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Local Veterans Affiliate with Ray Rose American Legion Post 253

Submitted

Several local members-at-large of the American Legion, R. L. Street, Gene Shurley, L. P. Bloodworth, Carl Johnson, Gerald Ashburn, Rick Palmer and Calvin Cole, have affiliated with the Ray Rose American Legion Post #253. At a meeting held in the Texas Room of the Sutton County Steak House, Tuesday, January 18th, a swearing in ceremony was conducted for 5 of the new members as 2 were unable to attend.

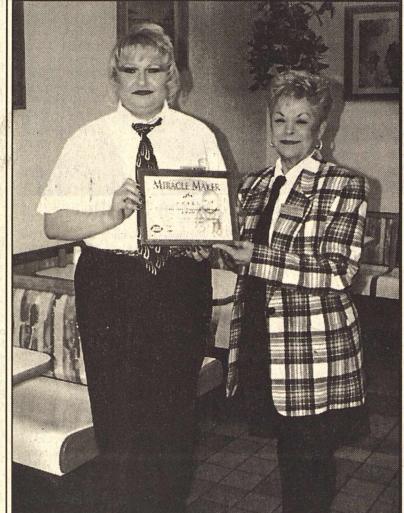
The following Ray Rose Post members traveled to Sonora for the ceremony: Post Commander Lorenzo M. Florez, Post Adjutant Mario M. Martinez, Commander Joe Lucas, Past Commander & Second Vice Commander Ron Gore, Service Officer Johnnie Hickman, Lloyd McAlester, Bob Meroney, Don Meroney, James Proffitt, James Richmond and James Madison.

Ray Rose American Legion Post #253 was founded in 1934, has 91 members, which cover service to our country from WWII through present time, and is headquartered

in Big Lake. They were recognized at the Department Convention in Austin last summer as #1 on the Honor Roll of Recruitment and are one of the most respected posts in the State of Texas. Recently the Old Big Lake Movie Theater was donated to the post by Richard T. McReavy and is being evaluated as a possible new meeting hall.

The American Legion, through the following community and youth oriented programs strives to further a strong sense of patriotism and loyalty: High School Oratorical Competitions, American Legion Baseball, Boys State/Boys National, Awards, School Scouting Sponsorship, Flag Education, American Legion Scholarship Program, Jr. Shooting Sports and Patriotic Holiday Observances. They also assist Veterans in obtaining services at local VA facilities and give much needed volunteer support services to these facilities.

If you have any questions concerning the American Legion or their programs, contact Mario Martinez at 915-884-2221.



Joana Wuest receives certificate from Garlan Cunningham

Pictured above is Joana Wuest, manager of the Dairy Queen of Sonora, accepting an award from Richeson Dairy Queen District Manager, Garlan Cunningham. The plaque is for the Top CMN Contributor for this area for 1999. Joana and her crew-members, with the help of the community of Sonora, raised \$1,618 for CMN. This year is the 11th year this award has been given to Joana and her crew. Unlike most charities, 100% of all funds raised are contributed directly to the recipient hospital. All critically ill children benefit from this worthwhile charity. The recipient hospital for the funds raised by this community is the Santa Rosa Children's Hospital in San Antonio, Texas.

Survivor of the Week

by Storie Sharp

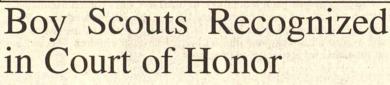
the week is Mr. W.B. McMillan. W.B. was raised in Mason, but moved here with his wife Lucille in 1938. The McMillan's will celebrate 62 years of marriage on February 8th. They have one son, Dick McMillan, who practices law in Midland, TX and 4 grandchildren. W.B. has ranched all of his life, until about a year ago when he had to call it quits because of Parkinsons in his legs. W.B. and Lucille are very active members of St. John's Episcopal Church.

W.B. was diagnosed with prostate cancer about 16 years ago in San Angelo, TX. He had surgery on the prostate and received radiation for 6 weeks. This treatment helped for about 2 or 3 years. Then, about 10 years ago, because of more problems, he had his bladder removed. Since then everything has been okay., but he still has to be checked for signs of cancer every 6

W. B.'s advice for men is "Don't put it off... if something is happening that isn't right, get it checked."

Prostate cancer is the most common cancer, excluding nonmelanoma skin cancer, in American men. The American Cancer Society estimates that approximately 180,400 men will be diagnosed with cancer of the prostate in 2000. It is the 2nd leading cause of cancer

death in men, exceeded only by lung Our cancer survivor choice of cancer. Prostate cancer comes from cells of the prostate gland, which is about the size of a walnut and is located in front of the rectum, behind the base of the penis, and under the bladder. The prostate surrounds the upper part of the urethra, the tube that carries urine out of the penis. Most cases of early prostate cancer cause no symptoms and are found by a PSA blood test and/or DRE. Some prostate cancers may be slowing or weakening of the urinary stream or the need to urinate more often. These symptoms are not specific, and can also be caused by benign diseases of the prostate, such as nodular hyperplasia. Symptoms of advanced prostate cancer include hematuria (blood in the urine), impotence (difficulty having an erection), and pain in the pelvis, spine, hips, or ribs. These symptoms may also be present with other diseases. Types of treatment include surgery; radical prostatectomy (removal of entire prostate gland) and transurethral resection of prostate (removal of part of the prostate gland that surrounds the urethra. Other options are radiation therapy, hormone therapy and chemotherapy. For more information on prostate, or any type of cancer contact the American Cancer Society at 944-2509. For local services or questions regarding the ACS Relay for Life call Shanna at



On January 25, 2000, the Boy Scouts of Troop 19 held a Court of Honor. The Court of Honor was led by Stevie Hernandez, Senior Patrol Leader of Troop 19, with assistance by Wilson Wallace, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Joseph Ainsworth, Viking Patrol Leader, Devon Yearout, Quartermaster, and Cody Ainsworth, Eagle Scout.

Nash Traylor was presented with the Tenderfoot rank. To earn this rank, he went on an overnight campout, learned knots, hiking safety, plant identification, first aid and flag etiquette.

The rank of First Class Scout was presented to Frank David Gallegos, Ty Love, Embre Smith, Roland Solis, Tyler Talley and Warren Wallace. To earn this rank, these boys learned to find directions, with and without a compass, participated in 10 troop activities, studied citizenship, knots and lashing, and first aid.

David Adkins was presented with the rank of Star Scout. To earn this, he had to earn six merit badges, serve in a troop position and be active in the troop.

The Life scout rank was presented to Justin Odom, Norbert Ortiz, Tom Valliant, Warren Wallace and Wilson Wallace. This heart shaped badge symbolizes life, courage, strength and service to oth-

Also at this court of honor, many boys were awarded merit badges. They were as follows: David Adkins - Citizenship in the World & Family Life, Joseph Ainsworth -Personal Fitness, Steven Barthelemy Citizenship in the Community, Frank David Gallegos - Citizenship in the Community, Laramie Hall -Camping, Citizenship in the World, Family Life, & Pets, Skiing, Stevie Hernandez - Family Life Personal Fitness, Personal Management, Israel Mendoza - Communications, Personal Fitness, Justin Odom -Citizenship in the World & Cycling, Shawn Odom - Cycling, Norbert Ortiz - Camping, Citizenship in the World, Cycling, Emergency

Preparedness, Family Fingerprinting, Law, Metal Work, Personal Fitness and World Conservation Award, Embre Smith -Citizenship in the Community & Skating, Roland Solis - Citizenship in the Community, Tyler Talley -Citizenship in the Community, Tom Valliant - Citizenship in the Nation & Family Life, Warren Wallace -Citizenship in the Community, Wilson Wallace - Camping, Citizenship in the Nation, Family Life & Personal Fitness, Devon Yearout - Citizenship in the Nation,

Lee Voight Returns

After being gone since October 31, 1999, Lee Voight returned to her former home in Midland, Texas on Monday night. Lee has been the subject of a massive search that intensified after it was reported that new evidence pointed toward possible foul play. Luckily this does not appear to be the case.

The Sonora Police Department went to Midland Monday night and picked up Lee, to take her to San Angelo. Police Chief Chris Croy reported that Lee has claimed to have been in Dallas with a friend. Croy and other investigators working on the case met with Lee on Tuesday to find out more informa-

tion regarding her whereabouts in the last few months. Croy told us that Lee looked physically well, except for a cold which the Child Protective Services are taking her to the doctor for.

Many people have been praying for the teens safe return, including Lee's mother Karen Voight. Her reaction to the news that Lee was back was "Praise the Lord!" Karen said that she spoke with Lee on Monday evening and she sounded pretty good, but would be going through a lot in the next few days. She also said that as of right now Lee will remain in San Angelo. An investigation is still pending at this

Veterans Honored

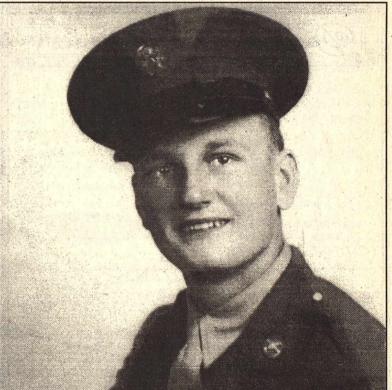
In accordance with the Main Street Programs Memorial Day Ceremony 2000, we are honoring our local veterans.

Lano Thompson, or better known as "Pete" in his hometown of Sonora, Texas was born June 25th, 1925 in Troup, Texas. Pete joined the U.S. Army at the age of 18 years, on December 9, 1943, active service began December 31, 1943. He was classified as Technician Fifth Grade Batter D 198th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion of World Ward II. Battalion of World Military occupational specialty was Fire Control Instrument Operator with a Military qualification as a Sharp Shooter. Battles and campaigns were in New Quinea and

Luzon. Decorations and citations

were Asiatic Pacific Campaign Ribbon with 2 Bronze Stars, Philippine Liberation Ribbon with 1 Bronze Star, Good Conduct Medal, Victory Ribbon and 2 Overseas Service Bars. Pete received an Honorable Discharge as Testimonial of Honest and Faithful Service to this country, on April 19, 1946 at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Pete married Bobbye Nell Aaron on September 8th, 1950 in Crane, Texas. They had three sons and moved to Sonora in 1957. Pete retired from Texas New Mexico Pipe Line Company on July 1, 1980, then became self-employed as a (self-proclaimed) electrician and phone repair man. Pete passed away on December 17, 1998 at his home on Thompson Hill, Sonora, Texas.



Citizenship in the World & Family Pete Thompson

January "Section of the Month"



The 6th grade saxophone section at Sonora Middle School has been chosen "Section of the Month" for January. according to an announcement from interim band director James Hejl. The "Section of the Month" is an award of recognition which will be given each month to the middle school instrument section which distinguishes itself through outstanding performance in band classes and other events. Members of the 6th grade saxophone section are Erin Newton, Hillary Lawson, Nash Traylor, John Healy, Tissie Wagoner, Steven Duhon, Ilse Rodriquez and Carlos Aparicio. According to their band director, "These students are outstanding in every respect. They come to class with their work prepared, they make the most of their talent, and they always exhibit a great work ethic during class. Some of the section members have assisted me as student conductors and they have been most effective in this role as well. It is a pleasure to recognize the saxophones as our January Section of the Month.



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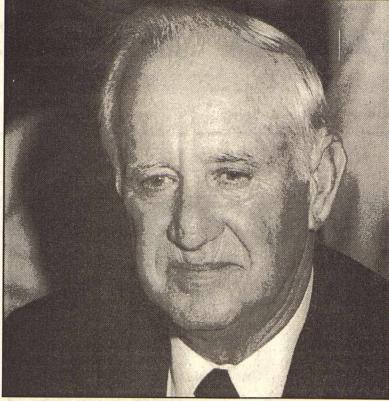
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Kerbow **Funeral Home** 387-2266





Durwood Dalton Neville

Durwood Dalton Neville, 79, of Sonora died Tuesday, February 1st, 2000 in San Angelo. Services will be held in the First United Methodist Church of Sonora, Thursday, February 3, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. The Reverend Suzanne Steves of First United Methodist Church of Sonora and the Reverend Cathy McCellan of the Unity Church will preside. Burial will follow in Sonora Cemetery. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home.

Durwood was born August 8, 1920 in Stamford, Texas. After graduating from Anson High School, he joined the United States Navy serving as Chief Petty Officer and navigator in the South Pacific during World War II.

In the early seventies Durwood purchased the Ford dealership in Sonora. An avid Bronco Football Booster, he enjoyed an active life involved with his family, ranching, golfing, and fishing. He was a longtime member of the First United

great time, and we appreciate your support.

Feb. 7 - Bingo!

Feb. 10 - Crafts anyone?

applesauce.

fruit cup.

pineapple rings.

Durwood is survived by his wife of twenty-seven years, Wanda Cahill Neville; his sister, Mary Elizabeth Patterson, her husband, Bill Patterson and sister-in-law, Mozelle Neville. Others survivors include three daughters, Judy Lane and her husband Bill of Luling, Texas, Susan Smith and husband Steve of Bryan, Texas, Diana Condra and husband Jimmy of Sonora and one son, Jimmy Cahill and wife Ruthie of Sonora. Surviving grandchildren are Alvin Lane, Kevin Lane, Jennifer Purcell, John Purcell, Andy Smith, Justin Condra, Whitney Keller, Kelly Owen, and C. J. Cahill.

made in Durwood's name to the Sutton County Emergency Medical Service or to your favorite charity.

Methodist Church in Sonora and the Unity Church of San Angelo. Durwood was preceded in death by his parents and his brother and sister-in-law, J.W. and Jo Neville.

The family requests memorials

Mary Littleton Martin

San Angelo died Wednesday, January 26, 2000 in a local hospital.

Graveside services were at 11:30, Friday, January 28, 2000 in Lawnhaven Cemetery. Arrangements were by Johnson's Funeral Home.

She was born March 7, 1909 in Waxahachie, Texas to W.W. and Bertie Littleton. She attended public school in Waxahachie. Graduating with the Class of 1928. She attended North Texas State University in Denton, Texas.

She married Louin Z. Martin June 9, 1931, and lived in Waxahachie for 38 years until her family moved to Sonora, Texas. She was employed by the school system in Sonora until she moved to San Angelo in 1968.

Mary was a dear, sweet person. She was loved by all who met her, and she was always had a helping

Mary Littleton Martin, 90, of hand for everyone. She enjoyed all types of painting and was a talented artist. Handwork and gardening were two of her many joys. She had a special place in her heart for children and they were always aware of her interest in them.

She was a member of Veribest Baptist Church, and her church was always such an important part of her

She was preceded in death by her husband Louin Z. Martin, her parents, and three brothers.

Survivors include two sons James L. "Jim" Martin of San Angelo and William H. "Bill" Martin and wife Janet of San Angelo, grandchildren Jennifer and Tim Teagarden, great-grandchildren Ashley, Emily, and Tanner, several nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be made to Vista Care Family Hospice or a favorite charity.

Mae C. Ward

died Friday, January 28, 2000, in a San Angelo hospital.

Memorial services were held Monday, January 31, at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jim Stephen officiating. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

Mae was born to James Albert Cauthorn and Ada Earwood Cauthorn on the family ranch where Mae's son, Albert and his family, now live. Mae graduated from the Sonora Public School System and graduated from Baylor University. Mae still participated in the running of her family ranches in Sutton, Edwards, and Val Verde counties. Mae taught school in Sonora and was past president of the Sonora P.T.A. She and her husband, Rip, were named Citizens of the Year for Sonora. She was a very active member of the First Baptist Church of Sonora as well as being a member of the Sonora Women's Club.

She is survived by her son, Albert and his wife, Cynthia, of Sonora; three grandchildren, Cathy Ball of Sonora, Kelly Holder and husband, Rapheal, of Rowlett and Gus Ward and wife, Jerrilyn, of Sonora; her six great-grandchildren, Sarah Ball, Daniel Ward, Kasey

Mae C. Ward, 86, of Sonora Miller, Rachel, Tanner and Jarred Holder; numerous nieces and nephews and cousins; and two special friends, Anna Samaniego and Trini Guerra.

Honorary pallbearers were Jamie Parker, J.W. Sutton, Smith Neal, Bill Savell, Bennie King, Preston Faris, Vestel Askew, Byerl Dillard, Raymond Grantham, Mark White, Joe Lane, Patch Cochran, James Benson and Armer Earwood.

Mae was preceded in death by her husband, Rip Ward; and her fiance, Ted White.

The family requests memorials be sent to the First Baptist Church of Sonora, Baylor University or a charity of choice. Mae's friends both near and far,

number a legion or more. Many considered her a "Mother" in place of (or in addition to) their own. She loved her son, her grand-

children and her great-grandchildren with passion and abandon.

We all tried to be better people in order to assume the mantle of perfection she bestowed upon us all.

Her family, friends, and community will sorely miss Mae just as surely as she is welcomed in joy by her Lord.

Card of Thanks

The family of Joe Ray Wilson wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many thoughtful words and deeds of many friends.

Thanks to all who visited, sent food, cards, flowers, and memorials, or helped in other kind ways.

Your friendship and concern since his return to Sonora and during his illness meant so much to Joe and all of us.

Charlotte, John, Karen, Jim, Cherrie, and Families.

The SHS Tennis team would like to thank the First United Methodist

Senior Center News

Sugar & blood pressure checks with TDHS (Maria &

Senior Center Menu

Feb. 7 - Chicken supreme, herb new potatoes, broccoli, roll, green

Feb. 8 - Beef burrito, pinto beans, spinach, coleslaw, jello with pears

Feb. 11 - Spanish meatballs, rice, green beans, roll, sliced tomatoes,

Lunch is served Monday thru Friday at 12:00 Noon.

\$1.75 donation is suggested for those 60+

and \$4.00 for others.

Feb. 9 - Pork chops, buttered noodles, carrots, bread, tossed salad,

Feb. 10 - Beef stew with vegetables, sweet peas, cornbread,

Feb. 9 - AARP Income Tax Returns 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Sign up now!

Noemi) 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

salad, cherry cobbler.

Feb. 11 - Committee on Aging Mexican dinner fundraiser.

Church for letting us use the basement for our babysitting fundraiser. We

would also like to thank Mrs. Kathy Hardgrave for letting us use her toys

Bid Gryder

Bid Gryder, 62, of Sonora died Saturday, January 29, 2000 in a San Angelo hospital.

Graveside services were held Tuesday, February 1, 2000 in Fairmount Cemetery in San Angelo. Arrangements were by Johnson's Funeral Home.

Mr. Gryder was born April 24, 1937 in Rising Star, Texas.

He is survived by his wife Thank you to all the parents who let us babysit their children. We had a Faron Ray Gryder of Midland, Candy Gryder of Sonora, three sons

Kendon Gryder of Houston, and Brandon Gryder of San Angelo, two daughters Debra Hopper of Allen, and Hollye Gryder of Austin, four grandchildren, five brothers Melvin Gryder of Comanche, Donnie Gryder of Eastland, Ronnie Gryder of Keller, Larry Gryder of Austin, and Rodney Gryder of the Woodlands, one sister Sharon McKee of Pampa and numerous

Jose Candelario Espinosa, Sr.

Jose Candelario Espinosa, Sr., 81, went to be with the Lord on January 30, 2000. Services were held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, February 2, at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Fr. William DuBussion officiating. Arrangements are by

Kerbow Funeral Home. Jose was born on September 27, 1918 to Jesus and Cleofitas Espinosa in Austin, Texas. He married Antonia Sanchez on January 31, 1947. He retired from the Sonora Highway Department in 1983 and was a Catholic. He is preceded by his wife and parents.

Survivors include one son, Joe Espinosa, Jr. and his wife Maria Elena; three grandchildren, Cecilia Ramos, Jamie Espinosa and his wife, Christy, and Richard Espinosa; four great-grandchildren, Katrina, Uvaldo, Chelby Ramos, and Emilio Espinosa, all of Sonora. He and his wife also raised two children, Armando Salcedo of Dallas, Texas and Margarita Salcedo of Grand Prarie, Texas. Also surviving Jose is one brother, Jesus Espinosa and his wife Elia of San Diego, Texas; a sister-in-law Jesusita Lumbreras, and a brother-in-law, Oracio Sanchez and his wife Francisca; numerous nephews and cousins.

Honorary pallbearers will be Vicente Sentena, Jesus Guerra, Juan Guerra and Agapito Sanchez.

Ronnie Cox would like to be your pharmacist.

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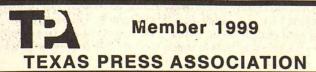
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Community

Feb. 2 Relay for Life Relay 6:30 p.m. at High School Commons Area Feb. 7 School Board Meeting 6:30 p.m Feb. 11

Committee on Aging Enchilada Supper 6:00 p.m. Senior Center followed by dance featuring music by Old Tyme Band

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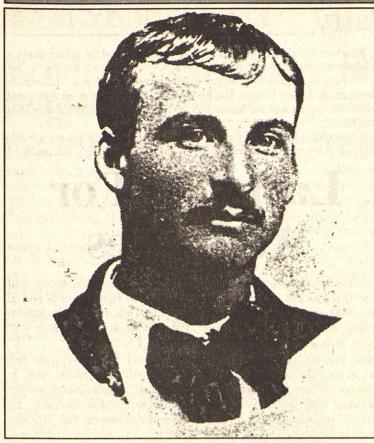
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Ask the Historical Society



Dave Atkins

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer

Q. Have you ever heard anything about someone trying to steal Will Carver's ring from E.R.

Jackson? A. It seems that Dave Atkins dictated a story of his life to his niece and sister back in 1910 and 1911. We were sent this section of the story that refers to his E.R. Jackson and the ring: December 1902: I came back to Texas in December. Came home, stayed 13 months (until January or February 1904). While I was here I was deviled a great deal with a little dark skinned object built in the shape of a man. There was a man killed in this country. He had a diamond ring. After his death, a man by the name of Ed Jackson became the rightful owner of this ring. And this little dark skinned object was bothering me day and night to go and kill him and get the ring and he would give me \$10 for the ring. That was a big price for killing a man, and give \$360 ring to him for the job. He came to me one day and said E.R. Jackson, s automobile had broke down at Panther Bluff and I missed that chance, I may never get one as

chance to kill anybody. I was hunting a chance to keep from getting killed. I noticed this didn't take very well with him. He said if I would do this job for him, he would see that the officials didn't get hold of me. He went back home disgusted seeing he was going to have to give the ring up and let Jackson live. So later on he wrote me a letter that there was 95 sections of land in Sutton County coming to market and the money would come through the U.S. Mail. Give me the dates and said go and hold up the mail hack. He was going to Stiles in some horse races and wanted this done while he was gone. But when he came back, found nothing been done. He went to the Sheriff, asked for papers and authority to arrest me. He got both, thinking I was a damn fool and never knew anything, only what he told me. Thought he could come to me as he usually did, sit and chat with me, until he got the right kind of chance, and then shoot me. He had that kind of chance over a hundred times. But after he got in about 300 yards of where he thought I was, his hopes left him like a freight train should leave a tramp. I

good. I told him I wasn't hunting a

thought I would have some fun. About that time the Indian Rubber began to work in the seat of his pants. It bounced him around and up and down. At last it bounced him so high he missed the saddle when he came down. Said his horse threw him off. He had no right to blame the horse. It was the Indian Rubber that was to blame. Then the daddy yell came from the object. He swore he would kill me and every man he found with me. That was about as near as he ever came to the truth. He hired several men to help him hunt me. I traveled around just the same as I always did, but didn't go to his house anymore. I passed him in the night several times. Didn't know it was him until afterward, thinking all the time I had met a man. This little dark object built in the shape of a human was very uneasy for a long time and spent a great deal of his Montana money he told me Carver gave him. I began to feel sorry for my friends thinking they would be shot at sight when that thing came up on me and them together. I had friend down on the Pecos River. I went down there to tell him about this dark object going to kill me and my friends and to make peace with his God. As I was leaving this country I seen someone in front of me. They ran out in the brush. I rode to San Angelo that night, got me some whiskey, stayed all night at the 6 mile crossing on

Late in the evening I saddled up, made it to the Kickapoo River, stayed all day there and that night,

and then traveled on. Note: Now just who is this "little dark skinned object built in the shape of a man"? It couldn't have been Harvey Logan, he couldn't have wandered around the area or gone to the law. It had to be someone Will Carver had given money to. The only record we have of him giving money was to his sister, his 1/2 brothers and sisters, his mother and step-father, his former fatherin-law, his second wife and gifts to a friend here in Sonora. He was also known to pay money to hide out on people places. Records show that one of these came to town and tried to claim Will's estate after he was killed, his former father-in-law. He was quite upset that the estate was auctioned off and the money went to Will's mother. While we can come up with a lot of suspects I

guess we will never really be able to solve this one. It will go down in history as another of the mysteries surrounding the life of Will Carver.

The reference to bouncing around like the man had Indian Rubber in his pants does not mean the person was part Indian. It refers to a type of rubber popular at the time, used in rubber balls, rubber bands, girdles, etc. In this case it probably shows the horse spooked, the man bounced all over and couldn't keep his seat, and fell off. A daddy yell is an archaic term and means a blood curdling scream. From his derogatory description of the man one can tell that Dave Atkins thought very little of him and was insulted at the offer of \$10 to kill a man and steal a \$360 ring.

Q. Who did Cora Lovelace marry?

A. Devil's River News, July, 1902 lists the wedding gifts received by Coral Lovelace on the occasion of her marriage to George Barham on June 25, 1902.

Sutton County Marriage Records, Vol. 001 page 081, shows that G. A. Barham and Cora Lovelace were married on June 25,

Q. What was the name of the boat that Jim Brotherton had?

A. Devil's River News, March 7, 1891 states: Jim Brotherton and Bill Seigor have finished their new boat and named it the Sonora Belle. They intend to leave next week on a fishing trip on the Llano. March 21, 1891 we found the following: Jim Brotherton came in from the Llano with his first load of fish, 200 pounds, which he quickly disposed of at 10 cents a pound. He says Bill Seigor is an expert on the fish and their boat, the Sonora Belle, is much admired by the natives. Jim had with him fish weighing from 5 to 35 pounds. Note: Jim Brotherton also had a freight wagon so it was easy for him to haul the boat over, catch the fish, load everything back up and haul it to Sonora. He must have done well with his business ventures, for we find him buying lumber to build a house in Sonora in April of 1891.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history send them to "Ask the Historical Society", P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885, e-mail them to schs@sonoratx.net or give me a call

at 915-387-2855.

Something to Make You Think

The paradox of our time in history is that we have taller buildings, but shorter tempers; wider freeways, but narrower viewpoints; we spend more, but have less; we buy more, but enjoy it less.

We have bigger houses and smaller families; more conveniences, but less time; we have more degrees, but less sense; more knowledge, less judgment; more experts, but more problems; more medicine, but less well-

We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values. We talk too much, love too seldom, and hate too often. We've learned how to make a living, but not a life; We've added years to life, not

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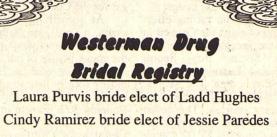
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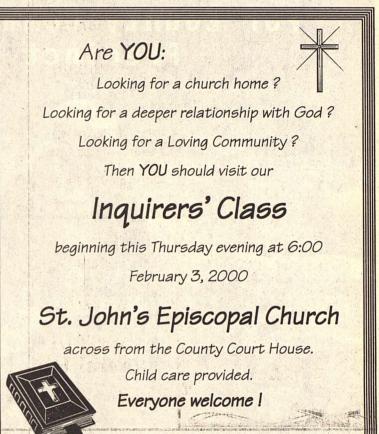
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Celebrating



Norris Loeffler, Lin Loeffler, Carlos Loeffler and his wife Nancy helped their father, Si Loeffler celebrate his 97th birthday on Sunday, January 31, 2000. Si was born in 1903 in Mason County, Texas. He and his family moved to Sonora on March 29, 1942. Si ranched all of his life, as well as being maintenance foreman for the Highway Department for 20 years. Happy Birthday Si, and may there be many

Sonora Area Host Families Needed Now

Foreign high school students are scheduled to arrive very soon for academic semester and year program homestays, and the sponsoring organization needs a few more local host families.

According to the Pacific Intercultural Exchange (P.I.E.) Executive Director, John Doty, the students are all between the ages of 15 and 18 years, are English-speaking, have their own spending money, carry accident and health insurance, and are anxious to share their cultural experiences with their new American families. P.I.E. currently has programs to match almost every family's needs, ranging in length from a semester to a full academic year, where the students attend local high schools.

P.I.E. area representatives match students with host families by finding common interests and lifestyles through an informal inhome meeting. Prospective host families are able to review student applications and select the perfect match. As there are no "typical

host families, P.I.E. can fit a student into just about any situation, whether it be a single parent, a childless couple, a retired couple or a large family.

Families who' host for P.I.E. are also eligible to claim a \$50.00 per month charitable contribution deduction on their itemized tax returns for each month they host a sponsored student.

For the upcoming programs, P.I.E. has students from Spain, Germany, Latvia, the Former Soviet Union, Finland, Argentina, Paraguay, Brazil, Mexico, Australia, Sweden, Yugoslavia, China, Belgium, Vietnam and many other countries. P.I.E. has also been invited to participate in a special government-funded program to bring scholarship students from the Newly Independent States of the former Soviet Union to the United States. P.I.E. is a non-profit educational organization that has sponsored more than 18,000 students from 40 countries since its founding in 1975. The organization is desig-

nated by the United States Information Agency and is listed by the Council on Standards of International Educational Travel (CSIET), certifying that the organization complies with the standards set forth in CSIET's Standards for International Educational Travel

Doty encourages families to contact the program immediately, as it will allow the proper time for the students and hosts to get to know one another before they actually meet for the first time.

Sonora area families interested in learning more about student exchange or arranging for a meeting with a community representative may call P.I.E., toll free, at 1-800-631-1818. The agency also has travel/study program opportunities available for American high school students as well as possibilities for community volunteers to assist and work with area host families, students and schools.

Boy Scouts to Begin Annual Fund Drive

of Sonora was named Chairman of this year's Boy Scout Texas Friends

of Scouting Drive.

Jack B. Smith, Jr., along with other local individuals will raise Sonora's share of the Concho Valley Council's 2000 Scouting budget.

The annual fund raising effort is conducted to assist the Council in providing the necessary support for the Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Exploring and Learning for Life programs in this area. The Scouts' operating budget will come from three primary sources. The seven United Way community organiza-tions in the Council's 23 1/2 county service area will provide about 20% of the budget. Another 50% will come from a variety of council activities such as camp and office trading post, annual popcorn sales, summer camps, endowment fund, ranch lease, and other special fund generating events. The balance of \$173,000 or 25% will be raised through the Texas Friends of Scouting Community Campaigns. These are charitable donations from those individuals and companies with a special interest in Scouting.

Sonora, TX. Jack B. Smith, Jr. The cost of Scouting has risen, just as other business' costs over the last few years. Inflation, utilities, insurance, employee health cost, travel and the addition of new programs have been cited as the most significant increase in the operating budget for the Council.

At something like \$100 per youth, it's still one of the best bargains around in a youth program for the young people of our community. The council spends 99% of the money locally instead of sending it off to a distant national office. Roughly 30% is spent in services to over 165 Packs, Troops, Posts, and Learning for Life Groups. Another 30% is used for program services such as training activity, shows, camporees, advancement ceremonies community service projects and summer camps. 25% is spent for membership, marketing and relationship services. This provides support for unit partner organization's, unit renewal service, new unit organization, and marketing services. 9% goes for supporting out two year round and two weekend camps and their related expenses such as utilities, maintenance, supplies, equipment, and taxes. An interesting point for people concerned about how their donation is spent is that only 6% is used from what we call administrative cost. This is the cost of such things as accounting, auditing, national fees,

insurance, postage and printing.

Jack B. Smith, Jr. said that the Scouting organization spends its money wisely and operates under the scrutiny of an involved Executive board. This assures that the operations are set to provide a beneficial program to our youth with a minimum of costs.

This years campaign will kick off its drive on Monday, February 7, 2000 with the local individuals, including Chairman, Jack B. Smith, Jr., participating in the solicitation of funds for the Friends of Scouting program. The program will also be discussed during the Annual Cub Scout Blue and Gold Banquet to be held in Sonora at the Community Center on February 22, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. With their help and community support we should achieve our local goal of \$4,000 said Chairman, Jack B. Smith, Jr.

Art Extravaganza

The first annual Stribling Art Extravaganza, showcasing San Angelo and Concho Valley artists and artisans, is scheduled for February 18 and 19 at the Quartermaster Building at historic Fort Concho.

Established to benefit West Texas Rehabilitation Center, the unique public show is being underwritten by Ben and Beverly

Fifty artists will display 135 original works in various mediums, ranging form oils, acrylics and watercolors to bronzes, ceramics and wood. Displayed works will be for sale, and the Rehab Center will receive a percentage of the pro-

Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day and admission is free. Artists from the Concho Valley and former San Angeloans

include Barbara Earwood and Ken Rowland of Sonora.

"The goal of this event is two-fold: to provide an opportunity for the public to see the tremendous amount of artistic talent in our community and provide a new avenue of support for West Texas Rehab Center," said Eva Horton, WTRC Donor Relations representative.

'We're very appreciative of the response from local and area artists and we're encouraging everyone to visit during the two-day event," she added.

More information is available by calling 223-6300.

The Sonora Elementary PTA will be hosting their February meeting on Monday, February 21, 2000. We vill have our regular business meetng and feature a "Talent Show" program by students from Kindergarten hrough Fifth grade. We encourage any student wishing to participate in he show to contact Susan Nicholas, Program Coordinator, to pick up a registration form.

Baseball: sign ups for Jr. (13 & 1vr. olds) and Sr. (13 & 15 yr. olds) League Baseball at Business Basics starting now. For more information call Clay Hicks 387- 3286.

Umpire Clinic will be on Saturday Feb. 19th at 9:00 a.m. for anyone nterested in umpiring Little League or High school Baseball. Can receive certification. For more nformation call Clay Hicks at 387-

Annual Lions Club Broom Sale will be Tuesday, March 14th at City

ANYONE interested in having a team in the 2000 American Cancer Society's "Relay for Life" please contact Storie Sharp at 387-2507 or 387-3925. Don't miss out on a fun way to work for a cure!!

Carolyn McMeans is offering Appalachian Clog Dance Lessons or adults at Carolyn Earwood's Dance Studio on Main St. Registration will be Feb. 3 at 6:00 p.m. No partner required. Call 387-9315.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest will be held February 6, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. in the Sonora Middle School Gym. All children ages 10-14 are invited to participate. 10 winners will be chosen, 5 boys and 5 girls, to compete in the District competition. This year's District competition will also be held in the Sonora Middle School Gym on February 13th at 3:00 p.m. Applications are available at the Intermediate School and the Middle School. District winners continue or to State competition in August.

The San Angelo Girls Fastpitch Association (SAGFA) will be hold ing two Players' Clinics on February 5th and March 4th, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. each date at the 29th Street Complex. All girls from ages 4 to 18 who are beginners to experienced players are welcome to attend either or both of the "FREE" clinics. The clinics will focus on instruction in batting, fielding, catching, and pitching. Bring your glove, water, and a friend. Any questions, please call Gary Causinat 915-653-9888.

Census Testing will be held on Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. at the EMS building.

The 2000 American Cancer Society Golf Passes are now available. 450 rounds of golf at 273 courses throughout Texas. The cost of a pass is \$35.00. Please call Lou Faulks at 387-3269.

The Hudspeth Hospital and Nursing Home Auxiliary meets the 2nd Monday of each month, at noon, at the Sutton County Steakhouse

Senior Center Valentine Party

Everyone is asked to make his or her plans to attend the dinner dance at the Senior Center.

On Feb. 11 an enchilada supper will be served at 6:00 p.m. followed by a dance at the Senior Center. The Sutton County Committee on Aging will provide the supper and the music will be furnished by Sonora's own "Old Tyme Band".

Come and join the fun for the Valentine Party! Adult tickets are only \$5.00 and children's tickets are \$2.50 for the entire evening's entertainment

Last Call For Addresses

is in the process of finalizing their 2000 edition of the Sonora Mailing Address book, If you are an individual and have not turned in your mailing address form at the post office or library do it now! There is no charge for individual listings. If you wish to have your business address listed, mail your business name

The Sonora Woman's Club and mailing address along with \$10 for the first business and \$2 for each additional business to Patricia Johnson, PO Box 452, Sonora, TX 76950.

Should you wish your personal mailing address not be published, please send written notice to Sharon Holman, PO Box 1446, Sonora, TX 76950.

Police Reports

January 24 - Harassment (Phone) - A complainant wishing to report harassing phone calls contacted officer and advised that someone, known to her, had been harassing her. Officer made contact with the suspect about the calls.

January 24 - Accident - Officer was dispatched to Amigo Texaco in reference to a minor accident. No

injuries were reported. January 24 - Theft of Service -Officer was dispatched to Skinny's

in reference to a theft. Clerk

advised that a white vehicle had pumped \$31.02 worth of diesel and had driven away. Clerk was unaware of the direction of travel. Attempts to locate the vehicle were negative.

January 30 - Sexual Assault Officer was contacted by a victim of a sexual assault. After further investigation officer transported the victim to Shannon Hospital for examination. Through a photo line up the victim picked out the suspect. Arrest is pending.

Happy Birthday

February 3

Rita Lopez, Josh Tidwell, Tammie Tidwell, Bobbie Jackson, Susan Crowder, Gregory Jolly, Eva Perez, Savanah White February 4

Janey Dillard, Jennifer Creek, Jennifer Covey, Michelle Escalanted, Mariah Gonzalez, Kevin Miller, Carlos Reyes, Evelyn Solis

Kobie Herring

February 5

February 6 Jalys Mabry, Cindy Hayes, Tina Liva, Shirley Badgett, Jose Casillas

February 7 Preston Lopez, Shane Love, Ricardo Perez, Pamela Armke, Christopher Lindsey, Peter Young

February 8 Alyssa Avila, Juan Hernandez, Jacinda Sanchez, Bobby Scott, Randy Thurmond, Ann Kay

February 9 JoAnn Palmer, Nathanel Prather, Herminia Renteria, Alicia S. Velez, Dora Fuentez, John Lopez III

Academic Excellence

Hardin-Simmons University announces that Anthony Renfro of Sonora has made the Honor Roll for the fall 1999 semester. The HSU Honor Roll honors students who completed twelve or more semester hours with a grade point average of 3.60 or higher for that semester.

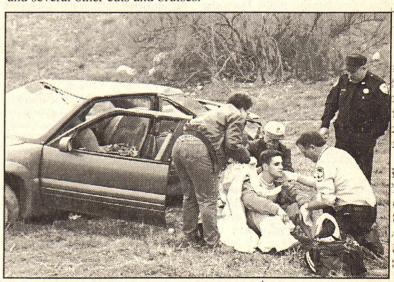
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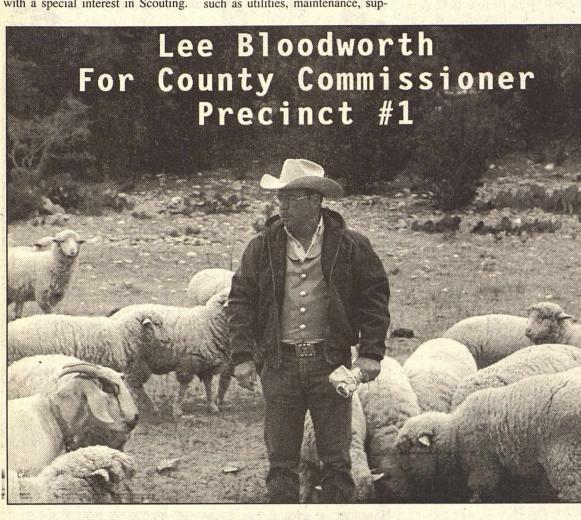
Breg Hughes was recognized as a Distinguished Student when Blinn College announced its academic honor students for the 1999 fall semester on its Brenham campus. The college recognizes those students who take a minimum of 12 college credit hours and earn a grade point average of 3.25 to 3.74 as Distinguished Students.

Driver Misses Exit



Wet roads were to blame for a one car roll over on Tuesday, February 1, 2000. The driver of this Pontiac Grand Prix lost control, of his vehicle when it began to slide at the top of exit #400 on IH-10. Witnesses said that they saw the roof of the car turn up at least 3 times before it came to rest at the bottom of the hill in the Dry Devil's River. The driver, who was wearing his seatbelt, was taken by Sutton, County EMS to Hudspeth Hospital to be treated for a cut on his head, and several other cuts and bruises.





"Early Bird" Specials

Turkey breast with bacon, lettuce & tomato on croissant served with Annette's pasta salad of the day.

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Basketball



Ground **Broncos** Eagles

The Sonora Bronco Varsity boys hosted the Junction Eagles on January 25, 2000. With Isaac Ramos and Bryce Williams being 100% on 3 point shots and Ernie Perez being 100% from the floor, it is easy to see how the Broncos won the game 57 to 42. Coach Lowe commended the team on how they held their composure exceptionally well in a game that could have gotten out of hand. It was a "great team effort on that part of the game" said Lowe. Scoring for the Broncos were: Anthony Luna -13 pts., Bryce Williams - 11 pts., Isaac Ramos - 10 pts., Russell Dempsey - 8 pts., Riley Crain - 7 pts., Ernie Perez - 5 pts., Ed Mayfield - 2 pts., and Ryan Cramer - 1 pt.

On Friday, January 28th the Broncos traveled to Ozona to compete. The boys took a hard loss to the Lions, with the final score being Ozona 52, Sonora 41. Scoring for the Broncos were: Isaac Ramos and Anthony Luna - 11 pts. each, Russel Dempsey - 6 pts., Ernie Perez -5 pts., Bryce Williams and James Elliott - 4 pts. each. The Gatorade Will to Win Athlete chosen this week is Ernie Perez.



Lady Broncos Stampede Junction

Submitted

On January 25, 2000, the Sonora Lady Broncos met the Junction Lady Eagles at "The Shoot". Veronica Velez did a good job starting in the games, as Cindy Jones is still out with an injury. The Lady Broncos played really well and came out with a victory over the Lady Eagles with a final score of Sonora 70 - Junction 41. Lindsey Bowers and Kasey Miller also had a really good against Junction. Congratulations Ladies. As picked by Virgil Burge and Jason West, our KHOS radio broadcasting team, Offensive Player of the game was Kara Eaton and Defensive Player of the Game was Kim Marshall. Scoring for Sonora: Kim Marshall 7, Sarah Ball 8, Kara Eaton 11, Veronica Velez 4, Word 10 and Kasey Miller 7.

The Sonora Lady Broncos met the Ozona Lady Lions in Ozona on January 28, 2000. Morgan Hobbs, a freshman, made her debut on the Varsity team and did a good job. The

Lady Broncos had a tough time with the Lady Lions, who are undefeated in district play. Japha Word had several rebounds and played well against Ozona. Kim Marshall hit 3 three point shots in the second half, adding a spark to the game for Sonora. The final score was Sonora 38, Ozona 60. This was a tough loss for the Lady Broncos. As picked by Virgil and Jason, Offensive Player of the Game was Kim Marshall and Defensive Player of the Game was Kara Eaton. Scoring for Sonora: Kim Marshall 10, Morgan Hobbs 1, Sarah Ball 3, Kara Eaton 7, Koda Armke 1, Stephanie Hard 1, Heather Felts 6, Japha Word 7, Kasey Miller 2. The Lady Broncos are now in third place in district play. They travel to Forsan on Tuesday, Feb. 1 and then play the Eldorado Lady Lindsey Bowers 4, Stephanie Eagles on Friday, Feb. 4. The Hard 2, Heather Felts 17, Japha Ladies will have their last district game at home against Wall on Feb. 8. Mark these dates on your calendar so you can show your support for the Lady

Eliminates Bronco J.V. Eldorado

The J.V. "A" Broncos played Eldorado in Sonora on January 21,2000. Final score was Sonora 68, Eldorado 41. Scoring for the Broncos were Ryan Hardgrave -18 pts., Matt Torres - 17 pts, Chance Dillard - 14 pts., Pete Samaniego - 10 pts., Cameron Sims - 7 pts., and Justin Routh -

On January 22nd the team and Jorge Gurerra - 2 pts. traveld to Central in San Angelo to compete against the 9th grade Glenn team. Glenn defeated the J.V. Broncos, 88 - 45. Point for the Broncos came from: Emmanuel Lopez - 15 pts., Dustin Martin - 10 pts., Caleb Gulley, Douglas Yocham, -7 pts., and Chance Dillard - 4 Brandon West and Balde pts. Hernandez - 4 pts. each.

The Broncos made up for the defeat by winning against Wall on Jan. 24, with a final score of 38-27. Scoring for the Broncos wre Brandon West - 7 pts., Caleb Gulley - 8 pts., Dustin Martin and Douglas Yocham - 5 pts each, Justin Simes and Louis Segura - 4 pts. each, Emmanuel Lopez - 3 pts.,

On the 25th the boys played against the Junction J.V., defeating them 77 to 32. Scoring for Sonora were: Ryan Hardgrave -23 pts., Cameron Sims - 20 pts., Matt Torres - 13 pts., Pokey Samaniego - 8 pts., Justin Routh

Scholarships Available for Qualifying Students

High school students with a grade point average of 'B' or better and college students with a GPA of 'B+' or better are eligible for a \$1,000 college scholarship (U.S. citizens only). All requests for applications must include the following: student's name, permanent home address, city, state, zip code, name of current high school or college, approximate GPA, and year in school during the 1999-2000 academic year.

To receive an application, e-mail scholar@ecsf.org, paper mail Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation, PO Box 5012, Lake Forest, IL 60045-5012, or fax (847)295-3972. Requests must be received by March 16, 2000. Applications will be fulfilled by mail only, on or about April 7, 2000. Two hundred and fifty (250) winners will be selected on the basis of academic performance, involvement in extracurricular activities, and some consideration for financial need. A total of \$250,000 will be awarded.

School Lunch Menu Jan. 7 - Feb. 11

Mon.- Waffles, syrup, fruit or juice. Tues. - Cheese toast, tator tots, juice or fruit. Wed. - Muffins, juice, fruit.

Thurs.- Scrambled eggs, ham, toast, juice or fruit. Fri.- NO SCHOOL!

Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts. Lunch

Mon. - Sloppy joe on bun, onions, pickles, French fries, fruit. Tues. - Beef tips, egg noodles, peas, rolls, fruit jello. Wed.- Chicken enchiladas, tossed salad, rice, brownies. Thurs.-Steakfingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls, green beans,

Fri.-NO SCHOOL!

Lady Colts Take Third at Wall Tournament

The 7th grade Lady Colt "A" team traveled to Wall Thursday January 27 - Saturday, January 29 to compete in the Wall Tournament. In the first game the Lady Colts defeated Eden 30 - 18. Scoring for Sonora were: Deidra Warden - 10 pts., Amanda Word - 8 pts., Debra Martinez - 5 pts., Danielle Fox -4 pts., Tara Green - 2 pts., and Chelsea Seaton - 1 pt. On Friday the girls lost to Wall 14-25. Scoring for the Lady Colts were Kenia Gutierrez, Alyssa Ibarra and Danielle Fox - 4 pts. each, and Chelsea Seaton - 2 pts. Playing for third place the girls defeated Eldorado 27-22 on Saturday. Scoring for the Lady Colts were: Debra Martinez - 14 pts., Danielle Fox - 5 pts., Deidra



Warden - 4 pts., Alyssa Ibarra and Tara Green - 2 pts. each. Coach Sessom said that overall the girls had a great tournament and they really showed a lot of improvement since their first tournament.

On January 31, 2000 the 7th grade "A" team lost a close game at Big Lake. Offensively the girls had a difficult time at the free throw line, where they were 7 for 28. Defensively the girls played hard and very aggressively, with a final score of Reagan County 21, Sonora 18. Scoring for Sonora were: Debra Martinez - 5 pts., Kenia Gutierrez and Danielle Fox - 4 pts., Tara Green and Chelsea Seaton - 2 pts. each, Amanda Word - 1 pt.

The 7th grade "B" team defeated the Lady Owl "B" team 9-3 Monday night. Coach Sessom said the girls played very aggresively on defense and several steals. Scoring for the Ladies were: Angela Gonzales -4 pts., Jennifer Hernandez - 2 pts., and Adrianna Castillo - 3 pts. Other team members are Erica McClinctock, Catherine Herrera and Allison Higdon.

Colts Gettin' Busy on the Road

The 7th grade Colts were on for the game were: Tom Valliant -2000. The final score was Sonora 41, Wall 21. Top scorers of the game were: Clint Cearly - 15 pts., Clayton Hick - 12 pts., Austin Wagoner - 10 pts. On the 29th, the Colts played Christoval in their first game at the Wall tournament. Sonora beat Christoval 38 to 18. Top Colt scorers were Austin Wagoner - 14 pts., Cint Cearly - 8 pts., and Dustin Creek - 6 pts. The second game the Colts found themselves up against Grape Creek. Grape Creek defeated Sonora 26 to 21. Top scorers for the game were: Diego Cardona and Clayton Hicks - 6 pts. each and Clint Cearly - 5 pts.

On January 17, 2000 the 8th grade Colts traveled to Big Lake for a win of 46 - 30. Top scorers for the game were: Scottie Moore - 18 pts., Tom Valliant - 12 pts., and Chris Martin - 11 pts. The Colts defeated the Wall Hawks on January 24th in Wall. Final score -Sonora 33, Wall 29. Top scorers Moore - 15 pts.,

the road to Wall on January 24, 13 pts. and Scottie Moore - 11 pts. On the 28th the 8th grade boys competed against the Wall B team in the Wall tournament. Final score: Colts 42, Hawks 22. Top. scorers were: Scottie Moore - 16 pts., Tom Valliant - 8 pts., Stevie Hernandez - 7 pts., and Joseph Ainsworth - 6 pts. The 8th grade Colts played Grape Creek in their second game in the Wall tournament, defeating them 45 to 34. Top scorers were: Scottie Moore -16, Chris Martin and Tom Valliant - 12 pts., and Joe Oliden - 4 pts. In the finals of the tournament Sonora was again up against Wall. Coach Powell said the boys played great in the tournament and almost pulled out the championship game, after falling behind 14 pts. in the 1st half. The final score was Wall 41, Sonora 38, leaving the Sonora 8th grade Colts second in the tournament. Top scorers in the final game were Chris Martin - 17 pts. and Scottie

Sutton County Students to Participate in Houston Livestock Show

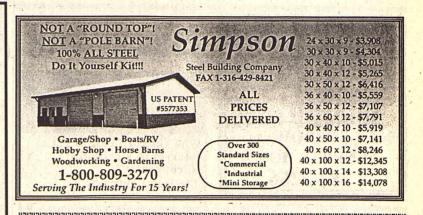
Ten 4-H members from Sutton County will be joining other FFA and 4-H members from all over Texas for intense competition in the show ring at the 2000 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Feb. 18 - March 5, at the Astrohall in Houston. These members are Sarah Ball, Colton Moore, and Mandy Brister with 2 Junior Market Goat entries each. John Healy and Audrey Hicks, each with a Junior Breeding Beef entry. Thomas Jacoby, William Renfro, and Bradley Mogford with one Junior Market Lamb entry each. Monica Traylor with a Junior Dairy Cattle entry and Nash Traylor with 3 Junior Breeding Sheep entries..

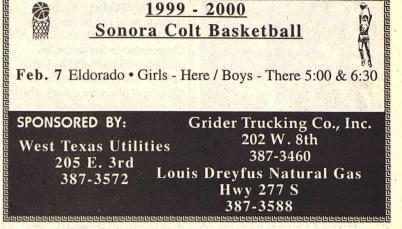
The junior show, which showcases the animal projects of these FFA and 4-H exhibitors, is held during the second week of livestock competition, beginning Feb. 24.

Professional breeders and ranchers will compete for top prize money and global recognition in the livestock industry during the first week of the Show, which kicks off Feb.

Entries from both the open and junior shows, along with the horse show, combine to make the Houston Livestock Show the largest event of its kind in the world.

More than 14,000 entries, representing 1,014 Texas 4-H clubs and FFA chapters, will compete in this year's junior show. A wide variety of animals will be shown in both the junior and open divisions of the livestock competition, including market steers, market barrows, market lambs, market poultry, beef and dairy heifers, breeding gilts, breeding sheep, goats, llama, ostriches, commercial steers and breeding rab-







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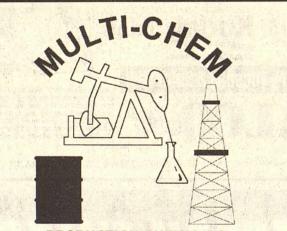
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In general, only earnings from work done after you start receiving benefits affect your benefits. Most other types of your benefits. These include payments from private insurance, pensions from private

If you plan to work after employers and annuity payments for retirement and financial security using Social Security as a

Other income that could pos-

sibly affect your benefits are: · A pension based on work much you can earn without not covered by Social Security will reduce your Social Security retirement payment under the windfall elimination provision.

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Sutton Mohair Council America Membership Meeting

The Mohair Council of America held its Annual Membership Meeting in San Angelo, January 20, 2000. The meeting was attended by more that 75 mohair producers and industry leaders. The membership was given updates on all ongoing projects of the Council including the Dove Creek Collection, a line of outerwear designed to utilize adult mohair in fashion: and the Atelier Carpet project a joint venture between the Mohair Council and Atelier Carpets of Atlanta, Georgia to create and market mohair carpeting. Updates were also given on research projects dealing with mohair and angora goats.

Joe David Ross, of Sonora, was presented with the Mohair Council Award for Uniformity. Lanny Leinweber of Mountain Home was honored as the outgoing President of the Council. Newly elected officers include Jack Groff (Kerrville), President; Jesse Lockhart (Barksdale). Vice-President; and Perce Miller San Angelo, Secretary/Treasure.

The membership meeting included district caucuses to elect new Council Directors. Those elected as Directors of the Mohair Council for the year 2000 include:

* District 1 - Pierce Miller, San Angelo and Scott Mitchel, Sanderson

*District 2 - Tuffy Whitehead & Gary Leonard, Del Rio, Bill Zuberbueler, Comstock

*District 3 - Gwynne Lundgren, Menard, Charles Ray Pfluger, Christoval, Bill Tullos, San Angelo

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* District 7 - Lewis Bratton: Rochelle, Janet Willmann and Willie Ray Willmann, Mason,

* District 8 - Troy Duncan; Lometa, Julie Richmond, Blanket, Joe Riley, Brownwood, John Clifton, Goldthwaite

* District 9 - Bill Dietert, Mountain Home, Mac Gilliat, Leaky, Hayden Haby, Jimmy Bader, Donna Schuster, Tony Frerich, Brackettville, Lanny Leinweber, Mountain Home, Ervin Willard, Uvalde

District 10 - Dee Hadorn, Harrah, OK, Bennett Mitchell, Ashland, MO.

Ask The AG School Violence Prevention Task Force

By John Cornyn, Attorney General of Texas

Q: Just recently, students were arrested for planting a bomb in a Texas school. I remember hearing earlier in the year that you had formed a task force to study school violence. Is the task force still working on this terrifying problem?

A: In response to an increasing number of episodes of school violence, I joined with the Texas Education Commissioner to form the Attorney General's School Violence Prevention Task Force. The Task Force held its last public meeting early this month and is now working on its final

Our challenge is not simply to have a crisis plan in place for every school district in Texas, but to help facilitate plans and programs that can prevent school violence.

Members of the 22-person Task Force include legislators, teachers, principals, superintendents, parents and law enforcement officials from around the state. I have included representatives from the entire community in this project because I believe that students need to hear antiviolence messages from all directions.

Input from experts

At the meetings, Task Force members heard from noted experts on school-violence related programs. Rather than re-iterate the problems that have occurred, the meetings have highlighted successful prevention and intervention programs that are already in use.

The Task Force is divided into three groups that approach school violence prevention from different perspectives. One

group focuses on student and parent issues such as peer pressure and parental awareness. The second group focuses on school issues such as conflict resolution, crisis management and security policies. The final group works on communitywide issues such as violence in the media, gangs and the need for safe after-school and weekend activities.

Final Report

Now that the public meetings have concluded, Task Force members are drafting a final report. Based on information gathered at the meetings, the final report will contain recommendations for school districts to help address issues related to school violence. The report will contain information on possible warning signs that can signal violent behavior.

The Task Force will release the report in the spring of 2000, and it will be distributed to every school in Texas.

For further information

To find out more about the Attorney General's School Violence Prevention Task Force, contact the Juvenile Crime Intervention Division of my office at (512) 463-4024.

This division provides training to communities on issues related to juvenile crime such as gang awareness. Juvenile Crime publications are also available on the Office of the Attorney General Web site www.oag.state.tx.us in "Criminal Justice" section.

Only by working together can we make our schools safe places where our children can learn and grow. Their future, and ours, depends upon our success.

TEXAS DECLINE IN FIREARMS ACCIDENTS REFLECTS NATIONAL TREND

Newtown, Conn.---Accidental firearms fatalities in Texas have declined by 47 percent since 1987, according to the National Safety Council. The state's decline has helped contribute to an overall national reduction in accidental fatalities, which are at their lowest level since record keeping began in

Texas reported 79 fatalities in 1996, the most recent year for state accident totals

available from the National Safety Council. In 1987, Texas reported 149 accidental deaths due to firearms.

states Thirty-three showed a decline in fatal firearms accidents, 14 states showed increases and three states had no change in the tenyear comparison. Fourteen states had double-digit declines.

"This significant drop in firearms accidents underscores the importance and effectiveness of numerous firearms safety and education programs that have been in place for many years," said Bob Delfay, president and CEO of the National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF), which is an industry trade association of manufacturers, distributors and retailers that promotes firearms safety. "We should recognize the contributions of the nation's 75,000 volunteer hunter safety instructors, NRA instruc-

tors, Boy Scout and 4-H instruct tors, and the many other volunt teers who contribute their time to bring safety courses and mes sages to groups and individu als."

Utah, Hawaii and Delaware paced the nation with zero fatalities in 1996,

The safety council report provides state-by-state statistics from '96 and national statistics from 1998.

Air Force Agrees Not To Increase **Bomber Training Sorties In West Texas**

Junction Sheep and Goat

Auction

Week

Year Ago: 2,805

Compared to last week: Feeder

lambs steady to 2.00 higher.

Slaughter lambs not well tested.

Feeder lambs steady to 2.00 higher.

Stock Ewes steady to 2.00 higher.

Slaughter goats mostly steady. Spanish kids 2.00-4.00 higher.

Angora goats 4.00-6.00 higher,

except thin nannies steady. Supply

included around 6 percent sheet

Large 1: few 40-60 lb (new crop)

100.00-110.00; 60-100 lb 85.00-

Feeder Lambs: Medium and

Stock Ewes: Medium and Large

Slaughter Ewes: Utility to Good

Slaughter Bucks: 100-165 lb

John M. Clark; 6800', Pierce #5, Cleere Drilling.

Barbados Ewes: 50.00-54.00.

including near 150 lambs.

Stock and Feeder Sheep:

1-2: 34.50-42.00.

Slaughter Sheep:

2-3 100-150 lb 42.00-51.00.

#4, Patterson Drilling.

Drilling.



U.S. Rep. Henry Bonilla, R-Texas, confirmed today that the Air Force has ncrease the number of bomber training

sorties over West Texas.

"I made it clear to the Air Force Chief of Staff that adding any additional bomber training sorties was unacceptable and unfair to my constituents. He listened, and the current proposal will not allow even one more bomber to fly over West Texas," said Bonilla.

The Air Force has said that even though air space over Far West Texas will most likely be used for combat training, the number of bomber training flights will not be increased. Instead, more men and women will be trained on each

Monday - 01/31/2000

Ago: 2,672

Sheep and Goats: 2,704

Washington, D.C. - bomber training flight, therefore cutting down on the number of flights.

Last month, the Air Force released an RBTI (Realistic Bomber Training Initiative) proposal which called for an increase of 1,100 low level bomber training sorties over the 23rd Congressional District, represented by Bonilla..

In response to that proposal, Bonilla sent a letter to General Ryan. In the letter, Bonilla argued against the increase saying, "My constituents are already make a major contribution to military readiness by tolerating a substantial number of training sorties at this time." The letter was sent a week after a phone call Bonilla made to General Ryan to express his concerns.

The official announcement by the Air Force is expected to come

31.50-35.00, lot 2 year olds 55.00.

81.00-91.00; Ewes 90-110 lb 50.00-

Stock and Feeder Goats:

72.00 per head.

Slaughter Goats:

75.00-86.00.

Rig Locations

as of January 28, 2000

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Edwards County

New Marshall & Winston; 7800', Holman-Fagan #4302, Patterson

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For complete report contact: Scott Huggins,

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New Louis Dreyfus; 8350', Mayer 47-#10, Patterson Drilling.

New Louis Dreyfus; 5750', Fields 49-#3, Patterson Drilling.

86.00.

Barbados Lambs: 40-60 lb

Young Nannies: 55.00-60.00, lot

Spanish Ewes: Nannies with Kids

Spanish Goats: Kids and

28.50-32.50 per head; Billies 75.00-

Yearlings: Choice and Prime: 15-35

lb 87.00-96.00; 35-75 lb 88.50-

Nannies: 75-100 lb 53.50-

Muttons and Billies: 100-150 lb

Angora Goats: Kids - Choice and Prime: 15-35 lbs 87.00-99.00; 35-65

lb 81.00-94.00, 2 lots fancy 102.00-

109.00; Muttons 75-150 lb 58.00-

62.50; Nannies 50-100 lb 60.00-

75.00. Source: USDA

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Deer Have Come To A Crossroads In Texas

submitted

Jan. 2, 2000, Houston Chronicle, by SHANNON TOMPKINS

A fair number of Texans, this one included, plan to mark the first day of the new century by climbing into a deer stand.

To our minds, the significance of Saturday and Sunday is it's The Last Weekend of Deer Season. There's just no way most deer hunters will let the season slip away without being there to watch it go.

Yes, South Texas' season continues a couple of more weeks. But that region hosts only about 17 percent of the state's deer hunters-although from most of what's written about Texas deer, you could be excused for believing it was 90 percent. Anyway, a bunch of those hunters will be in the field this weekend, too.

And while most deer hunters place no special overt significance to their being afield as the new century arrives, there is quite a symbolic significance to the event.

White-tailed deer promise to be the most contentious, high-profile and potentially explosive wildliferelated issue in Texas these first few years of the new century.

We're at a crossroads with deer in Texas. And we've been hurtling toward it at full-tilt for most of the past two decades.

Down one road looms the prospect of a world where deer are four-legged commodities, designed, raised, penned, owned, advertised, bought, traded and sold like so many pieces of animate jewelry.

Down the other, deer remain wild creatures, with all the magic and mystery and intangible beauty and worth that all wildlife carries.

It's a choice between diamonds and cubic zirconia -- they might look the same, but one's real and the other is a cheap, shallow counterfeit. Texas' train down this trail left

the station when the first "deer proof" fences went up in South Texas nearly 50 years ago and no one asked the hard questions about where this would lead, much less tried to stop it.

It invariably led to a growing industry of building and marketing heavy-antlered deer -- micro-managing wildlife to create specific animals. Deer farming.

With that has come a growing culture that considers shooting such deer a mark of social stature.

Today, there are several places in this state where tracts rimmed by high fences are annually "stocked" with heavy-antlered bucks bought from some other high-fenced deer farm. The animals are sold to shooters, with the fee based on the size of the antlers. Put-and-take deer hunt-

In some of these penned tracts, deer numbers are incredibly high, far over the carrying capacity of the habitat. But the animals are kept healthy by supplemental feeding -kind of like a cattle feed lot.

Pen-raised deer are bought and sold. Does are artificially inseminated with the sperm from pen-raised "brood bucks." (There's even a business that solicits hunters to send in the testicles of big-antlered bucks they kill so the business can use the sperm in its attempt to build bigger bucks.) With that concentration on big-antlered deer came changes in the way the animals were perceived. The obscene term "cull buck," designating any buck deemed not a potential "trophy", began to circu-

late and eventually found its way into common use.

And so did the practice of referring to bucks by the Boone and Crockett Club score of their antlers. Bucks no longer were described as "a nice 10-pointer." They became "a 160-class buck with 10-inch G2s and 27-inch beams.

Theodore Roosevelt, one of the founders of the Boone and Crockett Club and a passionate advocate of "fair chase" hunting must be doing a tornado imitation in his grave.

Aldo Leopold is doing the same, if not more so. The idea runs counter to every concept of fair chase and maintaining the "wild" in

The justification for all this is that it's a private property issue -- a landowner should be allowed to do whatever he wants with his property and make a living from that land.

A specious claim. A Texas landowner can't unilaterally dam a waterway on his property and stop the flow to his neighbor's land. But he can fence in free-roaming deer.

Both water and wildlife are considered by state law to be public property. But one's treated much different than the other simply because water is much more important to the average citizen than are

Never mind that these fenced tracts fracture contiguous habitat, creating little "islands" that further degrade the overall habitat.

Of course, money drives this train, and political power shoves it. The opportunity to shoot a particularly large-antler Texas buck can easily run into five figures.

Where you find that kind of money, you find politics. And that's exactly what has happened in Texas. Deer have become a political

Over the past decade, a handful people with political power who also happened to be caught up in the building-a-better-deer arena have managed to grease the rails for the deer farmers and big-buck creators.

They've made it easier for deer ranchers to trap and trade and transport pen-raised deer. They've made it easier for those involved in the deer business to sell those animals -- creating longer seasons for the deer ranchers and making it easier for them to remove animals they consider inferior.

They've made it harder for law enforcement to keep tabs on the

In 1997, the Texas Legislature opened the door for landowners to capture and hold wild deer in pens, cracking the lid on yet another can of ethical and public policy issues surrounding ownership of wildlife.

And all that happened with the majority of professional wildlife managers -- those in the public and private sector -- fighting what they considered bad decisions.

The Texas Chapter of the Wildlife Society, a professional organization of wildlife managers in the public, private and academic sectors, opposed the 1997 legislation. But the opposition couldn't overcome the political steamroller of the deer farmers.

Now, heading into the new century, the cabal of big-deer businesses and their political operatives are gearing up for the next big step -privatization of deer.

Emboldened by their successes and political connections, and prodded on by the seemingly-insatiable

appetite and bottomless wallets of those willing to participate, the clique of deer farmers its eyes on the 2001 session of the Texas Legislature.

One group already has said its goal is to pass legislation giving landowners ownership of deer behind high fences.

From there, it's just a short, steep, slippery ride to the complete "Europeanization" of deer and deer hunting in Texas.

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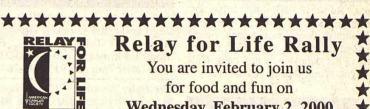
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All citizens, organizations or businesses are invited to attend and provide the council with written or oral comments on possible uses of approximately \$104,000.00 of hotel occupancy revenue expected by the city during 2000. 2127b

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Request For Bids

Notice is hereby given that the Sutton County Hospital District will receive bids for 1 Portable X Ray machine and 1 fixed Radiographic and Fluoroscopic equipment installed. All bids must be sealed and addressed to: Sutton County Hospital, Assistant Administrator. The bid envelope must be clearly marked "Bid-Portable x-ray" and a separate envelope marked "Bid-Radiographic and Fluoroscopic equipment" and returned to the Assistant Administrator, Hudspeth, Sonora, Texas 76950, prior to 12 noon Feb. 23, 2000, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read. The Sutton County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Inquires should be directed to Dianne Dower, Administrator, 915-387-2521.

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Invitation For Bids

Notice is hereby given that the City of Sonora is now calling for bids for a 2000 Cab and Chassis for the Fire Department. Specifications may be obtained from the City Secretary's Office, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas 76950. All bids must be sealed and addressed to the City Secretary. The bid envelope must be clearly marked "BID - Fire Department Truck" and returned to the City Secretary office prior to February 15, 2000 at 2:00 p.m., at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read by the City Council. The City of Sonora reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 2127b

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