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Broncos Clinch Play-Off Berths

Success at Choral Solo and Ensemble



Pictured front row, l-r: Erica Kerbow, Stefany Davenport, and Cindy Jones. Middle row: Kelly Harrelson and Daisy Mireles. Back row: Stacy Fox, Pam Jones, Camille Marshall, Jacki Bellard, and Blair Crain.

to play and compete with dignity, integrity, class, and sportsmanship, which these girls have shown through the years. All the work paid off last Tuesday as the Lady Broncos all but locked up their first play-off spot since 1992, as they defeated a tough Reagan County team 58-53.

The girls knew going in that they had to take care of business and ask for a little help from Colorado City to defeat Greenwood to grasp the second play-off spot of District 4-3A. The Lady Broncos did their jobs, and the Lady Wolves continued their domination of the District by defeating the Rangerettes to secure the play-off spot for the Lady Broncos.

The ladies will face the #4 state ranked Clint Lady Lions Friday, February 14th, at 8:00 p.m. at the gym of Sul Ross State University in a 3A Bi-District play-off game. The Lady Broncos locked up the play-off spot last Friday in Kermit as they defeated the Lady Jackets, 70-30.

All 10 members of the Lady Broncos scored in this last district ballgame. The obviously more talented and better coached Lady Broncos improved their district record to 7-3.

The opening period saw the Lady Broncos outscore the Lady Jackets 20-4, as the Sonora girls overpowered Kermit on the boards, in transition, on defense, and on the scoreboard. The ladies never trailed in the ballgame as Coach McMeans substituted freely, giving all of the Lady Broncos time on the court.

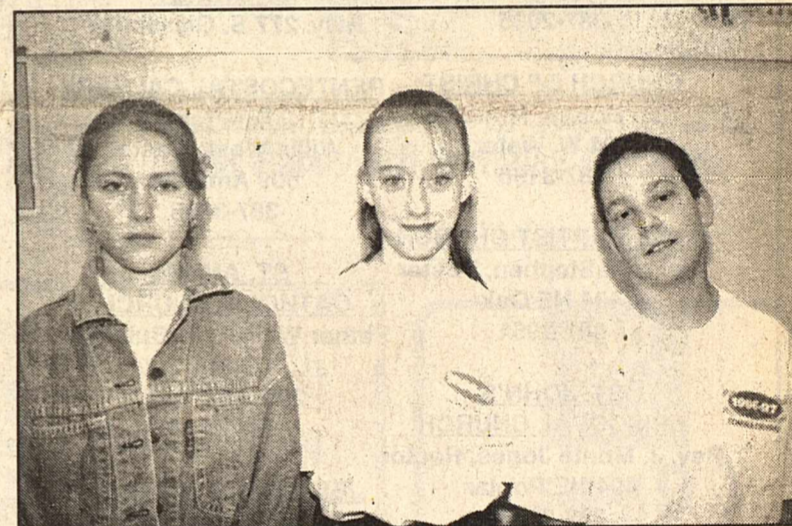
At half-time, the Lady Broncos were up 21 as Sonora outscored Kermit 16-11 in the second quarter. The third period slowed to a snail's pace as the Lady Broncos outscored the Lady Jackets 11-9. Picking up the pace in the fourth, the Lady Broncos went on a 23-6 run to leave the final outcome a 40 point Lady Bronco victory.

Scoring for the Lady Broncos were: Pam Jones 13, Cindy Jones 10, Camille Marshall 8, Kelly Harrelson 8, Erica Kerbow 7, Stacy Fox 7, Stefany Davenport 7, Daisy Mireles 6, Jacki Bellard 2, and Kara Eaton 2.

Congratulations to the Lady Broncos and first-year head coach at Sonora, John McMeans, on a job well done. GOOD LUCK in the play-offs.



High School Solo and Ensemble participants were (back row l-r) Edward Maskill, Joshua Akins, and Blanca Loera; middle row: Angela Mayfield and Sarah Marrs; front row: Brenda Oliden and Stacey Becknell. Not pictured is Erin Marrs.



Middle School participants were Marjie Becknell, Carrie Smith, and Tim Warden. Not pictured is Jake Trainer.

This past weekend, four middle school students and seven high school students participated in UIL Choral Solo and Ensemble Contest. Jake Trainer, Marjie Becknell, Joshua Akins, Sarah Marrs, and Erin Marrs all received a division one, superior rating on their solos (Superior being the highest rating given). Carrie Smith, Tim Warden, Brenda Oliden, Angela Mayfield, Stacey Becknell, Edward Maskill, and Blanca Loera received a second division, excellent rating for their solos. Not one student from Sonora received a rating below a division two. Joshua Akins, Sarah Marrs, and Erin Marrs have all qualified for UIL State Solo and Ensemble Contest.

submitted

Six years of frustration came to an end last Tuesday night in Bronco Gymnasium for senior Lady Broncos, Pam Jones and Erica Kerbow. These two are the only survivors of 27 girls who started their basketball careers in Sonora Jr.

High. Pam and Erica, along with Kelly Harrelson, are the only seniors on this year's Lady Broncos basketball team.

To play and enjoy the game is reward in itself, but to play and succeed is the ultimate high in the sports arena. The only thing better is



Kasey Wood and Caleb Barker apply defensive pressure as Coach Harrelson watches intently.

submitted

The Sonora Broncos had fortune smiling on them Tuesday night as their victory over Colorado City coupled by a Crane win over Greenwood sent the Broncos into a tie for the District Championship. The game to determine the district championship will be played Friday at 3:00 p.m. in Big Lake. Everyone is encouraged to get to Big Lake to cheer on the Broncos!

The Broncos traveled to C-City to reestablish a few things after a tough loss to Kermit last Friday. The boys hit the floor with intensity as they pressured the Wolves from the get-go. After a not so inspiring defensive game against Kermit, the poor pitiful Wolves felt the brunt of the avenging Broncos. The Broncos got off to a slow start on the offensive side as the Wolves jumped out to an early lead, building their false confidence to a fever pitch only to have it stuffed back down their throats by a heckling Bronco defense. The Broncos employed full court pressure, forcing the Wolves to turn the ball over giving the Broncos the means to take the lead which they never gave back.

The second half of the ball game saw the Broncos take complete control of the game as the Broncos scored 50 second half points to beat the hapless Wolves 81-46. Fuel was added in the fourth

period to the Bronco fire as a double technical was assessed on the floor and Coach Scott Harrelson, defending his player, tried to whisper good council to the substitute referee only to receive a technical of his own. Admonished by the ref and confined to the pine with instructions to keep quiet, Coach Harrelson sat in relative calm, enjoying the Broncos runaway victory over the Wolves. Relative calm, that is until the message was relayed to him that Crane had beaten Greenwood. With much fan-fare, an eruption from the Bronco family commenced the celebration on the floor of "The Pit" with three minutes to play in the game.

The Broncos played at a higher level on Tuesday and the resulting victory reflected the wake-up call the Broncos received last Friday in Kermit. The defense was markedly improved on Tuesday as the Broncos played the defensive game as they will need it in the play-offs.

Ty Harrelson led the Broncos with 27 followed by J.P. Hudman with 15. All but two of the Broncos contributed offensively to the 81 points scored. This was one of the better defensive ball games the Broncos have played in recent weeks and should bolster the confidence of these young men in the coming weeks.

Briefly

Christmas In April

Housing applications are being accepted. Contact Jim Stephen or Karole Hunt for more information.

Bronco Booster Club Meeting

Thursday, February 13th, at the High School Commons Area at 7:00 p.m.

Sonora Band Booster Meeting

Tuesday, February 18th, at the Band Hall. Anyone interested in the Band Boosters is invited to attend.

Join the Srs for February Fiesta

The Sutton County Committee on Aging invites you to attend a festive fundraiser on Friday, February 14th, at the Senior Center. February Fiesta tickets are available for a \$5 donation. Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m., dine in or take out. Menu includes: enchiladas, pinto beans, rice, salad, chips, salsa, tea, and homemade pralines. Dance follows with the Old Thyme Country Band. Door prizes to be given. Valentine Sweethearts will be announced.

Attention 1987 Grads

Our 10 year reunion is upon us. If you have not been contacted please write or call Shaunamarie Sims, PO Box 1204, Cloudcroft, NM 88317, 505-687-3197; or Kate Jennings at 915-387-5504.

Choc-o-holic Bake Sale

To be held Valentine's Day, Friday, February 14, at Food Center from 3:00 p.m.-til sold out. The Boy Scouts of Troop 19 will be offering a wide variety of delicious baked goods, most of them chocolate. So if it is brownies you are wanting, a luscious cake, cookies, fudge...or whatever...Come see what we have to offer!

Library Story Time

Starting Wednesday, February 5, and every Wednesday of the week thereafter, 10:00-10:45 a.m. at the Sutton County Public Library, 306 E Mulberry. Ages 3 -preschool. For more information call 387-2111.

L.M. Hudspeth Hospital & Nursing Home Auxiliary

Meeting will be the second Monday of each month at 3:00 in the basement of FUMC. Any interested persons are invited to attend.

Social Security Representative

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his February visit to Sonora. He will be at the County Courthouse in Sonora on Tuesday, February 25, from 9:30 -10:30. 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.

Town Meeting Well Attended

submitted by Nick Garza

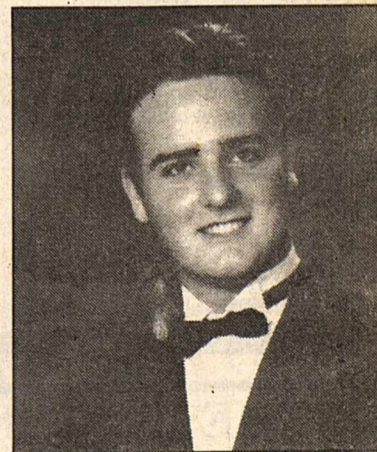
The community economic development meeting held on Monday, February 3, 1997, at the 4-H Center was attended by 90 people. It was sponsored by the Sutton County Extension Program Council to increase awareness of some of the financial problems facing Sutton County. This is the first of two articles covering the meeting.

The meeting was moderated by Nick Garza and the first speaker was Rexanne Friess, the County Appraiser. Her report painted a bleak picture of the county's present and future tax income due in large part to the decline in natural gas reserves in the area. Although oil-field activity has been stable or even increased some recently, the taxable value of the land has decreased because no new reserves are being found and developed. In 1986 minerals contributed 72% to the taxable value in the county. By 1997 that decreased to 54%. She said it was necessary to find a way to offset this decline in tax value.

Barry Limbocker of Louis Dreyfus Co. but speaking for himself, said that there was active drilling going on now, but of 304 wells drilled recently, there have been no new gas reserves found. This means that established fields are being harvested by placing wells at 40 acre intervals. Many wells are

being shut-in with no immediate plans to re-open them and some are being plugged permanently. The ten year outlook in general is good but beyond that the picture looks bad unless some new gas reserves are located.

County Judge, Carla Garner painted a picture of restraint and concern on the part of the County Commissioners in their attempt to keep the county government going. She said the Commissioners take very seriously the trust the public has in them to spend wisely. In recent years there have been no increases in the number of county employees, and the departments have operated on the same budgets. In the last five years, the tax rate has been less than the maximum allowed. Judge Garner also explained that the different taxing entities in the county, such as the school, hospital district, etc., are working together as much as possible to avoid duplication that costs money. Also, inter-governmental agreements between the city and county have helped save money on several projects. Judge Garner stated that the Commissioners Court needed and wanted more public input and participation so that they could better serve the needs of the county.



Joshua Akins

In addition to our success at Solo and Ensemble, Joshua Akins was recently selected to the Texas Music Educators All-State Choir. He competed against approximately 30,000 students from 2A to 5A schools in the first round. After four auditions and many hours of practice, Josh is one of the 280 students to make it to the choir. This is the second time that he has made it to the All-State choir. I am very proud of his accomplishments, and I hope that you are also. I would estimate that only about 15% of the choir are from 3A or smaller schools. To my knowledge, this is only the second time that we have placed a student in the All-State choir. Two years ago Josh had the distinction of being the first person from Sonora High School to earn membership in the TMEA All-State choir.

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Dining Out Directory

Food Center Deli 600 S. Crockett Ave.
387-5616

La Mexicana 240 N. Hwy. 277
387-3401

Pizza Hut 401 Hwy. 277 N.
387-3540

Rafter L Bar-B-Q 506 N. Crockett Ave.
387-5246

Rosie's Cafe 207 E. Glasscock Ave.
387-5552

Sonic Drive-In 202 Hwy. 277 N.
387-5292

Sutton County Steakhouse 1306 N. Service Rd.
387-3833

Town & Country Subway 610 S. Crockett
387-6181

Town & Country Deli 903 N. Crockett Ave.
387-2169

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

JERUSALEM ASAMBLEA DE DIOS
St. Ann's Street
387-3600

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Rev. Charles Huffman
417 E 2nd St.
387-5366

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD PRESBYTERIAN
Lewis Allen, Pastor
319 NE Mulberry
387-2616

OUTREACH CHURCH OF CHRIST
Hwy. 277 S. Glasscock


PENTECOSTAL CALVARY TEMPLE
Willie West, Pastor
509 Amistad
387-3236

ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
Father William DuBuisson, O.M.I.
229 SW Plum
387-2278


JEHOVAH'S WITNESS
310 St. Ann's Street
387-5658 or 387-5518

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Don Sessom
511 Cornell
387-5215

Attend the church of your choice. this Sunday.



Cornerstone Home Health Agency
116 N Concho
(915)387-2505 (800)593-8222



Kerbow Funeral Home
387-2266

Engagement Announcement

Glen and Linda Fisher of Sonora are proud to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter Tammy Tarasa to Mr. Stephen Bradley Jung, son of Sharon Fritz-Werner of New Braunfels and Bill Jung of Johnson City.

Miss Fisher is a 1992 graduate of Sonora High school. She received her associates degree in agriculture from Southwest Texas Jr. College and a bachelor's degree in political science from The University of Texas at San Antonio. She is currently employed at the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, John Sharp's headquarters office, in Austin as a research analyst special-

izing in agriculture and natural resources.

Mr. Jung is a 1987 graduate of Fredericksburg High School. He has been manager of Fritz Charolais Ranches in Fredericksburg and Carizozo, New Mexico, for the past ten years. He is currently employed at the Texas Agriculture Statistics Service in Austin as a field enumerator and is pursuing a bachelors degree in agriculture from Southwest Texas State University while currently attending Austin Community College.

The Memorial Day weekend outdoor wedding, reception, and dance are to be held at the home of the bride's parents in Sonora on May 25, 1997.


Cards of Thanks

We, the tenants and manager of Sonora Seniors Apartments, wish to say thank you very much to Barry Black for the fish he gave us for our monthly dinner. It was wonderful. Thanks Again, Barry Black!
Manager-Josie Emiliano

The Family of Ruby Mayhew wishes to thank the citizens of Sonora for their prayers and support during this time.

Daisy Girl Scout Troop #102 would like to thank: Multi Chem, James and Lois Archer, and Creek Swabbing, Luther Creek, for their generous contributions to our troop.

Erica Morris and Tammie Tidwell-Troop leaders



Our Sympathy

Doris Lankford

Doris Molly Lankford, 75, died Tuesday, Feb. 4, 1997, in a San Angelo hospital.

Service were held at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 7, at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Andy Reichert officiating. Burial followed in Rest Haven Cemetery. Arrangements were by Heritage Funeral Home.

Doris was born Oct. 19, 1921, in Menard County, Texas, to Dan and Effie Henderson Lankford, and was a lifetime resident of Menard. She was a member of the Methodist church, a bookkeeper who retired from West Texas Utilities in 1986, after 38 years of service.

Survivors include four nieces and their husbands, Bitsy and

Lowell Stanley of Virginia, Brinda and Dale Brown of Junction, Jinx and Bob Merry of Sonora and Phyllis and Stanton Chapman of Sabinal; one nephew and his wife, James Lankford "Corky" and Judy, Murr of Junction; a number of great-nieces and great-nephews; great-great nieces and great-great-nephews; and a sister-in-law, Ilene Lankford of San Angelo.

Pallbearers were Joe Dan Sides, Billy Joe Haney, Dickey Key, David Dobbins, Brent Bratton, and Jack Walston. Honorary pallbearers were Clarence Clark and Bob Conner.

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church building fund, P.O. Box 117, Menard, Texas 76859.

Fernando Trevino

Fernando C. Trevino, 70, died Saturday, Feb. 8, 1997, in a local hospital.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church with burial in Eldorado Cemetery. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home.

He was born Sept. 4, 1926, in Muzquiz, Coahuila, Mexico. He was a ranch laborer and a Catholic.

Survivors include his wife, Rita Trevino of Eldorado; a son, Fernando Trevino Jr. of Sonora; six

daughters, Lourdes Capuchina of Sonora, Blanca Martinez of Fort Worth, Rosa Robles, Dora Arispe and Becky Barajas, all of Eldorado, and Luvia Barajas of San Angelo; four brothers, Reyes Trevino of Sonora, Andres Trevino and Adan Trevino, both of Muzquiz, and Polo Trevino of Allende, Coahuila, Mexico; two sisters, Ramona Espinosa of Muzquiz and Angelita Trevino of Eagle Pass; and 20 grandchildren.

Daniel T. Garza

Daniel T. Garza, 30, died Wednesday, February 5, 1997, in Sonora.

Service will be at 1:00 p.m. Monday at St. Ann's Catholic Church with burial in Sonora Cemetery. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

He was born November 9, 1966, in Sonora. He was a Navy vet-

eran and a Catholic. Survivors include his mother, Carmela Garza of Midland; two brothers, Ruben Garza of Sonora and Louie Vallejo of Midland; his maternal grandmother, Ofelia Torres of Sonora; paternal grandmother, Brijida Garza of Sonora; and numerous nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

J.B. Heflin

J.B. Heflin, 84, of San Angelo died Thursday, Feb. 6, 1997, at his residence.

Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. Monday in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Chester McCown, associate pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, officiating. Arrangements were by Robert Massie Funeral Home.

He was born Sept. 7, 1912, in

Sonora. He was a master mechanic and welder and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Lorene Heflin of San Angelo; a daughter, Glenna Nativo of Los Angeles; two sisters, Ethelda Holland of Sonora and Mary Tuckness of San Angelo; a grandson; and several nieces and nephews.

ATTENTION CLASS OF 1987 GRADUATES

OUR TEN YEAR REUNION IS UPON US. IF YOU HAVE NOT BEEN CONTACTED PLEASE WRITE OR CALL

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AT 387-5504

SENIOR CENTER

Calendar of Events

- February 14- Mexican Dinner/Dance Fundraiser, 5:30
- February 17- Center closed for President's Day
- February 18- City Council, 2:00p.m. City Hall, Bingo!
- February 19- Kooking w/ Kelly Nutrition Program!
- February 20- Van to San Angelo! Call Lilia.

Lunch Menu

- Thursday, February 13**
Meatloaf w/Tomatoes, Blackeyed Peas, Okra, Cornbread, Banana Pudding
- Friday, February 14**
Chicken Supreme, Herbed New Potatoes, Carrots, Hot Rolls, Vanilla Pudding w/Fruit
- Monday, February 17**
Center Closed
- Tuesday, February 18**
Barbecue Chicken, Blackeyed Peas, Beets, Hot Rolls, Pears, Chocolate Chip Cookie
- Wednesday, February 19**
Fried Fish, Hominy, Broccoli, Corn Muffins, Bread Pudding w/Raisins
- Thursday, February 24**
Salisbury Steak, Baked Beans, Mustard Greens, Bread, Peaches
- Friday, February 25**
Chicken Fried Steak, Oven Fried Potatoes, Carrots, Hot Rolls, Vanilla Pudding w/Fruit
- Guest Meals are \$4.00.
Suggested donation for Senior Citizens is \$1.75.

School Lunch Menu

BREAKFAST and LUNCH

Monday, Feb. 17	Tuesday, Feb. 18	Wednesday, Feb. 19
Breakfast Pizza, Fruit	Scrambled Egg, Toast w/Jelly, Juice	Biscuit, Sausage Gravy, Fruit
Sausage Pizza, Tossed Salad, Kernel Corn, Butterscotch, Brownies	Corn Dogs, Cheese Nachos, Vegetable Sticks, Jello w/Fruit	Soft Burrito (Bean-N-Cheese), Vegetable Salad, Mixed Fruit, Applesauce Cake
Thursday, Feb. 20 Tequito (Egg, Potato, Ham, Cheese), Juice	Friday, Feb. 21 Pancake, Sausage, Fruit Fish Burger, Lettuce, Pickles, French Fries, Lemon Pudding w/Topping	

All meals served with milk

Community Calendar

13 February


Thursday, February 13
7:00 p.m. - Bronco Booster Meeting at High School Commons Area

Friday February 14
3:00 p.m. - Choc-o-holic Bake Sale at Food Center

4:00 p.m. - J.V. Bronco Baseball vs. Ozona There

6:00 p.m. - Var. Bronco Baseball vs. Ozona There

Boys Golf @ Ft. Stockton

 **Sutton County National Bank**
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February 20

No School-Speech Meet

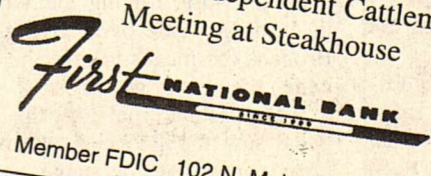
5:30 p.m. - Fund Raising Dinner at Senior Center

Saturday February 15
Boys Golf @ Ft. Stockton

Wednesday February 19
10:00-10:45 a.m. - Library Story Time at Sutton County Public Library

5:30 p.m. - Christian Outfitter's at First Baptist Church

6:30 p.m. - Independent Cattleman's Meeting at Steakhouse

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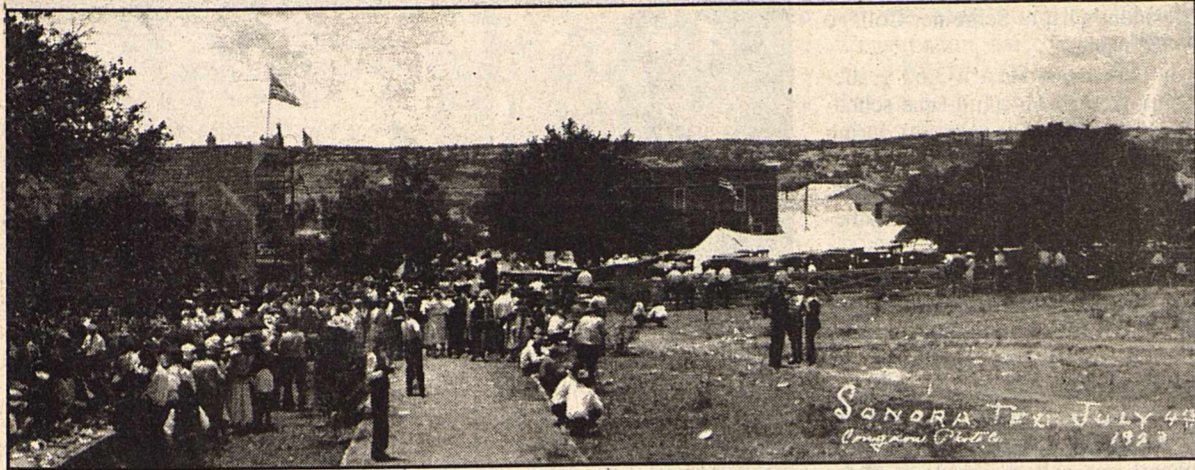
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Ask The Historical Society



Taken from the Courthouse, July 4, 1923

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer

Q. When was St. John's Episcopal Church rocked?

A. St. John's Episcopal Church, which was at first a wood frame building, was rocked, modernized, and enlarged in 1937. There have been other additions in recent years.

The same year, 1937, the Church of Christ built a concrete, tile, and stucco building on their property, which has been added to since. The Aldwell home that served as the Sutton County Library and is now a travel agency was rocked and remodeled, also the Aldwell home on the corner was rocked and remodeled. The school superintendent's home on the corner of the school campus was built, the Joe N. Ross ranch residence was built, and the Joe B. Ross Sonora residence was built. F.J. Woods, A. G. Blanton, John Fields, Neil Roueche, and C.D. Wyatt all had new homes built.

While we have the book out we thought we would list a few other things the Devil's River News listed as happening in 1937.

Ben Meckel bought a 600 acre ranch from G.H. Farrington. John Eaton retired as Boy Scout leader after eleven years. Mrs. Finis Hamby's car was stolen by youths who "wanted a ride in it." A caretaker, Mr. Kisselburg, was hired for the first time to take care of the Sutton County Burial Park. E.J. Hardgrave bought a 4,807 acre ranch from Jim Chadwick. Miss

Josie Barrows graduated as a nurse in San Angelo. J.T. Penick began a new residence on the Junction highway. Mrs. W.R. Cusenbary was elected P.T.A. president for 1937-38. Wampus Espy landed a 37 pound catfish. Joe Nell Miers was valedictorian and Dickie Vehle, salutatorian. W.J. Fields, Jr. was elected Lions Club leader for the new year. R.L. Hallum was the local agent for the Kerrville Bus Co., Inc. with six buses running through Sonora each day. G. W. Archer did the rock work on the Savell house.

Q. Do you have any information on a Frank Mitchell that lived in Sutton County?

A. Frank Mitchell died, from injuries received in an October 20, 1937 accident near Luling, in San Antonio Thursday, November 4, 1937. Mitchell had been employed by the Sonora Motor Co., since June 1926.

Mitchell left a wife and son in Washington, D. C., a brother, Elmo, of Sonora, two sisters, and his mother and father. He was buried in San Antonio on Saturday, November 6, 1937.

This question came in about 2 years ago. The writer said he had died in Sonora in 1939. I had checked the death certificates for here and all surrounding counties and come up blank. I also checked the papers for 1938, 39 and 40 and had no luck. Today, I just happened to come across this while looking for the information on the Episcopal

Church. Sometimes I can't find an answer to your questions, so I just tack them up on the wall in the hope that someday, something will show up. One mystery solved and 8 or 9 left to go.

Many of you have called about the rewrites on the prices in the "good old days." It seems you really enjoy showing them to your children. I sincerely hope when you tell them what things cost, you also tell them how much the wages were back in the "good old days." Speaking of prices, here are a few more for your collection:

At E. F. Vander Stucken Co. you could get Suava Crepe (wash silk) frocks for \$2.95, Batiste dimity for \$1.95 and Batiste Dotted Swiss dresses in all sizes for \$2.95. J.W.

Trainer at "The Friendly Store" had straw hats for \$1.00 to \$1.95, Arrow summer shirts for \$2.00 to \$2.50, leather white shoes for \$2.95 and up, and summer-weight pajamas for \$1.65 to \$1.95. You could stay at the Naylor Hotel, Ranchmen's Headquarters in San Angelo, for \$1 to \$2.50 for a single and \$2 to \$4 for a double.

You could purchase a Ford V8 "60," reported to get 22-27 miles per gallon of gas, for \$529 plus transportation charges and state and federal taxes.

Now for our favorite, the Piggly Wiggly Prices for June 11, 1937: Peach halves canned 18 cents, peas 2 cans for 23 cents, quart jar of Elfood Mayonnaise 45 cents, Jello or Royal Gelatine 5 cents a package, White Fur Toilet Tissue 4 rolls for 20 cents, 2 boxes of Corn Flakes for 19 cents, Kimbell's Best Flour 48 lbs. for \$1.75, 10 lbs. of California washed white spuds 25 cents, fresh tomatoes 5 cents a pound, oranges 15 cents a dozen, bananas 15 cents a dozen baby roast beef 18 cents a pound, sugar cure bacon 30 cents a pound, ground meat at 2 lbs for 25 cents, and pork chops for 28 cents.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history send them to Ask the Historical Society, P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885, drop them off at The Devil's River News office, fax them to 915-387-5691, or give me a call after noon at 915-387-2855.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

February 13th
 Billy Burnham
 Santana Noriega
 Jessica Snyder
 Austin Whitten
 14th
 Adrienne Casillas
 Matt Escalante
 Magdalena Tobias
 Susana Vaquera
 Valentina Gallegos
 Malish Desai
 15th
 Cody Barber
 Katelyn Ronspiez
 Joseph VanderStucken
 Victor Belman
 16th
 Israel Arevalo
 Juan Eduardo Mireles
 Shea Holmes
 Jalys Mabry
 Jovita Munoz
 Daniel Ward
 Michael McReynolds
 17th

Debbie Buitron
 April Castro
 Victoria Fuentes
 Emily Gonzales
 Marc Gonzales
 Maria Hernandez
 Elizabeth Kren
 Pete Perez
 18th
 Andres Arevalo
 Danny Chatwell
 Antonia Castro
 Chance Dillard
 Eddie Virgen
 19th
 Queena Mendez
 Hensel Matthews
 Richard Randazzo

Happy Anniversary

14th
 Donny & Kim Yocham

Christian Outfitter's Grand Opening

submitted by First Baptist Church

Wednesday, February 19th at 5:30 p.m., the community is invited to the grand opening of "Christian Outfitters's," a community clothes closet sponsored by First Baptist Church. The clothes closet is located across from the Health Department on the corner of Eaton Street and College Street. The closet is open and available for all needy persons in and around our community.

First Baptist could like to thank all who have made this ministry possible. They are Mr. Dale Caddell, Mr. Russell Green, Mr. Smith Neal,

Mr. J.W. Sutton, WTU, Texas Dept. of Health, and all those that have already donated clothes and money.

The Christian Outfitter's will be accepting clothing donations at the First Baptist Church, 111 N.E. Oak on Tuesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. Monetary donations will also be received to assist in purchase of new socks and undergarments. To gain access to the clothes in the closet, visit the health department. All clothes are free for the needy. For further information, please call 387-2951.

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Perez Assigned To Duty In Hawaii

Marine Pfc. Gabriel H. Perez, son of Idalia H. Perez of Sonora recently reported for duty with 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marines, 3rd Marine Division, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

Perez's new assignment is an example of how Navy and Marine Corps men and women are assigned to ships, squadrons, and shore command around the world. Whether

servicing in the Persian Gulf near Iraq or in the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia, people like Perez are making a difference as they work to improve their knowledge and skill as part of the most highly technical naval force in history.

The 1995 graduate of Sonora High School joined the Marine Corps in April 1996.

Hospital Board Minutes

Mr. Goodrich stated at the January meeting the census in the hospital has been up for the past month or so. The emergency department has been very busy due to the icy roads in the last couple of weeks.

Mr. Goodrich gave the financial report for November 1996. The hospital showed an operating loss of \$63,000, with a net loss of \$26,000, which is \$10,000 over budget. The nursing home posted a \$21,000 loss, which is \$13,000 over budget. There were three payroll periods in November, which is reflected in the losses being over budget. With the approval of the December expenditures, the loss in the hospital for December will be \$11,000 over budget and just slightly over budget in the nursing facility. 1996 ended at \$10,747 under budget.

The Board then went into Executive Session then reconvened into open session. Dr. Johnson stated that Mr. Goodrich's performance and salary had been discussed. Motion was made by Ray Smith, seconded by Ben Solis, to approve a pay increase for Mr. Goodrich for \$150 per month, effective January 1, 1997. Motion did not carry. Motion was made by Ray Smith, seconded by Solis, to approve a pay increase for Mr. Goodrich for \$200 per month, effective January 1, 1997. Motion carried. No other business in Executive Session required any action by the Board at this time.

There were no visitors' comments. There were no Board member comments. With no further business, Ray Smith made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Claire Powers Richards. Motion carries.

Schreiner College News

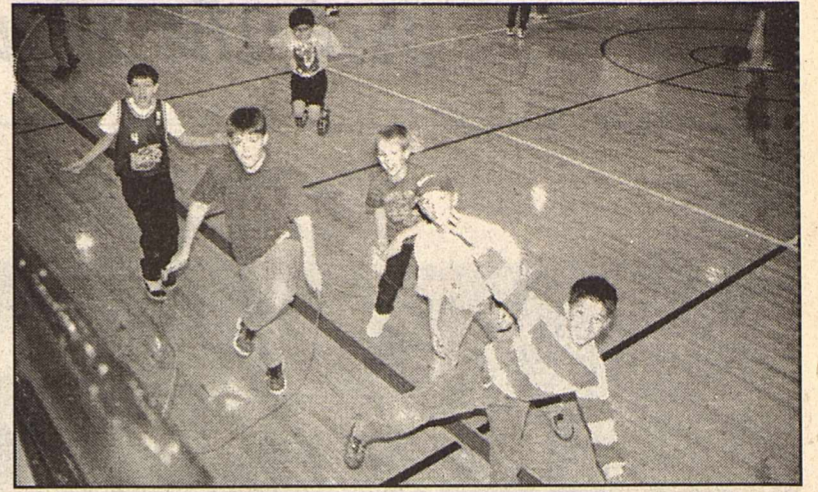


Tara Urbanski

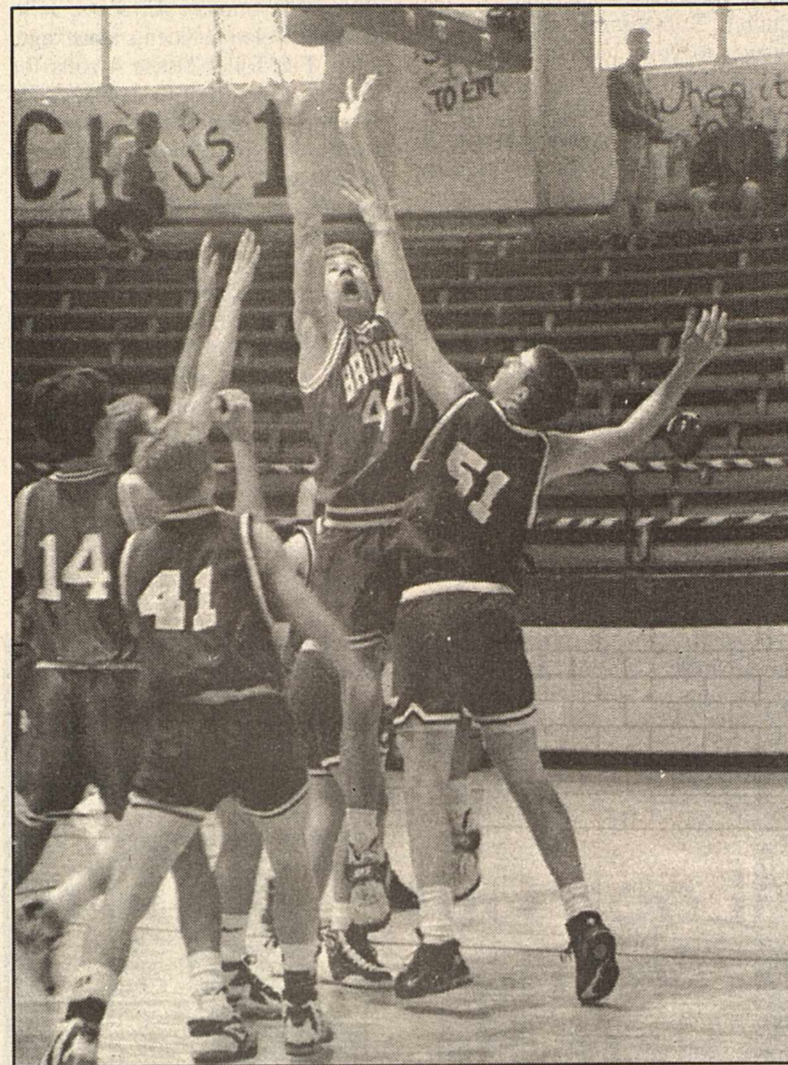
Tara Urbanski of Sonora has been named to the fall 1996 President's list at Schreiner College in Kerrville.

Earning at least a 3.60 grade-point average on a full-time schedule (12 credit hours or more) during the fall term, Urbanski is the daughter of Barbara Urbanski of Sonora. She is a senior majoring in mathematics.

Schreiner College is a small, co-educational liberal arts college in the Texas Hill Country. Related by choice and by covenant to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Schreiner has been consistently rated in the top quartile of western liberal arts colleges by U.S. News and World Report magazine.



Elementary students have been jumping all week for Jump Rope for Heart, an aerobic exercise event to benefit the American Heart Association. Donations will continue to be collected through February 28. Last year, the students raised \$4,285.



Brad Legan is going up strong with another shot.



Mayer Anderson lays one in against a couple of C-City Wolves.

School Board Renews Contracts

The regular meeting of the Sonora School Board was called to order by president Michelle Anderson, Monday, February 10. After an invocation given by Superintendent Martinez, the minutes from prior meetings were approved.

Payment of current bills in the amount of \$291,001 were approved. May 3, 1997 was ordered as school trustee election and election officials were appointed. The board approved the Water District's request to share election officials and expenses.

Mr. Martinez presented the school board training report. Unofficial hours for members are as follows: Michelle Anderson 9.75, Bob Brockman 3.0, Jesse Bustamante 3.0, Tom Clifton 21.25, Sam David Hernandez 4.0, Gloria Lopez 4.0, and Mark Wilkinson 3.0.

Approved bad weather make-up

days are March 27 and May 23. May 24 will be the teacher work day.

The board approved the revised job description for special programs director. They also approved the food service supervisor's job description.

Members agreed to pay a \$560 per year retainer's fee to the law office of Walsh, Anderson, Underwood, Schulze, and Aldridge.

Mr. Martinez reported the new state teacher's appraisal system must be in place by April. The system emphasizes student discipline and performance.

The board went into executive session to discuss personnel matters regarding the evaluation of contracts for building manager, special programs coordinator, and special education director. All contracts were renewed.

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Commissioners' Court Meeting

The Sutton County Commissioners met Monday, February 10, in regular session. The meeting came to order with approval of minutes of prior meetings. Accounts payable were approved after discussion of an invoice from Charles Gypsum for court costs that were not approved for payment in January's meeting. Commissioner Bill Keel added \$125 for reimbursement for an extension class he attended. The commissioners questioned over \$16 for one meal for a court reporter. Payables were approved after the discussion.

Sheriff Bill Webster reported billing \$1575 to the Federal Bureau of Prisons and \$144 to the City of Sonora. He reported 211 mandate county inmates.

Pat Campbell of the EMS Department reported 65 runs for

January, a very heavy month due to icy conditions. He also stated the four year replacement on one ambulance is up this year and requests bids be let for a new ambulance.

Ron Geske, Road and Bridge Supervisor, reported this year they need to purchase tires for the heavy equipment vehicles. He also reported construction on moving the fire hydrant at the 4-H Center will begin.

County Attorney, David Wallace, stated hot checks totaled \$229.24 for January. Wallace will meet with Congressman Rob Junnell, February 11. He will present Junnell with the county resolution requesting authorization to abolish the office of constable. The request passed with a 3-1 vote. Keel, Wade, and Constaneda voted for abolishment, Villanueva against. Wallace also stated he had filed suit

on the bond company for Coats Construction, the company hired to build the new library building. He has received no answer from said company.

Judge Garner said she had signed the workforce agreement with the Concho Valley. At this point, enough counties had signed the agreement, therefore, she signed

for representation on the board. She also reported eight youth summer positions with JTP will be available. The Judge showed the commissioners a preliminary sketch of plans to enlarge the 4-H Building.

The commissioners accepted the bid for depository from First National Bank of Sonora.

The Scout Report

by Kathy Hardgrave

Who is going to let a little cold and rain spoil their plans??? Not the Boy Scouts from Sonora's Troop 19! They spent this past weekend camping out at Camp Fawcett, just as planned. In contrast to the spring-like weather the previous weekend, the temperatures reached only into the forties this weekend, with cloudy skies prevailing.

Leaving on the trip Friday after school were Boy Scouts Brandon Adkins, Cody Ainsworth, Shane Benson, James Elliott, Adam Hadsall, Ryan Hardgrave, Baldy Hernandez, Justin Odom, Shawn Odom, and Eddie Wallace. Webelos Scouts (in the 5th grade) were invited to be guests of the troop on this camp-out, in preparation for their upcoming induction into Boy Scouts. Webelos making the trip were David Cook, Tom Valliant, Norbert David Ortiz, Joseph Ainsworth, James Ross, J.E. Carillo, Shaun Ramos, Stevie Hernandez, Devon Yearout, Zed Snodgrass, and Israel Mendoza. Adults who accompanied this large group of Scouts were Scout Master Lewis Allen, Kurt Hadsall, John Ainsworth, Sandi Ainsworth, Al Elliott, Brenda Valliant, Norbert Ortiz, and Jim Ross.

The most unusual sighting occurred on the drive down, when the group passed a ranch with emus on it. Their antics amused everyone. The Scouts played Capture the Flag both nights, as it didn't start raining until the second night. The boys worked on a conservation service project for about three hours on Saturday...trimming trees and hauling debris down to fill in the wash-out along the river. All of the boys made sandwiches for lunch, and went on a five mile hike, learning about plant identification along the way. Meals cooked by the boys included tacos, hamburgers, and chorizo and eggs. The group returned to Sonora around noon on Sunday, and in spite of the weather, everyone seemed to have had a good time.

On Tuesday, February 4th, new leadership positions were voted on during the regular weekly meeting, with the following Scouts now in office: Senior Patrol Leader-Brandon Adkins; Asst. Senior Patrol Leader-Stetson Hall; Quartermaster-Adam Hadsall; Scribe-Chris Weingart; Historian-

Shane Benson; Chaplain Aide-Shawn Odom; Bugler-James Elliott; and Librarian-Justin Odom. These positions of leadership serve as stepping-stones to advancements in rank, as the scout works toward the highest rank of Eagle. A Court of Honor will be scheduled for late March; awards and advancements will be presented at that time for achievements during the previous three or four months.

Thanks go to those adults who have been volunteering with the boys in the troop, especially Al and Sandra Elliott and Dianne Benson. A special thanks to Eagle Scout Eddie Maskill who continues to attend meetings and assist the younger scouts in earning portions of their merit badges. Finally, thanks to Cody Ainsworth and Ryan Hardgrave who, having completing most of their merit badge requirements, continue to attend meetings and use their leadership skills with the newest scouts.

Presently, there are about fifteen active Boy Scouts in Troop 19. Later in February, at the annual Blue and Gold Banquet on February 24th, eleven Webelos will advance from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts, almost doubling the membership overnight! This is the largest group in recent years to cross over into Boy Scouting. Providing tents and camping equipment for the boys, not to mention food for campouts, requires a certain amount of fund-raising. This Friday, February 14th, the Scouts will hold a "Choc-o-holics Bake Sale" at Food Center from 3 p.m. until sold out. The community is encouraged to support Troop 19 in this endeavor, which will also help send several of the older Scouts to the Philmont Camp in New Mexico this coming summer. If there are any community groups or businesses who would like to make donations to Boy Scout Troop 19, please contact Ronda Hall, Committee Treasurer, at 387-2830; or Lewis Allen, Scout Master, at 387-3948; or Kathy Hardgrave, Committee Secretary at 387-2227.

Nitsch Deployed To Korea



Shauna Nitsch

submitted

PV2 Shauna Janelle Nitsch, daughter of Kenny and Kendra

Nitsch and granddaughter of Dewitt and Frances Bryan and Lucy Nitsch, graduated with honors from the executive administrative assistant course at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. She, along with PFC Brad Blum of California, were presented with a certificate of achievement by Lieutenant Colonel Brent A. Johnson for achieving a score of 90 or above. As an executive administrative assistant, she will be assisting colonels and generals.

PV2 Nitsch graduated from basic training on September 26 and went on to graduate from the administrative specialist course on November 14. She will be reporting to Korea in February where she plans to start getting her degree in international business. She would like to thank her family for their support.



After a study on bears, Mrs. Lopez's and Mrs. Ortiz's classes enjoyed a teddy bear picnic. The students learned that teddy bears came to be because of our 26th president, Teddy Roosevelt. Pictured above is Mrs. Lopez's class.

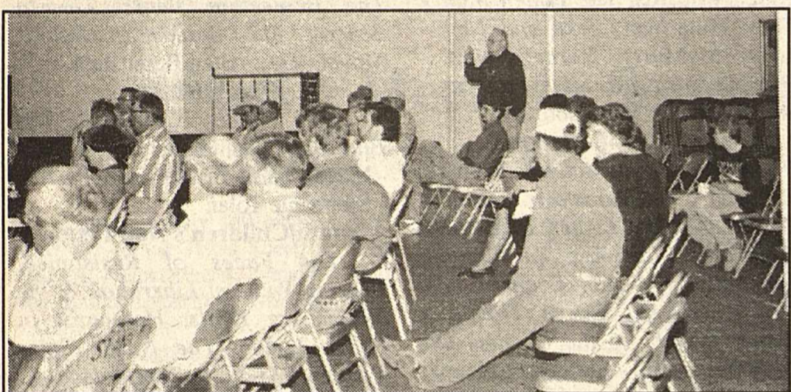
Mayhew Improvement Hopeful

Ruby Mayhew was severely injured in a two car accident on Highway 277 South, Thursday, February 6. She was traveling south when an eighteen wheeler struck her truck from behind. The driver of the rig was cited for failure to control speed.

Mrs. Mayhew was taken to Hudspeth Hospital then airlifted to Columbia Medical Center in San Angelo where she was admitted to the intensive care unit. As of Monday, February 10 improvement is hopeful.

She is a newspaper carrier for the San Angelo Standard Times. Her association with the Standard will expire the end of February.

Town Meeting



Rev. Jim Stephen addresses issues of the church community.

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The new school superintendent, Ernesto Martinez, was introduced, and he gave a brief report on the financial condition of the SISD. He said the district, although wealthy compared to some, was also experiencing a decline in income. Changes in State legislation regarding funding are currently pending and will have to be evaluated when they go into effect. The SISD is looking at many ways to reduce cost and stretch their budgets a little farther.

City Manager, Brent Gesch, started his report on an upbeat note by voicing his opinion that the people of Sutton County will succeed in solving their problems. He reported that the city anticipated a decline in revenue as much as 18 months ago and have been downsizing by attrition, putting projects on hold, and working with the county on several projects to avoid duplication. Unfortunately, many projects

are mandated by state and federal regulations, and the city has little flexibility in deciding which are a benefit and which ones are not. It was brought out that the future of the landfill continues to be a concern although the current situation is working. Brent noted that communication between everyone involved is critical to making projects work. He encouraged every citizen to participate in council meetings and to let the members know what their concerns are.

This article only covers about half of the information brought out at the meeting. Next week, the second half will be reported including reports on the hospital district, agriculture, transportation, economics, tourism and the "Main Street Project."

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Although the very basic premise of chiropractic is taught similarly at all the colleges, the actual art of performing the chiropractic adjust-

Back Talk Chiropractic Care
Questions & Answers

ment varies from one chiropractic college to another. There are in fact some 150 - 200 different procedures that are used to adjust the spine. A doctor usually chooses the procedure that they use based on their strength, education, and, most importantly, on their exam of the patient. Your own physical condition and the procedure that is best suited for you may differ from visit to visit.

Can chiropractic help animals?
Over the years many chiropractors have actually treated their own pets, usually dogs and cats using chiropractic adjustments. In most states, however, the treatment of animals falls under the veterinary

board and would be beyond the scope of chiropractic practice. A Dallas veterinarian is currently working with the Parker College of Chiropractic in developing a research program to investigate the effects of chiropractic adjustments on animals.

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Put Children First

Family counselors, social scientists, and other professionals are stepping up to express their growing concern regarding the state of fatherhood in our nation. They report that while most women are quite clear about what it means to be a mother, most men do not understand what it means to be a father. Because we as a nation don't recognize the value of fatherhood, we are unable to fully understand what a father brings to a child's life that is so important. Most absent parents are fathers, and we tend to think of them primarily in terms of being just a source of financial support. However, the father/child connection is critical in fulfilling the emotional needs of both father and child. Too often, we fail to understand that fathers need to offer nurturing, time, direction, guidance, and emotional support to their children—just as mothers do.

How Do You Reconnect?

If you have not seen your children, or if you are just concerned about your relationship with them, now would be an excellent time to make some positive changes. A close relationship with your children could be the most satisfying and rewarding connection in your life—and in the lives of your children. Dr. Ron Klingler, The Center for Successful Fathering, suggests the following tips for reconnecting with your kids:

1. Make time to actively play with your children; it increases the parent-child connection.
2. Cook a meal, with everyone pitching in and working together, then sit down, and eat together.
3. Create traditions which will result in lifelong memories. Do things that are familiar and fun for both father and children (could also involve other family members.)
4. Take your children to your workplace and introduce them to your coworkers.
5. Pay attention to what your children like to do (other than watch television,) then do it with them.
6. Go to your children's school for lunch and/or meet with their teachers.
7. Build something for or with your children, e.g. paint their rooms, fix an old car, hang a swing, or do a school project.
8. Help with homework.
9. Take them to their school or social events, watch them perform, and cheer them on!
10. Recognize that "real" quality time means being involved in real life situations and not just photo opportunities.

NOTE: Movies, plays, television, etc., don't qualify—they are too passive. Don't leave it up to your wife or girlfriend to reconnect for you. Don't be critical with your children, either through words or looks.

For More Information

This information is brought to you by the The National Child Support Enforcement Association, 400 North Capitol Street, Suite 370, Hall of the States, Washington, D.C., 20002, 202/624-8180 and Dr. Ron Klingler, The Center for Successful Fathering, 13740 Research Blvd., Suite G-4, Austin, Texas, 78750, 512/258-1259.

Classic Cable Establishes Rural Scholarship Fund

With commencement rapidly approaching, Classic Cable announced today the creation of a rural scholarship fund for graduating high school seniors within its service area. The Company will award individual scholarships in amounts ranging from \$250-\$500 to qualified students demonstrating both academic and extracurricular leadership skills.

J. Merritt Belisle, Classic's Chief Executive Officer, views the scholarship fund as another occasion to reinvest resources back into the local community. "I know of few business opportunities with as high a pay-back as the continued education of a child," said Belisle. "I'm hopeful that the chance of a scholarship provides students with added motivation to strive for excellence."

Specific eligibility requirements include a top 20% ranking within graduating class, demonstrated leadership in and out of the classroom, as well as participation in extracurricular activities. Financial hardship or other circumstances will also be considered when deciding between applicants whose abilities

appear equal. In addition to the scholarship application, students must submit three letters of recommendation from school principals, teachers, or administrators, a copy of their official high school transcript showing class rank, as well as a 300 word essay on chosen goals with an emphasis on leadership potential and ability to reach goals.

All applications will be evaluated by a committee of employees from Classic Cable and will be judged according to the overall strength of qualifications.

Scholarship applications are available through high school administrators or by contacting Adina Bahl with Classic Cable directly at (913) 434-7620 (ext. 323). The deadline for submitting applications is March 31st with the scholarship winners announced April 30th.

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Donna Keese of the Sutton County EMS instructed the Brownies on first aid. Pictured are Darla McKissack - Troop Leader, Adriana Castillo, Amy Vandivere, Jessica Collins, Thia McKissack, Evelyn Castillo, and Donna Keese. Front row: Felicia Castillo, Susanah Street, and Tara Green.

Library Literature



submitted by Florie Gonzales

Adult Fiction

Otherland - Tad Williams, *Irish Lace* - Andrew Greeley, *Critical Judgment* - Michael Palmer, *The Regulators* - Richard Bachman, *Desperation* - Stephen King, *Airframe* - Michael Crichton, *Star Trek: First Contact* - J.M. Dillard, *Star Wars: The New Rebellion* - Kristine Rusch, *Remember When* - Judith McNaught, *Drums of Autumn* - Diana Gabaldon, *Silent Honor* - Danielle Steel, *After Caroline* - Kay Hooper, *Hawk O'Tooles' Hostage* - Sandra Brown, *Heartbreaker* - Karen Robards, *The Fallen Man* - Tony Hillerman, *Zeke and Ned* - Larry McMurty, *Hornet's Nest* - Patricia Cornwell, *Silent Witness* - Richard North Patterson.

Adult Non-Fiction

Clint Eastwood - Richard Schickel, *The Beardstown Ladies' - The Beardstown Ladies, Investment Club - Guide to Smart Spending for Big Savings*, *Walter Cronkite - A Reporter's Life*, *Green Thumb - Green Thumbs in the Kitchen*, *On My Own at 107* - Sarah L. Delaney, *Sarah: The Duchess of York* - Sarah.

Adult Reference

World Literature Criticism - James P. Draper (editor).

Adult Audios

Colorado - Dana Fuller Ross, *The Ex - John Lutz, Brewing Up a Storm* - Emma Lathen, *Track of the Scorpion* - Val Davis, *Last Chants* - Lia Matera, *Black Water* - Doug Allyn, *Sentinels* - Bill Pronzini, *Closely Akin to Murder* - Joan Hess, *Midtown North* - Christopher Newman, *Shares* - William Gray, *Thrillology* - Robert Bloch, *Incident at Fort Keogh* - Richard S. Wheeler.

Children's Book/Cassette

Jackrabbit and the Prairie Fire - Susan Saunders, *Fawn at Woodland Way* - Kathleen Zoehfeld,

Puma Range - Michael Armour, *Seasons of a Red Fox* - Susan Saunders, *Little Porcupine's Winter Den* - Susan Hoffman.

Children's Fiction

Gold Fever - Catherine McMorow, *The Night of the Circus Monsters* - Geoffrey Hayes, *Twinkle Twinkle Little Bug* - Katharine Ross, *Quick, Quack, Quick* - Marsha Arnold, *Pal the Pony* - R.A. Herman, *Who Stole the Cookies?* - Judith Moffat, *The Berenstain Bears' Cook-it!*, *The Berenstain Bears' Grow-it!*, *The Berenstain Bears' Get in a Fight*, *The Berenstain Bears' Go to School*, *The Berenstain Bears' Moving Day* - Stan Berenstain.

Youth Fiction

Riot - Mary Casanova, *The Blue Door* - Ann Rinaldi, *The Thief* - Megan Turner, *Welcome to the Ark* - Stephanie Tolan

Youth/Children's Non-fiction

The Faces of Resistance, *Bearing Witness: Liberation & the Nuremberg Trials*, *Holocaust in Other Lands*, *The Nazi's Seize Power 1933-1939*, *The Holocaust: 1940-1944*, *The History of a Hatred: 70AD-1932* - Stuart Kallen, *Light and Dark*, *Loud and Quiet*, *Fast and Slow*, *Push and Pull*, *Hot and Cold*, *Big and Small*, *Floating and Sinking* - Jack Challoner, *Egypt* - Alasdair Tenuquist, *Vietnam* - Ole Steen Hansen, *Spain* - Neil Champion, *Great Britain* - David Funt, *The United States* - Cass Sandak, *Terrorism* - Alison Jamieson, *A Strange & Distant Shore* - Brent Ashbranner, *White Fang* - Jack London, *Tales of Mystery & Terror* - Edgar Allan Poe, *Black Beauty* - Anna Sewell, *Treasure Island* - Robert Louis Stevenson, *Ivanhoe* - Sir Walter Scott, *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* - Victor Hugo, *The Story of Fredrick Douglas* - Eric Weiner, *The Story of Pocahontas* - Patricia Adams, *The Story of Bill Clinton & Al Gore* - Kate McMullan, *The Story of Juipero Serra* - Florence White, *The Story of Thurgood Marshall* - Joe Arthur.

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4 cups defatted chicken stock
1/4 cup olive oil
8 ounces, or 1 cup, any small size pasta.
1 cup chopped fresh basil or flat-leaf parsley
Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
1/4 cup container of freshly grated Parmesan cheese.
Drain and rinse beans. Place beans, tomatoes and their liquid, celery and garlic in a large pot. Add jalapeno peppers and chicken stock. Cover and bring to a boil. Simmer for 15 minutes, breaking up tomatoes with the side of a spoon. Add oil, pasta and basil and return to a boil. Boil, uncovered, about 10 minutes, or until pasta is cooked. Add salt and pepper to taste.
Sprinkle Parmesan cheese on soup in each bowl as serving.

This column will appear each week as a courtesy to our customers. We hope you enjoy the recipes, Town & Country Food Center & The Devil's River News.

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Mohair Producers Seek New Uses For Product

"We must find new uses for mohair. We have too long depended on fashion as a prime user," said Lanny Leinweber of Mountain Home, president of the Mohair Council of America.

New products and product development was the focal point of the Mohair Council's annual meeting that was held in San Angelo on January 23.

In an effort to beef up its work in product development, the council employed consultant Richard "Dick" Factor, 59, of New York to work with manufacturers on clothing designs using mohair. A graduate textile engineer, Factor was with Burlington Industries for 27 years as executive vice president of the men's wear division in charge of product development and styling. He later worked in a similar capacity with Forstmann.

"We believe Dick Factor can help us," said Leinweber, who met and interviewed Factor several weeks ago in New York. Factor will work out of the council's New York marketing office. He was given a one-year contract, beginning February 1. Madeline Daddiego, the council's promotion director, will continue to be in charge of the New York operation.

In recent months, the Mohair Council has pushed the marketing of mohair socks being made by two Texas firms located in Uvalde and Sonora. In addition, the council has initiated a contract with an Abilene firm to place mohair products in mail-order catalogs, such as L.L. Bean, Eddie Bauer and others, and work continues with Modern Technologies Inc., of Georgia to develop a market for mohair carpet. Gerald Morrison, president of the company, believes he can have a quality mohair carpet developed for use in high dollar homes and entertainment centers in a

year. "This is a perfect time to introduce a new fiber. People are looking for something new," he said.

Council officials are concerned with the number of mohair producers who are selling their Angora goats because of slow demand and low prices being offered for their product. Ed Huston of San Angelo, the interim director of the Texas A&M University Research Center, told producers not to be too hasty about selling themselves out of the industry. "As each young female is slaughtered, it will become harder and harder to rebuild the industry when mohair is back," Huston said.

In other business, council members elected Leinweber to his first full term as president, elected Jack Groff of Kerrville to be vice president, and Jesse Lockhart of Barksdale as secretary-treasurer. Lockhart previously served on the council's executive committee. Appointed to the executive committee were Fred Speck of Rocksprings, Jule Richmond of Blanket, and Pierce Miller of San Angelo.

Leinweber said he anticipates a search will begin next month for a council executive director to succeed Duery Menzies, who will step down effective April 30.

Also, the council will relocate its San Angelo office from the Norwest Bank Building to the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association building where it will share space with the service organization. The move will take place before February 28, when the council's present lease expires.

The annual Texas Tour for mohair designers and manufacturers will be held April 24-27 in San Antonio and Kerrville. The council's summer directors meeting is scheduled for August 14 at the Inn of the Hills in Kerrville.

AGRIBUSINESS

OPEN LETTER

by Robert Bryson

There has been little said or written about the recent meeting held at the 4-H center 2/3/97. This meeting hosted by the Texas A & M Extension Service brought to light several areas of concern which all of Sutton and Sonora citizens should be concerned about. Loss of a doctor, a raise in taxes, depletion of the gas reserves, decrease in sales tax revenues, and much more "gloom and doom."

To disagree or agree with any of the speakers is not the intent of this letter. The intent is only to bring home the ideas all of the local businesses have been preaching to the readers... "Support the local economy and shop at home." If you don't want or can't afford your taxes to go up, then spend your money at home, trade locally, and do all you can to see your hard earned dollars stay in Sonora! Visit with the local merchants, tell them why you go to towns like San Angelo, San Antonio, etc... Tell the merchants what they need to do to get your business and keep it. Communication seems to be the key to some of the problems, and we've got to start somewhere.

Business retention and expansions are more important now more than ever. Many local jobs depend on you the consumer, and if you are one that gets a local paycheck each week, and then spends your money out of town, you are spending your way out of a job. Don't wait for the Chamber of Commerce's "Christmas Shop at Home campaign;" start now.

To say that no longer will agriculture be able to pick up the pieces when the oil and gas industry leaves us again is a bold statement made by a few. Agriculture is the backbone of this area and always will be. But like all businesses, doing business in the 90's will require huge and innovative ideas based on traditional ideals. Yes, agriculture in this area suffered a severe blow with the loss of the wool and mohair incentive, but those same traditional ideas that brought about a change equally as good as this program. Yes, the drought and the decline in market prices for our area livestock gave another severe blow to the industry, but all of this makes better managers and stewards, and the long term results will be a better prize or a better quality of livestock. But all of this will require long range planning and assistance from everyone, not just those in agriculture. No longer should a handful of national politicians be able to do what they did to our sheep and goat raisers, without a full accountability to all whose livelihoods depended on this industry. There is strength in numbers, and the numbers begin at home. We need to begin building community numbers not just industry related numbers. Change is evident and needed to do business in the 90's and 21st century, and Sonora and Sutton County need to be the leaders of small town America.

With all the gloom and doom discussed at the above mentioned meeting, I think that now is the time for change. We need to ban together and have another series of meetings. Beat our own drum, so to speak, and ban the numbers together. We need to speak of good things to come, positive approaches to problems with positive success stories and traditional values, to work our way into this new year with new ideas and ideals. Trading at home is just the beginning, but we all need to be saying the same positive things. Yes, we do have problems facing us in the future, but it is not too late to head off some of the devastation that could happen if we all sit back without doing anything. The squeaky wheel does get the grease!

Thanks to Texas A&M Extension Service for bringing to light the situation facing us in Sonora and Sutton County. The ball is now in our court, and we need to take it and run. Begin by trading locally, communicating, and becoming active in the future of this area.

Predator Contest Underway

The Sutton County Predator Management Association is sponsoring a cash prize of \$400.00 for the following predators: Mountain Lion \$100.00, Bobcat \$40.00, Red Fox \$25.00, and Coyote \$70.00. Pups & Kits are 1/2 of Adult Bounty. Just bring any of the predators listed to the Sonora Wool & Mohair Co. at 210 SW College, collect the bounty, and enter your name in the drawing to be held on April 18, 1997.

The contest begins January 15, 1997, and ends April 15, 1997. Entries are unlimited, and you need not be present to win. Landowners must be a SCPMA member and certify the animal taken. Certification forms are available from the Landowner or Sonora Wool & Mohair Company.

Southwestern Exposition & Livestock Show

Results of the January 19 show in Fort Worth are as follows:
Class: Junior Doe, 9 to 12 Months-2nd place-Shurley XS Ranch/M D Shurley

Class: Reserve Champion Junior Three-Quarter Blood Doe-1st place-Shurley XS Ranch/M D Shurley



Chief's Corner

2/8 Aggravated kidnapping and sexual assault.

A San Antonio woman reported to Sonora police that on the 8th of Feb. while driving through Tejano Texas parking lot (San Antonio) to Whataburger, she was abducted by a Hispanic male, who forced his way into her car, after indicating she had tire trouble. The subject then made her drive to his vehicle where she was forced to induce a controlled substance, and sexually assaulted. The woman escaped back to her vehicle and proceeded to lead the assailant on a high speed chase through town. The last time she saw the assailant, she was entering the I-10 on ramp traveling west. She arrived in Sonora at 4:30 a.m. where she notified police of the incident.

2/7 Public Intoxication 9:15 p.m. A Sonora man was arrested on West Chestnut and Santa Clara for public intoxication.

2/7 Criminal Mischief, A Sonora woman reported that her 96 Dodge pickup was vandalized in the SHS parking lot next to the tennis courts.

2/6 Stolen vehicle, A local man

reported that a blue crew cab 96 Ford truck was stolen from 418 E. College. The subject felt the theft occurred around 5:00 a.m. on Feb. 7th.

2/6 Assault, A local woman called 911 to report she was assaulted by a man known to her. The incident took place at 10:00 p.m. at 712 Glasscock.

2/6 Outstanding Warrant, A local woman was arrested for an Andrews County warrant for theft by check, when she was stopped on a routine traffic violation.

2/4 Outstanding Warrant, A local woman was arrested for a Burnett County warrant for theft by check, when she was stopped on a routine traffic violation.

2/3 Possession of Marijuana, A local man was arrested for possession of marijuana, when he was stopped for a traffic violation on West 2nd and Crockett

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TSGRA Meets In Sonora To Discuss Association And Industry Needs

Approximately 150 members and directors of the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association met January 30 at the Sonora Experiment Station to discuss different ways of funding Association activities in view of the apparent failure of the national sheep and wool check-off.

There was a great deal of discussion on the pros and cons of voluntary dues versus funds provided by a state check-off. The voluntary dues of .014 cents per pound of wool, and mohair provide unrestricted funds which can be used in the legislative arena. Funds raised by a state check-off could only be used for research, education, and promotion. With declining sheep and goat numbers, dues from wool and mohair for 1995-1996 dropped 54% from the amount collected in 1994-95, and collections for the first seven months of 1996-97 total 41% of the previous year's dues collections. Although TSGRA membership has remained fairly constant for the last 30 years, declining production has brought a heavy decrease in tonnage, and thus, in dues.

Historically, dues have been paid to the Association on wool or mohair sales. However, those attending the meeting suggested that the officers look into other funding options, including

expanding membership, increasing minimum dues, and possibly collecting dues on meat animal sales. Additional funds could also come from a check-off program. The group ultimately voted to expand the voluntary dues program through an intensive membership drive and immediately begin looking into a mandatory statewide check-off program with a refund provision to fund research, education and promotion of wool, lamb, and goat meat on the state level.

The group also heard a report from A.H. (Chico) Denis, president of Ranchers' Lamb of Texas. Denis said the plant should be fully operational in June or early July, and he encouraged Texas producers to send their lambs to slaughter at the new plant. Bill Tullos, chairman of the TSGRA Tax and Labor Committee, reported on tax issues that will come before the current session of the Texas Legislature. A resolution was approved requesting that the exemption for agriculture within the Property Tax Code be maintained and asking that the exemption from sales taxes of goods used in the production of agriculture products be continued. The resolution also supported efforts to lower ad valorem taxes to ensure that agriculture pays its fair share but is not excessive-

ly taxed.

Other resolutions supported the budgets of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Forest Service, Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Lab, Texas Animal Damage Control Service and Texas Tech University's appropriations for Agricultural Research. Additional resolutions asked that the bobcat be added to the list of predators which can be taken with the Livestock Protective Collar and supported the Fire Ant Research and Management Plan. A resolution of sympathy was passed for Jacques McClure, former president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the TSGRA, who passed away in December.

SPRING SPORTS CALENDAR

February

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Saturday 22 Alpine There Var. 4:00
Monday 24 J.V. Grape Creek There 4:00
Tuesday 25 Var. Eldorado There 4:00
Thursday 27 & Friday 28 Var. Kerrville Tournament TBA
Friday 28 J.V. Alpine There 4:00

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