinet; Shauna Nitsch, 3rd chair bass clarinet; Crystal Martin, 1st chair alto saxophone; Michael Castilleja, 3rd chair alto saxophone; Sheryl Robertson, 2nd chair trumpet; Dustin Harris, 3rd chair trumpet; Dustin Dillard, 7th chair trumpet; Erin Payton, 4th chair trombone; Jason Arredondo, 6th chair trombone; Raymond Hubble, 1st chair baritone; Drew Dempsey, 2nd chair snare drum.

## Christmas Food Baskets

by Lewis Allen

The Sonora Ministerial Alliance and the Sonora High School Student Council are once again coordinating efforts in the annual Christmas Food Basket program for local residents.

Donations of non-perishable foods gathered on Scouting For Food Day, or by local churches and individuals will enable some 105 families in Sonora to receive a box filled with a variety of staple grocery items.

Ministerial Alliance food boxes will be loaded by the 4-H Citizenship class and distributed by the High School Youth Group of St. Ann's

Catholic Church during the week before Christmas.

If you would like to request that a food basket be delivered to your family, you may call Justice of the Peace Adelita Smalling at 387-3322, or Noemi Samaniego at the Texas Department of Health, 387-2234.

If you would like to make a donation to the Sonora Ministerial Alliance to assist with this year's food basket program, it should be mailed to Lewis Allen, Box 1015, Sonora, TX, 76950. Contributions of non-perishable items may be dropped off at the downstairs of the First Methodist Church.

## How Do You Say Ya'll In French

Editor's note: The DRN erroneously named Nora Weaver as Carla Weaver in a previous issue. Also, Mrs. Weaver did not paint under the direction of Frank Covino. by Carla M. Weaver

Texas artists Dorothy Kizer of Rockwall, Phil Prudhomme of Odessa, and Nora Weaver of Sonora embarked on an unprecedented visit to Paris to study paintings in the infamous Musée du Louvre this November. The artists were part of a larger group of eighteen, several of which were planning to sightsee instead of study in the museum. The trip was coordinated by Barbara Reeves of Scottsdale, Arizona, with great help from Monsieur Jean-Christophe Lamy of Paris. Beginning on November 2, the artists spent a total of five days in the Louvre studying paintings by the French artists Greuze, Champagne, and Gros. This

trip was remarkable because the Musée du Louvre has never before allowed a foreign group to study its fabulous collection. "This is one of the highest honors that could be bestowed upon us as artists. We are incredibly excited to have the chance to study in Paris; the art center of the world," says Weaver.

The Musée du Louvre, one of the world's largest palaces, is the national museum of France and is housed in the palace which was occupied by French kings until 1682. The museum boasts a handful of paintings by the famous Italian Renaissance artist Leonardo da Vinci, one of which is the *Mona Lisa*. Works by Raphael, Titian, Rubens, Rembrandt, and the famous sculptures *Victory of Samothrace* and *Venus de Milo* are among their extensive collection of art from around the world.



**Nursing Home Garage Sale**  
The Hudspeth Hospital and Nursing Home employees will hold their annual garage sale on December 24 1995, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the hospital grounds. The proceeds from the garage sale will benefit the Nursing Home residents at Christmas. If you would like to donate items, contact Terry Surridge at 387-2521, ext. 135.

**Social Security Representative**  
Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office will be at the County Courthouse on Tuesday, November 28 between 9:30 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.

**Thunderbird Changes**  
Starting in January, The Thunderbird will be making their trips to San Angelo Every 3rd Thursday, instead of every 3rd Wednesday.

**Order Tamales**  
The Guadalupanas Association is taking order for tamales. The second delivery date will be December 16. To order, call Irene Friess at 387-3914 or St. Ann's Catholic Church at 387-2278.

**First Baptist Church**  
First Baptist Church has a van that will pick up children ages 3 and up for Sunday school and church every Sunday starting at 9:00 am. For more information call between 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, 387-2951 or after hours call 387-2405 or 387-2881.

# Our Sympathy



**Adelene Dietz**

Adelene Dietz, 69, of Sonora died Sunday, November 19, 1995, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, November 22, 1995, at 4:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Sonora. Burial will follow in Sonora Cemetery under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home.

She was born October 16, 1926, in Brown County. She was a cook for the Sonora Independent School District for many years. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

She is survived by two sons, Wayne Dietz and Wendell Dietz both of Sonora; one daughter, Tammie Rogers of Ozona; one sister, Nell Wadsworth of Temple; one brother, Merlin Hoppe of Georgetown; and three grandchildren, Melissa Martin, Bryan Dietz, and Jeffrey Dietz. She is preceded in death by her husband, Albert Dietz, and one brother, Milton Hoppe.

**Tyree Dawes Hardy**

Tyree Dawes Hardy, 61, of Houston and formerly of Sonora, died October 14, 1995, in Houston. A memorial service will be held Saturday, November 25, 1995, at 10:30 a.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home.

He was born Sept. 3, 1934, in Big Spring, the son of Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Hardy. He graduated from Sonora High School, Texas A&M University, and received an MBA from the University of Texas. He was self-employed in General Aviation. He was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church.

He is survived by his sister and her husband, Sarah Lu and Bill Burrowes of Houston.

**Larry Dale McKinney**

Larry Dale McKinney, a human resources manager for Shell Offshore Inc., died Friday, November 17, 1995, of cancer at his home. He was 49. Mr. McKinney was born in Lamesa, TX and lived in Mandeville, LA for eight years. He graduated from the University of Arizona. He was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity and St. Timothy's Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Patti McKinney; a son, Cody McKinney; two daughters, Michele and Holly McKinney; his mother and stepfather, Susan and Mel Wells of Bakersfield, CA; a brother and sister-in-law, Ron and Toni McKinney of Denver, CO; a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Don and Linda Burkes of Sonora, TX; and a father-in-law, Jerry Ashburn of Sonora, TX. He is also survived by 3 nephews, 1 niece, and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

A memorial service was held Monday, November 20, 1995, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Timothy's Methodist Church. In lieu of flowers donations are preferred either to Slidell Memorial Hospice, 1045 Florida Ave., Slidell, LA 70458 or the American Cancer Society, 2200 Veterans Blvd., Suite 214, Kenner, LA 70062.



## Card of Thanks

Words cannot express the sincere gratitude we have for those who so willingly came to us with their deeds of kindness whether it was expressed through food, flowers, phone calls, visits, cards, prayers or simply a word of kindness following the loss of our beloved Maribel Sentena.

May God's blessings be upon each and everyone of you. Thanks so much to Father Bill and Linda Mungia, the choir, Lauri Garza and to all the ladies that prepared the delicious meal. To Ruben, Sal and Monica Castilleja for singing Maribel's songs that she loved so much, also to our dear friend, Bruce Kerbow, for being there when we needed him and everyone who helped with the rosary.

Thanks  
George and Gloria Noriega  
Felicia Sentena  
Trini Sentena, Jr.  
Kaleena Rae and Chacho Samaniego

When days are sad and lonely,  
And everything goes wrong  
We seem to hear you whisper  
"Cheer up and carry on."  
Everytime we see your picture,  
You smile and seem to say,  
"Don't cry, I am only sleeping,  
We'll meet again someday."  
You bade no one a last farewell,  
Nor even said goodbye,  
You were gone before we knew it,  
and only God knows why.  
A Million times, we've missed  
you,  
You never would have died.  
In life we loved you dearly,  
In death we love you still,  
In our hearts you hold a place,  
No one else can ever fill.  
It broke our hearts to lose you  
But you didn't go alone.  
For part of us went with you,  
The day God took you home.

# BIRTHDAY

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| <b>NOVEMBER</b>   | 29th<br>Rachel Lira, Butch Taylor  |
| 24th<br>Johnell Casparis<br>David Mayer<br>Nicky Samaniego, Chris Crowder, Tommy Love | 30th<br>Carmen Avila<br>Andrea De La Vega<br>Benny Frasier, Mary Ross<br>Beucholtz   |
| 25th<br>Lester Rainer, Casey Thorp  | .....  |
| 26th<br>Patti Rainer, Kayla Webb,<br>Justin Condra                                    |  |
| 27th<br>Paul Keake<br>Diana Smith   | If you would like to add a birthday or anniversary to The Devil's River News' Birthday and Anniversary list, please call 387-2507. |
| 28th<br>Drew Dempsey, Stetson Hall  |  |

The Devil's River News office will close Thursday, November 23 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. Regular business hours will resume Friday the 24th.

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## School Menu

**All Meals are served with milk.**

<b>BREAKFAST</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>
Mon., Nov. 27 Oatmeal, Donut, Juice	Mon., Nov. 27 Chili 'n Cheese dog, French Fries, Corn, Peaches
Tues., Nov. 28 Ham & egg on Biscuit, Fruit	Tues., Nov. 28 Chili n Beans, Mixed Veggies, Apple Half, Mexican Cornbread
Wed., Nov. 29 Pancake, Sausage, Juice,	Wed., Nov. 29 Beef Enchiladas, Spanish Rice, Cole Slaw, Fruit Salad Mix
Thurs., Nov. 30 Chorizo & egg, Juice	Thurs., Nov. 30 Spaghetti w/ Meat sauce, Fried Okra, Salad, Fruit Roll-up, Rolls
Fri., Dec. 1 Banana Muffin, Ham, Juice,	Fri., Dec. 1 Cheese Burgers, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Orange Wedges

## Community Calendar

### November 22-December 2

**Wednesday, November 22**  
Schools dismissed for holidays  
SCNB & FNB will close at 3:00 p.m. for holidays

**Thursday, November 23**  
Devils River News - Closed  
SCNB & FNB - Closed  
School holiday



**Friday, November 24**  
School holiday

**Monday, November 27**  
6:00 p.m. - 9th Grade Girls Basketball vs. Eldorado - T  
6:00 p.m. - 9th Grade Boys Basketball vs. Del Rio - T

**Tuesday, November 28**  
6:00 p.m. - Lady Broncos vs. Iraan - H  
6:00 p.m. - JV Broncos vs. Iraan - H  
7:30 p.m. - JV Lady Broncos vs. Iraan - H  
7:30 p.m. - Broncos vs. Iraan - H



**Thursday, November 30 - Saturday, December 2**  
TBA - Broncos & Lady Broncos - Ballinger Tournament  
TBA - JV Broncos - Fort Stockton Tournament  
TBA - 9th Grade Boys - McCamey Tournament

**Thursday, November 30**  
5:30 p.m. - 2nd Annual Cowboy Christmas Light Promenade pre-activities  
6:30 p.m. - Lighting of downtown Sonora

**Friday, December 1**  
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Annual Nursing Home Garage Sale, L.M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital grounds.

The Community Calendar is made possible by:

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## SENIOR CENTER MENU

- Thursday, November 23**  
Closed "Happy Thanksgiving"
- Friday, November 24**  
Closed "Happy Thanksgiving"
- Monday, November 27**  
Meat Pattie / Cheese, French Fries, Lettuce, Onions, Tomatoes, Hamburger Bun, Fruit Cup
- Tuesday, November 28**  
Pepper Steak, Hot Rice, Carrots, Broccoli, Tossed Salad, Hot Rolls, Applesauce
- Wednesday, November 29**  
baked Chicken, Blackeyed Peas, Mixed Veggies, Cornbread, Baked Custard
- Thursday, November 30**  
Meatloaf, Corn, Spinach, Tossed Salad, Hot Rolls, Oranges

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## Sonora Church Directory



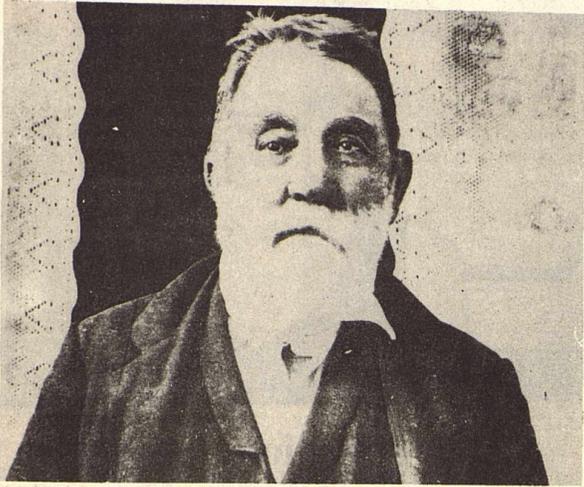
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Attend the church of your choice this Sunday.

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**Kerbow Funeral Home**  
387-2266

# Ask The Historical Society



Judge Roy Bean, The man who upheld the claim of being "The Law West Of The Pecos"

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

Q. I don't know if you saw it, but on TV they had a show called "The Streets of Laredo." In this movie, they showed an outlaw blonde haired Mexican named Garza shoot and then hang Judge Roy Bean on the porch of his saloon/courthouse. We have been having an argument here ever since. I say that is not how Judge Roy Bean died and other members of my family swear it is. Could you please settle this dispute and tell us exactly how Judge Roy Bean died?

A. I enjoyed reading the book "The Streets of Laredo" and have also watched the movie on CBS. One thing our readers have to remember when watching many of these television movies is that many times they are not historically correct. Many writers will use colorful characters in their stories, real life characters to tie into a certain time and place, and add a touch of reality to their stories. This is called poetic license. I and many other historians get quite upset when their use of the character leads to the distortion of true

six shooter which Bean claimed "cluttered up the person of the deceased."

One time when Bean was holding court, he and his clerk had a little discussion on what to levy for a fine against a man on trial. They decided the man could probably scrape up \$10 and assessed the same as a fine. The culprit produced \$20 and asked for change. "Change," thundered Bean, "change hell, this court makes no change. I will raise you ten and take your pile."

One theft case would have been transferred to Fort Stockton where the accused could have gotten off because the witnesses could not all travel that far. Even though he didn't have jurisdiction in the case, Bean ordered the man to come up with the stolen money

or be hung by order of the court as an example to the community. The accused had no doubt that Bean would hang him, so he took them to the stash. Since he had returned the money and Bean had no jurisdiction on the case he let the man go warning him never to return again to that part of the country or he would hang him. Judge Roy Bean insisted that he was the Law West of the Pecos. He ran his empire with a tight rein and there weren't many men foolish enough to try to dispute his claim. His decisions were not always held to the letter of the law and the fact, but they were accepted and upheld.

Judge Roy Bean was quite a character but he was not shot and hung by Joey Garza. He died on March 10, 1903, at the ripe old age of 78, in Langtry from pneumonia.

Judge Roy Bean held the office of Justice of the Peace but was elected to that office only once. You might say he ruled by right of might. He set himself up as regulator of the morals of his community. He also made sure that any fines he collected went into his own private exchequer. He had his own peculiar methods of supplying justice but since they seemed to work, the state chose to leave him alone.

They say that one time Judge Roy Bean fined a dead man \$20 and took that much change off him plus the man's

facts. We have generations growing up on stories with true characters in them but no true facts. Many school children will now swear that Judge Roy Bean was killed by young Mr. Garza. I now tell many of the students that if it is not a true documentary on PBS, etc. don't take what you see as truth until you look it up yourself.

## Rogers Receives Certification



Brigitte Rogers

submitted by Stephanie Salyards, Elder Rights Specialist

Brigitte Rogers, a resident of Sonora, recently completed Volunteer Benefits Counselor certification training provided by the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley in San Angelo. Rogers scored very high on the assessment exam given after completion of training. She is one of seven who completed required training, and the first to complete the exam and apply for certification to the Texas Department of Insurance.

Rogers is an active volunteer. She is a member of the Lions Club, serves on the Committee on Aging for the Sutton County Senior Center, and is president of the L.M. Hudspeth Hospital and Nursing Home Auxiliary.

Benefits Counseling services are a part of the Health Information Counseling and Advocacy Program. HICAP is organized and administered by the Texas Department of Aging, with the assistance of the Texas Department of Insurance and Texas Legal Service Center. The state HICAP staff organize, train, and support local counseling centers through the 28 Area Agency on Aging offices. HICAP also provides statewide toll-free telephone assistance.

The benefits counselor provides assistance to older persons in gaining understanding and access to benefits to which they are entitled. When people turn 65, for example, they are suddenly confronted with a health care system that both protects and confuses. They now have access to the protection of Medicare and, in many cases, Medicaid, but they must sort through a complex and often confusing set of rules and regulations. They also face making other decisions on

matters in which they may have limited knowledge and understanding. The benefits counselor helps them to know what is available, and how to gain access to it. They also assist the client with appeals and hearings when the client has an application rejected or receives other adverse rulings.

Benefits counselors do not make decisions for clients with whom they work. Their task is to provide whatever assistance is needed in order for the client to make an informed decision. The services provided by benefits counselors are performed without charge to the client. All matters are handled in the strictest confidence, and no action is taken without permission of the client.

Volunteers are an absolutely essential part of efforts to ensure that older citizens receive maximum benefits to which they are entitled. The importance of trained volunteers may well be increased by proposed changes in Medicare, Medicaid, and other programs currently being considered by Congress. Volunteers are needed in all areas of the Concho Valley. Additional information may be obtained by contacting Stephanie Salyards or Ralph Teague at 915-944-9666 or 1-800-728-2592.

## Compassionate Care Passes Survey

submitted

Compassionate Care, Inc. passed its 4th Annual Survey by the Texas Department of Health with no deficiencies. Compassionate Care, Inc. was relicensed another year to provide home health care in the Permian Basin including McCamey, the home office and branch offices located in Crane,

Rankin, Big Lake, Ozona and Iraan and the surrounding communities. The following services are available in addition to free evaluations for home care, blood pressure screenings and community health education: skilled nursing services, physical therapy, medical social services and home health aide services for personal care, light

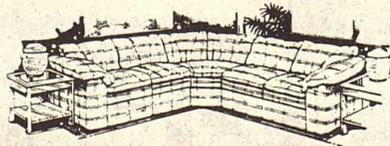
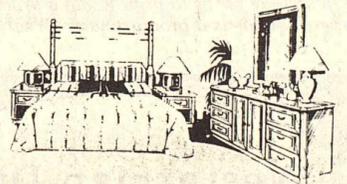
housekeeping, shopping and transportation. Compassionate Care, Inc., also has free transportation for wheelchair bound patients up to a 30 mile distance to enable patients to see their physician and receive specialty care. If you have any questions, or are interested in any of the services offered, please call toll free (800) 531-7259, 24 hours a day.

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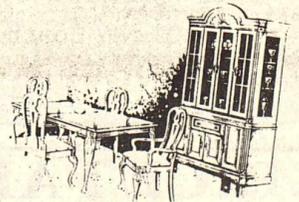
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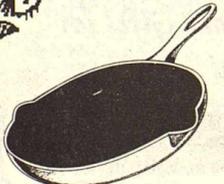
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## Career Center Opens In Sonora

submitted by Florie Mesa

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The center is funded through the Council of Governments (COG) Dislocated Worker Program. It was established with the assistance of County Judge, Carla Garner. The center consists of a TV/VCR with educational video tapes and computer with fax/modem/printer capability.

Various modules include information on employment and training assistance programs offered through the COG, the Texas Employment Commission, Texas Rehabilitation Commission, Texas Department Of Human Services, Quality Work Force Planning, Tech Prep, Economic Development, Angelo State University's Small Business Development Center, career exploration and development,

job banks, software programs, and stress and financial management.

A customized program was written at the COG, which provides access to this information on computer in a very user friendly format. Informational notebooks and hand-outs are also available for those not inclined to access the information by computer. Initially a person is asked some questions to see if they are potentially eligible for one of the COG programs. If they are, then they can proceed to complete their eligibility requirements. Whether eligible or not, a person can still review the information contained in the different modules.

The initial intent of the center is to provide better access to employment and training program services to those who are unemployed and seeking work. Additional information was also included on public agency assistance within the Concho Valley. Updates to the program as well as additional information will be incorporated as it becomes available.

Customer service surveys are located in the center so that suggestions and comments can be solicited from the users. You are cordially invited to visit your new Career Center and see what new information you can discover.



Seniors celebrate November birthday party at Senior Center



These two workers of 70 years (Victoria Romero and Nora Domiguez) were honored with plants from the Committee On Aging and the Senior Center



## Congratulations Stacy Fox For Being Chosen Delegate Miss Teen Texas

### Bulldogging

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Davis' travels have taken him all over the U.S. this year; when asked how much he'd traveled all year, he replied "I'd like to have kept an accurate count of how many miles I traveled this year - I have no idea." Staying out on the road had its benefits, too, though. Davis believes the key to his qualifying was consistency. He said there was a 9-10 week span where he won a check in every rodeo he entered, and he couldn't have done that at home. His hard work on the road ultimately paid off; Davis has already competed in the Coors Finals, held in Phoenix, Arizona, this past October 6, 7, and 8, and in addition to the National Finals he has also qualified for the Texas Circuit Finals, where he is ranked 4th. The Texas Circuit Finals will be held December 29, 30, and 31, 1995.

Davis said he was only the second person he could recall from the Sonora area to make it to the National Finals in

Bulldogging, the first being Ollie Smith, one of Davis' mentors when just beginning in the sport. "Making the National Finals is everybody's goal - it's why you drive all night and go three or four months without coming home; and there are lots of good cowboys who never make it." He thinks he is sitting in good position to do well in the Nationals: "None of the pressure is on me; I'm not number one, and I can just go out and try to do the best I can in the ten performances - then we'll see about the average." The final performance was televised last year on ESPN network from the Thomas-Mack Arena in Las Vegas, so tune in and watch as Sonora's representative at National Finals goes for some big money and some well-deserved recognition for a great year.

Congratulations, Frank Davis, and good luck at National Finals and the Circuit Finals!

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## Dear Editor,

On behalf of the members of the community who attended "the procrastinator's Christmas party", held at the Sonora Depot on Feb. 25, 1995, it's high time we expressed to Gary and Cathy Smith- Thank You! We had a wonderful time!

(I sincerely apologize for the late date. I meant to write this earlier. I even set a definite deadline for June 1st, but school was out and, well, I'm sure you understand.)

However, the party was a roaring success- family fun at it's best. The adults actually laughed harder and enjoyed themselves even more than the children! We're still laughing- not just now laughing- at the "ta da's" and hidden talents displayed by Ronnie and Yankee. (It's amazing what one DOESN'T know about the people in a small community.) The gift exchange did bring out a bit of fierce competition, but the decorations and seasonal music reminded us of "the spirit of the season"-giving... and forgiving. (I include "forgiving" only because Lindy may have cheated to acquire the Dallas Cowboy License plate; I repeat MAY HAVE- I was to busy keeping up with those classy green gloves to actually notice.)

The bottom line is that a small community, one often hears complaints about the lack of activities and feelings of isolation, so when a couple gives a party inviting "everyone who wants to come", well, that's admirable. And when the party ends up giving the faces some of the best exercise they've had all year, that's down-rite healthy for the community.

So once again, Thank you, Gary, for the fun-filled evening. We had a hoot so to speak.

God Bless You,

Your Fellow Procrastinators

(We received this letter several weeks ago. We are sorry it has taken so long for us to print it, but a procrastinator is a procrastinator. What can we say?)

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# 1995 NCA Convention

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products. A sheepdog demonstration was performed by

Jeanne Gurnee, International show Caves Association liaison, stated that Seco Mayfield, one of the owners of the Caverns of Sonora, made the suggestion to include the international organization, which meets every two years. She also stated that the Caverns of Sonora are among the top caves of the world and are very significant. "I don't know how any NCA meeting could follow this," said Gurnee.

Ten countries were represented to include France, South Africa, Italy, Barbados - West Indies, China, Sweden, Slovenia, England, Puerto Rico, and all the United States.

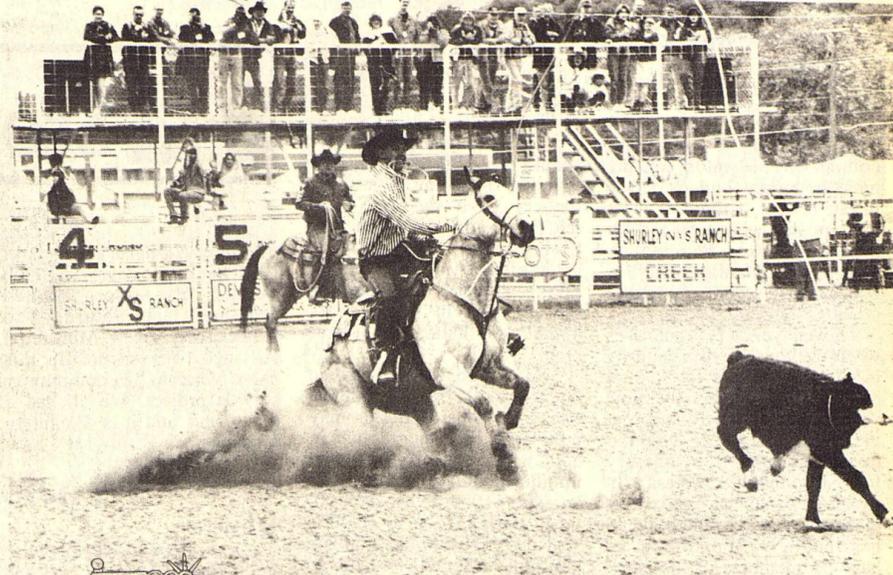
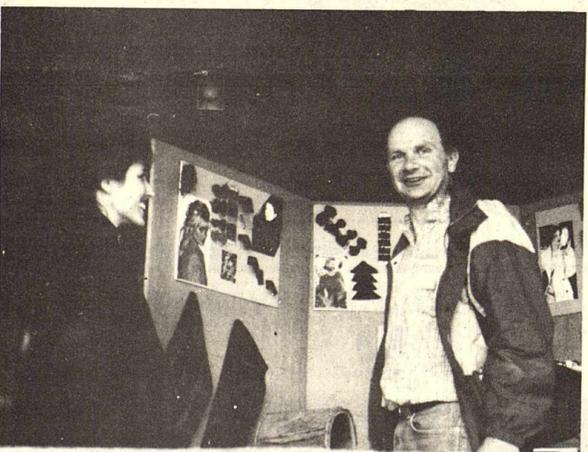
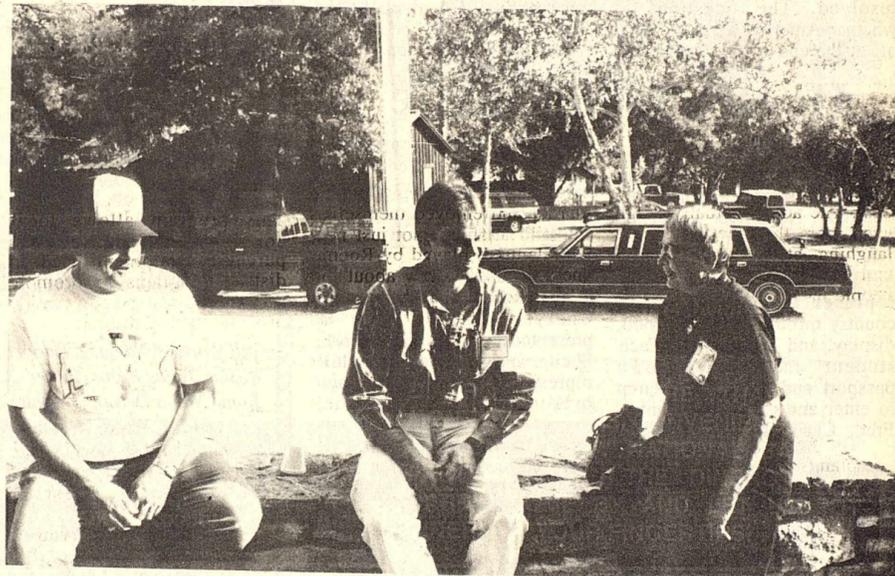
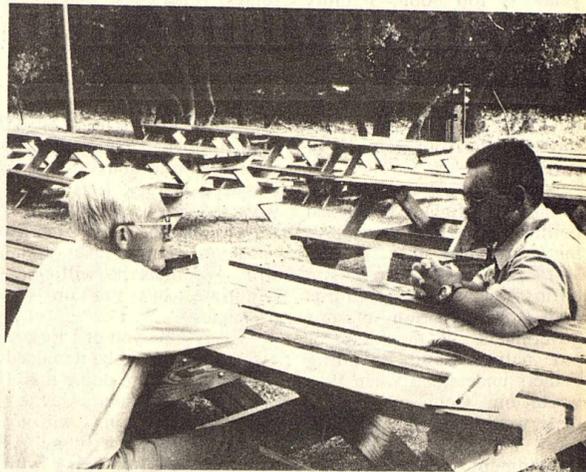
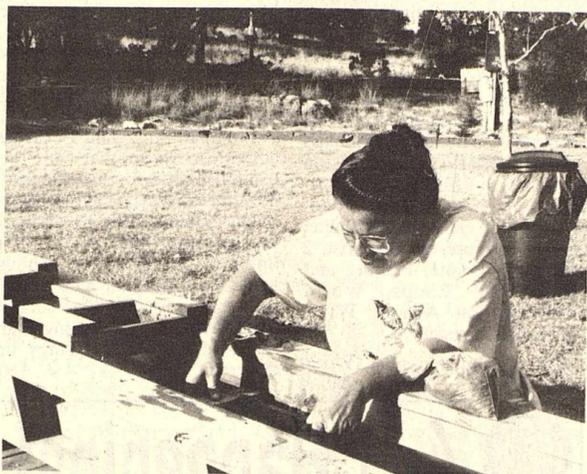


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# Seven Years

by Congressman Henry Bonilla

Thanksgiving is just a few days away, and as I write this column in the midst of the most important budget debate in our history, I think of what the outcome will mean for our families. I have in mind an image of Thanksgiving in 2002 -- just seven years from now.

Seven years from now is when the conservative majority in Congress wants the federal budget balanced. By the time you read this, we will have sent the President a bill to keep the government temporarily funded. In that bill, we ask him to agree to balance the budget in seven years, something he has publicly supported. So have 55 members of his party who voted for our bill.

But the President says he will veto the bill because seven years is too soon. I think anything more than seven years will be too late. The more time we wait, the bigger the problem will get.

So we have come to what this debate is really about: the future of the United States of America.

The national media seem to think this fight is a childish political game, but they have missed the real story. The real story is the two opposite philosophies locking horns over the direction of our government and the future of our nation. Our Founding Fathers understood when they wrote our Constitution that there would be days like this. They set up a system of government where serious issues would be debated and resolved. The question is whether America will be better off at the end of this debate. If

we fail to address the legacy of debt we have saddled on our children, America will lose.

This Thanksgiving we should be thankful for the system that our Founding Fathers gave us. We must reaffirm our faith in the Constitution and in our principles. And we should think of what Thanksgiving will be like in seven years under our balanced budget plan.

For example, a balanced budget would reduce interest rates by two percent. That may not seem like much, but in 2002 it will mean that low- and middle-income families save an extra \$1000 a year on a 30-year mortgage, save \$900 a year on a \$15,000 car loan and pay almost \$1,400 less for an \$11,000 college loan. By 2012, a balanced budget will create jobs for 6.1 million of our fellow Americans, making it easier for them to provide Thanksgiving dinner for their families.

The network newscasters can fret about a government shut-down all they want. We in Texas know better. This is a decisive moment in our country's history. It is a time when those of us who were sent to Washington to get America back on course must stand firm. We must be willing to negotiate, but not on our principles.

Every time you or I look at a child, we should be reminded about why we are doing this. I have my two reasons at home - Alicia and Austin. I will not negotiate away their future. As I look forward to being with them this Thanksgiving, I also think about how much better Thanksgiving will be for all Americans in just seven years.

## Homeschool Update

submitted

Sonora-Ozona Home School Association met Saturday, November 11, at the Hemphill ranch. An International Food Fair was held with each family representing a different country through costume, food, display, and information. Each student made their own passport and received a stamp to enter and exit each country. Fred, Carla, Luke, Jake, and

Tate McDougal represented Swedish Vikings. Ted, Gayle, Jared, and Chelsea Spence invited their grandparents from Midland to help them present Switzerland. Clay, Kristen, Clayton, and Audrey Hicks represented France. Patti and Cheryl Strauch gave a presentation on Mexico. Mark, Sheila, and Coleman Hemphill represented Israel. After each presentation was made, everyone enjoyed delicious dishes from each country.

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## The Scout Report

### Boy Scouts

by Kathy Hardgrave

The Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts of Sonora joined together last Saturday to collect food for the Ministerial Alliance. The scouts do this each year as a community service project. We all had a great time, and it is absolutely overwhelming to see how

generous everyone is. The food that is collected is used for the Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets, as well as the food banks for the needy that pass through town. The scouts would like to say "Thank you" to the community of Sonora.

### Webelos Scouts

submitted

The fifth grade Webelos are preparing to cross over and become Boy Scouts in February '96. With this in mind, they have been trying to earn as many activity badges as possible. The following are to be awarded this month: Jarred Parks-Sportsman,

Outdoorsman, Geologist, Athlete, Engineer, Forester, Naturalist, Scientist, 2 Compass Points, World Conservation Award; Shane Benson-Outdoorsman, Sportsman, Naturalist, Geologist, Athlete, Engineer, Forester, Scientist, 2 Compass Points, Fishing and Golf Belt Loops, World Conservation Award; Wylie Wagoner-Forester,

Outdoorsman, Scientist, World Conservation Award; Adam

Hadsall-Forester, Scientist, World Conservation Award, Fishing and Swimming Belt Loops.

These scouts have been busy in the outdoors. The fourth weekend in October, they camped out about a hundred yards from the Pecos River. This trip included setting up camp, outdoor cooking, fishing, hiking, and forestry activities. On another camping trip during the first weekend of November, they joined the Boy Scouts at the Devil's River State Park. Camp was set up five miles from the river, which made for a difficult hike of ten miles round trip. The scouts tried their luck at fishing and explored the fresh springs in the area.

## 4-H Happenings

by Bryce Williams

The 4-H held their monthly meeting at the 4-H Center on November 13. Ben Taylor gave a very interesting program on the Bobwhite Quail Brigade. The special program informed many on how they

may participate in this event. The next meeting will be on December 11 when the 4-Hers will go Christmas caroling. Members are reminded to bring canned goods for the 4-H Food Drive.

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## TxDOT To Host I-27 Meeting

submitted

The Texas Department of Transportation is hosting an open house and public meeting on December 11 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. The open house will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The formal meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the TxDOT Route Study to connect Interstate 27 in Lubbock to Interstate 10 and

also connect Interstate 27 in Amarillo with the Texas state line to the north. The study team will present the analysis process for corridor feasibility and the results of the process. A recommendation for either a single "freeway" or three "highways" south of Lubbock and either a single "freeway" or two "highways" north of Amarillo will be presented.

A group of Sonora citizens will attend the meeting.

## Students Tour DC-3



1st & 2nd graders tour 1939 DC-3

Mrs. Lopez 1st and 2nd grade class toured the local airport Friday, November 17th. Managers, Tony and Mary Ellen Lane arranged for the students to tour the inside of a 1939 Vintage DC 3 airplane.

The plane belongs to Rowen Drilling Company from

Houston. The plane flew in several hunters into Sonora.

Clifford Brister accompanied the students inside the plane. The pilots that flew the plane were Rick Sharpe and Al Maxwell.

A good time was had by all the students.

## 2nd Annual Cowboy Christmas Light Promenade

November 30

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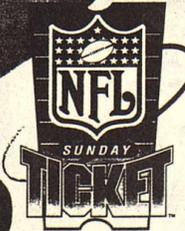
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# SPOTLIGHT ON EDUCATION



unusually high stress factor. While a graduate student at Baylor University, he taught theater appreciation as a teaching assistant. His students numbered up to 250 per section, a real tribute to either his subject or his teaching--and without doubt, to his personality.

Ron's acting career began early, as a little boy at his grandmother's house after Sunday dinner. He would provide entertainment to all the family as they rested and digested. The ideal forte for a natural comedian to hone his talents. And hone them he did!

While in college at San Marcos, he appeared in "Hair," "Begger," "Midsummer Night's Dream," and "West Side Story," among others, often using his pleasant baritone voice to enhance the production. Ron's favorite part was Henry Higgins in "My Fair Lady," a part he played while in graduate school.

Since coming to Sonora from Odessa, Ron has staged Neil Simon's comedy "Rumors" with great success. He has already selected his one-act play for next spring, always keeping in mind his talent base in the Department of Speech and Drama.

Ron thoroughly approves of Sonora, both the community and the school system. He likes the "mind set," the talent base, and the enthusiasm here. We like the very same things in him, and wish him a long and successful career.

submitted

The 1995-96 academic year at Sonora High School has seen the end of one highly successful era in dramatic arts, and the beginning of another under the guidance of Ron Watson, a natural performer in his own right, and one who is equally qualified in both directing and set and costume design.

Born in Pasadena, Texas, Ron graduated in 1987 from Southwest Texas University in San Marcos. At that time, his interest lay as much in the area of restoration architecture as it did in dramatic arts, but his natural histrionic talent led him down the theatrical path, as it were. A fortunate happening for Sonora.

To a large extent, Watson worked his way through college in a variety of jobs, from pharmacy clerk to working in a psychiatric hospital in the Austin area for several years, which he refers to as interesting, but with an

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The 4th quarter was a lot more of the same seen by Bronco fans in the 3rd quarter. The Broncos, while aggressive on defense and forcing turnovers against an Ozona team trying to play catch-up, was consistent and confident as they ran their offensive scheme against a frustrated Lion defense, which surrendered 19 points to the Broncos in the 4th quarter. The Lions also scored well in the 4th (14 points), but the Broncos were able to increase their margin of victory and pull away to a very entertaining 51-40 win.

Game totals for the Broncos were as follows: Harrelson, 8; Hudman, 11; Barker, 6; House, 4; Dempsey, 11; Burnham, 10; Jones, 1. Sonora begins the season 1-0 with this come-from-behind win, and Coach Harrelson and his players are to be congratulated for their hard work in preparing for their season opener. Check next week's paper for information about the Broncos' home opener, and come out to support the Bronco hoopsters.

## Broncos Sweep Lions

Submitted

The debut of the new Bronco Basketball program was a complete success with the Freshman, Junior Varsity and Varsity Bronco Basketball teams proving to have too much height and depth for the Ozona Lions to compete with, as all 3 squads were able to come away with convincing wins.

The Freshman with a score of 36 - 27; Junior Varsity, 71 - 27; and the Varsity with 51 - 40.

The coaches, Scott Harrelson for the Varsity, Steve Heryford for the Junior-Varsity and Alex Zertuche for the Freshman, were very pleased with the boys' performances. "There is still room for improvement, but after just one week of practice for most of the players, they played very well," commented Coach Harrelson. He also added that the boys have responded very well to his expectations and desires and that he is looking forward to an exciting season.

In the Junior-Varsity game, the Broncos were led by Fernie Emiliano with 14 points, Brad Legan with 13 points, and Kris Wood with 9 points. With the team composed of 10 members, it was hard to tell when a substitution was made due to the fact that the Junior-Varsity has such great depth and each player worked well with each other. All ten players contributed with points and great hustle. Their next 2 games are also on the road against Mason and Water Valley, with their first home game being against Iraan on Nov. 28th, at 6:00 p.m. Be sure and come out and show your support for the Broncos.

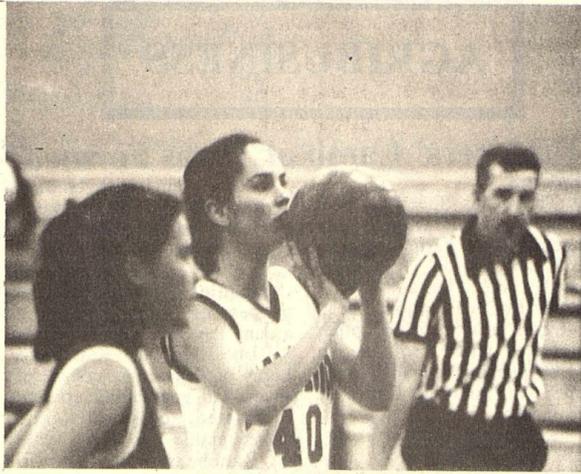
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Erica Kerbow attempts free-throw

## Lady Broncos Host Eldorado

Lady Broncos' home opener spoiled by quick Lady Eagles

submitted

The Eldorado Lady Eagles came to Sonora ready to play last Tuesday night, and they put on a clinic about how to play inside-outside basketball. Passing the ball effectively inside, shooting accurately from the outside, and rebounding well all night, the Lady Eagles were just more than the Lady Broncos could handle, particularly when the Lady Broncos were missing two starters, Camille Marshall and Jesse Crain, who did not play due to injury.

The 1st quarter was a preview of what would happen to the Lady Broncos all night. While Pam Jones, Erica Kerbow, Becca Chalk, Laura Purvis and Kelly Harrelson, the Lady Bronco starting 5, worked hard to get the ball down the court quickly to avoid the Lady Eagles half-court trapping defense, the Lady Eagles were able to pounce on Bronco miscues and jump out to a substantial lead. Kerbow scored 4 points in the initial quarter to lead the Lady Broncos, and Jones, the point guard for the Lady Broncos, struggled and hustled all night against the trapping Lady Eagles.

The Lady Broncos began to substitute as the 2nd quarter started, and one of the substitutions, Stephanie Daniels, had a great night rebounding the ball. The Bronco offense, buoyed by the substitutions, scored 11 points in the 2nd quarter, led by Jones with 5 points, Kerbow with 3, Harrelson with 2, and Daniels with 1 point. Kerbow grabbed three rebounds during the quarter, Daniels 2, and the Lady Broncos looked as if they had found the combination they would need to compete effectively against Eldorado.

The new combination of players for the Lady Broncos didn't turn out to be quite as effective after halftime, however, as the Sonora offense could manage only three points during a quarter that saw the Lady Eagles score 22, and effectively bring the game to close. While Lady Broncos Daniels, Kerbow, Jones, and Chalk continued to work hard getting rebounds and pushing the ball up the court, the ball simply would not fall for Bronco shooters.

Totals for the night were as follows: Kerbow, 13 points; Daniels, 5 (8 rebounds.); Jones, 5; Harrelson, 7. The Lady Eagles are a perennial playoff contender and were a tough opener for the Lady Broncos. Come out to Sonora High School as the Broncos attempt to improve their season record and prepare for district play. Watch for information about the Lady Broncos next home game in next week's Devil's River News, and come out to support the Lady Broncos.

# BRONCO BAND NOTES

By Stacey Key

Hi again! The band is working hard to get ready for the Christmas Concert on December 14. We would like to invite everyone to come see the band perform all your favorite Christmas carols before school lets out for Christmas vacation.

The band would also like to congratulate all the students who placed in the All-District Band Tryouts last weekend. Those placing were Amy Massey, Stefany Davenport, Camille Marshall, Kristie Wallace, Shauna Nitsch, Crystal Martin, Michael

Castilleja, Sheryl Robertson, Dustin Harris, Dustin Dillard, Erin Payton, Jason Arredondo, Raymond Hubble, and Drew Dempsey. Congrats guys and girls on a job well done!! "We all practiced very hard, and it really showed in our performance," says senior trumpet player Sheryl Robertson. All-Region Band Tryouts will be held in Ballinger on December 9 for any high school band students who wish to try out.



# Band Student of the Week



The Band Student of the Week is Quirina Perez. She is the daughter of Ramiro and Rosemary Perez. Quirina is a Sophomore and plays the Clarinet in the Mighty Bronco Band.

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"Beef quality excellence in Texas is a reachable goal" says Terry Stokes, TBC interim executive vice president. "Texas can lead the nation's move toward a higher quality, more consistent beef product. Producers just need access to the information that allows them to make necessary changes. Technology presently available allows producers to receive that information via satellite so they never have to leave their home or place of business to attend a symposium."

Producers who own or lease a satellite dish can view the program on C-band by tuning in Telstar 303, Channel 10 (T3, 10). Others can view the program at their county Farm Bureau office on the K-band (Telstar 401, Transponder 11) or at their district TAEX office. Producers should call their local county Farm Bureau office to inquire about seating availability. In addition, Superior Livestock Auction, Inc., will broadcast the program throughout the U.S., Canada and Mexico on the C-band.

Speakers will discuss the findings of the National Beef Quality Audit, a nation-wide industry analysis that interviewed producers, packers, retailers and restaurant operators. It found the industry was losing \$280 per head because of misdirected production practices and selection of poor genetics that

lead to overly fat fed animals. The distance learning program will show producers how to amend those production practices, how to hit the target with quality and yield grades through genetic selection, and how to add value to calves destined for the auction or feedlot.

"This program has been repeated in various sites around Texas 25 times in the last two years," says Richard Wortham, TBC vice president of industry relations and a coordinator of the distance learning project. "We've reached more than 8,000 producers with this information. Yet this satellite transmission allows us to vastly expand those numbers."

The program will allow for interaction between cattlemen and feeders and industry experts. A toll-free 800 number will be flashed periodically across the television screen. Producers who have questions as they watch the program will be able to call the number and get answers from TAEX livestock specialists.

"The program will directly address inconsistencies, non-conformities and the need to capture some of the \$280 per head reported lost in the audit," Wortham says. "For this to happen, changes have to be made on a wide scale in Texas and the nation. But the decision to initiate change has to be made by each individual. Satellite technology allows the industry to get this information to more beef producers in a more rapid period of time. Each individual who hears that information can then make up his or her mind about what changes must be made on an individual herd basis."

For more information on the project, contact Richard Wortham at (512) 335-2333 or Dr. Dan Hale, TAEX meats specialist, (409) 845-0435.

### Pesticide Applicators Sessions

Preston Faris, Sutton County Extension Agent for Agriculture has announced the following opportunities for certified or licensed private pesticide applicators to acquire continuing education units necessary to renew their documents. The closest session known at this time will be at Eldorado on November 28, 1995. This session will include 6 hours of CEU's and the contact person for information is Jerry Swift, CEA at 853-2132. Other sessions include:

November 28, 1995-Bandera, Texas. 6.00 credits with 1 in IPM and 2 in L & R.

Cost is \$10 and the contact person is Warren Thigpen at (210) 796-7755.

November 26, 1995-Johnson City, Texas. 8.00 credits with credits in IPM and L & R. Some cost and the contact person is Tommy

Kezar with CTN Educational Services at (512) 288-8288.

December 6-7, 1995-Fredericksburg, Texas. Up to 15 credits sponsored by CTN Educational Services (512) 288-8288.

December 13-14, 1995-San Angelo, Texas. Coyotes in Texas Symposium with 12 credits (4 PM, 8 General) for \$50. Contact Dale Rollins at 653-4576.

Faris has stated that there are no plans for additional credits to be offered in Sonora before the end of the year. He strongly encourages applicators to take advantage of these opportunities which are offered so close to home. Faris also stated that he will try to keep a list of available opportunities at his office and will publicize them as new opportunities become available.

### Ranchers' Lamb of Texas Formed

submitted

The Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association today announced the formation of a new corporation, Ranchers' Lamb of Texas. This corporation will allow sheep and goat producers and other interested parties to take an active role in the value-added processing and the future of the industry.

Ranchers' Lamb of Texas, Inc. will construct a new 23,000 square foot sheep and goat packing facility 3 miles east of San Angelo on Hwy. 380 adjacent to the city of San Angelo waste water treatment plant. The expected ground breaking is in early 1996 with planned opening date around mid-August to early September, 1996.

This plant will employ approximately 55-60 workers, staff and administration. The plant opening will also provide additional jobs in support companies including pelt processing and rendering around the San Angelo area.

Investors in Rancher's Lamb of Texas, Inc. consist of sheep and goat producers and interested corporate and private entities.

Ranchers' Lamb will process approximately 8,000 lambs per week and approximately 1,500 goats per week. This plant will incorporate the latest in U.S., European, Australian and New Zealand technology and will meet USDA and international health and safety standards.

### The Round-Up

#### WOOL & MOHAIR STATUS DATE

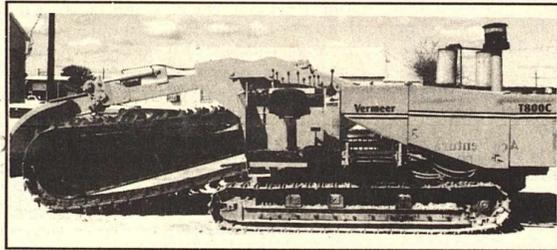
Each and every year all wool and mohair producers must file payment eligibility and highly erodible land paperwork to qualify for eligibility to receive incentive payments. This year is no different. Payment limits and highly erodible land paperwork is due in the FSA office. This only takes a few minutes of your time at your local FSA office.

#### WOOL & MOHAIR INCENTIVE

Please keep turning in sales documents on wool, unshorn lambs, and mohair. Sales documents must be turned in to the FSA office by January 31, 1996. Prepare head counts, grading charges, freight charges, and shearing dates. Sales documents can not be entered without this information.

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### Market Report

The Junction Stockyards sold 260 head of cattle Friday, November 10. Light choice steers and medium weight heifers selling \$2 to \$3 higher. Choice heavy steers sold steady to \$1 higher. Heavy heifers and light heifers sold steady. Slaughter cows and bulls brought mostly \$1 to \$1.50 higher. Stocker cows were in fair demand.

The Stockyards sold 5,741 head of goats and sheep

Monday, November 13. Slaughter ewes and bucks sold steady; slaughter lambs were not tested. Slaughter Angora nannies and mutton sold steady. Fat kids and yearlings sold rarely steady. Spanish kids sold steady except kids under 35 pounds were \$2 higher. Spanish nannies, mutton, and billies sold \$3 to \$5 lower. Stocker Angora nannies and mutton \$2 to \$4 higher; kids steady.

### Private Property Rights Victory

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In a major private property rights victory, State District Judge Mickey Pennington ruled that legislation giving the Edwards Aquifer Authority power to limit pumping from the Edwards Aquifer violates the Texas Constitution.

In August, TSCRA intervened in the lawsuit filed in the 38th Judicial District Court in Medina County by the Medina County Underground Water Conservation District. The association joined the lawsuit to protect the property rights of members who need to pump groundwater from the aquifer.

TSCRA's attorney, Ed Small of the Austin law firm Small, Craig & Werkentin, played a major role in the trial.

TSCRA claimed that Senate Bill 1477, passed by the Texas Legislature in 1993,

limits for the first time the amount of water which can be drawn from the aquifer through a program to be administered by the Edwards Aquifer Authority. The law, created in response to a ruling by Senior U.S. District Judge Lucius D. Bunton III in Midland, also replaced the Edwards-Underground-Water Conservation District.

The suit asserted that the Texas legislature, in passing SB 1477, created an unconstitutional law, and the seating of the board would cause aquifer users to suffer irreparable damage.

Small says Judge Pennington found the legislation creating the Edwards Aquifer Authority unconstitutional for several reasons, and one of those reasons was that it took away private property owners' right to capture water under their land. Small says this is a major statewide victory for private property owners and for their historic right to recapture underground water.

Chance O. Thompson Jr., TSCRA president from Breckenridge, Texas, says, "Landowners throughout Texas can applaud Judge Pennington's decision as a reaffirmation of their rights to the water beneath their land."

"We will have to continue to seek solutions to the water shortage problem, but we need a solution that doesn't take away property rights in such a drastic way," says Small.

In another positive action for property owners, the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals recently blocked Judge Bunton from issuing an order that would have imposed federal control over the aquifer.

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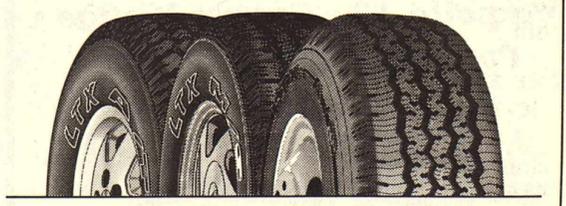
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# Valliant Effort

by Martha Valliant McLain

It's a boy! Arthur and Lori Powell Uhl of San Antonio are the proud parents of a son, Scott Arthur Uhl. He was welcomed home by his brother James, age 3, and his sister Elizabeth, age 2. Scott is the grandson of Jimmy and Nancy Hunt Powell of Ft. Mckavett.

Happy Birthday to Wanda Neville. She gets younger with every birthday.

Jan Keng was in town briefly last week and reports that Martha Keng is out of rehab and back at her apartment at the Madison. She is recovering well from her back surgery, but she still is not free from pain. We are all thinking of you Martha, and we hope you will feel better soon.

Margaret Galbreath has a house guest this week who will be known to many of our long time residents, Mary Sue Blanton Weber is visiting from Tallahassee, Florida. She was the daughter of Dr. Blanton, and grew up in Sonora. Margaret and Mary Sue were also college chums at Southwestern University in San Marcus. Mary Sue rode the train from Florida to Del Rio, where Margaret met her. Her childhood home was the house that we remember as Mary Earwood's home. The Earwood family bought the home from Dr. Blanton. It is now owned by the First Baptist Church in Sonora. She will be in Sonora until after Thanksgiving and hopes that she will have an opportunity to see many old friends.

Our sympathies are with the Dietz family during this time of sorrow.

Bobby Thompson is still in San Angelo in the hospital. We are hoping that she will soon be feeling better. We hear that she returns home she will be facing trips to San Angelo 3 days a week for treatment.

All reports from Lubbock indicate that Mike Villinueva is doing well. He will have a long recovery from his burns, but he is expected to recover and be ok. We hope the time passes quickly and he will be well soon.

Bridge club was last Tues. at Cynthia Ward's home in the country. Two tables of bridge met, and Gloria Kerbow was a guest. Cynthia served cranberry-pecan pies. I hear that they were delicious.

If you are interested in Christmas Collectables, Shirley Burns is selling some lovely items. Let her know if you are interested.

The Cave Association met in Sonora for their convention, and Ol' Sonora Trading Company had a mohair style show for the visitors. The event was at the rodeo grounds, and models were Arit Wireman, Honey Hicks, Jane Rushing, Kelly Owen, Charlene Terry, and Carol Mayfield. Janelle sparks and Cindy Hayes were in Midland last Tuesday spreading the word about mohair. The two did a style show for the Landman's Association Auxiliary at the Ranchland Hills Country Club. It is great to get the word to people that mohair is the fabric of fashion.

We will be home for Thanksgiving. Dean's play opened last Fri., and the audience loved it. It's the kind of show where the show is stopped often with laughter and applause. It was very successful and very funny. It's a clever British farce with lots of action, doors slamming, people walking on window ledges, men dressed as women, characters with bed pans on their heads, seltzer bottles, a wild "hippy", and some very stuffy funny characters. The audiences are having a good time. It's a bit corny, but it is also a good laugh.

Drew and Lisa Wallace with baby Grace, are now officially moved to San Angelo, and Dr. Drew will be in full swing with his practice on Dec. 1. I'm sure that he will be seeing many Sonora faces in his office soon.

Cindy Hayes and her boys will be meeting Kenneth at his family's home in Del Rio for Thanksgiving. It will be a great treat; Kenneth's mother is a wonderful cook. Janelle and Randy Sparks will be spending Thanksgiving in Wall with her parents and brothers and sisters.

The Wards will have a house full, as the Holder family will be home along with Cathy Ball's and Gus Ward's families. Mae Ward is up on her crutches, but she is mending nicely. She does best walking, but she still does not sit too well. Her house guest Louise Briggs left last week for home in Maine.

First Baptist Church had their annual Thanksgiving Dinner with around 100 people attending. The menu was turkey and dressing with all of the traditional trimmings.

Congratulations to the boys last week for their win over Ozona. The girls had bad luck at Wall, but Wall is tough to beat. I keep hearing how great our team looks, both on and off the court. It seems that if you are dressed well you can have pride in yourself. It seems to be a factor in a winning spirit. Congratulations to our coach for recognizing that need in our young people.

Various groups are making plans to head for Christmas at Old Fort Concho. The event seems to grow yearly and challenges the groups to decorate with natural items. Only natural items that might have been used in the early days are acceptable. There will be lots of cedar cut to be used for decorations. All of you with hayfever and a cedar allergy will have to go through the exhibits rapidly. The natural greenery is always prettier than the artificial. It is one of the things that makes Christmas at old Fort Concho special.

I had many comments last week from people about the story that I shared in my column. I have documented proof now that it happened in Arkansas and New Orleans: both places at the same time. What a coincidence! People, who know people, who know people, are sure that it happened. A few details are different in my

story, the Ark. version, and the New Orleans one. The only thing that is the same is that everyone is convinced that it really happened to someone that they know. It does seem to be something that could have happened. This story brought the most response of almost any column that I have written.

If this story is in fact an "urban myth", then maybe you would like to hear an old story that I think is also an "urban myth". I heard this story years ago, but I remember that I truly believed that it happened, True or false, most "urban myths" are good stories.

A man was stalled by the side of the road. A woman stopped to help. (You can tell that this is an old story because today no woman would be brave enough to stop to help.) The man said, "Mam, I need a push to start my car. Do you think that you could help me?" The woman said, "I have never pushed a car before, but I will try." The man thanked her and said, "I hope that you understand that with my car, you have to push it at about thirty miles an hour or more to start it. Is that okay? Do you think that you can do it?"

The woman said, "Sir, I'll do my best." The man got back in his car and waited for the woman to turn around and get ready to push him. She drove down the road a ways and turned around. When he looked up again, he saw her in the rear view mirror heading toward him. He was horrified to realize that she was coming at him at about 30 mph.

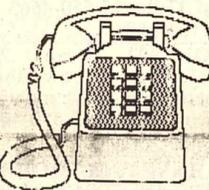
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Notice is hereby given that the Sutton County Appraisal District will receive bids for depository of the District's funds for the period commencing January 1, 1996 and ending December 31, 1997. Any banking organizations qualifying under the laws of the State of Texas as a depository of municipal funds, may submit a written application, sealed and marked on the outside "Application for Depository". Such application shall be received in the Office of the Appraisal District. Attn: Norm Rousselot, Chairman of the Board, at 300 East Oak St., Sonora, Texas 76950. Bids will be opened at 3 p.m., December 12, 1995, at the district's regular meeting in the conference room of the County Annex Building. The Directors have the right to accept or reject any or all applications.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The 1996 FSA Committee Elections are to be held by December 4, 1995. Ballots were mailed by November 24, 1995, the week of Thanksgiving. There are 5 candidates on each ballot, and each eligible voter is to vote for 3 of those candidates and return the ballot to the Sutton County FSA at 216 E. Main, Sonora, Texas, by December 4, 1995. The three candidates receiving the most votes will be our new FSA Committee beginning in January.

The candidates nominated are all currently engaged in the operation of a farm or ranch. The duties of County FSA Committee member include:

- informing farmers/ranchers of the purpose and provisions of the FSA programs.
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- recommending needed changes in farm programs.
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Bids must be received by December 4, 1995.

The Sutton County Undergound Water Conservation District's Board of Directors shall have the right to accept the application which offers the most favorable terms and conditions for handling of the District's

funds and shall have the right to reject any or all applications and to waive informalities.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notification is hereby given by First National Bank, 102 North Main, Sonora, Texas, that an application was filed with the Comptroller of the Currency, Southwestern District, 1600 Lincoln Plaza, 500 North Akard, Dallas, Texas 75201-3394, on November 17, 1995, as specified in 12 CFR 5.31 for permission to establish two Customer-Bank Communication Terminal (CBCT) branches at 903 North Crockett Avenue, Sutton County, Sonora, Texas and 8618 Terminal Circle, Tom Green County, San Angelo, Texas.

Any person wishing to submit comments on this application may file comments in writing with the Deputy Comptroller, Southwestern District, at the above address within 10 days after the date of this publication. The nonconfidential portions of the application are on file with the Deputy Comptroller as part of the public. This file is available for public inspection during regular business hours.

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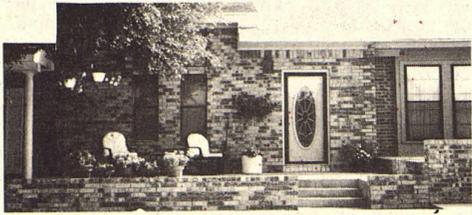
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## EMPLOYMENT

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Halliburton Energy Services, a leading oil field services company, needs experienced equipment operators for the Sonora and San Angelo, Texas locations. Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED, be at least 21 years of age, have a commercial drivers license (CDL), have a good driving record, be able to pass a pre-employment physical and drug screen. Applicant should also have one year+ experience in at least one of the following:  
Sonora Location  
Cement slurry mixing, stimulation fluids blending, high pressure slurry/fluid placement in oil/gas wells.  
San Angelo Location  
Oil/gas well logging, perforating, or wireline.  
Wages are commensurate with qualifications.  
Please apply in person at the Halliburton Energy Services office located at 1020 Frontage Road in Sonora, Texas, or at the San Angelo office at 3510 Ben Ficklin Rd. Applications will be accepted between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays, November 27 through December 1, and December 4 through December 8.

**EMPLOYMENT NOTICE**  
The Crockett County Community Supervision and Corrections Department is now hiring for Community Supervision Officer for Sutton County, Texas. Must have a four year bachelors degree, preferably in Criminal Justice, Sociology or Psychology. Duties include to supervise a caseload of misdemeanor and felony offenders. Officer documents in accordance with CJAD standards as well as departmental policy. Officer will also be required to work part time with juvenile offenders. Salary will be negotiable, based upon experience. Closing date is November 30, 1995. Interested applicants should send cover letter, resume and official college transcript to: Ron A. Cook/Director, PO Box 1431, Ozona, Texas 76943 or PO Box 926, Sonora, Texas 76950. Crockett/Sutton C.S. & C.D. is an Equal Employment Opportunity.

**HELP WANTED:** Sonic Drive-In. Day and evening car hops. Apply in person.  
tfn-(8-10-95)-b

**HELP WANTED:** The Sonora Livestock Auction is hiring alley help for Saturday auctions. Call Maida at 387-2501 to schedule an interview.  
tfn-(10-19-95)-b

**POSTAL JOBS:** Start \$12.08/hr. For exam and application info. call (219) 769-8301, ext. TX 798, 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m., Sunday-Friday.

**EMPLOYMENT NOTICE:** Field salesman for cellular phone service. Call 387-5465 for appointment.

## GARAGE SALES

**GARAGE SALE:** Friday, November 24 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at 1311 Tayloe. Furniture, Christmas decorations, clothing, sewing machine, and some appliances.

## AUTOMOBILES

**FOR SALE:** 1982 Oldsmobile station wagon. Mint condition, garage kept. Call 387-3759 after 5:00 p.m.  
3-(11-16-95)-b

**FOR SALE:** 1993 Cadillac Sedan Deville. Medium gray-immaculate- 41,000 miles. Call JoAnn at First National Bank, 915-387-3861.  
tfn(11-23-95)b

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**EMPLOYMENT:** San Angelo Standard Times is seeking mature individual to deliver the San Angelo Times in Sonora. Must like working early morning hours. Must be bondable. Make approximately \$1100 monthly. Call before 5 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Must reside in Sonora. 1-800-588-1884, ext. 291.  
6-(10-26-95)-b

**EMPLOYMENT NOTICE:** Hudspeth Nursing Home is accepting applications for nurses aide. Certification preferred, but will train if necessary. Contact Wanda Van Hoozer RN, DON, at 387-2521. EOE  
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## FOR RENT

**FOR RENT:** Small furnished house. No children please. Call 915-387-5279.  
1-(11-23-95)-p

## WANTED

**WANT TO PURCHASE:** Mineral rights and other oil/gas interest. Send details to P.O. Box 13557, Denver CO 80201.  
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