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Briefly

The Sutton County Hospital District will be having an election on May 2, 1998, anyone interested in running for Board Member for Pct. 2, Pct. 4, and one at large position, come by the Hospital and pick an application. The last day to apply for a place on the ballot is Mar. 18.

Early Voting for Democratic & Republican Primary begins Monday, Feb. 23rd and continues through Friday, Mar. 6th. Voting takes place at the Sutton County Annex in the County Clerk's Office Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

St. Ann's Enchilada Dinner will be on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 25. Tickets for the plates are \$5.00 Take out plates are available. You must have a ticket! Serving hours are from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Parish Hall. For more information contact Tammy Favila 387-3661 or JoAnne Hernandez 387-5676.

A Hunter's Safety Course will be given Feb. 21-22 at the EMS building. Classes will be from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 2-6 p.m. Saturday; and 2-6 p.m. on Sunday. All classes must be attended to be certified. Minimum age is 12. Cost is \$10 per person. If you have any questions, call 387-3068 or 387-5159.

EMS Blood Drive will be Thursday, Feb. 19th from noon until 6:00 p.m. at the EMS Building at 211 E. 3rd Street. Donors may call the EMS office at 387-5132 for appointments. Walk-ins are welcome, but those with appointments will be served first.



4-H Building Committee members are Diana Condra, Glen Fisher, Chairman, Claire Richards, Secretary/Treasurer, Sarah Wade, Kelly Thorp, Ex Officio, and George Wallace. Not pictured are: Oscar Galindo, Barry Limbocker, Bob Caruthers, Preston Love, Ramiro Perez, and Preston Faris, Ex Officio member.

4-H Center demolished

By Sarah Wade and Kelly Thorp

Now that demolition day has arrived for the Clint Langford Memorial 4-H Center, we look upon an "old friend" and cherish the many memories that have been made there.

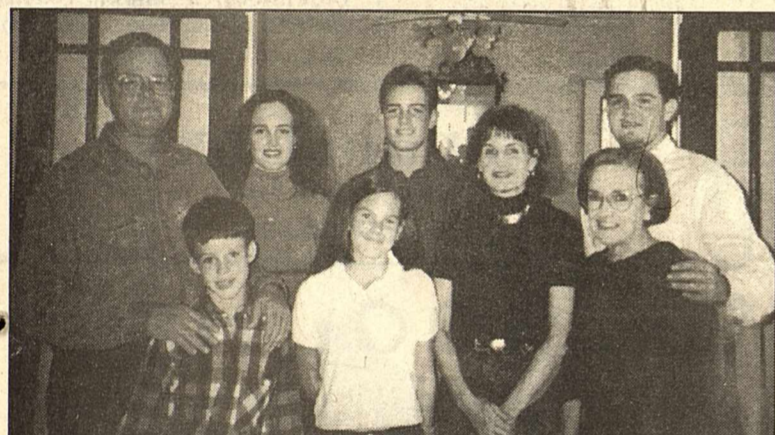
From stock shows, to 4-H meetings, to weddings, to family reunions, the many memories your walls held will always bring a smile to our faces. As we sadly see the end of an era coming to past, we eagerly await the construction of our "new friend" and look forward to the many memories to come.

Once again, thanks "old friend", you've served your purpose

well. You will always play an important role in our "rich" Sutton County history.

It is because of the many people who have generously pledged and/or donated money to this worthwhile community dream that this, our goal of a new community center is within our reach. However, your funds are still needed for the completion of our vision. Donations and pledges may still be made at either of the local banks, by contacting a 4-H Community Center Building Committee member, or at the Sutton County Extension Office located at 301 S E Crockett.

Remember, inch by inch anything's a cinch! Every penny pulled together counts!



Sutton County National Bank President Michael Healy with his family. From left bottom row: John, Claire, wife Catherine Ann, mother-in-law Martha Clay Manning; top row: Michael, Sarah Beth, Luke, Ryan

By Stephanie Campbell

New Sutton County National Bank president, Michael J. Healy, Jr., is settling into his new position in Sonora.

Healy was senior vice-president of Del Rio Bank & Trust for the past 12 years. He began a dealer paper program with Del Rio new car dealers in Sept. 95 which has been very successful.

Prior to joining Del Rio's staff, Healy was vice-president at InterFirst Bank N.W. San Antonio for two years.

From 1978 to 83, he was employed with Howard Chevrolet in Del Rio. And he attained the position of general manager before leaving to join InterFirst in San Antonio.

Michael received his Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance from the University of Texas at Austin in 1976.

In Del Rio, Healy was involved with the Chamber of Commerce and served as president, he was a San Felipe Country Club director, served on the Middle Rio Grande Workforce Board, Val Verde Livestock Show Committee, Val

Verde Community Foundation Director, Wintergarden Bankers Association Director. Michael was also a Little League and soccer coach for many years, was a member of the Lion's Club and member of Sacred Heart Parish.

Michael and his wife Catherine Ann, have five children, Sarah Beth, 18, graduates from Del Rio High School this May and plans to attend Baylor University. Ryan, 21, is a finance major at Texas Tech University in Lubbock and a member of Phi Delta Theta. Luke, 16, Claire, 12, and John, 9 will be moving to Sonora at the end of the spring semester and will attend Sonora schools next year.

Mr. Healy's hobbies include hunting, fishing, golf, racquetball, and photography.

"We are so excited about this opportunity. My family is looking forward to becoming a part of the community."

At Your Wit's End?

A free seminar entitled "At Your Wits End?: Help for Frustrated Parents" will be presented in Sonora by Dale Kennemer on Tuesday, February 24th. Mr. Kennemer will focus on how parents can handle the feelings of frustration that often occur as a part of parenthood. The seminar will be held from 7:00pm to 8:30pm at the Depot next to the Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church. The address is 405 N.E. Mulberry in Sonora. Mr. Kennemer is a licensed therapist with the Samaritan Pastoral Counseling Center in San Angelo. He also staffs a satellite office in Sonora on Tuesdays for the Center.

Friday 13th proves lucky day for Brockman

Sutton County 4-H member Landon Brockman will likely remember Friday, February 13, 1998 for a good while. His Angora doe kid was named as Reserve Champion of the San Antonio Livestock Show and with that honor he was awarded a scholarship in the amount of \$6000 to be used when he attends any Texas college or university. Other placings in the Junior Division of the Angora goat show were Buck Kids- 5th Landon Brockman; Aged Bucks-3rd & 5th Landon Brockman, Doe Kids- 1st & 5th Landon Brockman, 8th- Ashley Brockman; Yearling Does- 7th Thomas Bloodworth, 8th- Hilton Bloodworth; and Aged Does- 8th Ashley Brockman. Other junior exhibitors from Sutton County were Graham Bloodworth and Blaine Wilkinson.

In the Open Division of the show placings were as follows: Keller Angoras exhibited the Reserve Champion Angora Doe of the show with a Yearling Doe which was 2nd in her class. Other placings were Buck Kids- 4th Todd Keller, Doe Kids- 5th Chandler Caddell, 7th Cash Jennings and 10th Amy Keller. Others who exhibited in the doe kid class were Hunter Jennings, Brooklyn Caddell and McKenzie Caddell.

Sutton County 4-H members will be exhibiting market lambs, market swine and market steer in the show this week.

Sen. Hutchison to visit Sonora

Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison will hold a community meeting in Sonora.

Senator Hutchison will provide a legislative update and discuss issues of local concern.

The meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m. Thursday, February 19 at the First National Bank Annex at 102 E. Main in Sonora.

Mayor says, "time for change"

Margaret Cascadden announced this week that she will not seek re-election for Mayor, a position she has held since 1994.

In a prepared statement, she said, "Fourteen years is a long time to hold public office in a small town."

I feel it's time for some new blood, new ideas and new enthusiasm. I almost didn't file two years ago, but at that time the City was still experiencing some financial

challenges and the landfill situation was still undecided and I felt I should stay put until these problems were resolved. They were, thanks to the combined efforts of everyone at City Hall."

Cascadden first ran for office in 1983 and was defeated. She ran again in 84 and won her seat on the City Council. "I didn't know very many people in Sonora back then as we had only moved here in 1977, and it was not easy convincing folks

to vote for a Yankee woman!"

The filing dates for the May 2nd election are Feb. 16-Mar. 18 at City Hall. Also on the ballot is one seat from Ward 1 currently held by Butch Campbell and one seat from Ward 2 held by James Blackman.

Mayor Cascadden concluded her statement by saying, "I hope whoever replaces me truly has the desire to serve the people of Sonora as the foundation of their campaign."

Broncos continue winning season

By Tom Clifton

The Bronco boys basketball team made a 4 1/2 hour trip across West Texas to Kermit last Friday night.

They walked into a gym with a college atmosphere. It was a loud Kermit crowd considering their less than average season record. They were loyal Kermit fans, and they yelled at every Bronco mistake. Still, the disciplined Broncos routed the Yellowjackets, 74-51.

Brad Legan opened the scoring for the Broncos with a jumper from inside the free throw line. Anthony Renfro led the Bronco defense with two steals in the first quarter. Ty Harrelson and Kasey Wood contributed big baskets as Sonora took a 12-11 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Sonora showed just how good they can be at the start of the second quarter with a 14-0 run. Harrelson was driving the lane marking everything. Drew Dempsey and

Renfro stepped up and made big baskets. Legan, Wood, and Mayer Anderson controlled the boards. Anthony Luna continued his strong play with two break away lay ups. The score at the end of the second quarter was 36-24 in favor of the Broncos.

Kermit opened the second half with two quick buckets, but Harrelson sank a three pointer to stop the run. Later in the quarter Renfro sank a three pointer. Then, Wood made a short jump shot. The score at the end of the third quarter was 57-35 in favor of the Broncos.

Sonora opened the fourth quarter with a 6-0 run. David Mayer contributed a jumper during the run to make the score 63-35. Harrelson and Legan also made baskets in the final quarter as the Broncos defeated Kermit 74-51.

The Broncos improved their season record to 20-7 and 9-0 in district play. They closed their regular season in Sonora Tuesday night against the Colorado City Wolves.

Coach Harrelson was pleased with the victory. He commented, "It was a great win. A lot of people got to play and played a lot of minutes. I thought that was great. I really admire our kids because they were getting beat up a lot. Our kids kept their cool and that's important. I was a little disappointed that Fernie didn't get to play because all the Permian officials let Jamie Phipps play, but they didn't let him (Fernie) play. I thought Permian Basin was letting them do it."

"I thought it was a great win. It was a lot of fun tonight. And its fun to drive 4 1/2 hours to come away with a win."

The playoffs will begin either Feb. 27th or 28th. The site and opponent have not yet been determined. With seven more victories, the state title will belong to the Broncos. This team thrives on fan support. Make plans to attend the playoffs and watch this team march to state. Let the ride to state continue! Go Broncos!

Ortiz makes 100 lb. bust

Trooper Norbert Ortiz headed up the arrest of five defendants possessing 100 pounds of marijuana valued at \$100,000.

The 93 Dodge van driven by Freddy Oquendo of Miami, FL was stopped at the road block during the closure of I-10 east. The violation was following too close to the vehicle in front. When Trooper Ortiz engaged in conversation about the violation, he developed suspicion due to the discrepancies in the driver's and passengers' stories for the purpose of the trip.

They gave consent to search. Ortiz smelled the odor of green marijuana in the van. "I took the molding out and found the dope," stated Ortiz.

Also confiscated was a 9mm Lorcin, \$241.00, van valued at \$12,000, a pager, and flip phone.

Others arrested were Oziel Hernandez, Antonio Marin-Dominguez, Heiny Cuesta-Estipinautes, and Yaime Riveron Martines.

Assisting in the arrest were Chief Chris Croy and Officer Bryn Humphrey.



Trooper Norbert Ortiz is pictured with 100 pounds of confiscated marijuana.

I-10 wreck reroutes interstate traffic west of Sonora

At approximately 11:05 p.m. Friday, Feb 13th proved unlucky for one interstate trucker.

Daniel Edward Owsley, 22 and his sister, Marilyn Martinto, 28, both of Missoula, Montana, were travelling I-10. The accident occurred near mile marker 387, west of Sonora.

Carrying 45,000 pounds of recycled, flammable plastic pellets, Owsley fell asleep at the wheel of his 1998 Freightliner and slammed into a metal guard rail. They continued along the Dry Devil's River crossing over and slamming into a concrete pillar guard rail.

According to Norbert Ortiz,

Texas Department of Highways trooper, the accident caused the truck and trailer to engulf in flames.

Both driver and passenger were able to exit the vehicle safely. Although it was determined Ms. Martinto fractured her left ankle while jumping from the truck.

The material was allowed to burn from the time the accident occurred until approximately 4:30 a.m. The fire department was called back to the scene at 5:30 a.m. when the fire reignited.

Trooper Ortiz anticipated the Interstate traffic would be rerouted until at least Monday evening.

Auxiliary hosts open house for medical professionals

The Hospital & Nursing Home Auxiliary will host an open house for Guido Calderon, MD; Phillip Miller, DDS; and Hospital Administrator, Joe Hendrus Feb. 25th, from 5-7 at The Depot.

Dr. Calderon is married to Marylu. They have one daughter, Claudia. He trained in internal medicine at Southern Illinois University. His practice opened for business January 5th of this year.

Dr. Miller is married to Lise and they have one daughter Jordan. He acquired Dr. Rust's practice.

Mr. Hendrus is originally from New Braunfels, but moved here from El Paso.

Dining Out Directory

- Dairy Queen 134 N. Hwy 277
387-2118
- Food Center Deli 600 S. Crockett Ave.
387-5616
- La Mexicana 240 N. Hwy. 277
387-3401
- Los Jarritos 104 Glasscock
387-2838
- Pizza Hut 401 Hwy. 277 N.
387-3540
- 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-Country Kitchen
903 N. Crockett Ave.
387-2169



Mrs. Christopher Davis, nee Preccia Miller

Card of Thanks

The family of Jeffrey Lee Brown would like to thank you for all your prayers, flowers and support in our time of sorrow.
Betty, Rebecca, Mike and Travis

Dear Mr. & Mrs. W.E. Whitehead,
I would like to thank you for purchasing my commercial doe kid at the 1998 Sutton County Junior Livestock Sale. Your contributions will help out tremendously with the expense of this project and upcoming animal projects. The Sutton County 4-H and Sonora FFA also appreciate your contributions to make the 1998 Sutton County Junior Livestock show and sale. This was an enjoyable and successful event. So thanks again for purchasing my commercial doe kid at this year's stock show.

Sincerely,
Ubaldo Vaquera

Thanks to all of the wonderful people of Sonora and the surrounding communities for your thoughtfulness during my recent illness and Joe Ray's accident and illness. Your prayers, calls, cards, flowers and concern mean so much. A special thanks is due Dr. Calderon and the hospital staff, and the EMS people who took such excellent care of me until they could get me to San Angelo. People in West Texas are the greatest!

Sincerely,
Charlotte Wilson
Jim, John, Joe and families

We apologize for any inconvenience caused by the truck accident outside of Junction and Roosevelt on Interstate 10 during the week of February 9, 1998. We thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Sincerely,
The DuPont Company

Miller/Davis Exchange vows

Preccia Olivia Miller and Christopher Maurice Lands Davis exchanged wedding vows on February 7, 1998 at the Highland Park Presbyterian Church-Wynne Chapel in Dallas, Texas. The Reverend Dr. B. Clayton Bell, Sr. officiated.

The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Johnson of Sonora and Mike Miller of Ozona. Grandparents of the bride are Mr. & Mrs. J.B. Miller of Ozona. The grooms parents are Mr. and Mrs. Gary Davis of Dallas. Grandmother of the groom is Mrs. Nellie Davis of Beaver, OH.

The maid of honor was Brandi Ware of Dallas, flower girl was Madeline Barrows of San Angelo. House party consisted of Casey Miller, sister of the bride.

The best man was Ryan

Douglas of New York City, NY, Acolyte was Adam Davis of Beaver, OH. Ushers were Miles Miller & Mathew Miller, brothers of the bride, both of Austin TX and Timothy Cox brother-in-law of the groom of Dallas, TX.

The bride is a graduate of Sonora High School and Stephens College in Columbia, MO. She also attended Abilene Christian University. She is currently employed by Ligon Corporation in Dallas.

The groom is a graduate of Plano High School and a graduate of North Texas State University. He is currently employed at Steve Roberts Custom Homes in Dallas.

After a wedding trip to Utah, the couple will reside in Plano, TX.

Sara Ann Simmons

Sara Ann was born February 7, 1998 at 8:03 a.m. in Bakersfield, CA. She weighed 8 1/2 lbs., 10 oz.

The proud parents are Dick and Carol Perry of Laguna Beach, CA.

Grandparents are Henry and Mandy Turk of Sonora.



Sonora Church Directory

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Rick Sanchez
504 Santa Clara
387-2035

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

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Jim Stephen, Pastor
Rev. Paul Cornelius, Assoc. Pastor
404 E Oak
387-2951

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Suzanne Steves, Pastor
201 N 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

NEW LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Brother Rick Brinson
306 W. 4th Street
387-2898

Attend the church of your choice. this Sunday.

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Lewis Allen, Pastor
319 E Mulberry
387-2616

OUTREACH CHURCH OF CHRIST
Hwy. 277 S. Glasscock

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

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Father William DuBuisson, O.M.I.
229 W Plum
387-2278

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

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511 Cornell
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Senior Center

- February 19- TRAX Van to San Angelo
- February 23- Bingo!
- February 26- Kooking w/Kelly! Nutrition Program (noon)
- February 27- Birthday Party for February!! After lunch

Lunch Menu

- Thursday, February 19**
Chicken supreme, herb new potatoes, broccoli, rolls, green salad, cherry cobbler
 - Friday, February 20**
Spanish meatballs, rice, green beans, rolls, sliced tomatoes, pineapple rings
 - Monday, February 23**
Meat w/spaghetti sauce, noodles, zucchini squash, garlic bread, juice, white cake w/icing
 - Tuesday, February 24**
Chicken fried steak, oven fried potatoes, carrots, rolls, vanilla pudding w/fruit
 - Wednesday, February 25**
Salmon croquette, macaroni & cheese, rolls, turnip greens, coleslaw, peach half
 - Thursday, February 26**
Chicken enchiladas, pinto beans, broccoli, crackers, toss salad, fruit cup
 - Friday, February 27**
Smothered steak w/onion, whipped potatoes, green beans, rolls, orange juice, apple crisp.
- Guest Meals are \$4.00.
Suggested donation for Senior Citizens is \$1.75.

Our Sympathy



Guadalupe Constanca "Lupe" Gutierrez

Guadalupe Constanca "Lupe" Gutierrez, 63, of Sonora died Saturday, February 14, 1998, in a San Angelo hospital.

Services were at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at St. Ann's Catholic Church with burial in Sonora Cemetery. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

She was born May 11, 1934, in Jimenez, Coahuila, Mexico, and had been a longtime resident of Sonora. She was a Catholic and had worked at Thorp's Laundry.

Survivors include two sons, Joe Gutierrez and Sergio Gutierrez, both of Sonora; a daughter, Margarita Gutierrez of El Paso; 10 sisters, Maria Elena Constanca of Monterrey, Mexico, Manuela Elizondo of Jimenez, Antonio Garcia of Brownwood, Catalina Flores of Elloy, Arizona, Angela Austin and Paula Corrona, both of Del Rio, Diamantina Cuellar of Comanche, Delia Escobar of Florida, Isabel Balderas of Eagle Pass and Conception Constanca of Brownwood; a brother, Feliciano Acevedo of Del Rio; six grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Ronnie Cox would like to be your pharmacist.

SCHOOL MENU

- Monday, February 23**
French toast sticks w/syrup, fruit or juice
- Tuesday, February 24**
Scrambled eggs, biscuit w/jelly, fruit or juice
- Hot dog on bun, french fries, corn, peaches, cookies
- Ham, mashed potatoes, carrots, mixed fruit, roll**
- Wednesday, February 25**
Oatmeal, ham slice, toast, fruit or juice
- Thursday, February 26**
Breakfast Pizza, fruit or juice
- Fish burger, french fries, salad, grapes, carrot cake
- Sliced turkey, mashed potatoes, green beans, orange slices, roll**
- Friday, February 27**
Egg & potato burrito, fruit or juice
- All meals served with milk**
- Seafood Nuggets, tator tots, melon, broccoli w/dip, cornbread

Community

- February 19**
- Thursday, February 19**
Noon - 6 p.m. Sutton Co. EMS Blood Drive, 211 E. 3rd Street
4:00-4:45 p.m. Kay Bailey Hutchison, First National Bank Annex
Little Dribblers-5:15 p.m. Wizards vs. Nuggets, 6:15 p.m. Magic vs. 007's
7:00p.m. Paine Webber Free Seminar, First National Bank Annex "What the taxpayer relief act of 1997 means to investors"
- Monday, February 23**
9:00 a.m. Commissioners Court

The Community Calendar

Sutton County National Bank
207 Hwy 277 N



Calendar

- February 26**
- Monday, February 23**
6:00 p.m. Blue & Gold banquet, Sonora High School Commons area
- Tuesday, February 24**
7:00-8:30 p.m. Dale Kennemer Free Seminar, Depot "Help for Frustrated Parents"
- Wednesday, February 25**
5:00-7:00 p.m. Reception for Dr. Calderon, Dr. Miller and Joe Hendrus, Depot
5:15 p.m. Little Dribblers- 5:15 p.m. 007's vs. Blazerettes, 6:15 p.m. Wizards vs. Rockets, 7:15 p.m. Blazerettes vs. Crushers

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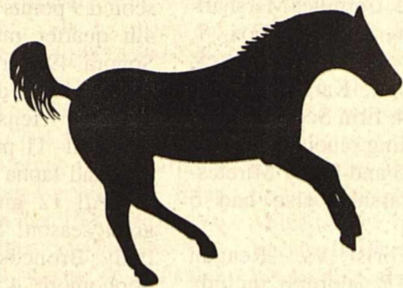
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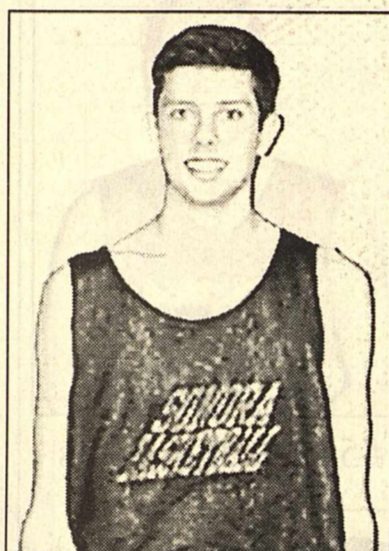
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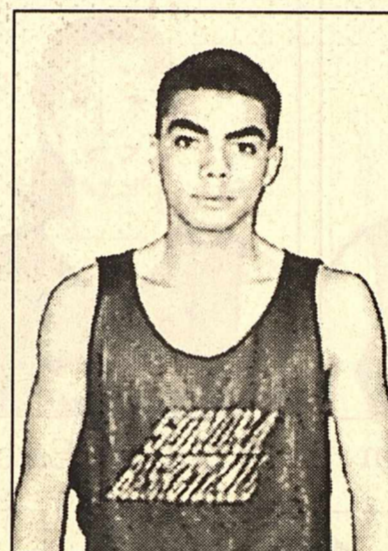
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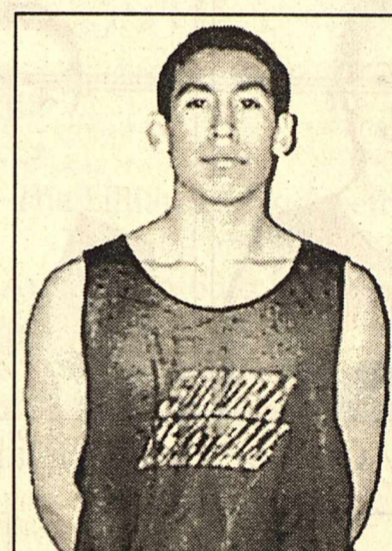
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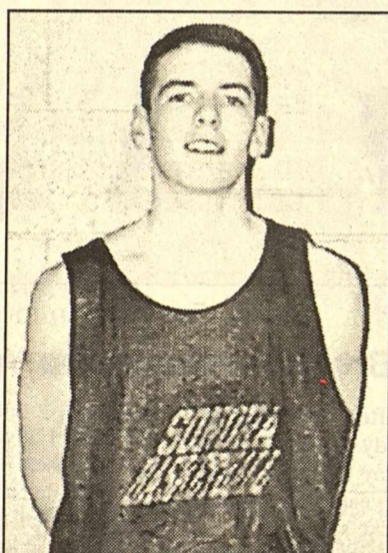
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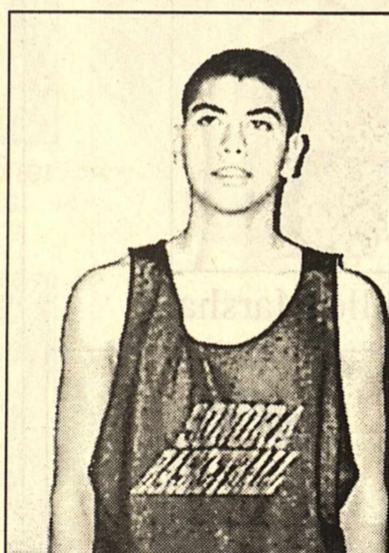
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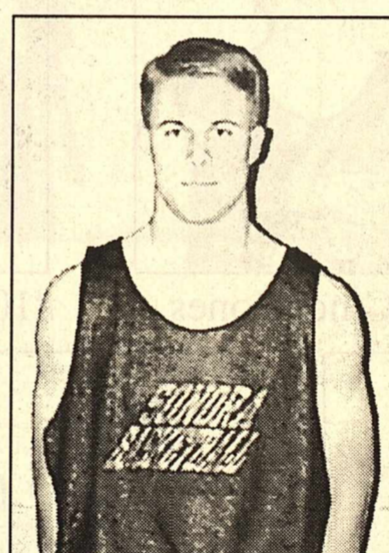
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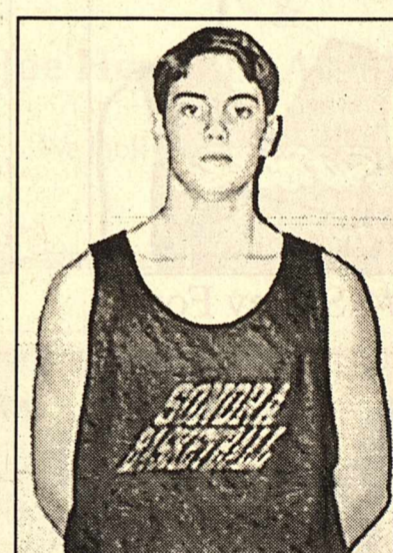
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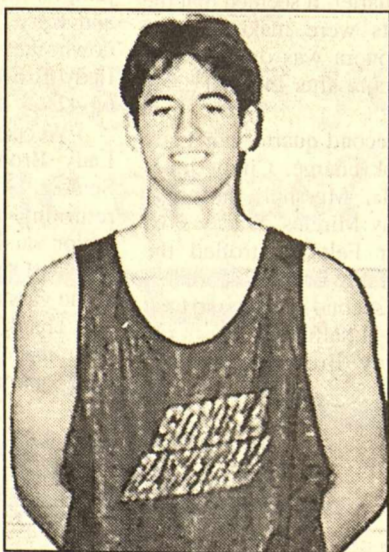
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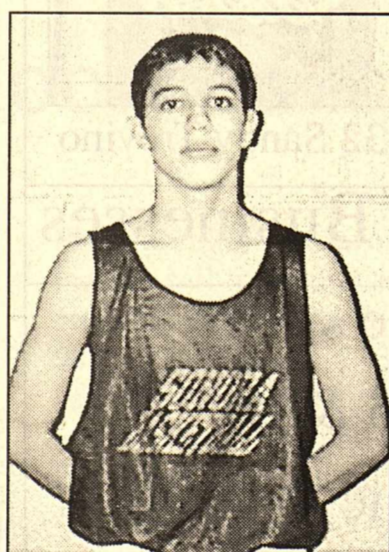
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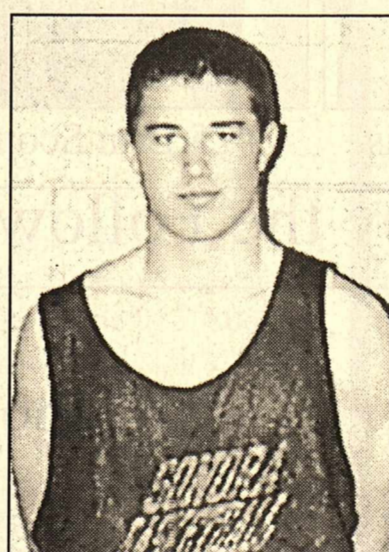
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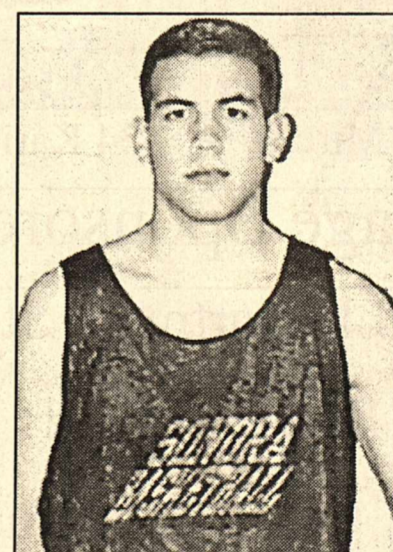
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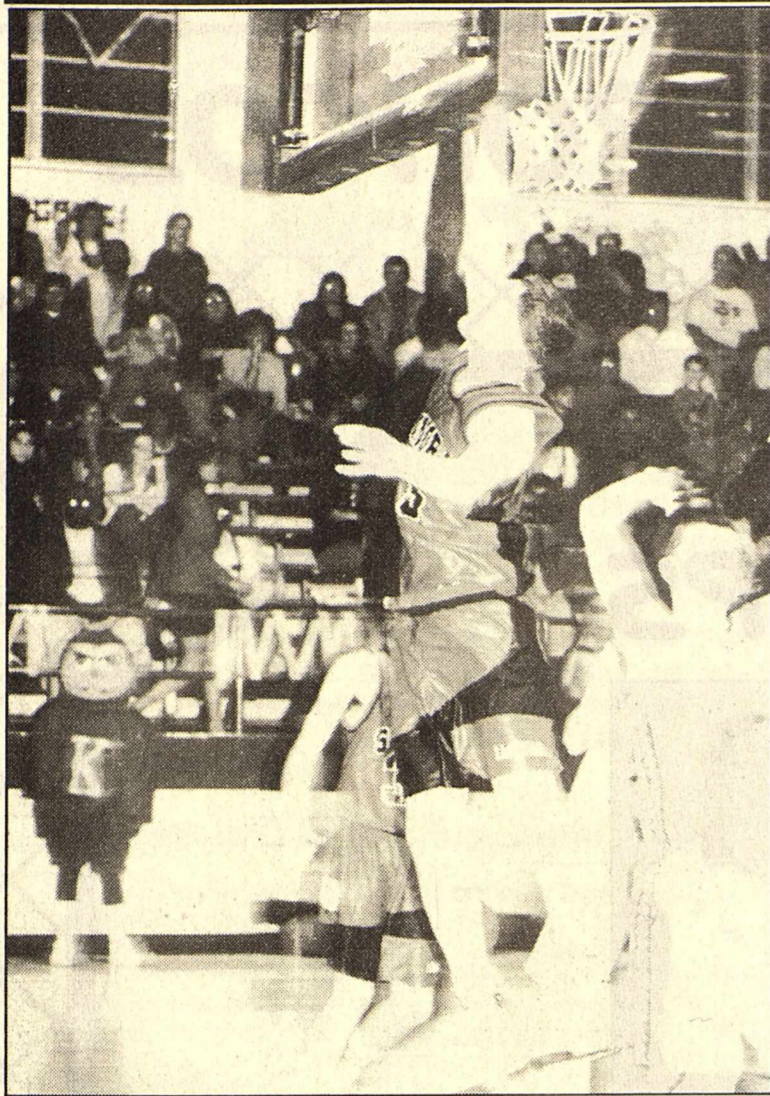
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Ty Harrelson dominates the hoop.

BRONCO SCOREBOARD

JV Boys vs. Kermit, 51-44. Scorers include Riley Crain- 12, Isacc Ramos- 11, Bryce Williams- 8, Russell Dempsey- 6, Ed Mayfield- 4, Matt Torres- 4, Crispin Lira- 3, Edgar Gonzales- 2, Alan Nicholas- 1.

JV Boys vs. Reagan County, 52-58. Scorers include Bryce Williams- 20, Crispin Lira- 8, Issac Ramos- 6, Edgar Gonzalez- 6, Riley Crain- 6, Fernie Ramos- 2, Alan Nicholas- 2, Russell Dempsey- 2.

Varsity Boys vs. Kermit, 74-51. Scorers include Ty Harrelson- 27, Anthony Luna- 11, Kasey Wood- 10, Drew Dempsey- 7, Brad Legan- 6, Anthony Renfro- 5, Ernie Perez- 4, Gabriel Garcia- 2, David Mayer- 2.

Varsity Boys vs. Reagan County, 65-57. Scorers include Ty Harrelson- 29, Kasey Wood- 9, Brad Legan- 8, Anthony Luna- 7, Mayer Anderson- 5, Drew Dempsey- 5, David Mayer- 2.

Varsity Girls vs. Kermit, 65-42. Scorers include Camille Marshall- 26, Blair Crain- 8, Stacey Fox- 7, Daisy Mireles- 5, Cindy Jones- 5, Sandy Trevino- 4, Kara Eaton- 4, Heather Felts- 4, Erin Scott- 2, Katy Cooke- 1. Leading rebounders were Heather Felts- 5 and Daisy Mireles- 4. Camille Marshall also had 5 steals.

Varsity Girls vs. Reagan County, 30-47. Scorers include

Camille Marshall- 12, Daisy Mireles- 7, Cindy Jones- 6, Kara

Eaton- 2, Heather Felts- 2, and Blair Crain- 1. The leading rebounder was

Stacey Fox- 4 and Kara Eaton had 4 steals.

JV Lady Broncos finish season 18-6, 10-0 in District 4-3A

By Tressa Henson

Friday the 13th, of February, wasn't unlucky for the JV Lady Broncos. A win on the road ended the 1997-1998 basketball season with a perfect record in 4-3A district, coached by Kathy Marshall.

An exciting last game against Kermit it was! The end of the first quarter was tied 12-12. Half time, Kermit had a one point lead scoring 15 points and holding the Yellow Jackets to only 9 points. Each team scored 9 points in the

4th quarter making a final score Sonora 49-Kermit 44. Sonora had four girls in double digit figures. Marisha Henson- 14 pts., Kim Marshall- 11 pts., Dana Duhon- 10 pts., and Japha Word- 10 pts.,

All 12 girls contributed to a great season! Salute to our future Lady Broncos! #10 Sarah Ball-Sophomore 4.88 pt. average per



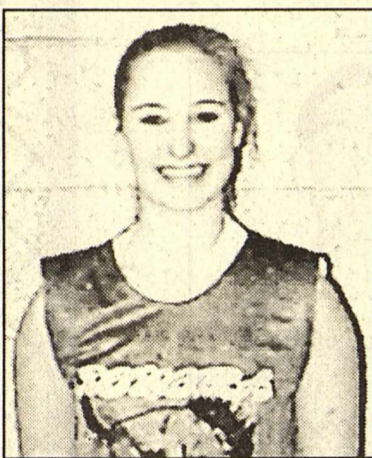
J.V. Lady Broncos- front row, Sarah Ball, Veronica Velez, Marisha Henson, Kim Marshall, Japha Word, Cassi Cole, Angie Leyva. Back row, Rita Lopez, Lindsey Bowers, Dana Duhon, Stephanie Hard, and Tiffany Henry.

10.5pt. average per game 68% free throw line, #40 Dana Duhon- Junior 4.92 pt. average per game 35% free throw line, #52 Kim Marshall- Sophomore 8.43 pt. average per game 50% free throw line #14 Rita Lopez-Sophomore, #24 Veronica Velez-Sophomore, #30 Cassi Cole-Freshman, #34 Lindsey Bowers-Freshman, #42

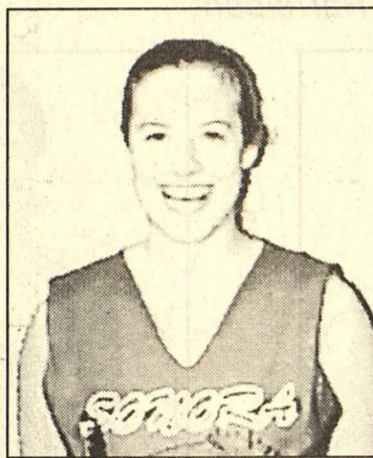
Angie Leyva- Freshman, #44 Stephanie Hard- Freshman, #54 Tiffany Henry- Freshman. From the free throw line the team shot 54% for the year.

game 64% from free throw line, #20 Marisha Henson- Junior 10.42 pt. average per game 56% free throw line, #30 Japha Word- Freshman

Sonora Lady Broncos



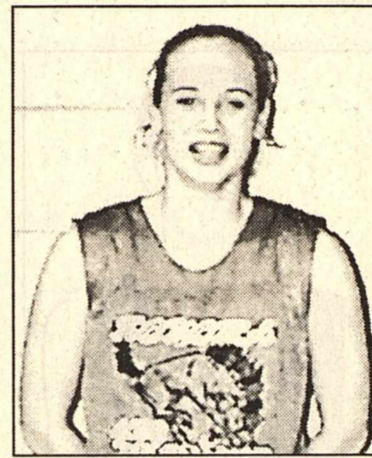
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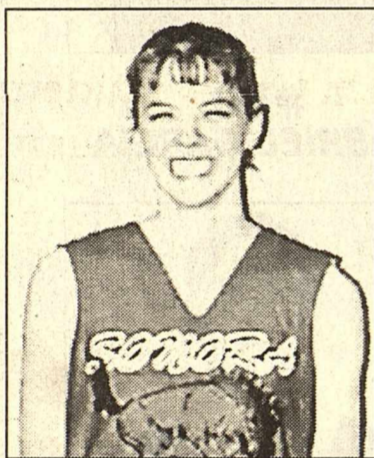
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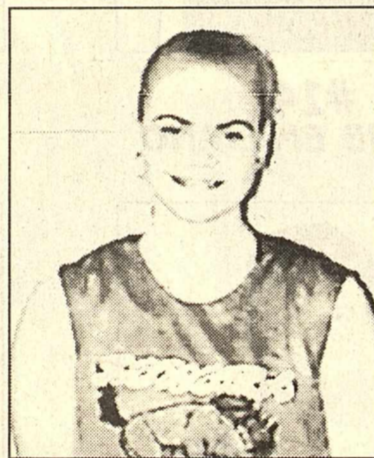
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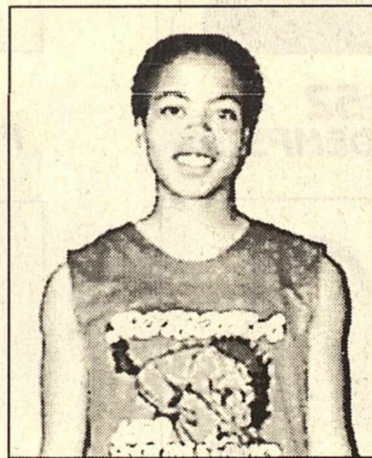
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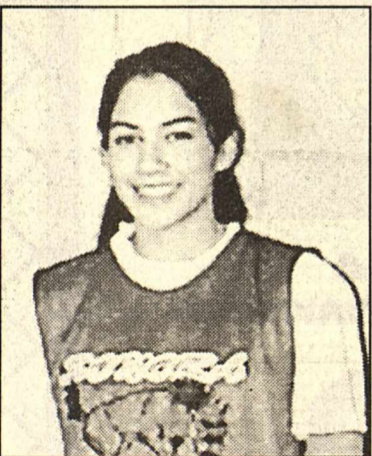
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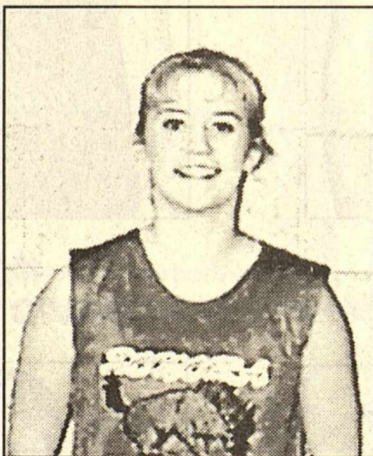
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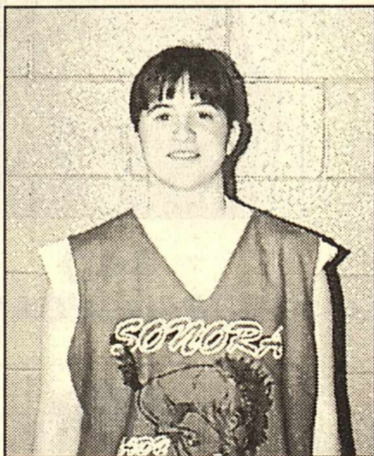
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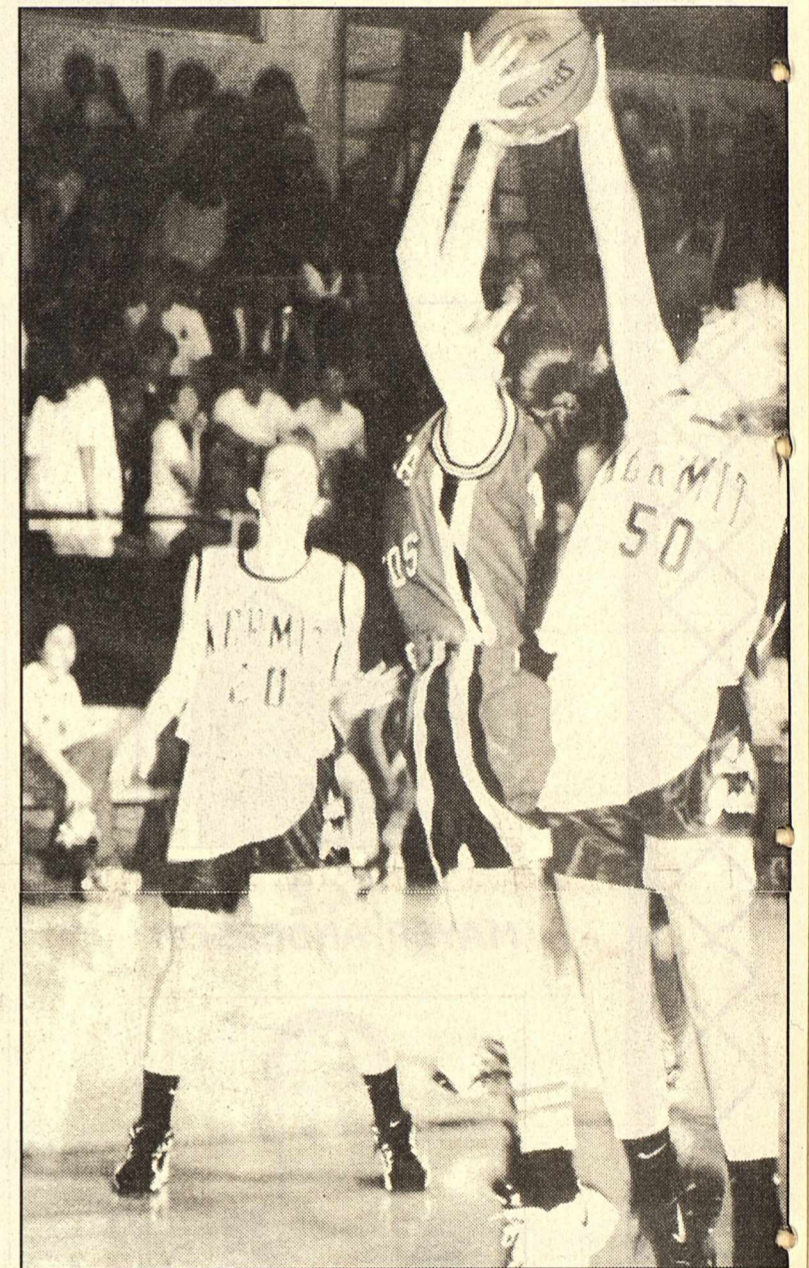
#34 Kari Purvis



#25 Erin Scott



#32 Sandy Trevino



Stacey Fox goes in for two.

Lady Broncos swarm the Yellow Jackets

By Tom Clifton

The Lady Broncos traveled to Kermit Friday night for their final game of the year. They romped over the Lady Jackets 65-42.

At the start of the game, one could tell who had driven 223 miles. The Lady Broncos struggled to get their feet under them. Turnovers and missed shots hurt the Lady Broncos in the first quarter. It seemed that the Lady Jackets were making every shot, and Sonora was on the short end of the score after the first quarter, 16-6.

In the second quarter our Lady Broncos took charge. Cindy Jones and Camille Marshall led that charge. Daisy Mireles, Stacey Fox, and Heather Felts controlled the boards. The Lady Broncos scored 29 points in the second quarter and took a 35-22 lead at halftime.

The Lady Broncos continued

their dominance in the 3rd quarter. Kara Eaton was impressive with her defense. Blair Crain and Marshall provided most of the offensive firepower in the quarter, and the Lady Broncos led 48-32 at the end of the third quarter.

At the start of the fourth quarter, Kara Eaton scored four quick points on two free throws and a short jumper. Marshall, Jones, Mireles, and Katy Cooke contributed points down the stretch. In the end, the Lady Broncos defeated the Jackets 65-42.

We can be very proud of our Lady Broncos. We will miss our Seniors, but we have several players returning next season. Also, our junior varsity had a very good year. Many of those girls will contribute at the varsity level next year.

Thank you Lady Broncos! You have made us very proud, and we look forward to next year.

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Sonora Middle School Valentine Sweetheart Court, nominated by their teachers and Valentine King and Queen voted on by their peers include back row: Balde Hernandez, Chance Dillard, Manuel Campos, Ricky Lumbreras, Queen Monica Lira, Sean Fields, King Lionel Cervantez, Brandon Scott, Bill Renfro, Heather Lawson, Justin Routh, Dora McAfee. Front row: Margie Becknell, Kasey Kearney, Leslie Gomez, Genny Cramer, Pam Shahan and Ashley Leyva.

Sonora wins first in UIL Academic meet

The following are the results of the Sonora Academic and Speech meet held Friday and Saturday, Feb. 13-14 in Sonora. Twenty-eight schools competed. The Sonora team won first place overall in academic.

First place team: Drew, Stacey, and Russ.

Science

9th grade-Joe Flores 4th place
Cody Ainsworth 6th place
12th grade-Drew Dempsey 6th place

Number Sense

9th grade-Cody Ainsworth 6th place
10th grade- Russ Dempsey 5th place
11th grade- Collier Shurley 1st place
12th grade-Drew Dempsey 4th place

Accounting

Michael McLaurin 1st place
Clint Bowers 2nd place
Kristen Hardgrave 3rd place

Calculator

9th grade-Joe Flores 2nd place
11th grade- Clint Bowers 6th place
12th grade-Drew Dempsey 6th place

Computer Applications

Amy Torres 2nd place

Newsriting

Andi Allen 4th place

Math

9th grade-Joe Flores 5th place
10th grade- Russ Dempsey 4th place
11th grade-Stacey Becknell 2nd place and Collier Shurley 4th place
12th grade-Drew Dempsey 2nd place

Editorial Writing

Kevin Gann 6th place

Headline

Andi Allen 3rd place



Susie Kresta demonstrates the art of leather working to Maria Torres and the Jr. Elks class.

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LAW & ORDER

by Nubia Gutierrez

Our Law Enforcement Class this year is being taught by Carla Garner. She graduated from Sonora High in 1965. She has been our County Judge since 1985 and she also teaches EMT classes. Mrs. Garner as the teacher of the class said, "The Law Enforcement Class deals with how the field of Criminal Justice affects everyone in our everyday life." Brian Kraft believes that, "It's good that we have an opportunity to learn about the law at school because we will know what will happen to us if we disobey it."

Mrs. Garner believes that her class of 16 talkative students will still cover the different classes of offenses and what their penalties are. She is also

going to try to cover the different professions that deal with law enforcement and hopefully have a speaker for each presentation of each career. "It's helpful for my future because when I graduate from high school I will be attending college to extend my education in law enforcement and to make a career dealing with this topic," said Veronica Velez. Since Mrs. Garner enjoys teaching this class, she has also planned to take the Law Enforcement Class to the Detention Center in Kerville for a class trip. Maria Luna said, "The class is enjoyable and we learn a lot about our law systems, and now I'm just looking forward to our trip to the prison."

What's up at SHS

Favila's Creative Cooking Assignment

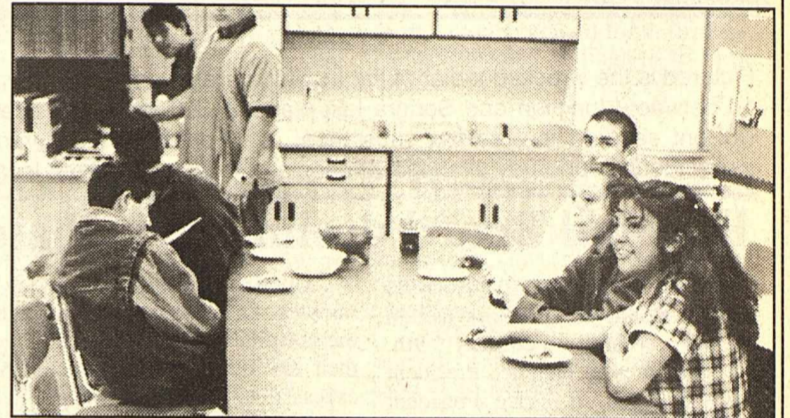
by Jessica Childress

If you smelled something good in the hall one day, it may have been the English as a Second Language Class doing an assignment. Coach Favila's class has been working on their culture section of the class. This class has mainly been working on the Mexican Culture. However, in past years at other schools Favila has studied other cultures such as Korean.

As a part of the culture section, Favila assigned the students to cook something they wanted. Some of the things the students cooked were: gariditas, chile molido, tacos, taquitos

and guacamole salad. Javier Gayton said, "It was pretty cool. The food was hard to cook, but it tasted good."

ESL is a class designed to help students with a language barrier. "We try to transfer their native language to a target language, the target language being English," Coach Favila said. The students are also reminded not to forget their native language in the process. One thing is for sure, these ESL students will not soon forget the cooking assignment in which they participated.



"Um Um good!" Coach Favila's ESL Class enjoys eating their projects during class.

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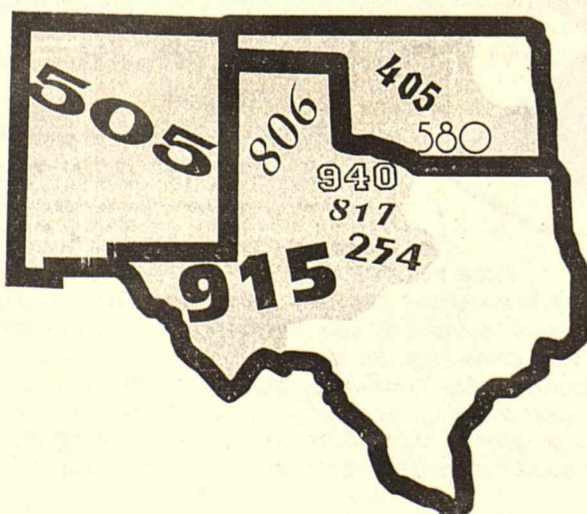
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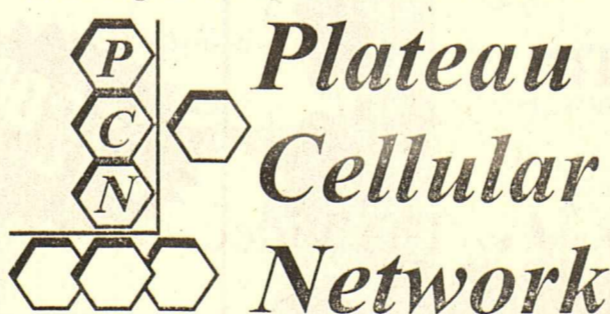


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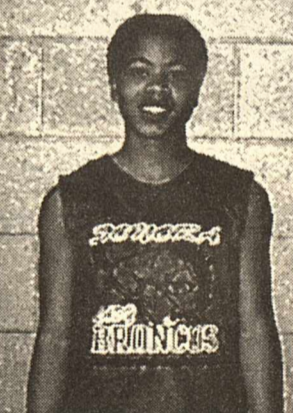
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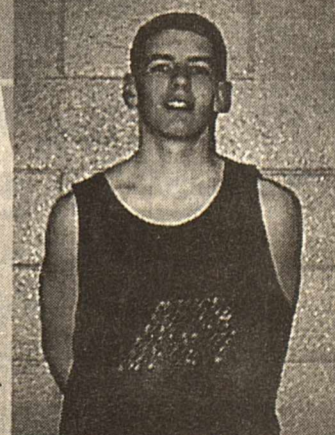
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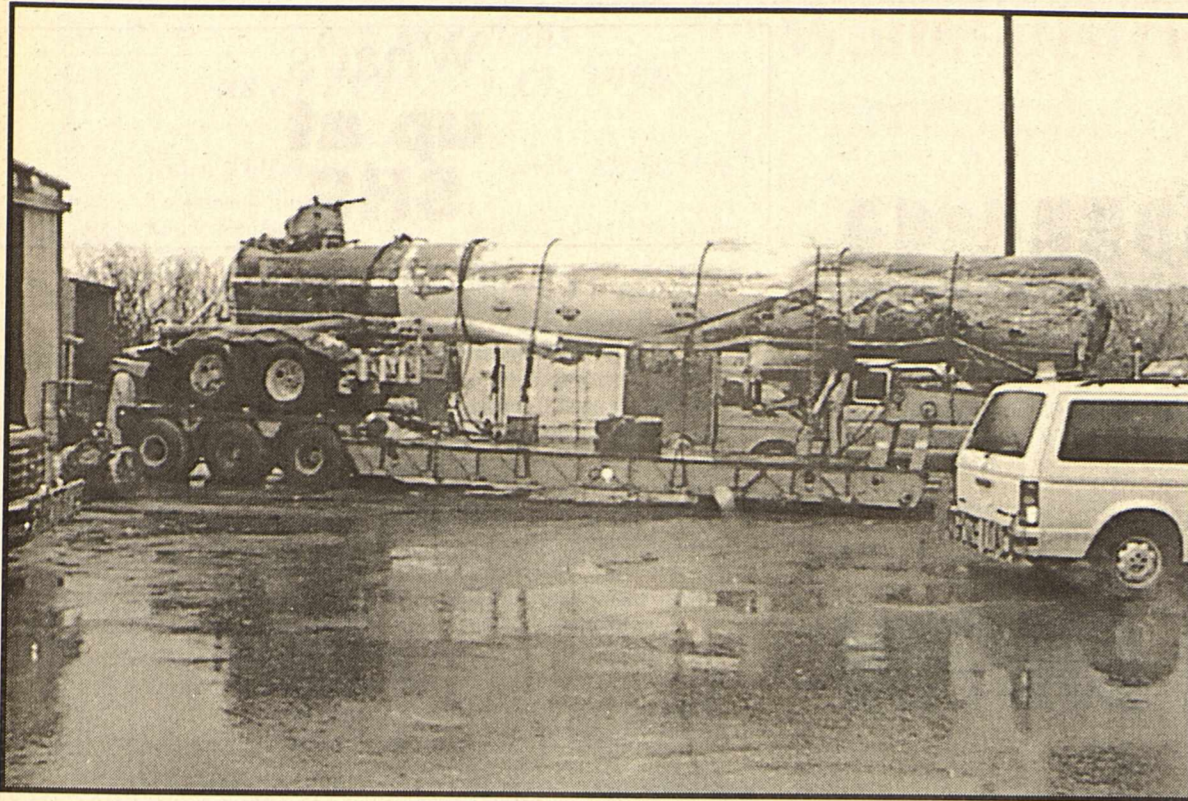


Photo courtesy of the Junction Eagle

Pictured is the wrecked trailer of the truck that transported hydrofluoric acid. The accident occurred on I-10 between Junction and Sonora last week. A 300 ton crane lifted the tank after hazmat teams from DuPont secured the leaking substance. Jim Felder, spokesperson for DuPont stated, "We received tremendous support by all the local people." He also stated the local crews did a fabulous job.

Hospital Board declines tax abatement for UPRC

The Sutton County Hospital District Board of Directors met in regular session February 9th. Directors present included President Alvis Johnson, Jr., Vice President Ray Smith, Ben Solis, Sherrill Dannheim, Lewis Allen and Claire Richards.

Upon approval of last meeting's minutes, Dr. Johnson reported that the Hospital District has a credit on their first quarterly payment for the excess that was in the budget that was refunded on the first quarter. Rex Ann Friess reported that 93.7% of the 1997 taxes had been collected.

Ms. Friess also addressed the Board with information concerning the possible settlement with Louis Dreyfus. The Hospital District has \$35,120 base amount of 1996 taxes that were never paid. The Appraisal District's attorney would like to try and negotiate with Louis Dreyfus with a beginning figure of \$2.15 per MCF. Lewis Allen made the motion for the Appraisal District, on the

continued on page 9

Texas A&M announces honor roll and grads

College Station-- Texas A&M University has named its honor students for the 1997 fall semester, recognizing several thousand students for outstanding academic performance.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least 15 semester hours who have maintained at least a 3.75 grade point ratio (GPR) out of a possible 4.0 during the most recent grading period.

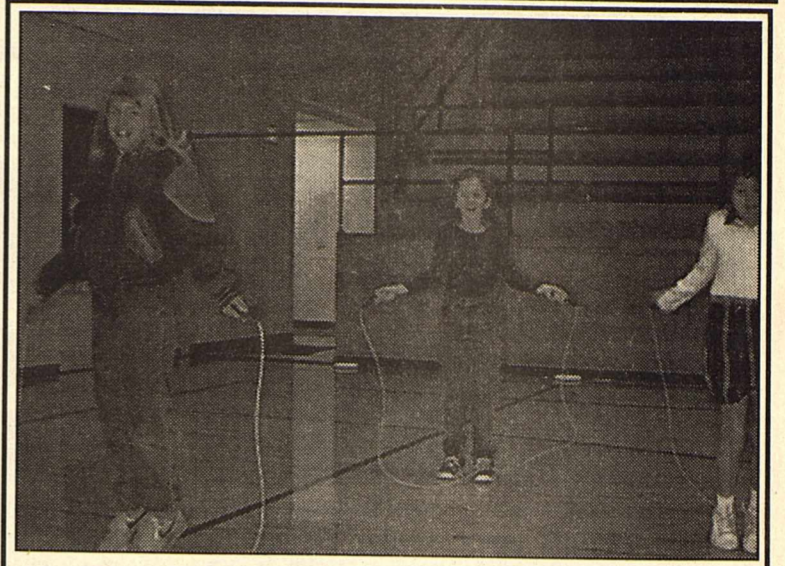
A second designation, "Distinguished Student," recognizes students who earned a 3.25 to 3.75 GPR while taking at least 15 hours.

Among those recognized from Sonora were Shawna Faris, and Victoria Richardson.

Diploma's were awarded to more than 3,000 Texas A&M University graduates during December commencement ceremonies.

The degrees were presented at three separate ceremonies. Featured speakers at the ceremonies were Patrick H. Wood III, chairman of the Public Utility Commission of Austin; Ronald Kirk, mayor of Dallas; and U.S. Rep. Joe Barton of Ennis.

Among those receiving degrees from Sonora were Brian Faris and David Kemp.



Jump Rope for Heart is an educational event sponsored by and benefiting the American Heart Association and the Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. Sonora students jumped in their physical education classes the week of Feb. 9-12. They will continue to collect donations during the following week. Last year, Sonora students raised over \$5,403.33 for the American Heart Association. Please support these kids and this worthwhile event.

Sonora Merchants Association working hard for local consumers

Fall fashion shows, annual Christmas ticket drawings, Easter egg hunts on the courthouse lawn. Have you ever wondered how these things come about, or who is behind all that fun? These things don't just happen by themselves; they are products of the hard work of the Sonora Merchants Association. What is the Merchants Association you ask? The Merchants Association is a collection of retail businesses who work together to encourage shopping in Sonora.

The Merchants meet once a month to discuss their goals and objectives for the shop Sonora campaign. The purpose of the monthly promotions such as the Christmas

ticket drawings, Easter egg hunts, etc., is to make citizens of Sonora aware of the retail businesses in Sonora, and let them have a little more fun while they do their shopping.

The Merchants Association is no different than any other organization. They do things like give to the needy during Christmas, and giving back to the community when they can. But it takes the efforts of everyone to see positive results. Any person or any business that is interested in the efforts of the Merchants Association is welcome to attend the monthly meetings that are held on the first Thursday of every month. The meetings are at 8:30 a.m. at the Sutton County Steakhouse. If you have any questions or suggestions for the Merchants Association, you may also call the Sonora Chamber of Commerce at 387-2880.

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Water District Update

By Joe David Ross

Mike Smith resigned as manager of the Sutton County Underground Water District effective December 1, 1997, to accept a position in Austin with the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). Mike was recognized as one of the top two "mapping" managers in West Texas. He had also collected and tested in our local office water well samples from most all house wells in the county in addition to collecting the samples from 15-20 selected monitor wells (approximately 50 strategically located throughout the county) each year. Mike and the board were also instrumental in helping to develop the City of Sonora's drought contingency plan, the well-head protection zone around Sonora and the West Texas Weather Modification program. We are fortunate that the water experience Mike gained in our county will be helpful in his new position and that he will still be available to help us make the transition with a new manager and the new state water laws.

We have not hired a manager yet but have voted to pursue the possibility of sharing staff with the Plateau Underground Water District (Eldorado) for the following reasons:

1. The new 1997 state water law has placed water issues on a fast track. Each district, by this September 1st, must have a water resource inventory, its potential usage and a management plan submitted to the TWDB. We will then be audited at later dates to see if we are in compliance.

2. Under the new law, the state will be divided into regions. Unless the boundaries are changed again, we will be the most eastern county with Crockett and Schleicher in the state's largest region that stretches all the way to the New Mexico border. It will include San Angelo, Midland and the Upper Colorado River Authority. Each county, city various industry groups, water districts, etc. management plans and needs (especially in a drought) will have to be considered by an eleven person (expandable) regional planning board.

3. We are studying our local rules now for compliance with the new law. Some changes will be

made.

4. Cindy Cawley, the Eldorado manager, is possibly going to be one of those 11 members on our regional board. She is secretary and a decision maker for our cloud seeding groups. She is well respected in the Texas Water District Alliance and by the various legislators and agencies in Austin. Earlier, Cindy has been a soil conservation employer and she is active with her husband and children on the Cawley Ranch. Cindy is experienced with the computer and the collection of water samples.

5. If both water district boards do agree to share staff, Cindy would be the manager spending approximately half of her time in our Sonora office and lab. A modem could be used between the two offices' computers to reduce duplication of records and travel. When in Austin or other committee meetings, she would be representing both districts. Sutton County would hire a person who would be the assistant manager. The primary responsibilities would be working in the field collecting and testing samples in both counties, measuring water levels, checking with railroad commis-

sion representatives and water well drillers, plotting water well locations on our maps with the use of Magellan satellite instrumentation, and locating abandoned wells. The assistant manager will also need to be computer oriented to learn about the various office and lab procedures and to enter well log and well registration information into the computers.

6. We are very pleased that Laura West has continued to assist at the office after hours. Thanks to Laura and Virgil for regularly checking by our office. Laura has given the office some needed continuity.

7. If we do share staff, it should save tax money, help both districts to be more efficient, and yet be more thorough in attending to the many facets of a water district's duties. The state agencies also prefer to see water districts grouped as much as possible. Should an agreement be reached with Eldorado, it would be on a one year trial basis. We are grateful to their board for their open mindedness and willingness to help each other.

AGFUND puts their trust in Governor George Bush

The Texas Farm Bureau of Agriculture Fund, Inc. has endorsed Governor George W. Bush for reelection. Bob Stallman, Texas Farm Bureau President and President of AgFund, announced the endorsement Wednesday at news conferences in Lubbock, Tyler and Temple.

"It was my honor, in 1994, to announce that AGFUND endorsed George W. Bush for Governor," Stallman said. He was not the

incumbent then, but our members were impressed with the message of George W. Bush."

"Farm Bureau leaders put their trust in Governor Bush and he has never let us down. Now, as an incumbent, there is no question that he again deserves our support," Stallman said.

During two Texas Legislative sessions, Bush has been credited with working in a spirit of bipartisan cooperation with Lt. Governor Bob

Bullock, House Speaker Pete Laney and members of the Texas Legislative to improve education and reform property taxes.

"With no reservations whatever, AGFUND believes that George W. Bush should be re-elected as Governor of Texas," Stallman said. "It is clear that Governor Bush loves this job, and it is not always an easy one."

Governor Bush and his wife, Laura, a former teacher and librarian

who grew up in Midland, reside in the historic Governor's Mansion in Austin with their 16 year old twin daughters, Barbara and Jenna.

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Public Notice



NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONDUCT WEATHER MODIFICATION OPERATIONS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

Date of the first of three weekly publications of this notice: February 5, 1998 in the Devil's River News.

1. Notice is given that the West Texas Weather Modification Association 8696 Hangar Road, San Angelo, TX 76904, has filed an application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for a State permit to conduct weather modification operations to change, or attempt to change, the natural development of clouds for the purpose, objective, period, and by the method summarized herein below. The Executive Director will issue this permit unless a written hearing request is filed within 30 days after the first newspaper publication of this notice.

2. The West Texas Weather Modification Association submitted an application for a Texas weather modification license on January 15,

Public Notice



1998.

3. The purpose of the weather modification operation is to increase rainfall. The period of the permit is April 1, 1998 through March 31, 2002.

4. The proposed weather modification operation is to be conducted for and on behalf of the West Texas Weather Modification Association, 8696 Hangar Road, San Angelo, TX 76904.

5. The proposed weather modification operation is to be carried out in both an "operational area" and a "target area" to cause the intended effects to occur only in the target area. The operational area is that area including Coke, Crockett, Glasscock, Irion, Midland, Reagan, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton, Tom Green, and Upton Counties, which is the target area; and those portions of the following counties within 30 miles of the outer boundary of the target area; Andrews, Concho, Crane, Ector, Edwards, Howard, Kimble, Martin, Menard, Mitchell, Nolan, Pecos, Runnels, Taylor, Terrell, and Val Verde.

6. The area to be affected by the proposed weather modification operation is the target area. The target area is that area described as Coke, Crockett, Glasscock, Irion, Midland, Reagan, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton, Tom Green, and Upton Counties.

7. The method and materials to be used in conducting this operation are summarized herein: A licensed meteorologist will select cumuli-form clouds or other appropriate clouds for cloud seeding using a weather radar display, standard meteorologist analyses, forecasting techniques, surface weather observations, and pilot reports to initiate the release of the seeding particles, such as silver iodide crystals, from airplanes equipped with flare racks and/or generators.

8. Persons interested in knowing more about the technical aspects of the proposed operation should contact the applicant or George Bomar, MC 158, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087, (512)239-0770.

9. Requests for hearing on this application must be submitted in writing during the 30 day notice period to the chief clerk's office, MC 105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087, (512)239-3300. The petition must contain (1) signature, full name, address and phone number of each person requesting the hearing; (2) a statement that each person is at least 18 years of age and resides, or owns, property in the operational area; and (3) a description of each person's interest and how that interest would be adversely affected. Requests for hearing must be received by the commission within 30 days of the date of the first publication of this notice. If at least 25 eligible persons make written requests, the commission will hold a public hearing on the application prior to issuance of the permit. For more information concerning citizen participation, contact Blas J. Coy, Jr., Public Interest Counsel, MC 103, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087, (512)239-6363. 3(2-5-98) b

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2. Weather Modification, Inc. applied for, and received on October 6, 1997, a Texas weather modification license, valid until September 1, 1998.

3. The purpose of the weather modification operation is to increase rainfall. The period of the permit is January 1 through December 31 in each of the years of 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001.

4. The proposed weather modification operation is to be conducted for and on behalf of the Edwards Aquifer Authority, a political subdivision of the State, 1615 N. St. Mary's Street, P.O. Box 15830, San Antonio, Texas 78212-9030.

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Hospital

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Hospital District's behalf, to try and settle for \$2.15 per MCF with Dreyfus. Ben Solis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ms. Friess introduced John Valenta, Tax Agent for Union Pacific Resources Company. Claire Richards seconded the motion. Motion carried, with Lewis Allen abstaining. Other agenda items included the call for the May 2, 1998 election. Directors whose terms are expiring are those representing Precincts 2, 4 and one at-large. Mr. Hendrus advised the Board that the Physical Therapy department is wanting to expand their services to include wound care therapy and full-body hydrotherapy treatments. To provide this service, the department will need a whirlpool to motion to decline the tax abatement as requested by Union Pacific Resources Company. Claire Richards seconded the motion. Motion carried, with Lewis Allen abstaining.

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be purchased and installed. Upon motion by Ray Smith, seconded by Claire Richards, the Board approved the purchase of a whirlpool for \$1,799.00 for the physical therapy department.

Mr. Hendrus also advised the Board that President Clinton had lifted the moratorium on Home Health. The Hospital is getting their license application ready to be submitted for approval.

Discussion was held regarding several of the accounts payable checks. Upon motion by Ben Solis, seconded by Lewis Allen, the Board approved the January, 1998 expenditures.

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Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to charge an additional 26 cents per month per line to recover costs for providing Expanded Local Calling service (ELC) to certain Texas Customers.

The 26 cents per month surcharge would not be billed to customers who receive ELC. However, customers who receive ELC and pay less than the maximum \$3.50 a month residential ELC charge or less than the maximum \$7 business ELC charge will have to pay the additional 26 cents per month charge.

Expanded Local Calling was created in 1993 by Texas legislation that requires telephone companies to provide toll-free calling between small towns that share a community of interest such as a school or hospital district. The legislation allows telephone companies to recover costs not paid through customer charges by applying a surcharge to all other customers in the state who do not receive the ELC service or who do not pay the maximum ELC rate. The maximum monthly ELC rate allowed under state law is \$3.50 per line for residential customers and \$7 per line for business customers.

Southwestern Bell estimates that the 26 cents per month per line charge will recover the \$27 million annual cost of providing ELC service that is not recovered from ELC rates.

If approved by the PUC, the monthly statewide surcharge of 26 cents per line per month will begin with the April, 1998 billing cycles, with an agreement to refund all or part of the charge if the PUC does not approve it.

For questions about the reasons for the charge, please call the Southwestern Bell Business Office listed in your directory.

The PUC assigned Docket Number 18513 to this proceeding. The deadline for intervention in this matter is March 31, 1998. Persons who wish to intervene or comment in these proceedings should notify the PUC by March 31, 1998. All requests to intervene should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX, 78711-3326. For information intervening, please call the PUC at 1-888-782-8477 or at 512-936-7120.

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Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) presentó una solicitud ante la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (PUC) para cobrar 26 centavos más al mes por línea para recuperar los costos por el servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) a ciertos clientes en Texas.

El cargo de 26 centavos al mes no se cobrará a los clientes que reciben ELC. Sin embargo, los clientes que reciben ELC y pagan menos del máximo de \$3.50 al mes por el servicio ELC residencial o menos del máximo de \$7 por el servicio ELC comercial, tendrán que pagar 26 centavos adicionales a su pago mensual.

El servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) fue establecido en 1993 por la legislación del estado de Texas y requiere que las compañías prestadoras de servicios telefónicos ofrezcan llamadas de larga distancia gratuitas entre pequeñas poblaciones que comparten un interés común tales como distritos escolares y de hospitales. Esta ley permite que las compañías telefónicas recuperen los costos no pagados mediante cargos a clientes, a través de un cargo a todos los demás clientes en el estado que no reciben el servicio ELC o que no pagan la tarifa máxima del servicio ELC. La tarifa máxima mensual permitida por la ley estatal es \$3.50 por línea para clientes con servicio residencial y \$7 por línea para clientes con servicio comercial.

Southwestern Bell calcula que los 26 centavos al mes por línea cubrirán los \$27 millones del costo anual del servicio ELC que no está cubierto por las tarifas de ELC.

Si la PUC autoriza el cargo mensual estatal de 26 centavos al mes por línea éste comenzará a partir de los ciclos de facturación de abril 1998, con el acuerdo de reembolsar todo o parte del cargo si la PUC no lo autoriza.

Para preguntas relacionadas con este cargo, por favor llame a la Oficina Local de Southwestern Bell listada en su directorio telefónico.

La PUC asignó el número de registro de 18513 a este procedimiento. El plazo de intervención sobre este asunto terminará el 31 de marzo de 1998. Las personas que deseen intervenir o hacer comentarios sobre este procedimiento deberán notificar a la PUC antes del 31 de marzo de 1998. Todas las solicitudes de intervención deberán enviarse por correo a Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Para mayor información sobre la intervención, por favor comuníquese con la PUC al 1-888-782-8477 o al 512-936-7120.

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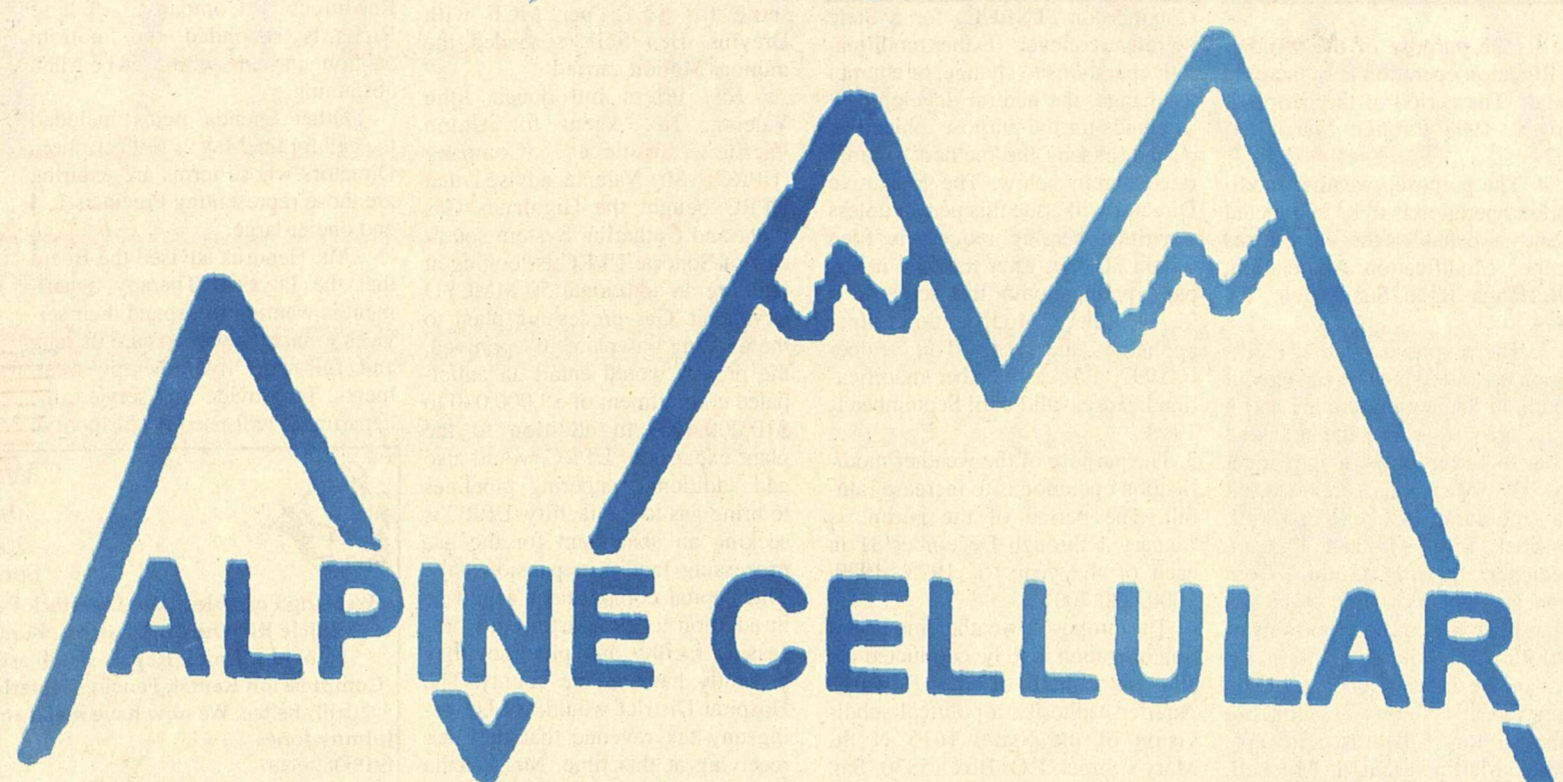
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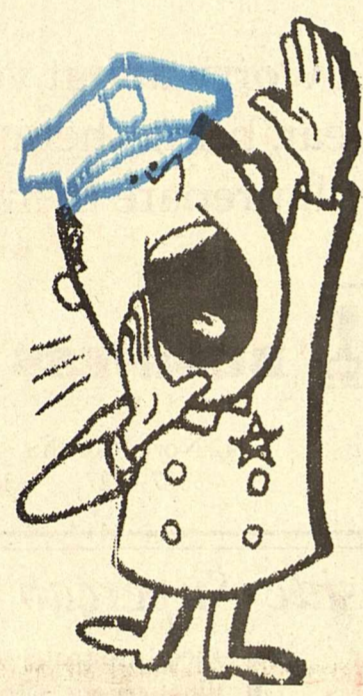
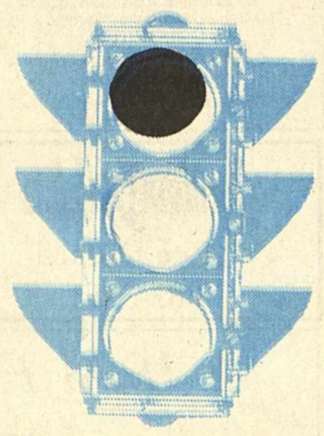
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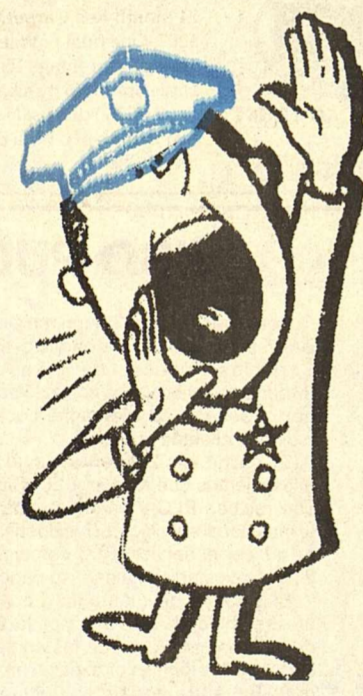
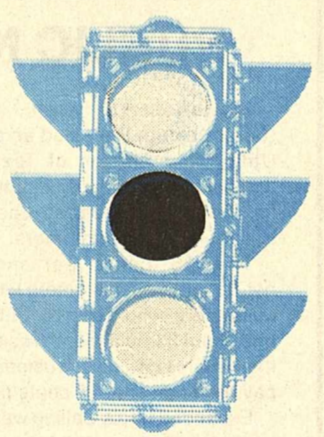


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