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Thursday, September 19, 1996

The DRN Briefs

Girl Scout Registration

A Girl Scout Registration meeting will be held on Thursday Sept. 19, 1996 at 6:00 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church Hall. Please come join us as we begin our new Girl Scout year! All girls Kindergarten thru 12th grade welcome.

Social Security Bulletin

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his September visit to Sonora. He will be at the County Courthouse from 9:30-10:30 on September 24. Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at the time.

Grief Support Group Discontinued

The Grief Support Group which has been held every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at the Methodist Church will be discontinued. Those who are having problems dealing with grief issues or who have questions are encouraged to call Dale Kennemer @ 1-800-396-5558. Mr. Kennemer is a counselor with Samaritan Pastoral Counseling Center and is in Sonora every Tuesday to meet with anyone who might need his help. You are also invited to call Rev. Ron Myers @ 387-2466 if you have questions.

4-H Enrollment

Please enroll for the current year at the Extension Office on weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Only those with current enrollment will be receiving the 4-H newsletters. 4-H offers youth the opportunity to experience many project areas such as foods & nutrition, shooting sports, livestock, citizenship, and several others. For more information, call 387-3101.

Halloween Dance Club

The Halloween Dance Club will be meeting Sept. 25th at 7:00 p.m. at the Sutton National Bank. All members are urged to attend.

Hunters Safety Course

Course to be held Sept. 21 from 1-7 and Sept. 22 from 8-12 in Eldorado at the Memorial Building behind the courthouse. Persons born after Sept. 2, 1971 cannot legally hunt without this course. Children under 17 must have parent sign release form. Social Security number needed to register. Cost is \$10 per person.

SWCD Election

Edwards Plateau Soil & Water Conservation District election for zone 4 director will be October 9, 1996 at 8:00 a.m. at 301 Crockett in Sonora.

Dee Ora Lodge Meeting

The Dee Ora Lodge #715 in Sonora would like to invite all Masons to attend their two-day Masonic Camp Meeting to be held on the L.P. Bloodworth Ranch fourteen miles down Caverns Road. It will begin at 4:30 p.m. October 4th when the chuck wagon arrives at Masonic Canyon. Degrees will be conferred after study sessions. All meals will be furnished "Chuck Wagon" style. Bring your camper, your tent, or your sleeping bag and enjoy a week-end of Masonry. For more information, call 387-5988 or 387-3063.



Mike Moore and Troyce McKnight of Halliburton presented Bobbie Bryson with a Roger Staubach autographed football at the Sonora-Ozona football game. Also pictured are Maida Sims and Robert Bryson

Red Hosses Tame Lions

by Lewis Allen

In the annals of a neighboring county rivalry stretching back over the decades, there have been many dramatic, closely contested ball games between the Sonora Broncos and Ozona Lions. Last Friday's game was not one of those, however, as Sonora methodically shredded the Lions 38-18.

It was a plain, old fashioned country whuppin' that the Lions probably wish had happened behind a woodshed instead of before the crowd at Bronco Stadium. The Lions padded their stats and made the score appear somewhat respectable at the expense of Sonora's reserves, but when the Bronco starters were on the field, it was a rout.

The Red Hosses took control from the outset. Justin House returned the opening kick-off to the Sonora 32. Caleb Barker hit Raymond Rainer for a 16-yard pass on the left sideline. House bulldozed over right tackle for four. Then, House took a hand-off over left tackle, dipped outside and streamed down the sidelines for 48 yards and the touchdown. Anthony Renfro's point-after kick made it 7-0 before most fans had gotten their aluminum seats warmed up.

Ozona's semi-fancy hand-off sequence on receiving the kick-off fooled no one (but they did get a lot of practice on it through the night) as Brown slipped and fell at his own 27. A first-down pass dropped incomplete, David Arevalo dragged Brown down on a quarterback option left for a loss of two, and Brad Legan stuffed the fullback over center for no gain. A desultory, high, floating punt settled at the Lion

48. Barker run-faked, rolled left, and drilled Joey Gandar crossing leftward at the 40. Gandar made the sideline and sprinted to the Lion 13. House picked up 11 around left end. Then Gandar followed a line surge over right tackle that looked like Hurricane Fran rolling up the North Carolina coast. With less than four minutes played, Renfro's kick made it 14-0.

Ozona picked up a first down on Brown's pass to Sanchez along the left sideline, but Chad Bruns, Arevalo, and Walker Wallace made jarring tackles in this series to blunt any further advance. On one quarterback option play, Arevalo knocked Brown backwards and sideways with the impact of a Tyson punch to the solar plexus.

But the Lions got a break on the punt, another high floater that stalled and drifted off Andy Mirike's fingertips. The Lions recovered at Sonora's 30. Ozona couldn't capitalize however, even with a pretty scramble by Brown, who was bounced like a pinball until Barker wrapped him up for a five yard gain.

Sonora picked up two first downs into Lion territory but an illegal procedure penalty stalled the drive. Barker punted 37 yards to the Ozona 10, where Nathan Favela's tackle jarred the ball loose, but the Lions recovered. On third down Michael McReynolds and Legan sorted out lineman 'til they got to the middle of an ugly exchange from quarterback to fullback and pretty much just tackled the whole wad at the Lion 16. Mirike fair

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Sonora J.V. Squishes Past Ozona

by Lewis Allen

If you avoid stock markets or roller coasters, you would have hated last Thursday's Sonora J.V. game played in the quagmire of Ozona stadium. It had more wild swings than a lie detector needle at a political convention. On the other hand, if you enjoy macho stuff like monster truck rallies and mud wrestling, you would have been as happy as a herd of pigs in slop-which is pretty much what the last half the game looked like. In any case, the Bronco J.V. won their second two-point victory in two road games, 8-6 over the Lions.

Turnovers dominated the game. Sonora endured nine slitherers, losing four; Ozona dropped it ten times, losing five. Each team suffered an interception (which totals to one more than all completions during the game). By the third quarter, men in the stands were thinking, "Well, a three-yard loss isn't so had. At least he held on to the ball." Women were thinking, "Thank goodness we don't have to wash uniforms like we had to for

junior high." But I digress. Sonora received the opening kickoff, bogged down on three plays and attempted to punt. But Bobby Salinas' attempt was blocked and the Lions recovered on Sonora's 21.

Three plays later, Ozona scored its only points of the game, on a fullback plunge over right tackle. The center snap was fumbled, so with 7:03 remaining in the 1st quarter, the Lions led 6-0.

Sonora lost the handle on the second play from scrimmage after the kick-off, but Jeremy Shaffer and Breg Hughes each made crucial tackles to force an Ozona punt, which splatted and came close to sticking at the Bronco 16.

Sonora's offense did stick. So far, three possessions, 15 yards, no first downs. But Salinas kicked a soggy pigskin about as far as it can go--46 yards down to the Ozona 27.

Three plays into this series, defensive halfback Anthony

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School Board Removes Negative Personnel Files of Four Teachers

The Sonora Independent School District Board of Trustees met Tuesday, September 17.

Sigler & Watson Consultants will begin the search for a superintendent to replace Charles Russell. The board plans to hire someone in mid November to begin duties January 1, 1997. The consultant recommended interviewing groups in the community to compile a profile to use as a guideline when hiring. A public forum will also be scheduled in October. More information regarding the public forum and community profile will be released at a later date.

The board awarded State Farm agent, Sam Dillard, the contract for property and fleet insurance. They also accepted the truck bid from All-American Chevrolet for \$21,418. A bus will be ordered through the state.

The trustees made a motion to pursue gaining information to write for a grant to equip the school system for Internet access. At this time, the board has no financial obligation to buy equipment.

Discussion was held regarding board member training for team building and assessment of needs as required by Senate Bill 1.

After a short recess, the board went into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters regarding teachers Martha Smith, Claudia Dempsey, Larry Jennings, and Thomas Hanson. In a phone interview, board president, Michelle Anderson, stated a motion was made by Tom Clifton, seconded by Sam David Hernandez, and unanimously approved to remove all personnel material prepared by Dr. Dennis McNaughten and/or Charles Russell during the 95-96 school year from the personnel files of these teachers. Anderson stated, "We as a board will also consider action on the removal of negative evaluations and statements prepared by Dr. McNaughten during the 95-96 school year and any other high school teachers' personnel files."

Baseball Clinic

submitted

Joe Nobles, coach of the Southern Region Little League champions and participant in the Little League World Series, will teach a baseball clinic Saturday, September 21, 1996 in Sonora.

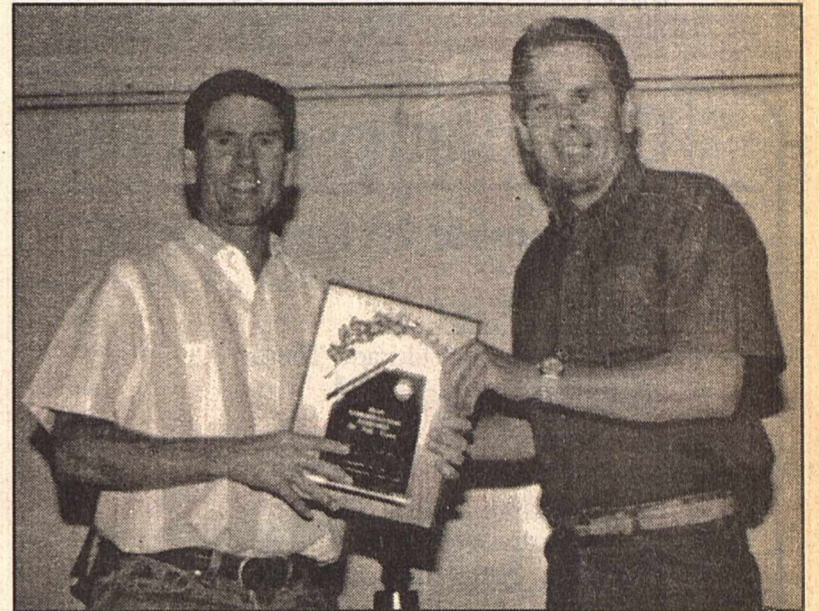
This clinic is for anyone who will play minor or major league next year.

Participants need to sign up by Friday noon at Al Elliott's office. The fee is \$15.00. The clinic for major league will be from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. The minor league session will be from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

FB Program Correction

The Devil's River News regrets the omission of the following varsity football players and businesses in last week's football program: Tanner Fields, Joey Gandar, Stephen Gandar, Justin Eaton, Richard Espinosa, Nathan Favila, Sonic, Dairy Queen, Days Inn Devil's River, Sutton County Steakhouse, Rosie's Cafe, Cattleman's Corner Cafe, Sonora Water Station, The Answering Service, Dr. Pajestka, Dr. Gutierrez, Rodeo Wild, Burlington Resources, I-10 Auto Ranch, Jimco, and Dr. Rust.

Finklea Awarded Conservation Rancher of the Year at Annual Lion's Club Auction



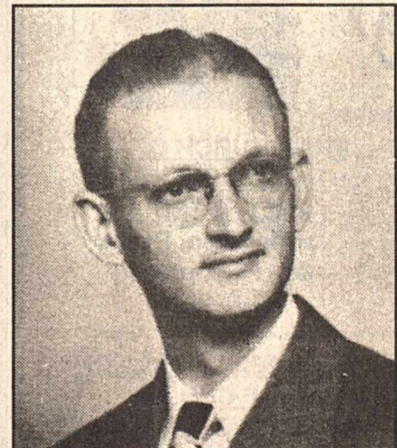
Lee Van Tucker, President Downtown Lion's Club, presents the Conservation Rancher of the Year award to Larry Finklea.

Each year the Sonora Downtown Lions' Club presents an award to the Conservation Rancher of the Year. The recipient is selected by the Edwards Plateau Soil & Water Conservation District directors based the efforts of the rancher toward conservation and wise use of the natural resources.

This year's recipient is a lifetime resident. He was active in 4-H activities including the Wool and Range teams. Since taking over ranching operations, he has continued to carry out conservation practices and management techniques taught to him by his parents and grandparents.

He operates approximately 14,500 acres in Edwards and Sutton counties, and has been a cooperater with the local Soil & Water Conservation District since 1988. He has applied many conservation practices to improve his resource base including crossfencing for better grazing distribution, prescribed burning, water development, and brush control by aerial and mechanical means. He has carried out management practices such as proper grazing use, wildlife habitat management, deferred grazing and planned grazing systems.

Do you Remember?



H. Ross Hay who taught band in Sonora from 1947 to 1951 to all grade levels. He also taught trigonometry and algebra. He and his wife, Marylu, will be coming from Van, Texas, to enjoy the memories as we honor him at Homecoming '96.



Charlotte Kavanaugh Wilson who taught all level Spanish from 1942-44, 5th grade at L.W. Elliott from 1948-50, Spanish and sophomore English, plus a couple of years of World History from 1958 to '85. Homecoming will also honor Charlotte this year who has also shared her wonderful musical talents with the citizens of Sonora through the years.

Sonora Chapter Scheduled To Host Celebration

submitted

The Legion of Mary Organization from Sonora has been chosen to host the celebration of their 75th Anniversary of its founding as an organization. The event will begin with the liturgy of the sacred word on Sunday, September 22, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Ann's Church followed by a B-B-Q lunch and reception at the Sonora Depot. Members from around the diocese are scheduled to attend.

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BIRTHDAY

September
19th
Juanita Robles
Isabel Ibarra
Pete Samaniego III
20th
Colt Riley
Lori Galindo
Rhonda Martin
Gwen Wardlaw
21st
Gabriela Duran
Phillip Onofre
22nd
Jonathan Paredes
23rd
Jared Parks
Eddie Wallace
Marty Lisa Martinez
Davis Hale
Ricky Day
Hunter Jennings

24th
Alison Montalvo
Jessie Aguilar
Ella Mae Balas
25th
Maria Gamez
Frisby Bible
Kevin Barron
Seco Mayfield
Armando Robles

Happy Anniversary

September
22nd
Trey & Jane Rushing
24th
David & Juanita Sanchez

Card of Thanks

The family of Leroy Whitworth would like to thank all those who brought food, sent cards or flowers, called or came by, or remembered us in their prayers.

We would especially like to thank the medical service providers in Sutton County, the Sutton County EMS, Dr. Pajestka, the staff of Hudspeth Hospital, Hudspeth Nursing Home and Cornerstone Home Health, for their professional and personal care. We are very lucky in Sutton County to have these dedicated health care professionals available.

Card of Thanks

The family of Wm. Donald Jones would like to express their gratitude and thanks to those who brought food, sent cards or flowers, called or came by their home. Also for the prayers. We thank them.

Due to circumstances Don's service had to be held out of town; therefore, special thanks to Rev. Jim Stephen and Betty, to Dr. Pajestka and to Cornerstone Home Health for their kind, personal, and professional care. How lucky we were to have these dedicated health care professionals available.

You are all in our prayers.

Wilma Jones, Gary Jones, and Trudy Driskell

Card of Thanks

Cam and I thank everyone for their expressions of sympathy during the loss of my father. It is comforting to know we live in such a caring community.

We send special thanks to Susie Casillas, Nikki Casillas, Katy Taylor, Brandi Bible, Martha Smith, and Lee Van Tucker for giving extra time to make sure last week's paper was printed.

Cam and Stephanie Campbell

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank the Sonora Fire Department, EMS, and the Police Department for their quick response to the Thursday morning fire at Dono Oil Company. Thanks to the Fire Department for keeping the fire under control and putting it out so fast.

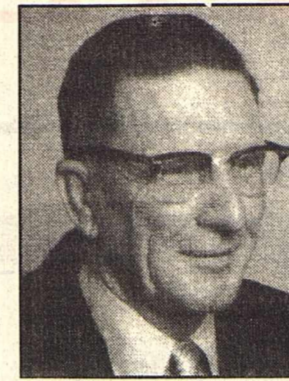
The community of Sonora is so lucky to have people who volunteer their time and risk their lives to save others. During a time like this, it may have seemed an eternity before the fire department arrived at the scene, but what we don't realize is that these volunteers are at work or at home when a call comes in. Their response was very prompt.

It was a tragedy that the life of Michael Taylor was lost in the fire and there are not enough words to express what I feel for the entire Taylor and House families. My sincere and deepest sympathy to them and may God bless all of you.

Irene Friess

Our Sympathy

William Donald Jones



William Donald Jones, 81, of Sonora, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 10, 1996, at the Kerrville Veteran's Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Graveside services for Mr. Jones was at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Odessa with the Rev. Jim Stephen officiating. Arrangements were by Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

Don Jones was born Jan. 25, 1915, in Stanton to Felix and Irene Jones. He was married to his beloved wife, Wilma Pinner, on June 18, 1942. The two shared 54 happy years together.

Don owned and operated an irrigated farm south of McCamey for 15 years. His last 25 years were spent in Sonora as an engineer for the Texas State Highway Department, retiring in 1979. He was a Lions Club member and a member of the First Baptist Church of Sonora.

His survivors include his wife, Wilma of Sonora; one son, Gary E. Jones and his wife, Cheryl, of Houston; one daughter, Trudy Driskell and her husband, Bob, of Houston; four grandchildren, Tracey, Kristin and Scott Schreiber and Marci Lewis; and two sisters, Cathryn Haren and her husband, Leland, of San Angelo, and Nettie Blake Jones of San Angelo.

Pallbearers were members of the family.

Michael James Taylor

Michael James Taylor, 23, of Sonora died Thursday, Sept. 12, 1996, in Sonora.

Funeral service was held at 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 15, at the First Baptist Church in Sonora with the Rev. Jim Stephen officiating. Burial followed in Sonora Cemetery. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

Michael was born Jan. 6, 1973, in Crystal City, Texas. He graduated from Sonora High School in 1993. He was married to Kelly House on March 18, 1994. He enjoyed his Harley-Davidson motorcycle and was an accomplished artist. He also enjoyed his work at Dono Oil Co.

He is survived by his wife, Kelly, of Sonora; one daughter, Destinee Taylor of Sonora, his father Lonnie Taylor and wife, Jennifer, of Sonora; his mother, Brenda McNeill of Sonora; one brother, Robert Taylor of Eldorado; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Christy and Charles Languell of Olympia, Wash., and Betty and Clayton Kolarik of Abilene; a nephew, Ryan Languell and a niece, Makinzee Kolarik; his paternal grandparents, Mattie McNeill of Carrizo Springs and Mr. and Mrs. Thurman McNeill of Three Rivers; his parents-in-law, Mike and Debbie House of Sonora; aunts and uncles, Sheila and Allen Taylor of Carrizo Springs and Cathy and Dennis Havrda of Corpus Christi; and numerous cousins.

Eliseo Lopez Guerra, Jr.

Services for Eliseo Lopez Guerra, 59, of Mineral Wells were held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 7, at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church with burial in the Woodland Park Cemetery in Mineral Wells. Father John Nagle will officiate with Baum-Carlock-Bumgardner Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Rosary was held at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, at the Baum-Carlock-Bumgardner Chapel.

Mr. Guerra, Jr. died Wednesday, Sept. 4, 1996, at a Fort Worth hospital. He was born in Sonora, TX on Aug. 30, 1937, to Eliseo, Sr. and Librado Lopez Guerra. He married Petra Perez on Dec. 15, 1962, at Mineral Wells. Mr. Guerra came to Mineral Wells about 1959 and was a custodian in the Mineral Wells Independent School District for 30 years. He was also a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife Petra Guerra of Mineral Wells; daughters Mary Rincon, Linda Shaffer, and Gracie Choate of Mineral Wells; son Gilbert Guerra of Mineral Wells; father Eliseo Guerra, Sr. of Sonora; eight grandchildren; brothers Antonio Guerra and Trinidad Guerra of Sonora, Valentin Guerra of Mineral Wells; sisters Carolina Roland of Fort Worth, Maggie Noriega, Cruz Herrera, Angie Rameriz, Maria Guerra and Juanita Guerra, all of Sonora, and Hilda Rivas of Junction, TX; numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Oscar Rincon, Danny Choate, Joe Guerra, Richard Shaffer, Ritchie Shaffer, and Rick Garrison.

Safely Home

*I am home in Heaven, dear ones;
Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light.
All the pain and grief is over,
Every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
Safely home in Heaven at last.
Did you wonder I so calmly
Trode the valley of the shade?
Oh! but Jesus' love illumined
Every dark and fearful glade.
And He came Himself to meet me
In that way so hard to tread;
And with Jesus' arm to lean on,*

*Could I have one doubt or
dread?
Then you must not grieve so sorely,
For I love you dearly still:
Try to look beyond earth's shadows,
Pray to trust our Father's Will.
There is work still waiting for you,
So you must not idly stand;
Do it now, while life remaineth--
You shall rest in Jesus' land.
When that work is all completed,
He will gently call you Home;
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,
Oh, the joy to see you come!*

Community Calendar

September 20-September 27

Friday, Sept. 20

8:00-Varsity vs. Eldorado-There

Saturday, Sept. 21

5:15 Delta Kappa Gamma initiation of members, middle school snack bar

Thursday Sept. 26

JV vs. Grapecreek-H 6:30

Friday Sept. 27

Act registration deadline

Friday Sept. 27

Varsity vs. Marble Falls-T 8:00

Go Broncos!

The Community Calendar is made possible by :

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102 N. Main
387-3861



Member FDIC
106 N Hwy 277
387-2593

Sonora Church Directory

NEW LIFE

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
James Lee, Pastor
306 N. 4th Street
387-2898

PRIMERA IGLESIA
BAUTISTA
504 Santa Clara
387-2035

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Tim Dobbs, Minister
304 W. Water
387-3190

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Jim Stephen, Pastor
404 NE Oak
387-2951

ST. JOHN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. J. Monte Jones, Rector
404 NE Poplar
387-2955

FIRST UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Ron Myers, Pastor
201 NW Water
387-2466

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387-2266

Sonora

LUNCH

BREAKFAST

Monday, Sept. 23
Pancake, Egg, Fruit
Tuesday, Sept. 24
Cinnamon Toast,
Oatmeal, Juice

Wednesday, Sept. 25
Pig in a Blanket (Sausage
& Biscuit), Fruit
Thursday, Sept. 26
Chorizo & Egg Burrito,
Juice

Friday, Sept. 27
French Toast, Fruit

All Meals are
served with milk.

Monday, Sept. 23
Chicken Nuggets, Mashed
Potatoes W/Gravy, Mixed
Vegetables, Chocolate
Pudding

Tuesday, Sept. 24
Hot Ham & Cheese
Sandwich, Fried Okra,
Cheese Nachos, Orange
Wedges

Wednesday, Sept. 25
Beef Tips W/ Noodles,
Calif. Blend Vegetables,
Apricots, Roll

Thursday, Sept. 26
Soft Beef Taco, Buttered
Corn, Taco Salad, Apple
Sauce

Friday, Sept. 27
Grilled Cheese Sandwich,
Vegetable Soup, Apple
Wedges, Banana Muffin

SENIOR CENTER

Calendar of Events

September 19 - Van to San Angelo!
September 20 - Nutrition Program w/ Kelly L. Thorp! Noon.
September 22 - First Day of Autumn!
September 23 - Exercise/Dance
September 24 - Blood Sugar Count by Cornerstone Home
Health program! 11-1, Bingo!
September 25 - Rehab Van-- Hearing Tests 10-3
September 26 - Crafts!!

Lunch Menu

Friday, September 20
Fried Catfish, Oven Fried Fries, Corn-Rolls,
Cauliflower/Broccoli, Ice Cream W/ Topping

Monday, September 23
Chicken Fingers W/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn on the
Cob, Rolls

Tuesday, September 24
Lemon Baked Fish, Hominy with cheese, Broccoli, Bread,
Spinach Salad, Orange

Wednesday, September 25
Beef Stew, Cauliflower, Cornbread, Banana Pudding

Thursday, September 26
Baked Pork Chop W/Gravy, Dressing, Green Beans, Rolls,
Tossed Salad, Pineapple Rings

Friday, September 27
Hamburger Pattie W/Cheese, French Fries, Lettuce,
Tomatoes, Onions, Buns, Macaroni Salad, Brownie
Guest Meals are \$4.00.

Suggested donation for Senior Citizens is \$1.75.

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Ask The Historical Society



The Savell Saloon stood between the market and barber shop on Main Street in Sonora.

by JoAnn E. Palmer, Secretary, Sutton County Historical Society

Q: Do you have a copy of the wedding announcement for Mr. George Black and Miss Zoe Martin in March of 1897?

A: Devil's River News, March 20, 1897--At 8:30 o'clock on Wednesday evening, March 10th, the nuptials of Mr. Geo. Black, of Sonora, and Miss Zoe Martin were solemnized, at St. Peter's church. (Kerrville)

The attendants were Miss Bettie Rees, maid of honor, and Mr. J. Blanks, a handsome business man of Sonora, as best man; Miss Agnes Black, of Fort McKavett and Mr. Edwin S. Martin of our city.

The bride was beautifully dressed in white silk, entrain, with veil and orange blossoms. She looked queenly entering on the arm of her handsome father who gave her away at the altar.

A number of invitations had been issued, and many of their friends had gathered to witness the ceremony.

The church was tastefully

decorated with evergreens and flowers, and the music furnished by the choir made the beautiful Episcopal ceremony impressive. Mr. Black is a very prosperous cattleman of Sonora where he has lived for a number of years, and has a host of friends. Miss Martin is one of our most beautiful belles. Her brunette loveliness is of the rarest type. Her friends are numerous and had a special cause for devotion to their "Zoe." Scarce eighteen summers have blossomed for her, yet those who know her pronounce her a womanly woman, who will ever prove to her husband his good angel.

After the ceremony, the bridal party and a number of their friends and relatives made their way to the pretty home of the bride's parents, where they partook of an elegant supper. They received a number of beautiful presents. On Thursday morning, they left for their new home in Sonora.--Kerrville paper

We found the following wedding listed in the same paper: Married at the residence of the

bride's mother, Mrs. Victoria Meirs, on Wednesday, March 17th, Theodore Savell to Miss Alma Miers, Rev. D.W. Matthews officiating. The bride-aid was Miss Annie Caruthers and the groomsman, John Hurst. The wedding was a quiet one with only a few friends being present. The happy couple left immediately after the wedding for San Angelo. The groom is a young man of good habits and one of the owners of the Sonora-San Angelo Mail and Express Line. The bride is a beautiful and vivacious daughter of Sonora with a host of friends and admirers. The Devil's River News wishes Mr. and Mrs. Savell much happiness. They will make their home in Sonora.

We also found the following article: J. K. Pierce returned last Saturday from the northern part of the county. He has been running a line from mile post 58 to the northern line of the county. This shortens the distance to Sonora by 25 miles, making the distance from Del Rio to Sonora about 90 miles, and it should be of much benefit to our trade. --Del Rio Record

Dave Ogle, the cattleman, was in Sonora Monday. He sold 25 head of yearling steers to G.W. Whitehead & Sons at \$10 a head.

O.T. Word returned from San Antonio Saturday where he bought four thoroughbred Durham bulls from F. & M. Hill at McKinney at \$100 a head.

James McLymont of Del Rio bought from Roy Bean of Langtry 220 head of muttons at \$2 a head.

Mark Cowser and Miss Mintie Raynor were married at the Episcopal church in Junction City on March 10th, Rev. A. Rooney of Sonora officiating.

Born on March 16 to Mr. and

Mrs. J.W. Smith, a 12 pound boy. Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. Hughes of the North Llano, on March 1st, a boy.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Pettigrew of the North Llano on March 11th, a boy.

Noah Rose has a Photograph Gallery opposite Mayer Bros Co., on Main Street Sonora, Texas, open between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. every day except Sunday.

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

SMS Calls For Parent/Community Volunteers

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Sonora Middle School utilizes the plentiful and varied talents of parent and community volunteers in order to enrich learning experiences for all students. Volunteers are needed to make manipulatives and hands-on materials; to assist with special events; and to copy parent newsletters, calendars, and student assignments. We also need volunteers to copy highlighted math textbooks, type, or enter data on the computer, and translate from written English to Spanish.

When classes are having special projects, many times the teacher could use a helping hand in the classroom. If becoming a community or parent volunteer sounds like something you would enjoy, please contact Mona Chadwick at Sonora Middle School, 387-5431; or stop by the office and pick up a volunteer application form.

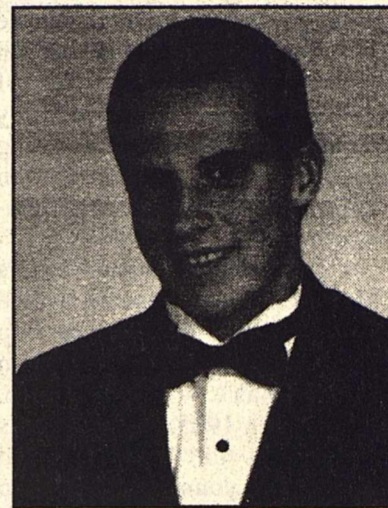
Barker/Crites Announce Engagement

John and Vickie Barker of Sonora announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Amber Barker, to Weldon Tracy Crites, Jr., son of Tracy and Jeannene Crites of Sonora.

The wedding date is New Year's Eve '97 at the Cauthorn Memorial Depot.

Michelle is a 1993 graduate of Sonora High School and is attending ASU. She plans to graduate in August 1997 with a major in English and a minor in Communications. Tracy also is a 1993 graduate of Sonora High School and is attending ASU. He plans to graduate in August 1997 with a major in Management. He then plans to attend law school in the fall. Tracy is employed by the law firm of Gossett, Harrison, Reese, Wilson, Woodward, & Millican P.C.

Brooks Receives Awards

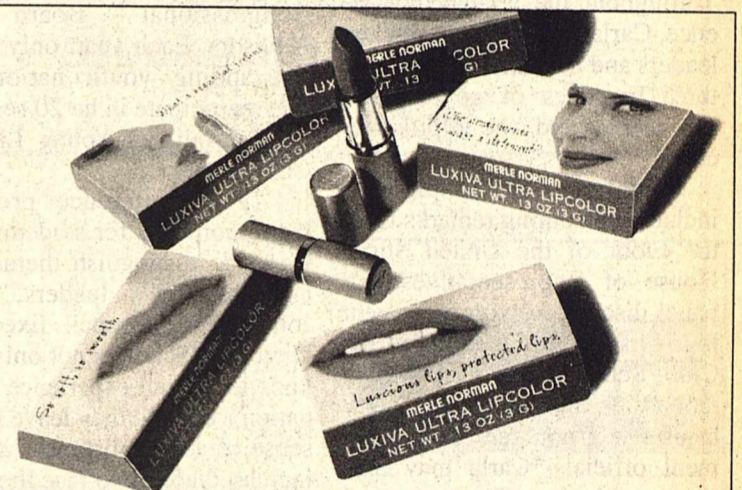


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Marcus Brooks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brooks of Waco,

has been designated as a 1996 Commendational President scholar and awarded a \$10,000 academic scholarship to Baylor University. He has also been presented a certificate for achievement from Insurers of Texas for having scored 98% on his S.A.T. exam and 99% on his A.C.T. exam.

Brooks was named by the Waco Tribune Herald to the 1995 Center All-star football team, averaging 398 yards and 28.5 points per game. He graduated from high school with a 99.8 grade point average. He is a grandson of the late Bill Morriss of Sonora and Louise Morriss of Kerrville, Texas.



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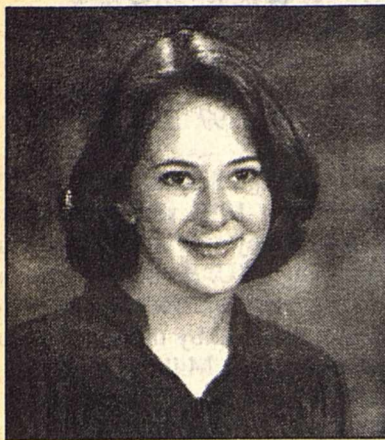
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Weaver Accepted For Young Leaders Conference



Carla Weaver

Miss Carla Weaver of Sonora has been selected to attend *The National Young Leaders Conference* from October 15 to October 20, 1996 in Washington D.C. The National Young Leaders Conference is a unique leadership development program for high school students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholarship merit. Carla, a senior at Sonora High School will be among 350 outstanding National Scholars attending the conference from across America.

The theme of the National Young Leaders Conference is *The Leaders of Tomorrow Meeting the Leaders of Today*. Throughout the six-day conference, Carla will interact with key leaders and newsmakers from the three branches of government, the media and the diplomatic corps.

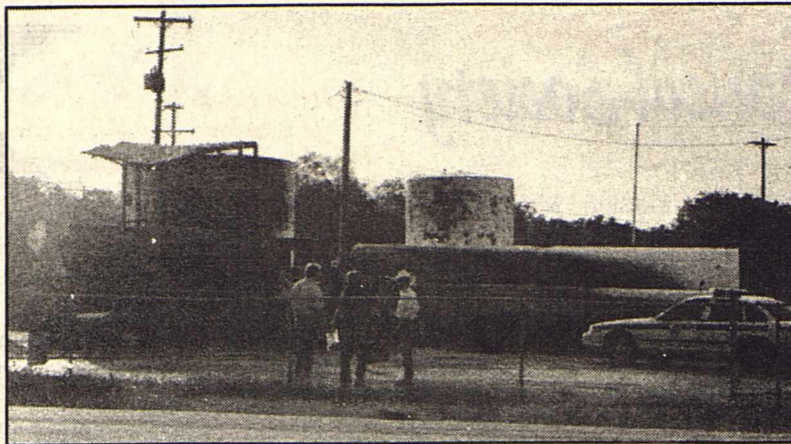
Highlights of the program include welcoming remarks from the Floor of the United States House of Representatives and panel discussion with prominent journalists at the national Press Club. Scholars will visit foreign embassies and receive policy briefings from senior government officials. Carla may also meet with her Senators and

Representative or an appointed member of their staff to discuss important issues facing Sonora and the nation.

To complement these special meetings and briefings, Carla will participate in a number of leadership skill-building activities. In one activity, "If I Were President", students role-play the President, members of the Cabinet and representatives from Capitol Hill who must respond to an international crisis involving Russia. Culminating the National Young Leaders Conference is the "Model Congress", in which Scholars assume the roles of United States Representatives by debating, amending and voting on proposed legislation for an official language and immigration reform.

The National Young Leaders Conference is sponsored by the Congressional Youth Leadership Council, a nonprofit, nonpartisan educational organization. Founded in 1985, the Council is committed to "fostering and inspiring young people to achieve their full leadership." Over 375 Members of the United States Congress join this commitment as members of the Council's Honorary Congressional Board of Advisors. Each year, only 7,000 outstanding youth nationwide may participate in the 20 sessions of the National Young Leaders Conference.

"The conference provides the opportunity for students, like Carla, to distinguish themselves as tomorrow's leaders," said John Hines, Council Executive Director. "Scholars not only gain knowledge and experience in the nation's capital, they leave with a sense of accomplishment and an increased ability to face the challenges of the future."



An explosion occurred at the Dono Oil Company on 315 Railroad St. Thursday morning at approximately 7:05 a.m. Michael Taylor of Sonora was fatally injured in the accident. The cause of the explosion has yet to be determined, stated Fire Chief Carl Teaff. The incident occurred during the transfer of fuel from a yard storage tank to a fuel truck. Sonora Volunteer Fire Department responded to the call and contained the fire after closing a valve which fed the ruptured line used in the fueling operation. A sighting window, which enables the operator to obtain a visual inspection of the fuel level, also ruptured, stated Teaff. Teaff also said, a very serious problem occurred when concerned citizens crowded around the area of the explosion, creating a extremely dangerous situation to the public and preventing a fire truck from connecting to a fire hydrant. The cause of the explosion is under investigation by several insurance companies at this time.

Keeping an eye on Texas

Mesquite sales climbing

Texas farmers and ranchers have tried burning, poisoning, chopping and bulldozing, but mesquite trees that grow naturally across the state have recently been harvested for profit. Sales of mesquite lumber and wood chips, used for barbecuing, have increased the potential of a scrubby tree previously considered a nuisance.

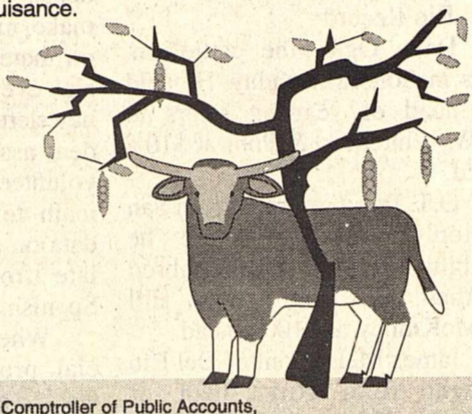
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EMT Course Begins Oct. 2

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An Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) course will be offered in Sonora beginning October 2, 1996, through March 3, 1997. The course will be sponsored by Sutton County EMS.

Classes will be held at the Sutton County EMS Training Facility from 7 to 10 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays.

The EMT course provides emergency medical training in such areas as bleeding and shock therapy, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation, emergency child-birth, pediatric care, and other emergency illnesses and trauma.

While attending the course, the student will be required to spend twenty hours observing in the emergency room at Angelo Community Hospital in San

Angelo. It is also necessary to make three ambulance runs with a certified ambulance service.

Upon completion of the course, a student would be trained to work for public or private ambulance firms and in some hospital trauma centers.

Ordinarily EMT classes cost approximately \$250.00 per person but Sutton County EMS will make this class available at \$100.00 per student.

Registration must be made in advance. If you are interested in this type of training, contact the Sutton County Emergency Service office between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays. The office is located at 211 East Third Street and the phone number is (915) 387-5132

Torres Wins Squires Raffle

The St. Ann Squires Circle #4244 would like to take a few moments of their own time to thank all those who supported the Squires Circle by purchasing a "Stereo Raffle" ticket. We are very thankful to all those who contributed to the success of our "Stereo Raffle". We would also like to once again announce that the winner of our "Sony Stereo Raffle" was Ofilia S. Torres, a resident of our community. This raffle has been one of our biggest successes and even though we did not meet our goal of selling 1,000 tickets, the fact that we tried our hardest to do so was enough for us. It was a very close call, but in two months we sold a total of 980 tickets! We hope to make up for these twenty tickets that we were unable to sell in the future by meeting our goal and selling at least twenty more tickets above our goal. We would like to recognize our Deputy Chief Squire, Manuel Campos, for selling a total of 145 tickets! Manuel really did an outstanding job and he was able to demonstrate to every other Squire that everything is possible with a little bit of initiative, pride, and work! Congratulations Manuel and you know that the Circle appreciates your hard work. We all have dreams and we all have goals and to some these two things are more valuable than gold. For this reason, we should

prevent weeds from growing around our dreams and our goals. In this case, Manuel had a goal and he steadily pursued his goal until he conquered it. We would also like to thank everybody who joined us at our reception to celebrate the Columbian Squires 71st Anniversary of world wide existence. We are very thankful to all of our "Squire Moms" for providing all of the food that they gave us! Special thanks goes out to Mrs. Maria Robles, a member of the Guadalupe organization who willingly, without being asked, made a contribution of food! Thank you very much to all of you! We would like to thank everyone for their most generous donations. We want you to know that with your donations we were able to substitute our plastic laundry basket with a real filing cabinet that we needed so much. We have many activities lined up for the near future and we hope to let you know about them. As for now, I will conclude this article by sharing this piece of advice that I heard not too long ago and which made a lot of sense to me. Upon hearing this, I thought to myself "Wow, how beautiful this would be if everybody lived their life with this in mind." The phrase that I heard was: "Spend your life lifting people up, not putting people down."

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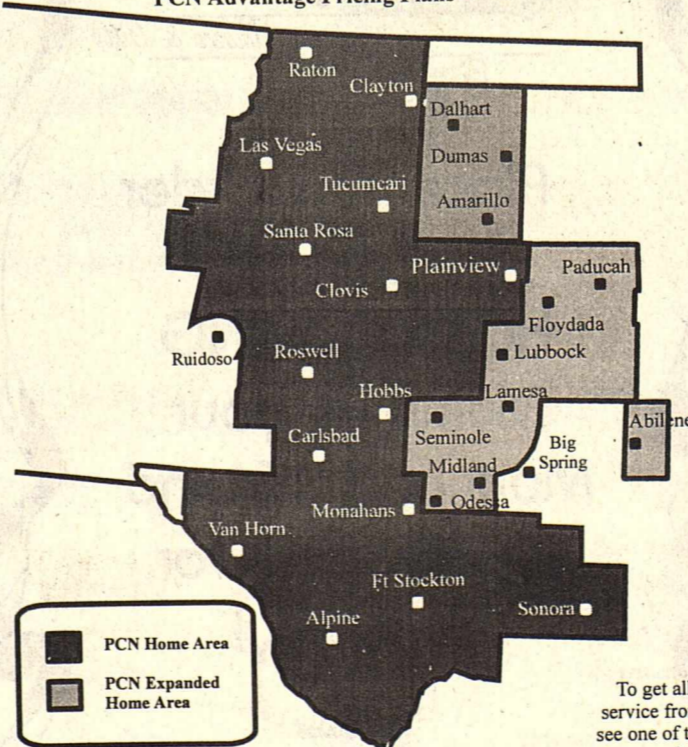
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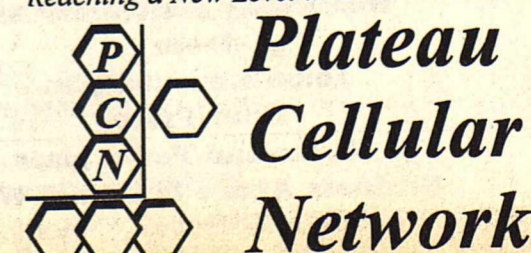


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Valliant Effort

by Martha Valliant McLain

I was home last week to play bridge at Allie Askew's luncheon. It was wonderful to see everyone. We had pork loin, black-eyed peas, apple gelatin salad, rice, and hot rolls. Dessert was Heath Bar pie. I was lucky the last round and won high. Pat Merrill was second high, and Doris Rousselot was the Bingo winner. It was wonderful to see everyone again.

Joan Cusenbary entertained her bridge club last Tuesday evening with a banana split salad supper. Scoops of salad were served in banana split dishes. The salads were chicken, fruit, and potato. This mock banana split was garnished and served with chips and crackers. It was a beautiful plate and delicious.

Sonora Woman's Club met at the Depot last Thursday. The opening meeting was chaired by Carolyn Earwood, the new club president. The program was by Kelly Thorp. Part of the program included having each member reveal something interesting and significant about her life. There was total agreement that the most interesting revelation was by Lura Sawyer. She told the group that she went white water rafting on her 80th birthday.

Marti McLain entertained two tables of bridge at the Sutton County Steak House on Tuesday. The menu included roasted pork loin, cornbread stuffing, cranberry gelatin salad, asparagus, hot rolls, and apple cobbler.

The Lion's Club served barbecue to local donors before the annual auction. This one fundraiser helps many groups throughout the year.

Mae Ward and Jim and Betty Stephen joined several others from Sonora at the funeral of Don Jones last week. Our sympathies and prayers are with Wilma Jones and her family.

Welcome to Mary Lou Jimenez's new grandson, Sidney. He has a brother, William, at home to greet him.

At our play last week, we had a celebrity attend. Ann B. Davis, the actress, has recently moved to San Antonio, and is living in the Leon Springs area. You may remember her as "Alice," the maid on the old TV show, "The Brady Bunch." If you are older, you will remember her as "Schultze" on "Love That Bob," the Bob Cummings show. Dan Goddard, the local play critic gave our play a "Lady's Legs" review. "A Lady's Legs review" is what every woman wants her

legs to be "long and lovely." The review attracted Ann B. Davis to our theater. She was very gracious, asked to meet the cast, and was very generous with her praise. She loved our show and offered to have pictures made with the cast, crew, and staff of the theater. She is a lovely lady and will be an asset to the theater community.

Our play has also attracted others from Sonora. Last Saturday evening, Larry Bob Moore, son of Maydell and the late J.P., Herman Moore, of Sonora came to see our show. He was there because an actress in our show and her husband are friends of his from church. It was good to see him. He is coaching at LaVernia, but that is so close to San Antonio, that it is almost in the city. It was fun to share old memories with him.

Sunday afternoon visitors to our play included Drs. Jan and Tom Warner and son, Gaston, with his wife. I wasn't at the performance, but Dean visited with them and brought word that they are well.

Alice Cox was headed to Austin Tuesday to work with the committee to write the TAAS Tests. She will be working on the selection of questions for the reading section of the standardized examination given 7th graders to determine their reading levels. This is a prestigious committee, and it is good to know that someone like Alice will be helping with this important job.

Our sympathies and prayers are with Stephanie Campbell and family following the death of her father.

Nell Wallace is recovering well from her knee surgery. She is in Eldorado twice a week for therapy, so you may not always find her home. She is planning hip surgery next and then with all

of her "new parts" she will be fine.

Dean McLain is still healing well. He is in regular shoes and has really made progress. His next surgery will be skin grafts to seal the toe area. That will be at least a month or more away.

Our play runs through October 6 and we are selling out most performances. I would love for you to see it. If you want to come, performances are Fri. and Sat. at 8:00 p.m. and Sun. at 2:30. For reservations call Steven Stoli's Playhouse, 1-210-408-0116. It is a play that makes you laugh and cry, but it ends "upbeat" and hopeful.


Katherine Reyna, daughter of David and Jane Reyna of Van Horn, was honored with a birthday party on Sept. 6 in Van Horn. Katherine turned three years old and celebrated with a clown piñata, played musical chairs, and pin the nose on the clown. Punch, cake, and supper were served to numerous guests. Attending from Sonora were Frank and Yolanda Avila and Frances and Crystal.

Senior Border Patrol Agent David M. Reyna, son of Frances Reyna, was honored with a small gathering in honor of his recent promotion. Reyna will be working in Sierra Blanca, Texas. Visiting Frances Reyna and family this weekend were son, David Reyna, and daughter and kids, Delma Reyna and Brooke and Justin. They enjoyed a long weekend visit with family and friends. They also enjoyed the Friday night football game as they were able to watch Crystal, a member of the Flag Corps, perform at half time.

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7th Grade Colts: 2-0

by Tryon Fields

The Ozona 7th grade Cubs came to town last Thursday and found an improved Sonora 7th Grade Colt team. After a 18 point win the week before, the Colts came out fired up and put 30 first half points on the board to take an impressive win from the Cubs by a score of 6 for the Cubs and 30 for the Colts.

The game began with the Cubs receiving the kick-off and finding a swarming Colt defense which only allowed 30 total yards in the first half. After 3 downs and an unsuccessful punt attempt, the Colts took over on the Ozona 26. Behind some very good blocking and tough running of Harvey Villanueva (3 carries-11 yards) and Sean Fields (2 carries-15 yards and the touchdown) the Colts went ahead by 6 points. Villanueva added the 2 point conversion on a tough run up the middle to put the Colts up by 8. On the ensuing kick-off, the Cubs fumbled the ball and Colts recovered on the Cub 37 yard line. James Elliott carried the ball 1 time for 10 yards and William Renfro carried the mail for 3 times for 27 yards and the 2nd touchdown of the game, with Elliott adding the 2 point conversion to make the score 0 to 16; Colts favor.

The 2nd quarter began with the Cubs once again trying to out muscle the Colt defense. The colts led by Joey Quiroz, Chance

Dillard, James Elliott, and Marky Machado once again rose to the occasion and stymied any hope that the Cubs might have had. On the next Colt possession the colts came out gunning with Elliott hitting Stetson Hall on a 30 yard bomb to the Cub 44 yard line. on the next play Elliott keeps the ball around the right side and with some fancy foot work on the sideline is able to out run the Cub defense for the 3rd touchdown of the game. The 2 point conversion was stopped, and the colts go up by a score of 0 for the Cubs and 22 for the Colts. For the third time in as many tries the Cubs are stopped by a very determined Colt defense led by Quiroz, Stetson Hall, Sean Fields, Baldemar Hernandez and Byron Williams. The Colts take possession on the 50 yard line and on the first play from scrimmage Elliott once again goes right and behind some very good line blocking and excellent down field blocking is able to go the distance for the final score of the half. on the extra point attempt,

Elliott finds Brandon Scott open on a screen play to made the attempt successful. At half the Colts have a commanding lead of 0-30.

In the second half, the Colts fielded a team of players that had not seen a lot of playing time. This group of young men are to be commended for their effort and enthusiasm, for they played the entire second half and though they did not score any points and only gave up 6 points to the Cubs, they gave it their all and gained some very valuable experience. These players included: Lionel Cervantes, Brandon Adkins, Eddie Wallace, Miguel Leyva, Tim Warden, Ricky Thompson, Manuel Compos, Jeremy Lipham, Tyler Seaton, Ruben Brown, Mathew Batchelor, Carlos Rameriz, and Ricky Lumbreras.

The Colts travel to Eldorado this week to take on the 7th Grade Eagles. Hope to see you there.

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caught a 33 yard punt at Ozona's 49.

After J. Gandar picked up two, and a Barker pass bounced off House' shoulder around the left sideline, it appeared he had clear sailing to the endzone, but somewhere around the 15 he pulled a hamstring and angling pursuit caught up and shoved him out of bounds at the two foot line. Joey Gandar bulled across left tackle for his second touchdown of the night, and Renfro's kick made it 21-0.

Starting from their own 25, the Lions patched together a drive that gasped its way down field on the seventh play, around midfield, Kasey Wood smashed Brown on a pass attempt jarring loose a fumble that Legan recovered. But, the play was negated by a defensive holding penalty that moved the ball to Sonora's 25. Three plays later, Enrique Lopez deflected a pass which then fell into wide receiver Ortiz' hands at the 17. From the five, Brown squirmed into the endzone on a quarterback option. The 2-point conversion attempt failed, making it 21-6 with 1:36 left in the half.

Any hope (or fear) of a Lion comeback was rapidly squelched as the second half opened. Ozona returned the kick-off to their own 28. On the first play from scrimmage the center snap appeared to flip up into the air. Wallace, knifing in from left corner snagged it out of the air to give the Hosses possession at the Lion 27.

On Sonora's first play, a mirror of his previous touchdown run, House took a hand-off over right guard, cleared traffic and veered leftward crossing the endline with just 21 seconds gone in the half. Renfro's kick made it 28-6.

The teams traded punts, but Sonora got the better end of the bargain as Barker's kick squibbed right. An Ozonan rushed in to take the bouncing ball but miscalculated, batting it



Broncos continue winning streak with win over Ozona Lions.

instead into the chest of Anthony Gibson at Ozona's 34. One first down and change later, Renfro kicked a nice 28 yard field goal to up the score to 31-6.

Sonora's final score came following a defensive series which saw the Broncos yield one first down, then push the Lions back to their own 16. Following a Mirike fair catch at Ozona's 42, Steven Gandar and Anthony Gibson combined on four rushes to the Lion 23. Steven then took a hand-off over left tackle, shrugged out of two pretty severe collisions and crossed the end zone with 11 minutes remaining in the game. Renfro tacked on the extra point for a 38-6 lead.

Ozona scored twice more; the final touchdown coming with but a single second on the clock. Of note along the way was a four kick off in a row sequence after the Lions' second touchdown. Various penalties amounted to a good set of wind sprints with all their associated character building qualities.

Eight Bronco ballcarriers rushed 37 times for 292 yards. House's six carries for 98 yards led the attack. Steven Gandar added 65 more on 10 attempts, Joey Gandar 24 tough yards on nine carries, Barker chipped in

21, Rainer had 47, Gibson 10, Jason Jacoby 17, and Mirike 10.

In the first half Sonora held Ozona to 54 yards rushing on 23 attempts. The Lions feasted somewhat on Bronco reserves in the second half, picking up 154 yards on 19 carries.

In the air, Sonora was three of nine for 66 yards; Ozona six of 12 for 64 yards.

Asked about the passing game, quarterback Barker said, "We put in some plays this week that we didn't execute quite as well as we would have liked. But our passes opened up the running game inside. Our line did a good job of reading the defense."

House seconded that opinion. "Our line was blocking downhill all night long. The holes were great. This team really works together."

That starting offensive line, which truly did dominate as long as it was in the game, was led by tackles Ed Lee Carrasco and Justin Eaton, guards Kelly Morrow and Scott Perez, center Michael McReynolds, and anchored by tight end Kris Wood.

Besides Rainer's hamstring pull, Scott Perez also suffered a hamstring pull, but said he felt he would be ready to play next week in Eldorado.

8th Grade Colts Defeat Ozona

The Sonora Colts hosted the Ozona Lions and came up with a 36-0 win.

The first quarter was a defensive struggle with neither team gaining much of an advantage. The Colts started at their own 15 yard line, and only managed to gain about seven before they lost a fumble. Ozona Lions started their first offense possession on the Colts 22 yard line. The tough Colts defense held the Lions to only five yards on four downs. The Colts then took the ball and drove to the Lions 25 yard line before another fumble by the Colts stop the drive. The Lions were again held by the Colts

defense to only three plays before they had to punt. The punt was returned by Bryce Williams to the Lions fifteen yard line. The Colts took three plays before Pete Ramirez scored from three yards out. The two conversion by Joseph Perciful was good. At the end of the first quarter, the score was 8-0.

The second quarter belonged to the Sonora Colt offense. The Colts managed to run and pass the ball effectively. The offense was led by Pete Ramirez. Ramirez scored on a tough run from 55-yards out. The offensive line opened a big running lane and then Ramirez broke several tackles in the secondary to score. Ramirez also scored the two point conversion. The Colts kicked off and Ozona took over on Offense. The Lion's could only manage a couple of plays before they coughed up the ball. The Colts recovered the ball on Ozona's 30 yard line. The Colts

next score came two plays later, when Riley Crain received a pass from Bryce Williams and took it 25 yards for the score. The two point conversion by Pete Ramirez was good. At half time the Colts lead was 24-0.

The third quarter was a defensive struggle with no team gaining much of an advantage over the other. The Colts did manage to score at the end of the third quarter. Jesus Torres broke a couple of tackles and ran in from 20 yards to score. The two point conversion was no good.

The fourth quarter was also a defensive struggle with neither team gaining much of an advantage. The Colts did manage to score late in the quarter. The score was set up when Shane Matthew recovered a fumble and ran it all the way to the two yard line. The Colts scored on a pass from Chang Hernandez to Matt Torres. The two point conversion was no good.

Fresh Broncos Beat Ozona Lions

The Sonora Bronco Freshman team played the Ozona Lions Thursday, September 12th. The Broncos won the toss and chose to defer, so Ozona kicked. The Freshman kept getting penalties, but finally scored. The line opened up great holes for the backs to run through. After the first touchdown, it was downhill for the Lions. The Broncos defense held the Lions' offense to very few yards. The Broncos scored three times in the first quarter. Edgar Gonzales scored the first two touchdowns and the two point conversions. Michael Galindo scored the next touchdown and two point conversion. At the end of the half the score was 24-0.

The Broncos came out after the half pumped and ready to go. Edgar Gonzales scored on a play that was meant to go to the right, but went to the left. Edgar also scored the two point conversion. With the exception that it was wet and muddy, the Broncos played as a team, and everyone deserves credit for their 30-0 win against Ozona. The Freshman play the Eldorado Thursday at 5:00 p.m. in Bronco Stadium. Come out and support the Freshman!

JV Broncos continued from page 1

Luna outleaped the Lions split-end for a pass in the right flat, returning the interception to Ozona's 42. Bronco jubilation was short-lived however, as a muffed center exchange on the following play returned the ball to the Lions.

Blaine Wilkinson and Kevin Gann stopped three Lion rushes for six yards, then Luna closed fast enough on the fourth down sweep to prevent a first down. Sonora took over on its own 26. Luna carried three times in a row for a gain of eleven, loss of two, gain of 23. The drive appeared stalled, however, when Lupe Ramon smashed into right tackle for a loss of one, Luna was spun down on a pitch right for another loss of one. On third and long, quarterback David Mayer rolled left, cornered at the sideline then zoomed past the Lion secondary like a Concorde jet. Forty-four untouched yards later, Sonora was suddenly in the ball game. On a pitch right, Luna burrowed his way into the end zone to give the Broncos an 8-6 lead.

Andy Castilleja recovered a fumbled center snap at the Ozona 25 on the Lions' first play from scrimmage. But that good fortune twined quickly into Ozona's closest threat, as Mayer's 4th down pass was picked off around the 25 and returned down the left sideline. Mayer's saving tackle 50 yards later was the margin between victory and defeat. Two plays later, Shaffer picked a pop-up out of the air at the Bronco 27.

From there the Bronco line of Wilkinson, Jacob Mendez, Will Allen, Michael Castilleja, Richard Espinosa and Gann bulldogged a path for Ramon,

Mayer, and Luna for three first downs to the Lion 26. There a fumbled hand-off stalled the drive. The half ended with Gann. Shaffer and Homer Lozano making a mud pie out of the Ozona quarterback attempting to pass.

Well, we could go into the play-by-play for the second half, or you could rent the John Wayne movie McClintock, fast-forward to the mud fight scene and see about the same thing the spectators saw. The rain began to fall pretty hard for three plays after the kick-off, and you couldn't tell which moving mud ball was who. My own son was out there, and I had no idea which one he was.

Suffice it to say that Wilkinson, Allen and Homer Lozano each pounced on Ozona fumbles. Lozano getting about a wheelbarrow-load of muck in his eye for his trouble. An unsung hero of the game would have to be Andy Castilleja, whose accurate-enough deep snaps in punting situations allowed Salinas to boot the ball several times just over the outstretched fingers of onrushing Lions.

If there has to be a goat, I guess it would be the Ozona quarterback, who grounded the ball to stop the clock with 32 seconds remaining in the game, ball on Sonora's 43 yard-line. Only trouble was, it was fourth down at the time.

Broncos rushed 38 times for 185 yards, allowing just 111 yards rushing on 31 Ozona attempts. Luna led all rushers with 83 yards on 14 carries, Ramon had 65 yards on 13 carries and Mayer picked up 33 yards on 8 carries.



1996 SONORA BRONCO FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Sept 6	Wall	Here	8:00
Sept 13	Ozona	Here	8:00
Sept 20	Eldorado	There	8:00
Sept 27	Marble Falls	There	8:00
Oct 4	Llano	Here	8:00
Oct 11	*Crane	There	7:30
Oct 18	*Reagan Co.	Here	7:30
Oct 25	*Kermit	There	7:30
Nov 1	*Greenwood	There	7:30
Nov 8	*Colorado City	Here	7:30

*Denotes District Game

JV & FRESHMEN FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Sept 5	Wall	There	5:00/6:30
Sept 12	Ozona	There	5:00/6:30
Sept 19	Eldorado	Here	5:00/6:30
Sept 26	Grape Creek (9th)	Here	6:30
Oct 3	Llano	There	5:00/6:30
Oct 10	*Crane	Here	5:00/6:30
Oct 17	*Reagan Co.	There	5:00/6:30
Oct 24	*Kermit (JV)	Here	6:30
Oct 31	*Greenwood	Here	5:00/6:30
Nov 7	*Colorado City	Here	5:00/6:30

*Denotes District Game

7TH & 8TH FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Sept 5	Wall	Here	5:00/6:30
Sept 12	Ozona	Here	5:00/6:30
Sept 19	Eldorado	There	5:00/6:30
Sept 26	Grape Creek	There	5:00/6:30
Oct 3	Llano	Here	5:00/6:30
Oct 10	Crane	There	5:00/6:30
Oct 17	Reagan Co.	Here	5:00/6:30
Oct 24	Rankin (8th)	Here	5:00
Oct 31	Wall (7th)	There	5:00
Nov 8	Ozona	There	5:00/6:30

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Granny Knows Best!

by Judy Edmondson

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Granny

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 bride-elect of
 Sergio Barretero

1996 Sonora Homecoming Schedule

Friday, October 4, 1996

3:30 p.m.-Homecoming Parade-Begin in front of Elementary School and end downtown at Methodist Parking Lot
 Courthouse Lawn-Pep Rally
 7:30 p.m.-Bronco Stadium-Pre-Game Activities-Sonora Bronco Band
 8:00 p.m.-Football Game-Sonora Broncos vs. Llano Yellowjackets
 Halftime Crowning of 1996 Homecoming Queen
 10:00 p.m.-Sutton County Steakhouse. After Game Party-Gathering of all former students, teachers, spouses, etc.


Saturday, October 5, 1996

All activities will be at the 4-H BARN

10:30 a.m. - Registration
 Noon -Lunch-Beef & Chicken Enchiladas
 Program honoring former teachers: Charlotte Wilson and Ross Hay. Recognition of Classes of 31, 36, 41, 46, 51, 56, 61, 66, 71, 76, and the 66 State Football Team
 2:00 p.m. -Free time-visiting
 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. Tour rock school building and old High School
 6:00 p.m.-Barbecue with beans, salads, and desserts-Prepared and catered by local exes
 Visiting and Music by Wilena Holden
 This is your invitation to Homecoming '96. Anyone who has ever been involved with the Sonora Public Schools and his/her spouse is encouraged to attend all the plan


1996-1997 VARSITY RED HOSSES

ANDY MIRIKE #10




Height
5-10
Weight
152
Class
SR
Position
SE-DB

JUSTIN HOUSE #11




Height
5-09
Weight
154
Class
SR
Position
RB-DB

TANNER FIELDS #12




Height
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SOPH.
Position
QB-DB

CALEB BARKER #17



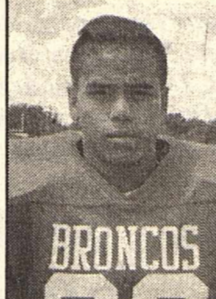
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STEVEN GANDAR #23



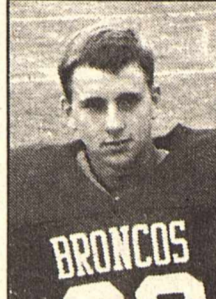
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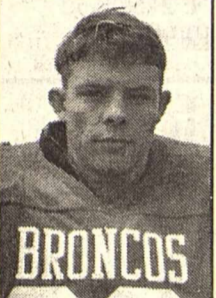
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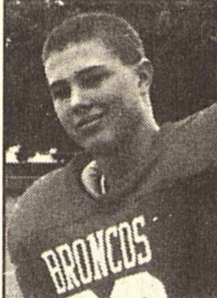
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ANTHONY RENFRO #33



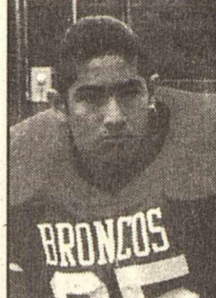
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TE-DE

ZACH RAMOS #35




Height
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Class
JR.
Position
TE-DE

BRAD LEGAN #40




Height
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Class
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KASEY WOOD #42




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BLAINE WILKINSON #44



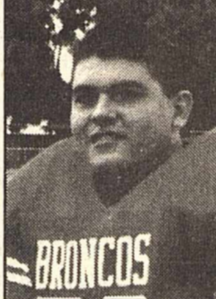
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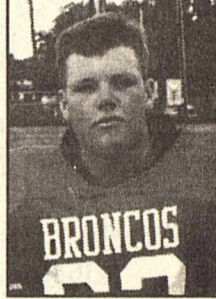
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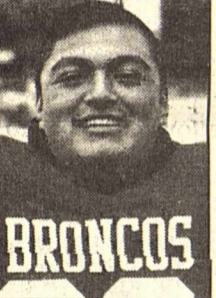
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SCOTT PEREZ #63




Height
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NATHAN FAVILA #65




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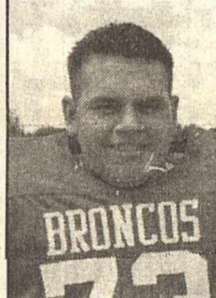
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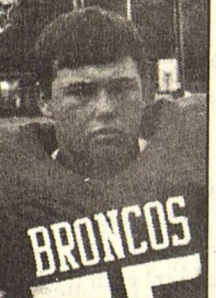
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MICHAEL BARTHELEMY #75




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JEFFREY SURBER #76




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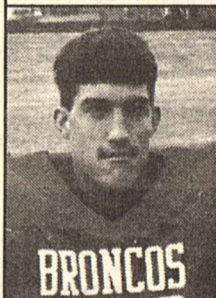
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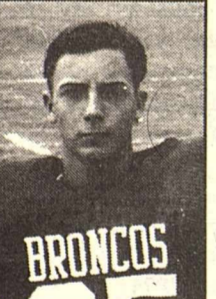
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KEVIN GANN #85




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CHAD BRUNS #86



Height
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WB-LB

RAYMOND RAINER #89



Height
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Position
SE-DB



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Main Street Matters

by Sharon Key

Storefront improvements are one of the best places to start when considering work on older buildings. Finding and looking at old photographs will enable the store owner to determine what changes have been made and how they affected the appearance of the facade. Several businesses downtown have met with the Main Street architects and used one of the following approaches when working with their buildings. Most recently the Elliott Law Offices, Sonora Abstract, and the Sutton County Leader building under the Kathleen Moore Trust have used minimal rehabilitation to join in the spirit of the Main Street program.

There are three different approaches that can be taken which include minimal rehabilitation, major renovations, and restoration.

Minimal rehabilitation requires basic maintenance, necessary replacement, removal of extraneous materials, and simple

design improvements. Cosmetic treatments can help to unify the building by covering over a blocked down storefront with an awning or painting a contemporary storefront a dark receding color to minimize its effect.

Major renovation retains the existing original elements while using contemporary as well as traditional design and materials for replacement of inappropriate elements. In all major renovations, care must be exercised to insure that the design of any improvement is understated so as not to compete with the overall character of the facade.

Restoration requires that the facade be brought back to its original condition. It involves the exact duplication of the original storefront, detailing, color schemes and sign placement. If a building has undergone only minor alterations, restoration could be inexpensive and desirable. It is usually, however, the most expensive approach for owners.



Newly elected Delta Kappa Gamma officers are back row l-r: Glenda Barton - outgoing president; Elaine Newton - treasurer; Louise Dermody - 1st vice president; Anita Spiller - 2nd vice president; and Donna Hill - president. Front row l-r: Lorine Brown - parliamentarian, Delia Samaniego - corresponding and (not pictured) Jo Ann Dalton - recording secretary. The next meeting will be held October 21st at 5:15 p.m. at the Middle School

Delta Kappa Gamma Workshop

submitted

Key women educators from eighteen counties from the central/west Texas area will be in Brownwood on Saturday, September 21, 1996, for the Area XIII Workshop of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. Registration for the four hour seminar will begin at 8:30 a.m. at the Brownwood Intermediate School.

Area XIII of the Texas State Organization consists of sixteen local chapters from San Angelo, Abilene, Coleman, Fredericksburg, Sonora/Rocksprings, Mason/Menard, and Brownwood. Workshops will be held concerning Society Business, Educational Services, and the Program of Work of the society.

Helping conduct the workshop will be Texas State President Sandy Whitney of El Paso and First Vice-President Carla McGee of Farmers Branch.

Delta Kappa Gamma, a society of more than 16,000 Texas women teachers, was organized by Dr. Annie Webb Blanton and twelve other well-known educators in 1929. Dr. Blanton had previously served as the first woman Texas State School Superintendent and the first woman president of Texas State Teachers Association. In forming Delta Kappa Gamma, she recognized the inequalities experienced by women teachers throughout the state and nation and endeavored to establish a scholarship system which annually provides in excess of \$200,000 to its members.

Local planning committee for the workshop includes Joanna Wright, steering committee chairman; Nancy Lowry, Area XIII Coordinator; Frances Taylor, Omega Chapter president; and Beth Painter, treasurer.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sutton County is requesting sealed bids for a 1997 Crew Cab Pickup for the Road and Bridge Department. Bids will be opened on September 23, 1996, at the Sutton County Annex, Sonora, Texas, 9:00 A.M. Sealed bids should be mailed or delivered to the Sutton County Judge, Carla Garner, County Judge, P.O. Box 1212, Sonora, Texas 76950. For further information on specifications, please call or write to the Sutton County Auditor: Charles R. Graves, County Auditor, Box 16, Sonora, Texas 76950. 915/387-5380.

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Cause No. 1152
Estate Of Celestino N. Gandar,
deceased in the County Court
of Sutton County, Texas

Published Notice To Creditors

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration for the Estate of CELESTINO N. GAN-

DAR, Deceased, were issued in Cause Number 1152, pending in the Probate Court of Sutton County, Texas, to JUANITA V. GANDAR

The residence of the Administratrix is in Sutton County, Texas, and the mailing address is:

Estate of CELESTINO N. GANDAR
JUANITA GANDAR,
Administratrix
c/o Elizabeth W. Wallace, Atty.
410 S.E. Crockett
Sonora, Texas 76950

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 9th day of September, 1996.

Elizabeth W. Wallace
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Committee Seeks Texan's Input On Property Tax

by Elton Bomer

Did you know that Texas property owners contribute \$10 billion a year to public schools?

Would you be surprised to learn that property taxpayers pick up 54 percent of the cost for educating children in our public schools, compared to 46 percent of the tab that is picked up by the state?

Or did you know that between 1984 and 1994, the average school property tax rate more than doubled, from 60 cents per \$100 property value to \$1.39?

The statistics are all true. It's no wonder that throughout Texas, homeowners are ready to throw up their hands in disgust.

That is why Governor George W. Bush in April appointed the Citizens' Committee on Property Tax Relief.

Already, the committee is learning that Texans have no

shortage of opinions on this issue. In Tyler, for instance, the manager of a major tire company said his parent firm passed up the Tyler plant for a \$100 million expansion because of high property taxes. The expansion and the jobs that would have come with it went to Oklahoma instead.

In El Paso, a homeowner said the dream of home ownership was fading away because of high property taxes.

By conducting the hearings, the committee is looking for answers. How do you feel about the property tax on schools? What affect does it have on you and your family's budget? Do you think it's fair, or do you think there is a better way for Texas to do business?

We want to find out if there is public will to provide property tax relief by replacing the property tax for schools with some other funding source. The committee will not be looking at how to raise more money. Instead, we are looking at finding new ways to raise the same amount of money for public schools. But the new way must be fair to Texans.

Earlier this year, a working group put together by Governor Bush identified three other ways that schools could be funded. The state could replace or reduce the property tax using one or a combination of these sources.

But before the Governor and the Legislature consider any of these options, we want to hear from Texans. Before any change can be made, Texans must say they want the change.

The Governor's Staff Work Group on Property Tax Relief
P.O. Box 12428
Austin, Texas, 78711

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Lunch 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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Friday, September 20th
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15. Corrosive substance
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17. Came down to earth
18. Garbo or Borg
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20. Muzzles
22. Actress Winger et al.
24. TLC providers
25. The Four Seasons actor
26. The Sun ___ Rises
28. Three, in Roma
29. Be indiscreet
33. Slugger's stat
34. Ball or tree
35. Quit
37. Most honorable
40. Earp's wear
41. Chita's "Spider Woman" role
42. Away from home
43. "... how you play the game"
44. Cab
45. Use a cotton ball
46. Belonging to us
48. Participate in a gabfest
50. Big Bird's network

DOWN

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2. Lubricates
3. Weather prediction
4. Actress Mary et al.
5. Telemarketers, e.g.
6. Enactments
7. Shoshonean
8. Butt in
9. AKC division
10. "___ Prudence" (Beetles)
11. Forearm bone
12. Perfect ones
13. Positive vote
21. Spanish pronoun
23. Tower of ___
25. Prepare for battle
26. Around
27. DeLillo's JFK story
28. "King ___" (Steve Martin song)
30. The (Spanish)
31. In motion
32. Harvard ___
33. Genetic initials
34. Govt. pencil-pushing agcy.
35. Foldaway furniture
36. MDs
38. ___ and bagels
39. Severeid and Clapton
40. Center of commerce
42. Feed-bag tidbit
45. Budapest's river
46. Oriental sash
47. Pragmatic
49. Expected
50. Victims
51. Miffed
52. Lampreys
53. At a loss
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Can I get chiropractic care if I'm on Medicaid?

Yes. Chiropractic care is covered by the Medicaid plan. Not all providers participate in the Medicaid program. Contact chiropractors in your area to find a participating provider.

How many chiropractic schools are there in Texas and are they state schools?

There are two chiropractic colleges in Texas. Both are private institutions and receive no tax-based state support. Both colleges are accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Chiropractors must complete standards undergraduate programs before entering a chiropractic program which is a minimum of three and a half years.

Back Talk

Chiropractic Care Questions & Answers

How can chiropractic help the injured rotator cuff in my shoulder?

The rotator cuff is made up of fibers from the tendons of four different muscles around the shoulder. Many rotator cuff problems are due to one or more weak or overly tight muscles in this group. When this happens, the muscles do not work together to properly support the shoulder joint and may be damaged. Specific prescribed stretches and exercises are designed to correct these problems. Chiropractors are educated to evaluate a rotator cuff condition and prescribe therapeutic exercises and stretches to correct the problem.

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September 1 - October 19 & December 26 - January 5

Dove Season

October

9 Edwards Plateau Soil & Water Conservation District election for zone 4 director, 8:00 a.m. at 301 Crockett in Sonora.

29 TS&GCB Election, (ballots postmarked prior to midnight)

Buzzards Real Nuisance

The City of Sonora will resume the use of explosive device's to prevent buzzards from roosting in the city. They have caused a great deal of damage to trees on the north eastern part of town. This will continue until the birds have left the area for the season.

Concho Valley Cattle Conference to Offer Area Specific Survival Strategies

Ranchers looking for practical ways to manage during periods of drought and depressed cattle prices are invited to attend the Concho Valley Cattle Producers Conference Monday, Oct. 14, at the Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center in San Angelo, Texas, says Chaunce O. Thompson Jr., president of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association.

The free conference, which begins at 9:30 a.m. and ends at 2:00 p.m., is one in a series of regional meetings which TSCRA is conducting in Texas and Oklahoma. Texas Production Credit Association and Federal Land Bank Association of San Angelo are underwriting the project.

"We feel that we must roll up our sleeves and help our members on a personal basis during this period of crisis for the Texas cattle industry," says TSCRA President Thompson. "Conditions are different in each area; we have to be there to hear what our members want from their association and offer area-specific information to help the survive."

"To be sure that we provide the kind of information needed by ranchers in each area, TSCRA directors and staff members who live in each region have been asked to help plan the program," Thompson says.

Christopher Womack, a local veterinarian at Los Caballos Veterinary Clinic, will be addressing health problems cow-calf producers in the region need to understand. Womack will discuss common diseases that are seen in his clinic, routine vaccinations that ranchers in the area should administer, preconditioning programs and other general animal health concerns.

Dale Rollins, extension wildlife specialist from San Angelo, will discuss balancing brush control with wildlife management.

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(SPECIAL) -- A drug that is exciting researchers in the treatment of pain has been formulated into a new product known as "Arthur Itis," and is being called a "Medical Miracle" by some, in the treatment of debilitating conditions such as arthritis, bursitis, rheumatism, painful muscle aches, joint aches, simple backache, bruises, and more. Although the mechanism of action is unclear, experiments indicate that Arthur Itis, relieves pain by first selectively attracting, and then destroying the messenger chemical which carries pain sensations to the brain, thus eliminating pain in the affected area. Arthur Itis, is an odorless, greaseless, non-staining cream and is available immediately without a prescription and is guaranteed to work.

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Veterans Compensation

Sen. Bob Dole- Currently, a backlog of more than 470,000 compensation and other claims cases exists. A veteran often must wait two years or more for a decision on an appeal of a claim. This clearly is an unacceptable level of service. For veterans services, the toll-free telephone number blocked -call rate is 62%. In the private sector, a business that performed so dismally would be forced to close its doors.

Veterans rightly expect timely and accurate determinations on compensation and other claims. Senator Dole will address the fundamentals of the timeliness and quality problems through basic streamlining of the claims process in conjunction with effective automation modernization. He believes much can be learned from private sector business practices in similar claims processor operations. A Dole Administration will bring the decisive leadership and managerial skills to the VA that are necessary for addressing these problems.

Pres. Bill Clinton- The Clinton Administration has expanded compensation benefits to former prisoners of war and to veterans exposed to herbicides and radiation. The Clinton Administration fought for legislation which compensates Persian Gulf War veterans who suffer from chronic disabilities due to undiagnosed illnesses. The Clinton Administration opposed challenges to the integrity of the compensation program, including a congressional proposal to eliminate compensation for certain incompetent veterans.

For years, growing backlogs and delays have been a part of the VA benefits system. In fiscal year (FY) 1997, the Veterans Benefits Administration will process original compensation claims 33 days faster than in FY 1996, and the pending caseload will be reduced from 348,000 at the end of FY1996 to 277,000 cases at the end of FY 1997-a 25% reduction. President Clinton also requested funding for 50 new positions at the Board of Veterans Appeals to improve timeliness in processing appeals. The Clinton Administration will continue these efforts until processing and appeals are at their absolute minimum.

Reunions.... Pecos Army Air Field - September 30-October 2, 1996, Pecos, Texas. Contact Linda Brastrand, phone (915) 447-2137.

Natural Gas Summary

Contract	Futures Prices 9/17/96				Close
	Open	High	Low		
October	1.790	1.800	1.720		1.720
November	1.900	1.900	1.835		1.845
December	2.030	2.030	2.030		1.995
January	2.070	2.070	2.025		2.035

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Eight Texas Counties Eligible For USDA Emergency Farm Loans

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Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman has named eight Texas counties as eligible for Farm Service agency emergency farm loans because of losses due to drought from December 1, 1995, through June 10, 1996, and continuing.

Kimble County was named as a primary disaster area on August 23, 1996. Also eligible, because they are contiguous to Kimble County, are Edwards, Gillespie, Kerr, Mason, Menard, Schleicher, and Sutton counties.

Farmers in all eight counties have eight months to apply for the loans to help cover part of their actual losses. To be eligible, they must have suffered at least a 30-percent loss of normal production in a single enterprise, be able to repay the loan and any other loans, be unable to obtain credit elsewhere, have adequate security, and have multi-peril crop insurance, if available.

Feeder Cattle Futures: Settlement Prices as of 09/17/96

	STRIKE	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	LAST
SEP96	64.050	64.150	63.750	63.975	63.975
OCT96	65.200	65.200	64.700	64.950	64.925
NOV96	65.550	65.550	65.100	65.400	65.400
JAN97	65.300	65.400	64.900	65.150B	65.125
MAR97	64.500	64.500	64.100	64.400B	64.400
APR97	64.600	64.600	64.250	64.450B	64.450
MAY97	64.750	64.750	64.500	64.675B	64.675
AUG97	66.450	66.450	66.000	66.300	66.300
TOTAL				EST.VOL	VOL
TOTAL				2725	3083
					15899

Live Cattle Futures: Settlement Prices as of 09/17/96

	STRIKE	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	LAST
OCT96	72.900	73.100	72.750	73.050	73.000
DEC96	68.000	68.175	67.825	68.000	67.975
FEB97	65.325	65.375	64.850	64.950B	64.925
APR97	66.850	66.950	66.425	66.500	66.475
JUN97	64.800	64.850	64.525	64.525	64.525
AUG97	64.850	64.900	64.500	64.500	64.500
OCT97	66.600	66.600	66.375A	66.375A	66.375
TOTAL				EST.VOL	VOL
TOTAL				15917	13612
					91840

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