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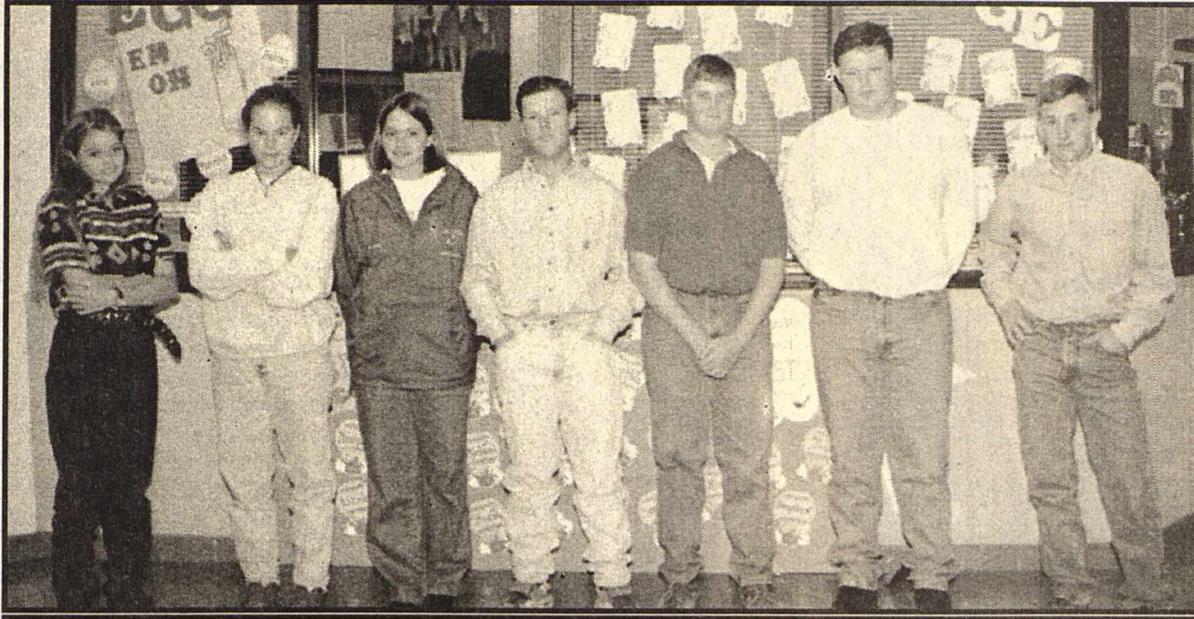
Thursday, April 24, 1997

Noriega Injured In Accident

Eddie Noriega was injured when a hose connection broke during a frac job on the Cauthorn lease at a Louis Dreyfus location.

The accident occurred Wednesday, April 16, at approximately 3:30 p.m. Noriega sustained injuries to his left arm, hand, and ribs. He is in Shannon Memorial Medical Center.

Noriega is employed by Dowell/Schlumberger. The accident is still under investigation as to why it occurred.



Kendra Jones, Kelly Jones, Dana Duhon, Kelly Morrow, Tommy Tiffie, Jeremy Surber, and Walker Wallace are members of the State bound high school rodeo team. See related story on page 4.

Exhibitors Ready For May 1st County Health Fair

Noami Samaniego, Co-Chair for the Sutton County Health Fair, reports that the 4-H Center is scheduled to "run over" with special health related exhibits on May 1st.

Some of the exhibits will include Beltone Hearing Aid Service, United Blood Services, San Angelo Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Rivercrest Hospital, House Calls, Sonora Police Department and as in years past, Sutton County Emergency Medical

Services.

This event has continued to grow every year since it began in 1993 and shows the dedication to our community for health awareness by sponsors, First National Bank of Sonora, the Texas Department of Health, and Lillian Hudspeth Memorial Hospital.

Everyone is reminded that the fair will take place on Thursday, May 1, 1997, and will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. to accommodate the citizens in Sonora.

Local Merchants Gear Up For Mother's Day

Mother's Day will be Sunday, May 11, 1997, and the local Merchants Association hopes it will be special for all mothers in Sonora.

As shopping continues for local mothers and mothers-in-law, Sonora residents are urged to visit participating Association members and take advantage of the special "certificates" that will be offered.

According to Chair-person

Vallree Draper, "This is a special time of year, and our local merchants are appreciative of your business. We feel the special certificate for flowers for your mother will just make the day more special."

For more information contact Vallree Draper of VALLREE'S at 915-387-5918.

Willard Named To Head Mohair Council of America

submitted

Zane Willard, executive secretary of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association since June 1994, has been selected executive director of the Mohair Council of America.

Lanny Leinweber of Mountain Home, Mohair Council president, announced Willard's selection after he and other council officers conducted personal interviews with six applicants last week.

"We believe Zane Willard has the experience and know how to successfully achieve our goals of finding new markets and uses for mohair," Leinweber said.

Willard, a native of Uvalde, has been involved in the sheep and goat business since 1981 when he started showing animals and fleeces as 4-H Club projects which provided 90 percent of Willard's college expenses.

A graduate of Texas A&M University with a BA degree in Agricultural Economics, Willard will succeed Duery Menzies, formerly of Fredericksburg, who has served as executive director of the council the last three years. Menzies announced his resignation several months ago, effective April 30, to pursue other interests.

Willard has been involved in agricultural activities throughout his professional career. Before joining the TSGRA staff as an assistant to then executive secretary, State Sen. Bill Sims, Willard was administrative assistant to the Texas Agricultural and Natural Resource

Summit where he worked with various task forces and groups assigned to address specific problems affecting agriculture. He also served as an intern in Congressman Charles Stenholm's Washington office. His assignments included working on USDA reorganization, the Wool Act, NAFTA, and other key agriculture issues.

Gifted/Talented Nominations Being Accepted

The Sonora ISD is currently accepting nominations for the gifted and talented program. Eligibility will be based on the following:

Written nomination by parents, teachers, or student; scores from the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS); scores from the Stanford Achievement Test; IQ testing, which requires parental consent; May 16-checklist to be completed by parents and returned to school; May 16-checklist to be completed by teachers; May 24-GT screening committee meets; May 29-letters of notification will be sent to parents.

Those identified as GT students in grade K-8 will be serviced in the regular classroom through differentiated curriculum and grades 9-12 will be serviced through AP offerings.

For additional information, contact Donna Hill, Special Programs Coordinator at 387-3277.

Smith States Intentions Regarding Discrimination Complaint

submitted

A Sonora High School teacher has requested the right to sue the Sonora Independent School District even though the EEOC appeared about to rule in her favor in a gender discrimination complaint filed late last summer.

Martha K. Smith, an English II teacher at SHS, was one of four teachers placed on an improvement plan at an unusual school board meeting on March 12, 1996. Ms. Smith had not been made aware of the improvement plan or any change in her status. Having been given excellent evaluations for the past eleven years, Ms. Smith was shocked to discover the board's decision since she had received no prior notification or appraisal for that school year, as mandated by law.

Ms. Smith charges that the former Superintendent Charles Russell, who resigned after a TEA investigation, and Principal Dennis McNaughten, who was later terminated, threatened her with immediate termination and to destroy her career when she exercised her legal rights to file grievances about the improvement plan. She states that similarly situated male teachers

were not treated so harshly. In fact she says, "The good ol' boy routine was used for the men, treating them fairly and with respect, but because I am female, tactics of intimidation and threats were used against me." She additionally charges that after she filed her grievances claiming sexual discrimination, she was retaliated against and subjected to further harassment and false accusations from both male administrators, who are no longer with the district.

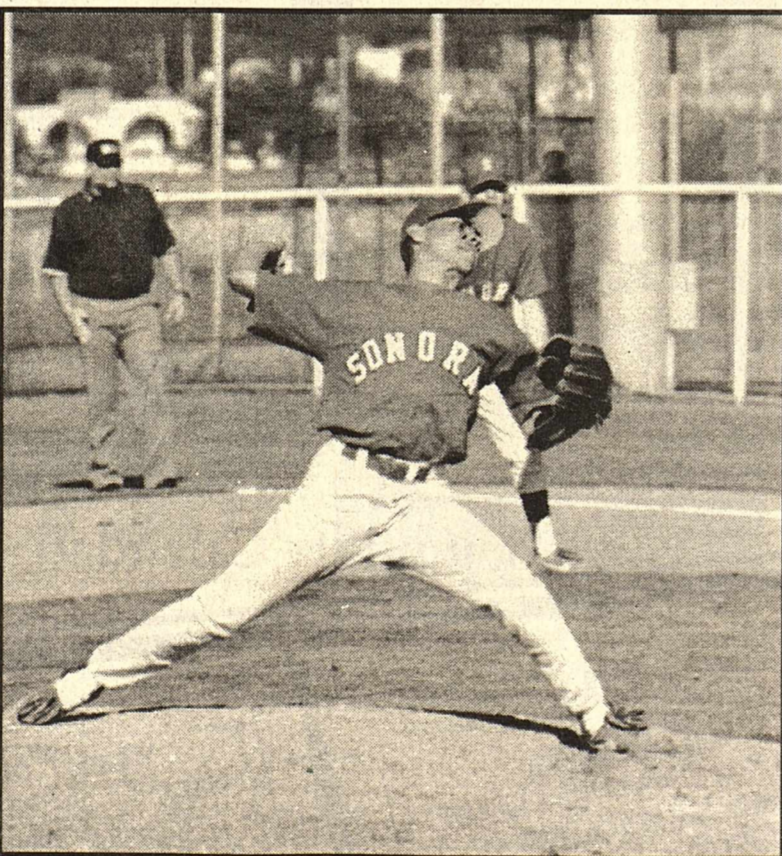
After Ms. Smith's attorney presented her grievances to the Board, an investigation was conducted, resulting in the removal of her growth plan along with all other documents placed in any teachers' personnel files by Russell and McNaughten for the 1995-96 school year. As a remedy to the five grievances that Ms. Smith filed, she also requested the school district pay her

attorney fees, but the district has refused.

According to Ms. Smith, "I would not have had to hire a lawyer if the school board would have rescinded its motion when they learned of their failure to follow school policy and state law. It took a lot of courage for me to stand up for myself and also a lot of money. After eleven years in the district, I just couldn't stand by while my employer discriminated against me, harming my reputation and career as a good teacher. Now the board has refused to bring closure to this awful nightmare. Their refusal to settle my claim drags this controversy out into the public and to the courthouse. It's sad because this could have been resolved almost a year ago. I feel that I was forced to hire an attorney to protect my career, and I only want what's "air."

DRN Closed Friday, April 25
The Devil's River News office will be closed Friday, April 25 for the staff to attend a news writing seminar. Regular business hours will resume Monday.

Broncos Still In The Hunt



Fernie "Rocket Man" Emiliano, sneaks a fast ball by a Golden Crane.

submitted

This past week the Sonora Bronco baseball team played the district leaders, Crane and Kermit. In both games, the Broncos played well, but could not overcome the power and maturity of the senior heavy squads. On Tuesday, the Broncos entertained the Cranes and gave the first half leader all they wanted. At one point of the game, it looked like the Broncos might even defeat the Cranes, but the Cranes

were able to fight back and take a ten to six victory from the Broncos. The Broncos were led at the plate by Ty Harelson and Lupe Ramon who went two for three and John Brown who went two for four. On defense the Broncos were led by Tanner Fields with six put outs plus an assist and Lupe Ramon who had four put outs as well as an assist.

On Friday, the Broncos took a four hour bus ride to Kermit to face

the second place team in the district. The Broncos took an early four run lead, but the power of the Yellow Jackets was too much for the Broncos to handle as they were able to pound out 11 hits with three of these being homeruns. The Broncos were able to score one more run to make the score five for the Broncos and 17 for the Yellowjackets. Fernie Emiliano and Tanner Fields both had two hits to lead the men in red on offense. Homer Lozano and Fields played very well on defense with three and two put outs respectively.

With five games left in the district race, the Broncos find themselves still in the fight, however it will take some smiling by the baseball gods to accomplish their goal of being a district contender. With the attitude this team has, who can say what might happen, because there is no quit in this Bronco team. With a little help and some luck, this team can and will surprise the other district teams. This district is beginning to realize that there is another baseball program in the district, one, even though being young, that is very competitive and one that has some very good athletes on it. So don't give up on them, because one day this program will be one of the strongest ones in the district, if not in West Texas. Thank you for your continued support.

This past Tuesday, the Broncos entertained the Owls from Reagan Co. This was the only game this week due to the Regional Track Meet on Friday and Saturday. Good luck to the boy and girl qualifiers this weekend in Odessa.

Proclamation

The well-being of our people depend on the production of ample supplies of food, fiber and other products of the soil.

The quality and quantity of these products depend upon the conservation, wise use and proper management of soil and water resources.

It is the concern and responsibility of every Texan that soil and water resources be conserved and managed properly to assure the welfare of all citizens.

Soil and water conservation districts provide a practical and democratic organization through which landowners are taking the initiative to properly use and protect these resources.

Soil and water conservation districts are sponsoring Soil and Water Stewardship Week as a commitment to protecting our renewable natural resources.

Therefore, I, Carla Garner, County Judge of Sutton County, in full appreciation of the value of our soil and water to the public welfare, and desiring to honor those who protect those resources, do hereby proclaim April 27 through May 4, 1997 as

Soil and Water Stewardship Week

in Sutton County, Texas. IN OFFICIAL RECOGNITION WHEREOF, I hereby affix my signature this 21st day of April, 1997.

Carla Garner
County Judge of Sutton County

Briefly

Earwood School of Dance Recital
Please join Carolyn's Ballerinas on a journey through Dreamland. Little Dreamers fall asleep in their bedroom and dream of their toys coming to life. A Rose Garden is visited as well as the Moon, Stars and a beautiful Swan. The Dreamers remember the tales of Cinderella, Mary Poppins, Sugar Plum Fairies, Tinkerbell and Wendy.

Golf Club ACS Night Scramble
The Sonora Golf Club will sponsor the American Cancer Society Night Scramble, Friday, May 9th at 5:30 p.m. The first 9 holes will be played in the daylight and the second 9, after dark. A meal is included; all proceeds go to the American Cancer Society. For more information call 387-3680.

Booster Club Meeting
Monday, April 28 at 7p.m. at the High School Commons Area.

Pony League Apps Available
Fourteen and fifteen year olds interested in playing in the Pony League need to pick up an application at Cattleman's Corner Cafe by May 9th. Please bring a certified copy of birth certificate.

Hunter's Safety Camp
For girls ages 12-18. The camp will be held at the McPherson Ranch, June 9-12 and is sponsored by the Texas Parks & Wildlife Dept. and the McPherson Ranch. Student must not have completed the course. \$10.00 charge per student. To register call 915-387-5159, for questions call 915-387-3068. Boys camp, ages 12-15 will be July 14-17.

Jones Spring Piano Recital
Jones Piano Studio will have a piano recital Sunday, April 27, at 2:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church. All are welcome to attend.

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 anyone 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.

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.

Subscription Notices
If you received a blank postcard in the mail, it is for a subscription renewal to the Devil's River News. Sorry for the inconvenience.

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

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| <p>NEW LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
James Lee, Pastor
306 N. 4th Street
387-2898</p> <p>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
504 Santa Clara
387-2035</p> <p>CHURCH OF CHRIST
Tim Dobbs, Minister
304 W. Water
387-3190</p> <p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Jim Stephen, Pastor
Rev. Paul Cornelius, Assoc. Pastor
404 NE Oak
387-2951</p> <p>ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. J. Monte Jones, Rector
404 NE Poplar
387-2955</p> <p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Ron Myers, Pastor
201 NW Water
387-2466</p> <p>JERUSALEM ASAMBLEA DE DIOS
St. Ann's Street
387-3600</p> <p>HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Rev. Charles Huffman
417 E 2nd St.
387-5366</p> | <p>THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD PRESBYTERIAN
Lewis Allen, Pastor
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387-2616</p> <p>OUTREACH CHURCH OF CHRIST
Hwy. 277 S. Glasscock</p> <p>PENTECOSTAL CALVARY TEMPLE
Willie West, Pastor
509 Amistad
387-3236</p> <p>ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
Father William DuBuisson, O.M.I.
229 SW Plum
387-2278</p> <p>JEHOVAH'S WITNESS
310 St. Ann's Street
387-5658 or 387-5518</p> <p>NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
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511 Cornell
387-5215
<i>Attend the church of your choice, this Sunday.</i></p> |
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- Cornerstone Home Health Agency**
116 N Concho
(915)387-2505 (800)593-8222
- Kerbow Funeral Home**
387-2266

Engagement

Meyer-Faris Announce Engagement



Frank and Fayrene Craddock of Wall, Texas announce the engagement of their daughter, Reyna Lee Meyer of College Station to Brian Ray Faris, also of College Station. Brian is the son of Preston and Kay Faris of Sonora.

The couple will wed July 26, 1997 at Paul Ann Baptist Church in San Angelo. A reception at the Cactus Hotel will follow the ceremony.

Reyna is a 1993 graduate of Uvalde High School and will graduate from Texas A&M University this May. She then plans to attend dental hygiene school.

Brian graduated from Sonora High School in 1993. He will graduate from Texas A&M in December 1997. Brian plans to attend optometry school at the University of Houston.

Our Sympathy

William B. Wilson

William B. Wilson, better known as "Willie B.," died Saturday evening the 12th of April. Willie B. was born in Sonora, Texas, on June 21, 1914. He spent most of his youth growing up on the family ranch. He attended New Mexico Military Institute, where he began to play polo, the sport he loved. Later at the University of Texas, he received a bachelor's degree and a law degree in 1937.

Mr. Wilson was a second lieutenant and a flight instructor in the Army during World War II. He was stationed in Pecos, Texas. Willie B. was an active member of the polo world, playing for more than sixty-five years, making him the longest continuous polo player in the world. His credits include winning the Pacific Coast Open twice, the Silver Cup and runner up in the U.S. Open. He was also a pilot, flight instructor, rancher, published author, scholar in vocabulary, inventor of auto irrigation system and an attorney. He was a past president of the Sheep and Goat Raisers Association, member of the Cattleman's Association, Texas Production Credit Association, and an active member of the Church of Scientology. He was also a Trustee for the Midland Polo Club and a circuit governor.

After moving to Midland in 1964, he began numerous Wilson Companies in oil and gas. These family businesses are still in operation today.

William B. Wilson is survived by his wife, Idelis, of Midland; five sons, John William, Duke Glover, Word B., Michael Hagen, and Byron Blaine, all of Midland; three stepchildren James, Regina, and Ivette Salome-Sotomayor of Florida; 11 grandchildren, including John of Arkansas, Stephen, Will, Mary Margaret, Alison, Toffee, and Chelsea of Midland, Lissa Wilson Debes, Lorrie Wilson Scholl, and Claire Wilson of Houston, and Spencer Forrest of Dallas, sister-in-law Adele Wilson of Sonora, and 2 nieces, Nancy Davis and Mary Adele Balch of Sonora. He is also survived by two great-grandchildren, Sebastian Wilson of Midland and John William Wilson IV of Arkansas.

The family requests that donations be made to the charity of your choice.

Memorial services were held Thursday, April 17, at 10 a.m. at the Midland Polo Grounds with Allan Prager of the Church of Scientology, officiating. An additional service was held on Friday at 11 a.m. at Sonora Cemetery in Sonora, Texas. Arrangements were under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Thank You

I would like to thank everyone for the gifts and the monetary donations at Tedford's for my selection. A special thanks to all my Padrinos and Madrinan and the girls and their escorts that accompanied me.

Thanks to Mundo Ibarra for putting up with me and my friends during practice.

Thanks again for making my birthday a very special one.

Jennifer Gonzales

Thank You

Dear Sonorans, Thank you for the tremendous outpouring of cards, notes, phone calls, and pictures on the occasion of Babe Spraggins 75th birthday!

Your response was overwhelming. Now if mother would just forgive me for telling her age...Love to you all.

Linda Spraggins Kingston

Thank You

The West Side Lion's Club would like to thank everyone who contributed to our White Cane Days Fund Raiser. Your support is greatly appreciated.

The West Side Lion's Club

Ronnie Cox would like to be your pharmacist.

SENIOR CENTER

Calendar of Events

- April 24- Crafts
- April 25- Kooking w/ Kelly! Nutrition Program (noon)
- April 28- Bingo!
- April 29- Blood Sugar Counts w/ Cornerstone Health Program!! 11-1 p.m.
- April 30- Video after lunch!
- May 1- Crafts
- May 2- Run Errands & Pay Bills

Lunch Menu

- Thursday, April 24**
Lasagna, Peas, Coleslaw, French Bread, Fresh Banana
 - Friday, April 25**
Baked Fish, Macaroni & Cheese, Mixed Vegetables, Rolls, Tossed Salad, Sugar Cookie
 - Monday, April 28**
Country Fried Steak w/Gravy, Baked Potato, Spanish Green Beans, Wheat Rolls, Lime Rice Swirl
 - Tuesday, April 29**
Oven Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, Zucchini Squash, Wheat Bread, Lemon Squares
 - Wednesday, April 30**
Pork Chop w/Gravy, Diced Potatoes, Carrots, Wheat Rolls, Tossed Salad, Peach Cobbler
 - Thursday, May 1**
Fried Catfish, Corn & Tomato Casserole, Spinach, Cornbread, Fruit Jello
 - Friday, May 2**
Beef & Cheese Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Coleslaw, Fruit Salad
- Guest Meals are \$4.00.
Suggested donation for Senior Citizens is \$1.75.

School Lunch Menu

BREAKFAST and LUNCH

<p>Monday, April 28 Waffle w/Syrup, Fruit</p> <p>Pepperoni Pizza, Tossed Salad, Kernel Corn, Orange Wedges</p>	<p>Tuesday, April 29 Oatmeal, Toast w/Jelly, Juice</p> <p>Chicken Pattie on Bun, Lettuce, Tomato, Baked Potato, Sliced Peaches</p>	<p>Wednesday, April 30 Chorizo & Egg Burrito</p> <p>Beef Tacos, Taco Salad, Refried Beans, Fruit Cobbler</p>
<p>Thursday, May 1 Pancake, Sausage, Juice</p> <p>Barbecue Beef on Bun, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Pears, Cookie</p>	<p>Friday, May 2 Egg, Muffin, Fruit</p> <p>Cheese Burger, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, French Fries, Peaches, Cake</p>	

All meals served with milk

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Community Calendar

24 April

- Friday, April 25th**
Devil's River News Office Closed
- Saturday, April 26th**
Christmas in April
- Sunday, April 27th**
2:00 Jones Piano Recital, First United Methodist Church

Sutton County National Bank
207 Hwy 277 N

May 1

- Monday April 28th**
9:00 a.m. County Commissioners Meeting, Annex Building
- 7:00 p.m. Booster Club Meeting High School Commons Area
- Thursday May 1st**
10:00 Health Fair, 4-H Center
- Minor League-6:00 Rangers vs. Astros, 7:30 Rockies vs. Yankees

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Ask The Historical Society



R.S. Covey, former Superintendent of Schools, Sonora, TX.

Q. Could you give us the names of some of the early baseball players in Sonora?

A. For the answer to this question we have decided to reprint the report of the Sonora vs. Ozona game printing the Devil's River News of April 17, 1909.

The Sonora Baseball team comprised of the following players played the Ozona team in Ozona, on the 10th, and won by a score of four to three: Bart DeWitt, short stop; Zenas Decie, catcher; Wes Osteen, 2nd base; Murdock McDonald, pitcher; R. E. Thomas 1st base;

Marion Stokes, center field; Harold Mills, right field; George Whitehead, 3rd base and Fisher Jones left field; Kenneth Taliaferro official scorekeeper and Leslie Adams mascot.

It was a grand snappy game all the way through and aside from a few squabbles every inning was intensely interesting and full of excitement. Three of Sonora's runs were made in the first inning and one in the third. Decie, Osteen, McDonald, and DeWitt made one run each. Ozona's three runs were made by Wright, Taylor, and Casber—one in the third, one in the fifth and one in the eighth. Sonora had one man to die on base in the seventh and eighth inning. Ozona had a man to die on base in the first and two in the 9th. With two men out and Dudley on 2nd Smith on 3rd in the last half of the ninth, Ozona had an excellent opportunity not only to tie the score, but to win the game. But Murdoch had lots of steam left and pitched with such perfect control that the side was retired by the last man up fanning out. Both pitchers had all kinds of steam and perfect control. Walter Smith of Ozona struck out thirteen men, and Murdoch McDonald for Sonora struck out eighteen. The game was more of a pitcher's battle than anything else.

Notes:

The wind was blowing so hard there was so much dust, it is not surprising so few runs were made.

Aside from the ball game there was very little fussing. Mason Rountree had to put up a good talk to keep out of a fight, and Fisher

Jones got into an argument with a folding bed.

Jeff Smith took a bunch of players over in his two cylinder hay burner and got home without a single puncture or blow out.

Mason Rountree said with a little grubbing Ozona would have a pretty good little field there in front of the court house.

Fisher Jones couldn't keep his cap on account of a telephone wire in left field.

Geo. Whitehead had to jump two or three automobiles to get one of the balls they knocked him.

Harold Mills was the only Sonora boy who got lost in Ozona. Marion Stokes says he did it on purpose.

All the boys pronounce Leslie Adams the best little mascot that ever carried a bat.

The only thing the boys don't like about Kenneth's score keeping is that he won't give them any more runs than they make.

Other little interesting statements in the issue:

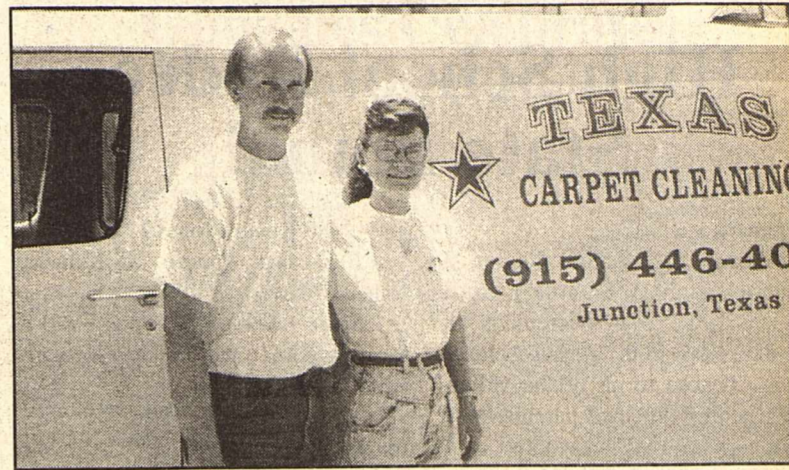
Easter fell on April 11 in 1909.

Joe Ross the cattle and goat man was in Sonora Thursday. Joe knew this drought was coming as he read it in an almanac two years ago.

Will Ogle was in from his farm and ranch near Mayer Wednesday trading.

The fires in Texas have been many this spring.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County History send them to Ask The Historical Society, P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or call one of our researchers at 387-2855.



Bill and Debbie Bayer, owners of Texas Carpet Cleaning.

Texas Carpet Cleaning Announces Service In Sonora

Sonora Chamber of Commerce Member, Texas Carpet Cleaning, is now servicing Sonora and its surrounding communities. Owners Bill and Debbie Bayer have worked as a "husband and wife team" for 20 years, cleaning carpet in the Brenham, Bryan-College Station area. Recently they sold their business and relocated to Junction to open a Bed and Breakfast, and also continue carpet cleaning.

"Our secret to fresh, clean carpet lies in our ability to power clean, and remove bacteria laden soil," said Mr. Bayer. We use non-detergent cleaning solutions eliminating residual buildup, greatly reducing the rate of recoiling." With their

"commercial truck-mounted" steam cleaning system they offer the absolute ultimate in Carpet Cleaning. Your carpet will be refreshed and renewed giving you the confidence that this time your carpet is really, really clean.

As a completely owner operated business the Bayers have remained complaint free by maintaining a high level of quality control.

Look for the coupon in this week's paper offering a "Spring Cleaning Special" of 15% off. Call Bill or Debbie at (915) 446-4067 for an appointment, or leave a message and they will return your call.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

April 24th
Charlotte Castro
Santiago Luna
Cullen Parker
Kaleena Samaniego
25th

Travis Valliant
Anthony Longoria
Shelby Lynn Onofre
Andy Sanchez
Adriana Castillo
Elida Marintez
Stacy Fox
26th

Beth Covington
Stephanie Hard
27th

Leonor C. Hernandez
Payton Holekamp
Theresa Munoz
Maria Perez

Roxanne Talamantez
29th
Tony Gauna Jr.
Bessie Roach
30th
Oscar Chavez Jr.
Kash McGee

Happy Anniversary

April 25th
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Location Builders
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387-3881

Westerman Drug Bridal Registry

Tammy Fisher, bride elect of Stephen Jung
Jennifer Cutler, bride elect of Craig Hopper
Amy Fields, bride elect of Adam Youngblood
Reyna Meyer, bride elect of Brian Faris
101 NW Concho 387-2541

Thank You

My family and I would like to thank everyone in Sonora for the flowers, cards, visits, and especially the prayers for me.

I would like to thank the Sonora High School faculty, students, The Devil's River News, Mayor Margaret Cascadden, all the churches, especially my family at the First Baptist Church.

I would like to say thank you very much to Paul Cornelius for coming to Dallas and bringing his faith and support for me and my family.
Stacey Fox

Thank You

To the people of Sonora:

You are some of the most caring, generous, and thoughtful people anywhere. Having recently been on the receiving end of many kind gestures, we would like to say "thank you" to all of you who sent cards, flowers or food, made calls or visits, or just kept us in your prayers. We feel very blessed to live in such a wonderful place.

Thanks again,
Jessie, Bruce, Erica and Zac
Kerbow

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Back Talk

Chiropractic Care Questions & Answers

I have been suffering with low back pain for 10 years and spending large amounts of money on related drugs. Now my medical doctor is recommending surgery. Could chiropractic help?

I would urge you to seek a chiropractor for a complete exam before submitting to the pain and recovery time of surgery. Chiropractic treatment may relieve some or all of the pain. Many patients get lasting relief through these treatments. I must hasten to add, however, that the chiropractor may well concur in your medical doctor's opinion regarding surgery. Having said that, I will re-emphasize that many people with low back pain find chiropractic a practical alternative to costly, and sometimes ineffective, drug therapies (see the next question) and time consuming surgery.

My chiropractor said the pain killers I am taking for low back pain may be masking the real cause of my problem. Can that be true? Pain killers not only often mask the

true cause of the problem but patients often aggravate the source of their pain by making movements which are actually worsening the situation. Pain killers can mask the pain of a fractured bone. Soft tissue injuries are affected the same way by these drugs. Sometimes it is impossible to determine the real location or extent of an injury while a patient is on pain killers.

What's the difference between acupuncture and acupressure? My chiropractor said he was using the same techniques but without the needles. Will this really work?

While acupuncture is largely associated with needles, western research

has shown similar positive results by stimulating those trigger points with electric stimulation, light or using the thumb or finger pressure. Chiropractors have been practicing these treatments either with needles or the aforementioned methods for more than 25 years. Your doctor is correct in advising you of the merits of this type of treatment.

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High School Rodeo State Bound

submitted

Texas High School Region 2 Rodeo was held Saturday, April 19th, with the awards ceremony on Sunday, April 20th, in San Angelo, Texas. Thanks to all of the volunteers, contestants, and parents for a great season. They all worked very hard. The following are the results of both performances on Saturday.

12 p.m. Rodeo

Calf Roping- 4th Kelly Morrow 12.373.

Goat Tying- 7th Kendra Jones 10.746, 9th Kelly Jones 14.135.

Steer Wrestling- 3rd Walker Wallace 11.240.

Breakaway Roping- 5th Kelly Jones 4.145.

Pole Bending- 5th Kendra Jones 21.344.

Team Roping- 10th Casey Bynum/Kelly Morrow 17.68.

Boys Cutting- 3rd Tommy Tiffie 68.

7 p.m. Rodeo

Boys Cutting- 2nd Tommy Tiffie 70.

Team Roping- 5th Cody Owens/Walker Wallace 10.19, 9th Cody Callaway/Tommy Tiffie 19.21.

Calf Roping- 3rd Kelly Morrow 13.180.

Goat Tying- 2nd Kelly Jones

7.499, 9th Kendra Jones 11.654.

Breakaway Roping- 4th Kelley Jones 3.742.

Steer Wrestling- 1st Kelly Morrow 5.341, 2nd Walker Wallace 5.628.

Pole Bending- 9th Kendra Jones 22.348

After all the results were in and tallied the local contestants going to the State Finals in Abilene, Texas June 7th-14th are: Steer Wrestling- Kelly Morrow and Walker Wallace; Boys Cutting- Tommy Tiffie; Breakaway Roping- Kelly Jones and Kendra Jones; Poles- Kendra Jones; Goat Tying- Kelly Jones and Kendra Jones; Team Roping- Cody Owens and Walker Wallace.

Winning the Event for the Year and taking home saddles were Kelly Morrow-Steer Wrestling and Tommy Tiffie-Boys Cutting

The Rookie of the Year Award was awarded to Kendra Jones who received a belt buckle. Kelly Jones won Reserve Champion Goat Tying and was awarded a belt buckle.

Local contestants were up against some tough competitors; but they hung in there and did their best. We wish all of them good luck at State. We are all proud of you!! You are true leaders.

Sonora Ladies Golf Auxiliary Hosts Annual Tournament

submitted

The Sonora Ladies Golf Auxiliary hosted the Third Annual Chili Pepper Chip-In Ladies Partnership Tournament this last Saturday at the Sonora Golf Course. Competing with a field of 24 teams, four local teams placed. Jane Gray and Gidget Tate of San Angelo won the Championship Flight after winning a scorecard playoff with Juanita McBride and Tressa Henson taking second. Third place in the Championship Flight was Helen Rogers and Michelle Wesson of San Angelo. The First Flight was won by Boots Fulcher and Rita Sheen of San Angelo. Local Team Tonda

Alexander and Jerri Martin won second in this flight in a scorecard playoff with Liz Rudder and Danyne Calley of Brady who won third. The Second Flight was won by Helen Rogers and Dinah Reynolds of San Angelo. Winning a scorecard playoff for second was the local team of Darla Lipham and Frances Tackel. Third place went to Joyce Casparis and Shelly Hughes.

Longest drive on #1 donated by Creek Swabbing was won by Gidget Tate. Closest to the pin on #2 donated by Creek Swabbing was won by Mariane Drake. Closest to the tree on #3 donated by Creek Swabbing was won by Tonda Alexander. Most Accurate

drive on #4 donated by Creek Swabbing was won by Melissa O'Harrow. Longest Putt made with the funny putter on #6 donated by Creek Swabbing was won by Tressa Henson. Longest putt made on #7 donated by Creek Swabbing was won by Becky York. Closest to the pin on #9 donated by Location Builders was won by Jane Archer.

The Auxiliary would like to thank Creek Swabbing and Location Builders for donating the hole prizes and the following local merchants for donating door prizes: Cowboy Way Travel, 4S Ranch, Devil's River Auto Parts, Fraley Butane/Dono Oil, Quick Bonds, GRC, Dowell/Schlumberger, Multi-Chem, Elliot Law Offices, Rye Supply, Sutton County National

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Tennis News

submitted

At the Junior High Tennis District Tournament, Bryce Williams cruised through the field winning easily in the finals to take top honors in the 8th grade boys singles division. Cody Ainsworth also had a strong showing finishing 4th overall.

In the 8th grade girls singles division, Stephanie Hard won her first round match but then lost to the eventual third place winner. In a strange set of circumstances, Heather Felts had to play the eventual champion in the first round. Heather played a good match but fell a little short in the end. Had the draw been done correctly Heather would have certainly finished at least 3rd and possibly even 2nd.

In the 8th boys doubles event, Shane Mathews and Ryan Hardgrave had a good tournament as well, finishing 2nd in a close final round match.

In the 8th girls doubles draw, Crystal Montgomery and Lindsey Bowers returned to Sonora as district champions by defeating Duvall and Goetz of

Reagan Co. easily in the finals. Cassi Cole and Kimber Thompson also finished the season strongly bringing home 3rd place honors.

Ashley Bible took home 3rd place honors in the 7th girls singles. Ashley showed improvement all season and placed in every tournament. Margie Becknell also played well but came up a little short in her match with the eventual 4th place winner.

In the 7th boys doubles event, Eddie Wallace and Matthew Batchelor defeated the other Sonora entry of Beau Hughes and Tyler Seaton in the finals to complete the sweep of that event for the Sonora team.

Jessica Bruns and Leslie Gamez took 4th place honors in the 7th girls doubles event.

This was a good year for all who participated. Every member of the team either placed in a tournament or won a match in a tournament which was our pre-season goal. There are some strong tennis players in this group who will go on to new heights next year.

J.V. Baseball Has Tough Week

submitted

The Bronco's J.V. Baseball had a character building week, where a total of four runs were the difference in losing three games.

On April 14th, the Broncos traveled to Crane. After four lead changes and each team getting 15 hits, the Golden Cranes hit a ground rule double with men on second and third, giving them a 10-9 victory.

Saturday, the 19th, the Broncos played a double header in Bracketville that started before noon and ended after 6:30. The Tigers won the first

game by a score of 8-6.

The second game went into extra innings. The hot sun took its toll on the pitching. Sonora gave up twelve walks and hit two batters. Even after this, the J.V. players stayed tough. The game lasted over four hours. In the bottom of the eighth inning the Tigers won the game on wild pitches that scored two runs. The final score was 14-13.

If there is any good that comes out of these losses, it would be that the team has gained the knowledge that it has to play double tough to win out of town.

Relay for Life Date Nearing

The stadium is empty now, but soon it will be filled with hundreds of people participating in an 18-hour Relay for Life. Relay is a unique way to raise money for the American Cancer Society, honor cancer survivors, and raise awareness of the disease. The event will be held at Bronco Stadium Friday, May 16 through Saturday, May 17. Bring your sleeping bags and get on track for 18 hours of fun. Relay the message...we're not just walking or running...we're tracking down a killer named cancer.




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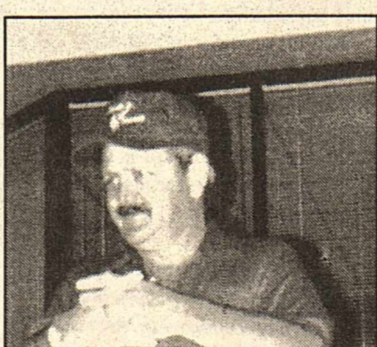
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Friday May 2 * Colorado City here 5:00 p.m.
Saturday May 3 Greenwood-Doubleheader J.V. there 12:00 & 2:30

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Counselor's Corner by Dale Kenemer

My husband and I have been taking care of his mother for some time now. Her condition is getting to the point to where he is ready to put her in a nursing home but he feels guilty about having to do this. What are some things he can do to deal with this guilt?

For sure, putting a parent in a nursing facility is an agonizing decision and process for most people, so, your husband is not alone in his feelings. It's even more difficult when you have been the primary caregiver for that parent prior to the nursing home placement. The guilt the caregiver feels during the transition to the nursing home can be the result of one or more factors. It may come from feeling helpless when you want to do so much more for that parent or a feeling of deserting mom or dad. Sometimes the guilt comes from a sense of unfinished obligation to somehow pay the parent back for all the good things he or she has done for you over the years as your parent. More often than not, though, I think this kind of guilt is more the product of the overall grief process of anticipating the death of that parent which we may think will come soon because he or she has to be put in a nursing home. (This is true in some, but not all, cases.) In dealing with the guilt of his circumstance, nothing may need to be done as it may subside once he adjusts to having his mother in the nursing home. Making sure that his mother is well cared for can alleviate some of the feeling of deserting his mother, if this feeling has been a source of his guilt. Perhaps establishing a good rapport with the nursing home director and direct care staff can help toward this end as well. The director and social worker at the home will probably be able to help him with the tumultuous feelings he may feel during the transition period. Your husband can help himself, however, by reassuring himself that this decision is not an admission of defeat, desertion, or neglect. It is very acceptable and healthy for him to realize that his mother's care requires more than he and you both can provide at home. It is also quite OK for him to factor his and his family's needs into the caregiving equation and decide that the role of full-time caregiver (albeit a noble and important role) is too physically or psychologically taxing to provide proper in-home care for his mother, thus making nursing home placement the more optimal choice for all concerned. It is not selfish to give some consideration to one's own needs when doing so will not hurt anyone else nor deprive them of having their needs met. In cases like this, with powerful emotions at work, we must do our best to make the healthiest and most balanced decision we can make at the time, carry out the decision, and then resist the temptation to question our decision in hindsight. Your husband has undoubtedly successfully faced other tough, gut-wrenching choices in his life, so, I encourage him to look to those successes for strength, wisdom, and courage to negotiate his way through this currently difficult time in his life.

LEPC Held Meeting

The Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) met March 22 in the Sutton County EMS Training Room.

Members received updates to the Sutton County/Sonora Base Plan, Annex A, Annex V, and a new list of members.

Donna Keese gave a summary

of Annex D-Radiological Protection and explained its purpose and how it works.

Phil Scott and Brent Gesch made suggestions for the Shelter Program. Tom Payton said if anyone had sleeping bags or any bedding to be used during shelters to contact the EMS Dept. Storage is

Coors Classic Golf Tournament To Benefit Boys Ranch

The West Texas Boys Ranch Coors Classic Benefit Golf Tournament will be held in Del Rio Saturday and Sunday, May 3-4, 1997. The tournament will feature a two-man partnership with play at San Felipe Country Club on Saturday, May 3, and at Laughlin Air Force Base on Sunday, May 4.

Tournament highlights will include four hole-in-ones and the chance to win \$5,000. Entry is \$200 per team and includes green fees, day money, and cash prizes.

Format for Saturday's play will be select shot with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. for the first, second, and third flights. Fourth, fifth, and sixth flights will begin with a 1:30 p.m. shotgun start.

Sunday's play will be best ball at Leaning Pines-Laughlin Air Force Base with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start for flights fourth, fifth, and sixth. First, second, and third flights will begin with a 1:30 p.m. shotgun start.

Everyone is invited to play in the tournament. Entries are now

being accepted at the San Felipe Country Club by Golf Professional Clint Baack, tournament director.

For more information, contact Baack at San Felipe Country Club at 210-775-3953. Checks for entries should be made payable to West Texas Boys Ranch and mailed to San Felipe Country Club, Clint Baack, P.O. Box 1228, Del Rio, TX 77841.

Proceeds from the tournament will go to the West Texas Boys Ranch, located 17 miles west of San Angelo. As a real working ranch, WTBR provides loving, caring Christian families and homes for 40 school age boys in need. The Ranch is currently celebrating 50 years of service to boys and families. Since 1947 over 1300 boys from across the state of Texas, including 14 boys from Val Verde County, have called the Ranch home. WTBR is a not for profit organization and provides services to boys regardless of their family's financial circumstances.

Scholarship Application Deadline: June 1st

The Hill Country Cattle Women will award Scholarships to eligible Hill Country college students this year, with \$2000.

The students will be chosen from the following Hill Country Counties: Bandera, Blanco, Edwards, Gillespie, Kendall, Kerr, Kimble, Mason, Menard, Real, and Sutton.

Students must be a college level junior, or above, and must

have maintained a GPA of 3.00, or higher, throughout their college years. Their majors must be in an agriculture related field or the dietary profession. A background in beef related projects is a priority.

Interested students should send their completed applications with proof of GPA to: Beth McNutt, Hill Country Cattle Women, Route 2 Box 137, Mountain Home, Texas 78058.

Hill Country Cattle Women Scholarship Rules

1. College level junior, or above, including graduate students.
2. Grade point average of at least 3.0, or higher, must have been maintained.
3. Agriculture or dietary nutrition related major.
4. Should have an interest, or background, in beef.
5. Complete Application and include copy of most recent transcript with GPA.
6. Applicant must be a resident of one of the eleven Texas counties served by the Hill Country Cattle Women, as listed above.
7. The Scholarship winners are encouraged to attend a meeting of the Hill Country Cattle Women.
8. Scholarships will be awarded. Awards will be paid through the winners' college or university.

also needed for these items.

Tentative plans have been made to have a meeting for shelter volunteers in September.

Members present were Mike Routh, Donna Keese, Allan Prather, George Keese, Tom Payton, Danny Hardin, Brock Jones, Phil Scott, Ronnie Cox, Harold Martinez, and Brent Gesch.

agency may be too late.

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Sonora To Host Community Blood Drive

United Blood Services of San Angelo will conduct a blood drive in Sonora at the annual Health Fair scheduled for Thursday, May 1 at the 4-H building. Hours of the blood drive are noon until 6:30 p.m.

Appointments are available for this blood drive by contacting Angie Tyson at United Blood Services at (800) 756-0024.

Tyson said appointments are very useful during a blood drive. Because of the great response typically seen at Sonora blood drives, appointments should help ensure that people do not have a lengthy waiting period prior to donation. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will be honored first.

Donors are also reminded to bring identification, such as a driver's license or UBS blood donor's card. Donors should also know the name of any medication they are currently taking.

United Blood Services of San Angelo must collect more than 300 units of blood per month to adequately service area hospitals.

"Patients depend on communities like Sonora," said Tyson, a UBS Community Relations Representative. "There is no substitute for blood; if a patient is in need, the blood must come from

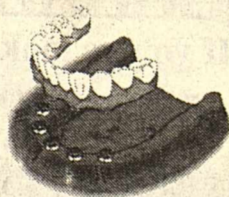


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Gonzales Celebrates 15th Birthday



Jennifer Gonzales celebrates her birthday in style, escorted by John Galvan.

Jennifer Gonzales celebrated her 15th birthday, April 5, 1997. She is the daughter of Lino and Patricia Villanueva and granddaughter of Reynaldo and Olivia Perez.

Jennifer celebrated with mass at St. Ann's Catholic Church followed by a reception and dance at the 4-H Center.

Her family would like to thank the many friends and relatives that attended the celebration and made it a day she will always remember.

A special thanks to those that helped serve the meal at the reception: Carmen Galvan, Rosa Hernandez, Irene Ozuna, Stacy and Jerry Northcott, Idalia Perez, and Mundo Ibarra.

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Chief's Corner

The following police report is provided by Chief Chris Croy.

4/13 Possession of Marijuana, A local man was arrested when Sonora Police made a routine traffic stop at 500 blk of Hwy 277 North for no seat belt. The local man was arrested for Possession of Marijuana and transported to the Sutton County Jail.

4/13 Public Intoxication, One juvenile and one adult were taken into custody at the 1500 blk of S.E. Crockett, after they were found walking down the roadway intoxicated. The juvenile was taken to the Kerrville Youth Facility after all attempts were exhausted to contact the parents. The adult was arrested and placed in Sutton County Jail.

4/12 Simple Assault, Officer received a teletype from Crockett County notifying local police that they had arrested a local man on a local municipal warrant. The subject was transported to Sonora, booked and placed in Sutton County Jail.

4/12 Possession of Marijuana, Two adults from New Orleans, La. were stopped on a traffic violation, officers gained consent to search and found marijuana inside the vehicle. Both subjects were transported to the Sutton County Jail.

4/11 Disorderly Conduct, Two local men were arrested for fighting in the 800 blk of St. Anns Street. Both men were arrested and taken to Sutton County Jail.

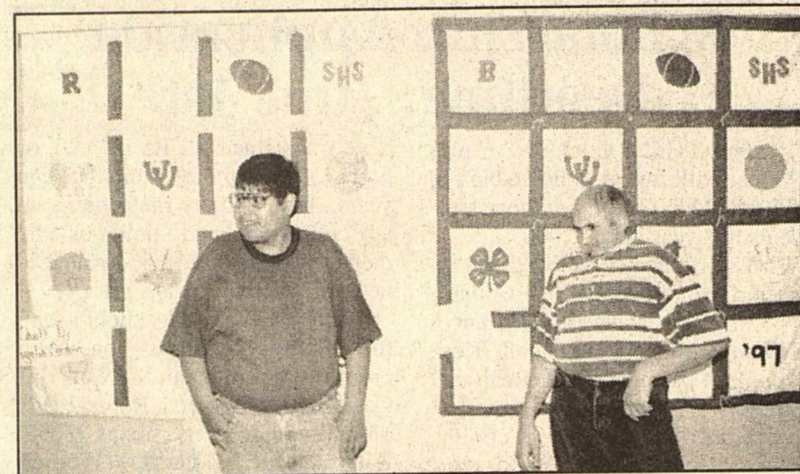
4/10 Stolen Vehicle, A 1978 Buick 4-door was stolen from the Rock Inn, between 9:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. The vehicle was recovered by police on 4/11 behind the Sonora Wool & Mohair building. The vehicle owner was notified and the vehicle was removed.

4/9 Violation of City Ordinance, Officer observed a local man shooting a pellet gun at a stop sign located on S.E. Crockett. The subject was arrested for criminal mischief (damage to the stop sign) and a citation was issued for discharging the pellet gun inside the city limits.


4/8 Fugitive From Justice, Officers stopped a vehicle in the 100 blk of N.E. Main for a minor traffic violation. Subject failed to identify himself to the police officer and was arrested. After the officer made the arrest, the subjects Identification was found inside the car. The subject was from Missouri City, Texas, a wanted check revealed that the subject was wanted for burglarizing a habitation in Rock Port, Texas. The subject was transported to the Sutton County Jail.



Go Hog Wild For Reading is what the banner said at the Reading Rally held Monday, April 21. And the challenge is on. Starting that day through May 16, the Sonora Elementary School has set a goal to reach 3500 points in reading. When the task is accomplished, elementary principal, Terry Marrs and superintendent of schools, Ernensto Martinez will kiss the pig pictured above sizing up Mr. Marrs.



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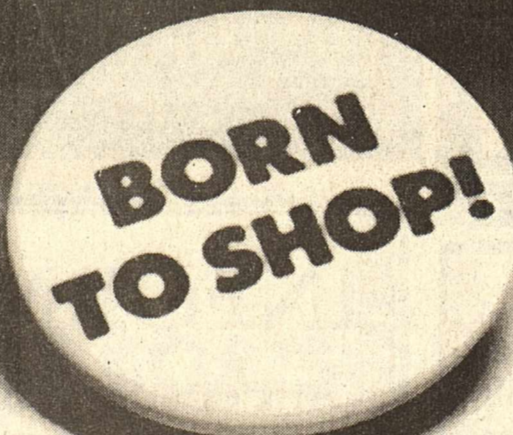
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Sutton County seniors celebrated Hat Day at the Senior Center Friday, April 18. Wilma Jones and Vivian Crites were awarded the best hat, most imaginative went to Ellen Depugh and Gretta Smith, Pablo Favela and Aurora Cardenas wore the funniest hats, and honorable mention went to Kathleen Moore. The Center thanks everyone who helped with cake, candy, and punch and a big thank you goes to the Old Tyme Band for the entertainment. Playing were Oscar Galindo, Milton Cavaness, Lee Roy Valliant, and Patti and John Henry Strauch.

The Senior Center also thanks the following businesses for donating prizes to the contest winners: Merle Norman & Gifts - Mary Ann Kenney, The Cutting Edge - Mary Lou Jimenez, The Craft Cottage - Judy Edmondson and Olivia Longoria, Cornerstone Home Health Agency, Sonora Chamber of Commerce, Victor and Diana Virgen, Creek Swabbing & Roustabout Service.

The seniors also appreciate judges Pauline Ringgold, Maggie Mesa, Oscar Galindo, and Lee Roy Valliant.

Celebrating birthdays in April are Aurora Cardenas and Oscar Galindo, Sr.

Regular Meeting Sutton County Hospital District

The regular meeting of the Sutton County Hospital District, Board of Directors, was held on Monday, April 14, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room at the Hospital. The following Directors were present: Alvis Johnson, Jr., President, Carol Parker, Vice President, Ray Smith, Lewis Allen, Ben Solis, Claire Powers, and Lee Bloodworth. Also present were Bobbie Rock, R.N. Consultant for the Nursing Home, Dr. Charles Pajestka, Sarah Kennell, R.N., Director of Nurses, Nursing Home, Joy Wook, LVN, Asst. Director of Nurses, Nursing Home, Ramiro Perez, R.N., Director of Nurses, Hospital, Kathy Knight, Board Secretary, residents and employees of the district.

Ben Solis made the motion to approve the regular meeting of March 10, 1997, and the called meeting of April 3, 1997, with one correction to the April 3, 1997, minutes, to include Lewis Allen attending the meeting. Claire Powers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Upon motion by Lewis Allen, seconded by Ben Solis, the Board approved the Transfer Agreement Delegation.

Ram Perez reported to the Board that Jory Kline, Parkland Hospital, Dallas, was here on April 4, 1997, to do the Trauma Survey for the designation of the Hospital as a Trauma Center. To continue to receive Disproportionate Share moneys the facility has to be Trauma certified.

Mr. Perez reported there were no deficiencies and Ms. Kline was recommending to the Texas Department of Health that Hudspeth Hospital be certified. Mr. Perez advised that we should be hearing from TDH in the next 30 days.

Mr. Goodrich reported that Dr. Calderon had signed and returned his contract with the District. Mr. Goodrich advised that Dr. Calderon was anticipating moving to Sonora in late August or early September.

Ram Perez gave the Quarterly Quality Assurance Report for December, January, and February. Discussion had been held regarding completing charts before Dr. Gutierrez left. Discussion had been held regarding installing door stops on heavy doors. Discussion was also held regarding the usage of NPO signs on the doors of the residents' rooms due to communication problems between Nursing Staff and the Lab.

Ray Smith reported that he had attended the Medical Staff meeting on March 26, 1997. Mr. Smith reported that "Out of Hospital DNR's" had been discussed. Mr. Smith also reported that the Blood Gas machine for the Lab had been received and installed.

Mr. Goodrich gave the financial report for February. Mr. Goodrich advised that the Hospital had a loss of \$45,383 and the Nursing Home had a loss of \$6,816. Mr. Goodrich reported that both facilities together were \$14,000 under budget.

Mr. Goodrich advised that the

Nursing Home Survey was the main issue in his report. The other items for discussion had been discussed earlier in the meeting.

Mr. Goodrich advised that on March 27th, two surveyors from the Texas Department of Human Services had arrived at the facility at 5:00 a.m. to conduct a complaint survey. Mr. Goodrich advised that the issues they were concerned with were Quality of Care, Quality of Life, Dignity, and Staffing issues. Mr. Goodrich advised that four deficiencies had been written when the surveyors had exited. The surveyors had requested copies of various charts, forms, etc. They called several times after the exit interview and added three more deficiencies. Lack of Supervision, Social Services, and Administration were added. Mr. Goodrich advised that the Facility has 90 days to have all deficiencies corrected.

Dr. Johnson advised that the problems in the Nursing Facility have to be corrected. That the employees have to enforce what they have been taught. Dr. Johnson advised the the Board was going into Executive Session at this time for discussion of

personnel problems in the Nursing Facility.

The Board reconvened into open session. Dr. Johnson advised that discussion had been held regarding the nursing problems in the Nursing Facility. Dr. Johnson advises that Agency Nurses will be hired to help with the problems. Dr. Johnson advises that the Board has asked the employees to cooperate with each other and accept responsibility for what they don't do and for what they do do. The Board is going to contact Baptist Memorial Center in regards to operating our Nursing Facility. The Director of Nurses in the Nursing Facility is to report to the Board each month in detail and if an Executive Session is required get with the Secretary of the Board and so schedule.

Ray Smith made the motion to approve the March expenditures. Claire Powers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

With no further business, Ray Smith made the motion to adjourn. Ben Solis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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Keeping an eye on Texas

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Pollen seasons: Tree Grass Ragweed

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Austin	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Corpus Christi	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Brownsville	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec

SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology, and Central Texas Asthma Center.

Ah-choo! Las alergias vuelan en el aire

El polvillo producido por los árboles, las hierbas y la ambrosía causa alergias y alcanza su temporada más molesta en la primavera. El tiempo de polinización para el vegetal varía por región geográfica—entre más al norte, más tarde viene. La parte central de Texas sufre más que cualquier otra. El Buró Nacional de Alergia ofrece información gratis sobre el polvillo en el número 1-800-9-POLLEN.

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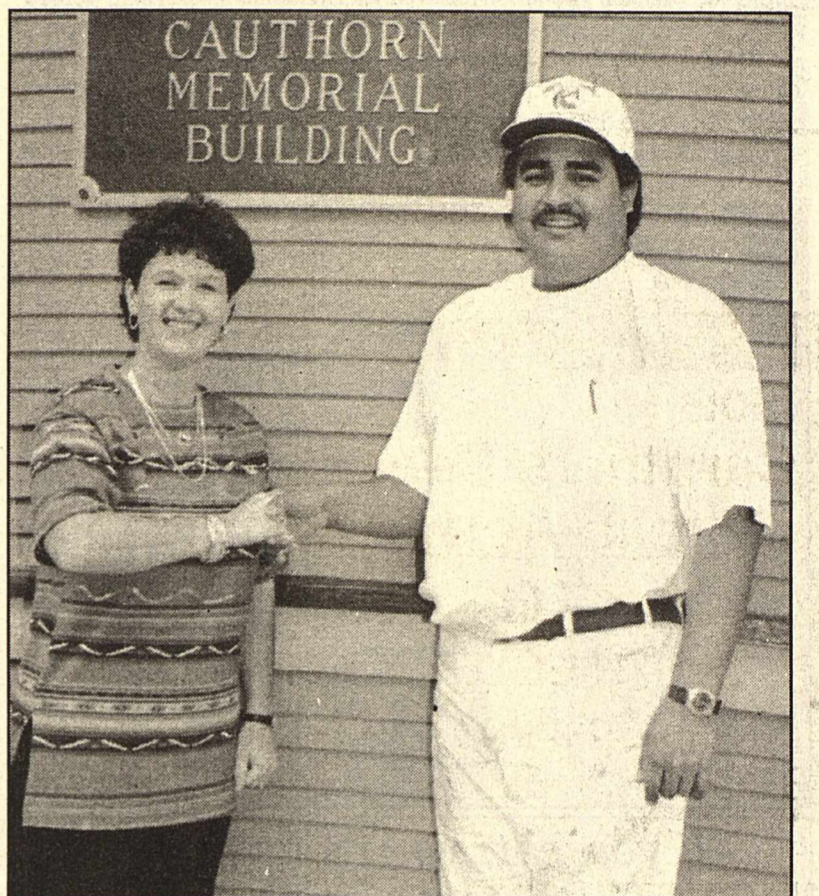
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