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Fashion Show & Luncheon for Sonora Women

Plans are in full swing for the upcoming "Working Women's Day" sponsored by the Sonora Merchants Association. Wednesday, April 23, has been set for local women employed at home and in the community to take part in a spring fashion show and luncheon to be held at Lisa's Flowers by Lori.

Local retail merchants: B&C Department Store, Chelle's, Image Apparel, Merle Norman & Gifts, Ol' Sonora Trading Company, and Vallree's Bright Spot Fashions will furnish the latest spring fashions. Guests can enjoy the style show while eating an outdoor meal catered by the Sutton County Steakhouse.

For more information, contact Lori Nunn at 387-6105. Space will be limited; so everyone is encouraged to reserve a seat in advance.

Briefly

Head Start Pre-Registration
Sonora Head Start Center, 221 E. Main, will hold pre-registration for the 1997-98 school year Tuesday, April 22 and Wednesday, April 23 from 1-4 p.m. Three and four year old children are encouraged to apply. Child must be 3 by September 1st. Head Start is a free child development program providing physicals, dental care, and nutrition, all at no cost to the parent.

Culture Fair

Research from social studies, math, workshop, and science will be shared at the Middle School large gym April 22 from 7-8 p.m. Everyone is invited to see costumes, sample foods, music, dances, and interviews. Special guests: Senior citizens.

Lifeguard Training

The City of Sonora will offer a CPR Class on Sunday, May 4, and a Red Cross Lifeguard Training Class beginning on May 5. These two certifications are required before any one can be considered for employment at the Municipal Swimming Pool as a lifeguard. Interested persons should contact Melissa Teaff at 387-2452 or 387-2773 to register for the classes. Deadline for registering is April 23.

Cassandra Torres Fund

Donations are being accepted at Sutton County National Bank for Cassandra to help with her medical expenses.

Christmas in April Donations

The Christmas in April of Sonora, Inc., a non-profit organization, is now accepting donations for the 1997 annual workday. If you would like to make a donation to this worthwhile community project please forward to:

Christmas in April of Sonora
P.O. Box 63
Sonora, Tx 76950

All donations are greatly appreciated.

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 April visit to Sonora. He will be at the County Courthouse in Sonora on Tuesday, April 29, 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.



The award winning SHS cast of *The Idiot*.

SHS One-Act Advances to Regional Contest

The 1997 Sonora High School entry into the U.I.L. One-Act Play Contest entitled *The Idiot* by David Fishelson advanced from the district contest on Saturday, March 29. Those winning individual honors were Honorable Mention All-Star Cast: juniors Tracy Escamilla and Jason Arredondo; All-Star Cast: senior Johnna Adams; and Best Actor: senior Joshua Akins. Critic judge Jim Rambo from McLennan Community College in Waco advanced the play along with Greenwood High School's production of Lillian Hellman's *The Children's Hour*.

Sonora then competed in the Area contest on April 4 at Sul Ross State University. Critic judge Betty

Hukill from the Paramount Theatre in Abilene chose Sonora's play to advance along with Monahans High School's production of *Watch on the Rhine* by Lillian Hellman placing both productions in the regional contest to be held at Odessa College on April 18. Sonora actors receiving individual honors at the area level were Honorable Mention All-Star Cast: Joshua Akins and junior Katy Cooke; All-Star Cast: Johnna Adams and Tracy Escamilla; and Best Actor: Jason Arredondo.

The cast and crew of *The Idiot* will present a public performance on Tuesday, April 15, in the Sonora High School Auditorium. Admission is free, and all are invited to attend.

Three SHS Students Receive Recognition

Three Sonora High School students were nominated for the Tandy Technology Scholars program.

The Outstanding Math/Science/Computer Science Student School Nomination went to Andy Mirike. Sarah Marrs and Carla Weaver were recognized for being the top 2% of graduating seniors.

Each school may nominate a

senior who is outstanding in mathematics, science or computer science. These students receive a certificate recognizing them as a Tandy Technology Scholar. In addition, they were eligible to compete for the one hundred \$1000 scholarships awarded annually. This year more than one-half of all schools in the country participated in this area of the program.

Broncos Win First District Home Game

The Sonora Bronco baseball team began district play last Tuesday in Big Lake against the Reagan County Owls. The Broncos were not able to bring a victory home due to committing too many miscues. However, the Broncos, as in numerous other games, were very quiet. David Mayer took the mound for the men in red and pitched one of his better games of the season. David went the distance only walking one, striking out four, and giving up six hits. Of the five runs obtained by the Owls only one was earned. The Broncos committed eight errors, and this proved to be the difference in a four to five ballgame. At the plate, the Broncos were led by Tanner Fields, Mayer Anderson, and Andy Mirike who all had a hit, and Greg Hughes who had a double. Andy Mirike and Fernie Emiliano both had strong defensive showings.

Line Score	
Sonora	1 0 0 0 3 0
Reagan County	0 2 1 0 1 1 x

Runs	Hits	Errors
4	4	8
5	6	4

On Friday, as the storm clouds gathered, Greenwood made their way to Sonora to play the Broncos. After numerous phone calls and many anxious moments about the weather, game time arrived. With one coach not really wanting to play and a nervous rookie coach throwing caution to the storm winds, the Blues said, "Play Ball!" And play ball, the Broncos did. The red clad mud warriors once again made history—winning the first ever home district ballgame!! Congratulations Broncos!!!

Fernie Emiliano picked up his fourth win of the season by only giving up five runs on nine hits, three walks while striking out three. The big story was that the Broncos were able to get some timely hitting from all of its batsmen. Ty Harrelson erupted out of his slump, going three for four at the plate and driving in four runs. Greg Hughes went one for one with two walks and two RBI's. Andy Mirike also had two RBI's, while going two for four with a walk. Emiliano helped his own cause by driving in two runs with two hits in four trips. John

Brown and Tanner Fields rounded out the hitting with each having a single.

The Broncos had one of its better defensive games in only committing one error. Tanner Fields, moving out of center field, took over the short-stop duties for the evening and had an excellent game with five put outs and two assists, while committing the only error. Not bad for the first time at this position. John Brown and Andy Mirike had to move into new positions as well, and both played exceptional baseball with each catching some very difficult wet, wind-blown fly balls. Ty Harrelson stepped up his play at first base and showed why he is one of the best athletes in the district.

Enough cannot be said about this baseball team and its attitude. This team knows no fear and truly believes that it can do anything it sets its mind to do. Given the opportunity, this team strives to achieve

the mark of excellence. Keep up the good work, and who knows what may be waiting around the bend.

Line Score		
Greenwood	0 2 1 1 0 0 1	
Sonora	7 0 1 2 3 0 x	
Runs	Hits	Errors
5	9	4
13	10	1

The Broncos only played one game this week, and it was this past Tuesday in Colorado City. The Broncos' next home game is Tuesday, April 16, against the league-leading Crane Golden Cranes at 5:00 p.m. This should prove to be a very interesting game: one way or another. Make plans to attend and support the youth of our community.

Note of interest: The 8-3A District Track Meet will be held in Sonora this Saturday at Bronco Stadium. Come out and show your support.

Scott Announces School Board Candidacy



Helen "Peanut" Scott

Hello, my name is Helen "Peanut" Scott, and I am a candidate for one of three at-large positions on

the school board for the Sonora Independent School District. I would encourage every voter to participate in the election of the Board of Trustees.

The purpose of the Board of Trustees, as I see it, is to serve the school district to promote ethical and moral integrity throughout the educational system. The board should give the superintendent direction in areas of concern in educating all the students of Sutton County. Our school system should reflect the kind of environment that would motivate the students, faculty, and administration to achieve their individual best. Our expectations for our children should be very high in all areas of their development from child to adult.

I hope that I will have the opportunity to meet each of you in the coming weeks to discuss any and all areas or questions that would be a benefit to the students of S.I.S.D.

Focus On School Board Candidates

With the approaching school board election on May 3, the DRN questioned candidates. Following are the questions and each candidate's response. (1) Why do you want to be a school board member?

(2) What is your philosophy of education? (3) Difficult budget decisions will be made in the future due to the expected decrease in mineral values, how will you approach the issue of budget funding? and (4) Other comments you may wish to add.

Michelle R. Anderson

(1) Because I care about the children in our school district and I care about the quality of education that they receive.

(2) I believe that ALL children can learn. I believe that Sonora I.S.D. should provide the best environment and best opportunity for each and every child to develop to his or her fullest potential. We should ensure that the social, emotional, and community development of students are met as well as a sound basic well-balanced education.

(3) Very open minded!!! As school board members, we must work very hard to have dialogue with our Texas Senate and House members. We must make every effort to support restructuring the tax system to provide adequate funding for all schools. We must be vocal advocates for restructuring the state's tax system to reduce reliance on school property taxes and to ensure adequate state funding of public schools.

John Barker

(1) My family and I have lived in Sutton County for the last six years. Come the end of May, we will have graduated two children from this district. Both children received volumes of quality educational experiences whether in the classroom, on the stage, or on the field of play. My wife and I decided being a school board member would be a tremendous opportunity to give back to this district all those good things our children as well as we have received. Since no children, spouse, or relatives would be involved within the district, unbiased opinions would be involved in the decision making processes.

(2) The educational opportunities offered at this district's level should be of such quality and discipline to allow graduates to immediately become productive members of society or be a springboard for those who choose to continue their education at the next level.

(3) Not being an incumbent, I don't have privy to all the budget data so making a statement of how I would approach the issue of budget funding would be fruitless. However, several thoughts come to mind. As with any budgeted entity, whether household or corporate, when credits don't equal debits changes are necessary if standards of living or in this case quality of education at least be maintained or better yet be enhanced. Either debits would need to be decreased or credits would need to be increased possibly a combination of the two at some point in time. Numerous possibilities exist for decreasing debits

and increasing credits. Given the creative and innovative synergies of the people of this district, anything is possible.

Bob Brockman

(1) Sutton County and Sonora have been good to my family and me and it is a way for me to put something back in my community. I also feel that I have been available to the citizens of our community and listened to their concerns.

(2) I feel that the children of our community should be held to the highest possible academic standards in a disciplined, yet friendly and positive atmosphere. I also believe that teachers and administrators should be held at highest educational and ethical standards, i.e. be role models.

(3) Budget deliberations should not be taken lightly therefore the entire budget should be looked at closely. Personnel in our school system is our largest expense; we need to acquire the best available personnel without having unnecessary personnel or unnecessary jobs.

(4) Now is the time to look to the future and remain focused on the educational needs of the children within this school district. I am pleased to see this much interest in our school board elections and wish the best of luck to all candidates in this election.

Clay Cade

(1) I feel very strongly about Sonora I.S.D. Having been an employee of the district for 30 years, I would like to help in seeing that the district's record of excellence continues.

(2) My philosophy of education is very simple. I believe that we owe the children of our community the best possible education that we can provide. I believe that all children have a right to be successful. They must be provided the opportunity to lead productive, happy lives in whatever may be their chosen endeavor.

(3) When faced with budget cuts, priorities would have to be formulated. My number one priority will always be the pupil in the classroom and the teachers that serve them. Extraneous endeavors not related to basic education would be very low on my priority list.

Gloria Lopez

(1) I believe that a community has a responsibility to every child. That responsibility is to educate them so they are well equipped to cope with the world around them. As a board member I bring experience and concern for all children. For seven years I have tried to serve to the best of my abilities and would like to continue to do so for three more years.

(2) My philosophy of education is that all children can and should be educated. Our future as a nation is dependent on the quality of education we afford our children. Therefore, the overriding concern of a school board member should be to provide the best quality education and learning environment for both student and faculty.

(3) The budget funding will be extremely difficult. My approach is that we must avail ourselves of all options in order to fund education.

Whatever options we take, care must be taken not to compromise the quality of education.

Helen "Peanut" Scott

(1) I feel an obligation as a parent to participate in the educational process. A way to accomplish this goal is to serve the school district in the capacity of a school board member. I would hope to contribute to the education system with biblical values of moral and ethical integrity.

(2) Education is the reason a school exists. Providing for that education is the responsibility of the community. There is a shared responsibility and accountability among parents, students, and teachers to insure that a high standard is achieved and maintained for all those involved. When used to describe a college degree, the term "discipline" is sometimes used. As the term indicates, discipline is required on the part of all of those involved in the education process inclusive of parents, students, teachers, and community.

(3) The school district budget should focus on those areas of education that will be most significant to a student's development into a productive citizen. Excellence in science, technology, and communication are challenges faced by today's graduates. Preparing students so that they may contribute to the economic and social success of this country should be the primary focus of public education. Therefore, budgetary priorities begin in the areas pertinent to the accomplishment of these goals.

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 BAPTISTA
James Lee, Pastor
306 N. 4th Street
387-2898

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAPTISTA
504 Santa Clara
387-2035

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

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Jim Stephen, Pastor
Rev. Paul Cornelius, Assoc. 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

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
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

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

We want to take this opportunity to brag on the citizens of Sutton County. As a volunteer for the American Cancer Society, we agreed to chair their fundraising event, **RELAY FOR LIFE**. This is an 18-hour track event where corporate and community teams solicit donations and are represented on the track at all times during a 18-hour period. When participants are not walking or running, they participate in various crazy athletic competitions or rest in their tents which are erected on the inside of the track.

Since this is the first event of its kind in our State, we were apprehensive about approaching groups to participate. I was amazed by the overwhelming support of companies and civic groups that were ready and willing to donate their time and resources to help put "Cancer On The Run."

As the race date approaches, this type of generosity has continued as one sponsor after another has come forward with support, teams, and a genuine desire to be a part of this community effort. We've always known Sutton County was a great place to live...but sometimes you just bust with Pride.

Sincerely,
Erica Morriss
Shanna Johnson
Co-Chairs

Mayors Proclamation

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

WHEREAS, Nearly 45,000 cases of child abuse and neglect were confirmed in Texas in Fiscal Year 1996; and WHEREAS, Child abuse and neglect are complex and ongoing problems in our society affecting great numbers of children; and WHEREAS, Every child is entitled to be loved, cared for, nurtured, and secure; and WHEREAS, Preventing child abuse is the responsibility of all citizens; and WHEREAS, Community action is needed to help families break the cycle of abuse; NOW, THEREFORE, I Margaret Cascadden, Mayor, do hereby proclaim the month of April 1997 to be

Child Abuse Prevention Month

in Sonora, and urge all citizens to work together to help reduce child abuse and neglect significantly in years to come.

Margaret Cascadden
Mayor
City of Sonora

Thank You

Thank you to all my friends and clients in Sonora. Thank you for your support, for the 21 1/2 years that I have lived and worked with you. I would also like to hear from you. My new location will be in Ruidoso New Mexico at the Currizo Lodge located on the way to the Inn of the Mt. Gods. Stop and say hello or give me a call at 1-800-227-1224.

Shelly Brisco

Ronnie Cox

would like to be your pharmacist.

SENIOR CENTER

Calendar of Events

April 11- Run errands and pay bills
April 14- Bingo!
April 15- City Council 2:00
April 16- Blood Pressure Checks w/Housecalls

Lunch Menu

Thursday, April 10
Pork Roast w/Gravy, Green Beans, Sweet Potatoes, Rolls, Peaches

Friday, April 11
Hamburger, Lettuce, Tomato, Onions, Oven Baked French Fries, Bun, Carrot Salad, Fresh Apple

Monday, April 14
Glazed Ham, Sweet Potatoes w/Apples, Cooked Cabbage, Wheat Rolls, Banana Pudding

Tuesday, April 15
Chicken Supreme, Herb New Potatoes, Broccoli, Rolls, Tossed Salad, Fresh Orange

Wednesday, April 16
Chicken Fried Steak w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Rolls Vegetable Salad, White Cake w/Caramel Icing

Thursday, April 17
Meatloaf w/Tomatoes, Blackeyed Peas, Okra, Cornbread, Fruit Gelatin

Friday, April 18
Chicken Salad Sandwich, Tomato Soup, Carrot & Celery Sticks, Potato Chips, Banana

Guest Meals are \$4.00.
Suggested donation for Senior Citizens is \$1.75.

Our Sympathy

Ruth Lee Eaton

Ruth Lee Eaton died in San Angelo on Friday, April 4, 1997. She is survived by one daughter, Nancy Groom and her husband, Gene, of Fort Worth, and one son, John Dan and his wife, Dianne, of San Angelo. Her grandchildren are Diana Lea Scott and her husband, John, of Fort Worth; Mark Groom and his wife, Debbie, of Fort Worth; Terissa Eaton of San Angelo, Alicia Brothers and her husband, Steve, of Austin, and Tom Eaton of Austin. She also has five great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Eaton was born to Louis and Terissa Hoggett on May 1, 1909, on a ranch near Segovia, in Kimble County. She was the youngest of nine children. She attended schools in Junction and graduated in 1927. After her graduation, she worked in the law offices of Coke and Bascom Stevenson until her parents died. She then moved to Sonora to live with her sister and brother-in-law, Buena and Tom Davis. There she worked as a dental assistant for Dr. Tom White until her marriage on June 5, 1932, to John D. Eaton Jr., whom she had met in a local drama club. Ruth Lee and John made their home on Eaton Hill, until his death in October 1996.

Mrs. Eaton was employed by the Louis Davis Insurance Agency from 1956 to 1966 and then worked for Web Elliot until 1969 as an insurance secretary. She was active in her community, especially in youth programs, as a leader with the Camp Fire Girls in the 1930s and later as a den mother for the Cub Scouts. She was a member of the Eastern Star for more than 50 years. She also was a faithful and active member of the Church of Christ in Sonora.

Mrs. Eaton was an outstanding Christian example for her children and grandchildren. Her kind and gentle disposition endeared her to her loved ones and to her many friends.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Monday, April 7, at the Church of Christ in Sonora, with Tim Dobbs and Don Jones officiating. Burial followed in Sonora Cemetery. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were George Smith, Clay Carta, Bobby Morgan, Rene Samaniego, Ken Rowland, Brent Gesch, Bobby Appleton, and Jerry Kemp.

Honorary pallbearers were Bill Webster, Robert Hard, Charles Howard, and Ray Smith.

Her family would like to thank the nurses and aides of Housecalls Health Care, who so lovingly helped care for her during her illness and all her friends who wrote, called, and visited.

Memorials may be made to the building fund of the Church of Christ in Sonora or to a favorite charity.

Harry Davis Wagner

Harry Davis Wagner died in a Houston Hospital on April 6, 1997. Graveside services will be held Thursday at 2:00 p.m. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home.

Mr. Wagner was born August 31, 1959 in Houston, TX. He is survived by one brother, Dan Wagner, and a niece, Danielle Wagner both, of Sonora.

COOKING WITH FOOD CENTER

Swanson® "Skinny" Mashed Potatoes

Prep Time: 10 min. Cook Time: 15 min.

4 large potatoes, cut into 1" pieces*
3/4 cup Swanson® Chicken Broth
Generous dash pepper
Cook potatoes in boiling water until tender.
Drain. Mash potatoes with broth and pepper. Serves 7. * Or use instant potato flakes or buds and substitute broth for water and milk and omit butter.
TIP: cook your favorite vegetable in the remaining Swanson® Broth for added flavor.

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.

School Lunch Menu

BREAKFAST and LUNCH

Monday, April 14	Tuesday, April 15	Wednesday, April 16
French Toast, Fruit Hot Dog, Baked Beans, Vegetable Salad, Pear Crisp	Chorizo & Egg Burrito, Juice Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, English Peas, Hot Roll, Orange Jello	Sausage Biscuit, Fruit Bean-N-Cheese Burrito, Salad, Mexicali Corn, Brownie
Thursday, April 17	Friday, April 18	
Pancake, Egg, Juice Fish Nuggets, Macaroni-N-Cheese, Steamed Broccoli, Applesauce, Cornbread	Oatmeal, Cinnamon Toast, Fruit Cheese Burgers, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, French Fries, Ice-Cream Cup	

All meals served with milk

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Community Calendar


10 April

Thursday April 10
6:30 Chamber Banquet
Friday, April 11
NO SCHOOL
Saturday, April 12th
Sonora Fire Convention, City Park


Sutton County National Bank
207 Hwy 277 N

April 16

Monday, April 14
9:00 a.m. County Commissioners Meeting
6:30 School Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 15
2:00 p.m. City Council Meeting


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Do any of our readers know who these adorable children are?

Q. Do you have any information on a Mrs. Bryson who died in 1946?

A. Devil's River News, Friday, January 18, 1946. Mrs. A.N. Bryson was born at East La Port, N.C. in September of 1854, but had lived in McCulloch County for more than 65 years. Her husband, the late A.N. Bryson, who died in December 1917, was prominent in ranching activities in the Camp San Saba area. The old Bryson ranch home was at one time located where the highway crosses the San Saba River at Camp San Saba.

Mrs. Bryson was a real pioneer ranch woman, having come to Texas with her husband from North Carolina 67 years ago. They made the trip in a covered wagon, the journey taking 65 days and costing \$68. One winter the Bryson family camped in a ravine in Comanche County, but rains failed to come and conditions were bad. The next fall Mr. Bryson worked in the first gin to be established in Comanche County, and the following year he and his family headed for Little Brady Creek in the Long Valley vicinity. He had heard from friends that land was cheap there and good. They had 11 horses and 42 head of cattle, in addition to some household goods. After a year, they swapped a horse for 56 acres. From that small beginning their fortune grew slowly and steadily until they had 14 sections of land.

Mrs. Bryson died in January of 1946 and funeral services were conducted Friday, January 11, 1946 in Brady for the 91 year old pioneer woman. She was buried in the Brady cemetery. Mrs. Bryson was survived by two sons, Charley of Brady and Edd of Stephenville; 20 grandchildren, one of which was A.W. Awalt of Sonora, and 14 great-grandchildren. Four children preceded her in death, Andrew in 1882, Wesley C., prominent Uvalde ranchman, who once lived in Sonora, in 1942; Mrs. His Theodisia Awalt in 1918; and Mrs. Viola Reed in 1942.

We suggest you see pages 50 and 51 of the Sutton County History 1887-1977 for more information on Mr. A.W. Awalt and Mrs. Mary Frances Prater Awalt. There are several copies of this book in the reference section of the Sutton County Library.

Q. When was the power house in Marble Falls washed away by storms?

A. I found only one reference to this in the Devil's River News, and that was in the June 10, 1899 issue. It said: "A cloud burst struck Marble Falls, doing much damage and washing away the power house."

There must have been quite a cloud burst as it further lists: the Conchos, Llano, and San Saba rivers being up, put a big head on the Colorado, and the water was rushing over the Austin dam 12 feet high on Wednesday.

Q. Why don't you have more information in computer form?

A. The computer system I have to use is archaic. We need a modern system with Windows capability, a color system, laser printer, and a large scanner to do the work you ask for. Right now, I don't know from one day to the next if "Old Bessie" will even let me type my column on her. Several times I have had to resort to my typewriter when she was too temperamental. So the answer to your question is no one has given me the proper equipment. It is impossible to type all the papers into the computer by hand and without the proper equipment I will not be able to complete the task of properly filing and cross referencing material. I cannot afford to buy this type of equipment myself, or I would.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history, mail them to "Ask the Historical Society," P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885, fax them to 915-387-5691 or drop them off at the Devil's River News office on Main Street.



Barry Jossen and David Frankel won Oscars for their short film, *Dear Diary*.

And The Oscar Goes To...

If you were watching the Academy Awards last month, you shared in the excitement of seeing Norm and Doris Rousselot's son-in-law, Barry Jossen receive his first Oscar. Jossen and writer/director, David Frankel, were nominated for the best achievement in live action short films.

Jossen produced *Dear Diary*, a nineties urban tale set in New York. The Oscar homepage describes the tale: "On the night after her 40th birthday, Annie, the art director at a popular New York magazine, begins keeping a diary to record the strange adventures of a day that sees her fighting with her husband, bickering with her kids, musing about growing older, getting fired from her job, wandering the streets, tak-

ing a golf lesson, shopping at Barney's, and surviving funny and touching encounters with an ex-policeman, an old college friend, and her boss, the magazine editor, only to find that, even in the nineties, a twisting urban tale can have a happy ending."

Jossen is head of television production for Stephen Spielberg's company, Dreamworks. He is married to Renée Rousselot, who is originally from Sonora.

"April Showers"
The soft and gentle showers of April time
Kiss the lips of grass and budding flower
To bring forth the wondrous hues of nature
And form the beauty of these gentle rains
These hills would have no mantle of lovely green
For showers give life to every filling bud
And form a lovely, flower-filled scene
So let us give thanks for every April rain
That creates such wonder in this land of ours
For the many beauties we view every spring
Are the handiwork of gentle April showers.

E.W.P.
If you haven't gone out looking at the beautiful green pastures and wild flowers yet, you are missing a real treat. After several years of sun burnt fields it is so nice to see them green and full of flowers again. If you can't get out of town be sure to enjoy Mrs. Ross' bluebonnets when you go by her place. Another short ride would take us to the Sonora Cemetery. There are several areas of bluebonnets in there that make me wish everyone would stop buying artificial flowers for spring and invest in bluebonnet seeds to plant in the fall for next year. I can picture the cemetery floating in an ocean of blue flowers. Not only would the natural vegetation be beautiful but we could save money on a few mowings while it is in bloom.

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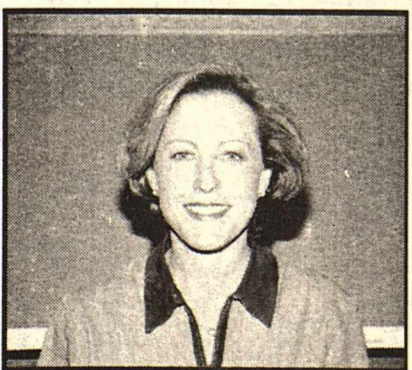
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First of all, just because a person feels he or she needs counseling does not mean that person is crazy by any means. Second of all, something can be done to improve almost any emotional difficulty. Third, many counselees are fearful about starting and sticking with counseling. They may hesitate out of pride, or fear of criticism, or they are afraid other people will find out. Even though it is difficult for many to take the first step, after a session or two most people become com-

fortable with counseling and are able to get busy working on their issues. What you can do, for now, is check the self-help or psychology section in a bookstore or library and get a couple of books to read that can help you identify some of your issues and why you have these issues. Also, you can alleviate your fears about counseling by getting support and encouragement to go from a pastor, physician, friend, or family member, or someone you know of who has been through successful counseling already. Your fears about this may never totally go away, so, at some point you will just have to bite the bullet and make yourself go to counseling. You will know you are ready when you are really serious about making your journey toward healing from whatever is causing your difficulties. Counseling takes time and effort but it is very well worth it in the long run. I wish you the best for this journey.

Dale Kennemer is a Licensed Professional Counselor and has an office in Sonora one day a week. Please send questions to the Devil's River News at 228 E Main. No names please.

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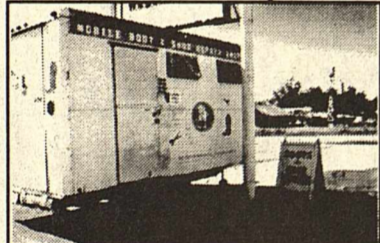
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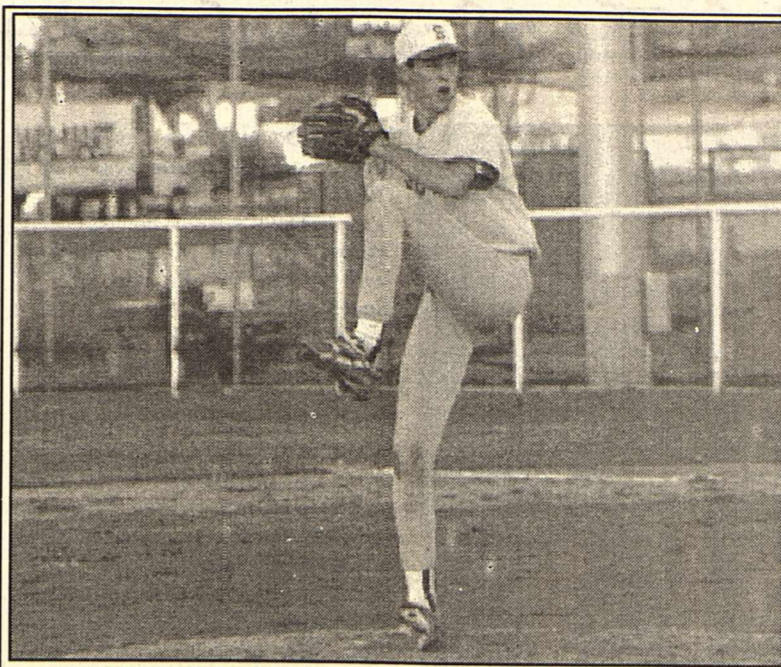
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CPR Certification

Six 4-H members, Benny Fraser, Mandy Brister, Keshia Fraser, Ariel Marrs, and Courtney Strubhart, became Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation Heartsaver certified on March 22, 1997. The course teaches how to recognize signs and symptoms of a heart attack and one person Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation. The course also teaches how to do the Heimlich Maneuver on a person that is choking.

The course was taught by Ram Perez, RN, Director of Nurses at Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital, and Pat Campbell, EMTI. 4-H members who are interested in taking the CPR Heartsaver class should contact Janalyn Jones at the Sutton County 4-H office.



Michael McLaurin leads JV Broncos to victory.

JV Wins Double Header

The J.V. hosted Bracketville on Saturday and came away with two victories.

In the first game the Broncos showed good defense in holding the Tigers scoreless, 6-0. Carlos Sanchez held the opposition to only five hits.

The final game was a different story. It seemed both teams were not going to stop the other. The final score ending up 20-15.

Michael McLaurin finished a complete game getting his first victory. At the end of the day, both teams showed they had a full day of baseball.

Free Seminar Scheduled at St. Ann's Church

A free seminar entitled "Taking Care of Aging Family Members - Help for the Caregiver" will be presented by Dale Kennemer on Tuesday, April 29. The seminar is scheduled from 7-9 p.m. in the Parish Hall of St. Ann's Catholic Church at 311 W. Plum in Sonora.

The seminar will focus mainly on understanding and dealing with the emotional and relational dynamics between the caregiver and the aging family member. Other areas

Mr. Kennemer will cover include improving communication between both parties, how to talk about difficult subjects with the aging family member, and how the caregiver can manage the stress and emotional toll of being a caregiver. Mr. Kennemer is a licensed professional counselor and works for the Samaritan Pastoral Counseling Center. He sees clients in Sonora on Tuesdays at the First Baptist Church.

Sutton County Health Fair Scheduled for May 1

The 1997 Sutton County Health Fair has been scheduled for Thursday, May 1, at the 4-H Center in Sonora. Various health and medical professionals will be on hand to visit and screen residents of Sonora and Sutton County beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Chair Ronnie Cox, director of the First National Bank of Sonora explains, "Because the fair continues to grow, the planning committee has extended the hours it will be open this year. We hope to better serve the community and help increase health awareness with the change."

Everyone is urged to mark their calendars and make plans to stop by the 4-H Center.

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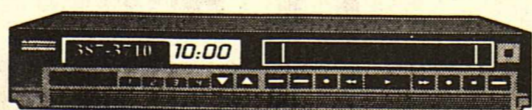
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The Scout Report

On Tuesday, April 1, a Court of Honor for Boy Scouts in Troop 19 was held to present merit badges and advancements in rank. Merit badges were presented as follows: Cody Ainsworth-Computers; Ryan Hardgrave-Pets, Reading, Family Life, and Communications; Chris Weingart-Pets; James Elliott-Safety, Art, and Skating; Stetson Hall-Horsemanship, Art, and Skating; and Shawn Odom-Safety. Advancing in rank were Boy Scout-J.E. Carillo, Zed Snodgrass, Israel Mendoza, and Wilson Wallace; Tenderfoot-Joseph Ainsworth, David Cook, Baldemar Hernandez, Stevie Hernandez, Norbert Ortiz, Shawn Ramos, James Ross, Tom Valliant, Eddie Wallace and Devon Yearout; Second Class Scout-Justin Odom and Tim Warden; First Class Scout-Shane Benson and Adam Hadsall; and Star Scout-James Elliott. Congratulations to all these Scouts! Serving as master of ceremonies for this occasion was Brandon Adkins, Senior Patrol Leader.

The next camp-out is scheduled

for May 3rd through 5th at a ranch near Junction. On this camping trip, the older scouts who are planning on attending the 10 day Philmont camp in late summer will participate in a shake-down. This exercise is an intense preparation for the rigors of over 50 miles of hiking at Philmont. Activities will be planned for all levels of scouts over the course of the weekend.

From June 22 through 28, Sonora's Troop 19 is planning to attend Summer Camp at Camp Sol Mayer near Ft. McKavitt. This week-long camp provides many opportunities for earning merit badges, as well as good old-fashioned summer fun.

Troop 19 would like to express its sincere appreciation to the Community Trust for a recent donation to our general operating fund. All community support is an investment in the future of our community, by providing young men with opportunities for camping, leadership training, and recognition of achievements with awards. Thank you!

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Carlos Sanchez held Bracketville Tigers to only five hits in Saturday's first game of the JV double header.

SHS Rodeo Results

The Sonora High School Rodeo Team participated in the Del Rio Rodeo Saturday and Sunday, April 5th-6th. Following are the Sonora contestants placements.

Saturday, April 5th
Steer Wrestling

Walker Wallace 5.90, 1st; Kelly Morrow 15.15, 4th

Breakaway Roping
Kendra Jones 3.06, 2nd; Kelly Jones 3.12, 3rd

Goat Tying

Kendra Jones 8.75, 2nd; Kelly Jones 9.82, 5th; Dana Duhon 13.72, 9th

Sunday, April 6th
Steer Wrestling

Kelly Morrow 5.40, 1st; Walker Wallace 8.15, 3rd

Breakaway Roping
Kendra Jones 2.59, 1st; Kelly Jones 4.07, 7th

Goat Tying
Kelly Jones 8.84, 2nd; Dana Duhon 11.10, 9th; Kendra Jones 11.59, 10th

High School Rodeo To Benefit Boys Ranch

Mr. Boots and Wrangler will present the Region II High School Rodeo Finals Saturday, April 19, at the Angelo Indoor Arena, (Formerly Bly's Arena) to benefit West Texas Boys Ranch.

Two rodeo performances have been set for the day beginning at noon and 7:00 p.m. The cutting horse competition will precede the rodeo beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the arena.

Over 100 high school students from 32 West Texas counties will compete in calf roping, bull riding, barrel racing, steer wrestling, pole bending, saddle bronc riding, goat tying, and team roping. Contestants

qualifying from the Region II for the State High School Rodeo Finals will be determined during the two rodeo performances.

Admission for each performance is \$3 for adults and \$1 for students. An all-day admission price is available for the two performances at \$5 for adults and \$2 for students.

The rodeo will be hosted by friends of West Texas Boys Ranch. Proceeds from the rodeo will benefit the Ranch which provides loving, caring families and homes for boys in need so they can become healthy, happy, self-sufficient citizens.

Fifth and Sixth Grade Little Dribblers Results

March 24

Nike Chicks 20, Spurs 8

Scoring for the Nike Chicks were Jessi Bellard-2, Myra Martinez-2, Elizabeth Elliott-2, Brea Hughes-4, Courtney Stubbart-2, Cortney Hill-6 and Amy Vandivere-2.

Scoring for the Spurs were Denebra Gloria-6 and Paola Garcia-2.

Super Sonics 24, Raiders 9

Scoring for the Super Sonics were Koda Armke-4, Tamika Marshall-14, Katrina Hernandez-4, and Dianah Hernandez-2.

Scoring for the Raiders were Kara Hard-3, Ashley Salinas-2, Ashley Parker-2, Sarah Gutierrez-1,

and Kate Higdon-1.

March 25

Red Raiders 14, Spurs 9

Scoring for the Red Raiders were Susanna Street-2, Kara Hard-4, and Ashley Parker-8.

Scoring for the Spurs were Brelee Drake-3, Denebra Gloria-4, and Jessica Martin-2.

Raptors 18, Knights 26

Scoring for the Raptors were Adam Hadsall-2, Emmanuel Lopez-4, Thomas Bloodworth-8, Brandon West-2, and Trapper Valliant-2.

Scoring for the Knights were Chris Martin-5, Caleb Gullely-2, Dustin Martin-12, and Reyes Garcia-7.

Local CCCS Office Observes National Credit Education Week

In an effort to heighten public awareness about the importance of good credit, Consumer Credit Counseling Services will be observing National Credit Education Week (NCEW) April 20-26, 1997.

International Credit Association (ICA) sponsors the week-long focus on credit annually. This year's theme, "Good Credit Gets Your Future in Gear," was chosen to remind Americans of the critical cog that good credit can be in life's day-to-day operations. And, because the primary target of the education is young people, the theme was also chosen to go right to the heart of what good credit can do: help them

purchase their first car! By appealing to one of their main interests, the theme and graphics should attract youth across the nation to learn more about credit as a financial tool for the future.

One of the major activities of NCEW is the creative writing contest conducted in high schools throughout the United States. This year's theme, which is intended to encourage students to think about their creditworthy futures, gives them an opportunity to win local and national prizes and gain recognition while becoming involved with the community in a positive way.

In ICA's more than 30 years of sponsorship of NCEW, it has been estimated that over 100,000 consumers are reached yearly through observation of this week. Last year President Clinton praised the program's efforts to heighten exposure to credit issues and their importance to the nation's economy.

CCCS President Marianne Gray said, "This week is an excellent time for consumers to begin evaluating their credit and financial situations, and Consumer Credit Counseling Service will continue our ongoing programs to educate consumers about credit issues and local services that are available to help them with any credit-related problems they may have and teach them how to make credit work in their favor."

CCCS is a non-profit community service organization that provides confidential counseling, debt repayment, and education programs to financially troubled consumers. It is a member of the National Foundation for Consumer Credit (NFCC).

Headquartered in Fort Worth, CCCS has branch offices in Abilene, Grapevine, Killeen, Lubbock, Midland, Odessa, San Angelo, Temple, Waco, and throughout the Fort Worth Area. CCCS also has offices in Azle, Big Spring, Brady, Cleburne, Lampasas, Mansfield, Mineral Wells, Stephenville, Weatherford, Fort Stockton, Plainview, Granbury, Brownwood, Hillsboro, Mexia, Sweetwater, Sonora, Burleson, Gatesville, Lamesa, Levelland, and in Hobbs, New Mexico. To schedule an appointment for confidential counseling or get information on educational seminars in Tarrant County call 732-2227, or anywhere in Texas or New Mexico toll-free 1-800-374-2227.

Health Groups Support Rural Community Health System Bill

Health care groups have joined together today supporting legislation to preserve rural health care.

Senate Bill 1246, sponsored by Sen. Frank Madla of San Antonio, would create a rural health system to contract with local community health plans to deliver health care services within small, rural communities. The system would serve as an alternative to urban-based Medicaid health maintenance organizations now operating in rural Texas.

Endorsing the rural community health system legislation are Texas Medical Association, Texas Academy of Family Physicians, Texas Organization of Rural and Community Hospitals, Texas Hospital Association, Texas Association of Rural Health Clinics and Texas Association of Surgical Centers.

"We must make sure that rural physicians and rural hospitals survive in the new marketplace," said

Dr. Sheri Talley, a Fort Stockton family physician and president of TAFP. "This bill will provide a vehicle to ensure that the fragile infrastructure that is rural health care is not damaged or threatened by the state's move toward managed care, particularly in Medicaid."

The community health system would be a non-profit entity governed equally by hospitals, physicians, and community leaders including employers, health care consumers, and local government officials.

"This is a rural health care preservation act," said John Boff, president and CEO for Texas Organization of Rural and Community Hospitals. "The health of patients, hospitals, and communities is best served when we can provide treatment and services on the local level."



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As a police officer I spend many hours behind the wheel of a car. While I have no back problems now, I know many older officers who have back pain from long hours of patrol duty. What can I do to keep my back healthy?

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Chiropractors don't advertise their services and I can compare what treatments they offer. Why don't other doctors do this?

All professions advertise their services in one way or another. Medical doctors are listed in the yellow pages under their specialty. Likewise, in the

100 years of chiropractic in the U. S. various chiropractic colleges have developed more than 50 commonly used treatment techniques. It is not uncommon to see chiropractors advertising their specialty. If you want a more detailed explanation of a treatment, don't hesitate to call a chiropractor's office and ask questions and seek any printed material on the treatments they offer.

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New Extension Effort "Wild" About Deer

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"W.I.L.D. about Deer," a new wildlife management series from the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, kicks off April 28-29 in Ozona. "W.I.L.D.," or "Wildlife Intensive Leadership Development" is an intensive multi-site training whose pilot focus is on white-tailed deer.

Students are expected to participate in each of three, two-day workshops. The two other locations and their dates are: Sonora, Jul. 14-15 and San Angelo, Sept. 29-30. Each workshop features hands-on exercises and detailed homework assignments. The program's purpose is to give participants a chance to develop a greater working knowledge of the deer management "triangle." The triangle being habitat, populations and people.

"The first point of the triangle is Deer 101, the people management phase," said Dr. Dale Rollins, San Angelo-based Extension Wildlife Specialist and a W.I.L.D. coordinator. "Deer 101 focuses on people management, from understanding what hunters want, to understanding why animal activists have hunters in their sights. We will help; participants define goals for their wildlife enterprises. They will learn to improve their marketing skills using such tools as the Internet while tailoring their leases to best fit their needs."

"Deer 202 targets habitat, from an ability to identify key plants for deer in a particular region to how the 'axe, plow and cow' approach can be used to enhance deer habitat. Students will learn to optimize management to benefit deer through proper brush and grazing management.

"Deer 303 examines population management, from deer count methods to estimating Boone & Crockett scores 'on the hoof'. The fine points of deer genetics will be discussed as well as how land managers and their hunters can work together to achieve management goals."

The program series features elements from other popular Extension programs, including Tall (Texas Ag Lifetime Leadership), TRM (Total Ranch Management) and the Bobwhite Brigade. The Curriculum will be fast-paced and intensive. "Hours involved will be long," commented Rollins, "but we'll use hands-on exercises whenever possible. Detailed homework assignments will be made and graded. Top students can win awards ranging from a 35mm camera to a .270 rifle. The friendly competition along with a dose of good old peer pressure should ensure a competitive learning environment." Part of the training is aimed at honing leadership skills as they relate to public education. One of the obligations of a W.I.L.D. graduate is to conduct at least four educational programs in their local community. These may include local school groups, fellow ranchers or news articles for the general public.

Since W.I.L.D. is a pilot program, Rollins warns participants to expect a rigorous schedule meant to test the effectiveness of such "boot camp" workshops whose goal is to turn out natural resource managers skilled in decision making. A maximum of 30 students, ranchers and other land managers interested in wildlife management, will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. Participants must attend all three functions because each workshop builds on the previous one.

Tuition is \$200 per person. Fees cover a textbook, resource materials, most meals and refreshments. Lodging and travel costs are the student's personal responsibility. For further information contact Rollins at (915) 653-4576 or your local county Extension agent. Deadline for registration is April 20th.

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Sims: distinguished Texas in agriculture

Retired state Sen. William L. "Bill" Sims of San Angelo has been chosen as the 1996 recipient of the Texas A&M Distinguished Texan in Agriculture Award.

"Senator Sims represents an exemplary public servant in the true sense," said Dr. Edward A. Hiler, vice chancellor for agriculture and dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Texas A&M University.

"He has served in a variety of public services roles, including his time as a county agent with the Texas Agriculture Extension Service, his leadership within the sheep and goat industry and his representation of the citizens of Texas in legislative public policy involving agriculture and natural resources." Sims will receive the award, which recognizes outstanding leadership and significant contributions to Texas agriculture, at a special dinner April 10 in Austin.

Land Bank Dividend

On March 31, 1997, 193 area farmers, ranchers and rural property owners in Sutton, Schleicher, Crockett, and Edwards Counties will benefit from a dividend distribution and stock equalization announced by the Federal Land Bank Association of Sonora.

The association's board of directors declared a 10% dividend payment to all association stockholders of record prior to October 4, 1996. The board also authorized the equalization of stock investment to 5% of current loan balances. This year's dividend comes on the heels of a 10% dividend paid in 1996, a 5% dividend paid in 1995, a 5% dividend paid in 1994, and an equalization of stock investment to 5% in 1994.

Mr. Jack B. Smith, Jr., President of the association stated that this association remains as one of the strongest capitalized associations within the Farm Credit System. The Farm Credit System is a nationwide financial cooperative that was designed to guarantee that American agriculture would always have a dependable source of credit.

Rig Locations for the Week 4/4/97 Texas RRC

<p>District 7C Crockett County Shell Western/Houston; 14600'; Mitchell-Daniel #106-1, Norton Drilling #9, 37 days; drilling ahead. 13084' Union Pacific Res.; (Horizontal) 10,000'; Couch 29-22 #1H Cougar Drilling #63; 7 days; drilling ahead. Union Pacific Res.; 10,000'; H&H Drilling Company #1H; Wes-Tex Drilling #14; 18 days; drilling ahead. Sonat Exp/Midland; 10,000'; Baggett-C-#1 Patterson Drilling/A 39; 11 days; drilling ahead. New Union Pacific Res.; 10,000'; Couch Estate #5HR; Nabors Drilling (M) 730; 4 days; drilling ahead. New Sonat Exp/Midland; 10,000'; Signal Baggett-C-#2; Patterson drilling #38; 4 days; drilling ahead. New Union Pacific Res.; 9,000'; McMullan-D-#4; Wes-Tex Drilling #2; 3 days; drilling ahead. Primal Energy Corp.; 8,000'; Laura Hoover Estate-3B-#6; Patterson Drilling /A 35; 25 days; drilling ahead. New Arco Permian/Midland; 7,900' Meadows Ranch-3-#1; Wes-Tex Drilling #5; 7 days; drilling ahead. New Union Pacific Res.; 7,600' Hover Estate-19A-#5; Wes-Tex Drilling #1; 6 days; drilling ahead. New Union Pacific Res.; 7,300' Crystelle Childress-28B-#8; Wes-Tex Drilling #10; 1 day; drilling ahead.</p>	<p>New Union Pacific Res.; 7,000' Henderson #3; Wes-Tex Drilling #7; 7 days; drilling ahead. New Texaco E & P/Denver; 6,600' A R Kincaid Trust-C-#9; Wes-Tex Drilling #19; 2 days; drilling ahead.</p> <p>Sutton County New Louis Dreyfus Gas; 8,960' Duke Wilson #1368; Wes-Tex Drilling #20; 3 days; drilling ahead. New Louis Dreyfus Gas; 8,100' Mayer-49-#3; Patterson Drilling/A #42; 2 days; drilling ahead. New Louis Dreyfus Gas; 5,550' Pfluger-104-#12; Wes-Tex Drilling #8; 3 days; drilling ahead.</p> <p>Texas RRC District 1 Edwards County New Burlington Res/Mid; (horizontal) 7,100' Four Square Ranch #0542EH; Patterson Drilling/A #36; 3 days; drilling ahead. New Lomak Production; 6,000' Wallace-1-#6; Cleere Drilling #3; 4 days; drilling ahead. 1,335' New Lomak Production; 6,000' Wallace-67-#10; Patterson Drilling/A #40; 4 days; drilling ahead.</p> <p>For complete report contact; Ed Seifert, Rig Location & Permit Service (817) 285-9600</p>
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Property Tax Cut Proposal Special Ballot

by Robert Howden, NFIB

Currently, the House Revenue and Taxation committee is studying different ways to reduce local school property taxes.

A Special Committee in the House is currently examining how Governor Bush's efforts to reduce local property taxes might be accomplished. This Committee is trying to find a way to lower local school property taxes and is reviewing a \$6.4 billion proposal that will expand the state's current business tax and repeal nearly \$2 billion in exemptions to the state's sales tax. Earlier this year, Governor George W. Bush proposed a half cent sales tax increase, a new Business Activity Tax and the use of \$1 billion in additional funds to lower school property taxes by \$3 billion a year. The plan seems to be put on hold in favor of a new House Committee plan. Local school property taxes which raise about \$10 billion a year, average about \$1.40 per \$100 of assessed property value. The House Committee plan calls for the state to pay 80 percent of the cost of public schools, compared to 46 percent. The House plan would also lower local taxes on residential property to about 50 cents per \$100 of valuation. Business property will be taxed by the state, instead of local school districts, at a rate of \$1 per \$100 of valuation.

This House plan might also subject all partnerships in the state to the current franchise tax, except for sole proprietors. Business partnerships do not currently pay the business franchise tax. If the franchise tax is expanded, there will be a \$100,000 exemption per shareholder for corporations and partnerships with 35 or fewer owners. Also, the House plan would expand the sales tax to 35 goods and services. Several items were removed from the exemption list because of their

adverse impact to business such as taxes on boxing and packaging and manufacturing machinery. In return for property tax cuts, Texans might pay sales tax on lottery tickets, jet fuel, manufacturing gas and electricity, automotive repair services, barber and beauty services, car washes, custom computer programming services, commercial leases, magazine subscriptions and food items sold through vending machines. In addition services which will also have a sales tax include travel agencies, temporary employment agencies and interior designers.

Many critics of this tax plan point to the expansion of the franchise tax to business partnerships and a personal income tax because it would apply to individuals within partnerships. Opponents also point to the fact that taxing services is difficult to administer. Adversaries to the statewide business property tax state are nervous about new statewide tax on business because the legislature might raise the rate in the future. Also many opponents say the business property tax cuts won't be sufficient to offset increases in other taxes. Opponents say that adding sales tax to some services may force people to go outside the state to contract with other service providers.

Proponents of this plan say the creation of a statewide property tax on business would eliminate most of the disparities in funding between rich and poor school districts because the majority of the inequities are caused by local differences in the business tax base. Proponents also state that this plan would allow the state to repeal the controversial "Robin Hood" school finance law that forces wealthy school districts to share revenue with poor districts. Proponents contend that this plan is fair because it eliminates many exemptions from the sales tax.

Producers Livestock Auction Report

April 3, 1997

Compared with last week feeder steers and heifers firm to 1.00 higher. Slaughter cows and bulls firm to 1.00 higher. Stock cows and pairs firm. Trading active, demand good. Quality full range from plain to attractive. Supply included 50 percent calves, 25 percent slaughter cows and bulls, 15 percent stock cows and pairs, 10 percent yearlings.

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Medium and Large 1-2 200-300 lbs 94.00-102.00; 300-400 lbs 83.00-95.00; 400-500 lbs 73.00-86.00; 500-600 lbs 68.00-80.00; 600-700 lbs 60.00-70.00; 700-900 lbs 59.00-67.00.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1 200-300 lbs 85.00-90.00; 300-400 lbs 79.00-86.50, set 90.00; 400-500 lbs 73.00-82.50, few 83.00-86.50; 500-600 lbs 68.00-78.50, few 79.00-80.00; 600-700 lbs 67.00-

75.00; 700-800 lbs 63.00-66.50. Medium and large 1-2 200-300 lbs 76.00-84.00; 300-400 lbs 67.00-79.00; 400-500 lbs 63.00-73.00; 500-700 lbs 58.00-68.00; 700-800 lbs 55.00-61.00.

Slaughter Cows: Breaking Utility 2-3 40.00-43.00; Cutter and Boning Utility 1-2 34.50-42.50, high dressing 43.00-45.00; Canner and low Cutter 1-2 28.00-34.50.

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Sealed proposals for **RENOVATION OF HEATING-VENTILATING AND AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM** at the Sonora Maintenance Office Building, US 277, Sonora, Texas in Sutton County, Texas and covered by BMA No. 077XXR1002, and sealed proposals for **PAINTING OF OUTSIDE SURFACES** at the Robert Lee Maintenance Office Building, SH 158, Robert Lee, Texas and the Sub-section Bldg. US 277, Bronte, Texas in Coke County, Texas and covered by BMA No. 077XXR1003 will be received in the Assembly Room of the Texas Department of Transportation's District Complex located at 4502 Knickerbocker Rd., San Angelo, Texas until 2:00 PM, April 29, 1997 and then publicly opened and read.
THERE WILL NOT BE A PREBID MEETING FOR THESE PROJECTS.
Specifications and proposals for the above mentioned contracts are available at the office of Mr. Dennis W. Wilde, P.E., Director of Operations, 915/944-1501,

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REQUEST FOR BIDS
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PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDINANCE OF ELECTION OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ELECTION OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES TO OFFICE OF THE CITY OF SONORA, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EACH UNOPPOSED CANDIDATE ELECTED TO OFFICE AND ORDERING THAT NO ELECTION BE HELD AND PROVIDING FOR POSTING OF THIS ORDINANCE.
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SONORA, TEXAS:
Section 1. Upon receiving certification from the City Secretary on March 31, 1997, that each

Junior High Tennis

7th Grade

Justin Routh had another strong showing. After winning the 7th grade boys division in Big Lake, he finished 3rd this week in a very strong field. In the semi-finals Justin lost a close 9-7 match after having one match point himself but had little trouble in the 3rd place match winning easily 6-1.

Chance Dillard made the move to singles this week and also had a strong showing. Chance lost his first round match to the eventual winner of the tournament but then cruised easily through the consolation bracket to win the consolation bracket and medal.

Making their first tournament appearance of the year Ruben Brown and Eddie Wallace also played well. After losing their first round match, they went on to the consolation semi-finals before losing a close 6-4 match.

8th Grade

Kimber Thompson also switched to singles this week and competed very well. Kimber won her first round match but then fell a little short in the second round. The girls singles division was the toughest in recent years with several players having rankings with the USTA.

Kristina Edmondson played in her first tournament of the year and won her first match ever in a tournament. She also fell a little short in the second round but she accomplished her goal and our team goal of everyone winning a match.

In the girls doubles division, Crystal Montgomery and Lindsey Bowers competed in another very competitive division. They won their first round match but then lost in the quarter-finals in a close match that could have gone either way. The tournament used 8 game pro-sets instead of the normal 2 out of 3 scoring system which made every point crucial. And 2 or 3 big 3 all points in their favor would have given Crystal and Lindsey the match.

Shane Mathews and Ryan Hardgrave were also coming off a 1st place finish in Big Lake. They lost to the eventual winners of the tournament in the semi-finals but won easily in their next match to take 3rd place honors.

Overall the entire team has shown improvement and consistent performances from week to week. The junior high district tennis meet is scheduled for April 12th in Big Lake and all our players should be at peak performance by that time.



PUBLIC NOTICE

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candidate to the office of City Council member is unopposed for election to office, the City Council of the City of Sonora, Texas does hereby declare each unopposed candidate elected to office. It is hereby declared that the following candidates are elected to the following offices and shall be issued a certificate of election:

Kyle Donaldson: City Councilmember, Ward 1, James Blackman: City Councilmember, Ward 2 (1-year term), Fred Perez: City Councilmember, Ward 2

Section 2. It is further declared that an election will not be held for the offices of City Councilmember of the City of Sonora.

Section 3. The City Secretary of the City of Sonora is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of this ordinance of unopposed candidates to be posted on election day at each polling place that would have been used in the election.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 31 day of March, 1997.

Margaret Cascadden
Mayor
1(4-3-97)b

8th Grade Boys Win District Meet



1997 District Champs- 8th Boys Track Team from the front; Larry Aguero, Jason Moore, Crispin Lira, Chris Smith, Jacob Percifull. 2nd row- Joseph Percifull, Daniel Ward, Jesus Torres, Cole Cearly, Matt Torres, Javier Gaytan, Nicholas Lozano. 3rd row- Cody Ainsworth, Chang Hernandez, Chris Weingart, Shane Mathews, Ryan Hardgrave, Jeremiah McLaughlin. Back row- Coach Favila, Bryce Williams, Ed Mayfield, Riley Crain, David Miller, Tom Jacoby, Jake Trainer, Davey Prather, Coach Cox. Not pictured- Chris Green, Joe Galindo, Walker Thompson, Coach Evans.

The Sonora eighth grade boys won the District meet in Kermit with 174 points, followed by Kermit-159, Colorado City-77, Crane-75, Greenwood-58 and Reagan Co.-25. Individual results are as follows:

-Field Events-
Shot Put-1st Jake Trainer, 3rd Joe Galindo
Discus- 1st Joe Galindo, 4th Chris Weingart

Triple Jump-2nd Riley Crain, 6th Shane Mathews
High Jump- 2nd Shane Mathews, 4th Riley Crain
Long Jump- 2nd Crispin Lira, 4th Riley Crain
Pole Vault- 4th Chang Hernandez
-Running Events-
2400 M- 5th Jacob Percifull, 6th Javier Gaytan
400 M Relay- Sonora 5th

800 M Run- 1st Cody Ainsworth, 5th Ed Mayfield
110 Hurdles- 1st Riley Crain, 5th Cole Cearly, 6th Shane Mathews
100 M Dash- 3rd Jesus Torres
400 M Dash- 2nd Tom Jacoby
300 M Hurdles- 2nd Riley Crain, 4th Cole Cearly
200 M Dash- 2nd Matt Torres
1600 M Run- 1st Cody Ainsworth, 6th Jacob Percifull
1600 M Relay- Sonora 1st

Sonora High School Golf

This past week the Sonora boys and girls golf team participated in their respective second rounds of the district golf race. On Wednesday, April 2, the boys traveled to Crane where they shot a team total of 355. This was good enough to hold onto second place in the district tournament. The team from Crane inched closer to the Bronco team but are still 22 strokes behind. Participating for the Broncos were John Brown (84-165), Caleb Barker (87-167), Jason West (90-178), Zac Kerbow (94-182), and Tommy Guitierrez (98-188). Colorado City leads the district race by 24 strokes in

front of second place Sonora. The Sonora "B" team stands in seventh place with a total score of 796. Participating on the "B" team and in the medalist competition were Jody Boggs, Jacob West, Jared Percifull, Chris Clifton, Ryan Cramer, Shiloh Sykes, and Kasey Wood. The third and final round of district will be on Thursday, April 10, at Big Lake.

The Sonora girls team traveled to Midland for their second round and increased their first place lead to 75 strokes over second place Colorado City. Kermit is in third trailing by 34 strokes. Leading the Lady Broncos at

Midland were Melissa Sanchez (91-187), Ashley Henson (93-186), Kim Bustamante (101-209), Marisha Henson (105-216), and Johnna Adams (110-212). Ashley Henson and Melissa Sanchez are #1 and #2 respectively in the district medalist race. Standings in the team race are Sonora (789), Colorado City (864), Kermit (898), Reagan County (935), Greenwood (940), and Crane (952). With the team competition pretty well decided, the medalist competition is going to be close and tight. Participating for the Sonora "B" team were Haley Thompson, Romy Castaneda,

7th Grade Girls Place 2nd at District Meet

In a close race for 2nd place 7th grade girls scored 99 points to Colorado City (95 1/2), Crane (77), Kermit (72) and Reagan County with (70) points. Greenwood scored 173 1/2 points for first place.

Overall the girls had a great track year finishing first at Iraan, 2nd at Eldorado, 3rd at Sonora and finishing the season taking 2nd at District. Individually Amy Gann finished the season with 105 points followed by Monica Lira with 98 and Kasey Miller with 76. All the girls con-

tributed to the team's success during the season. Other team members are Emily Luna, Kasey Kearney, Desiree Gonzalez, Pam Shahan, Jessica Bruns, Heather Lawson, Ashley Bible, Maribel Hernandez, Tori Valliant, Jalys Mabry, Tera Kier, Micah Adams, Paula Gonzalez, Carrie Smith, Lee Voight, Leslie Gamez, Jenny Cramer, and Margie Becknell.

Individual results are as follows:
Long Jump- 2nd Monica Lira
Running High Jump- Kasey Miller 3rd

3200 Meter Run- 5th Heather Lawson
400 Meter Relay- Sonora 4th
800 Meter Dash- 1st Amy Gann
100 Meter Dash- 2nd Monica Lira, 6th Emily Luna
800 Meter Relay- Sonora 1st
400 Meter Dash- 3rd Maribel Hernandez
300 Meter Hurdles- 4th Ashley Bible
200 Meter Dash- 1st Kasey Miller
1600 Meter Relay- Sonora 3rd
Triple Jump- 4th Amy Gann

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