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Turner Campaign Makes Stop During Swing Through District

State Representative Bob Turner (D-Voss) stopped in Sonora on the fourth day of his 6-day, 17-county tour of House District 73. He visited with people from across the county about their concerns in regard to education, water, property rights, and rural health care.

"It's always a pleasure to get to see my friends and discuss with them, the issues that affect rural Texas," said Bob Turner.

Constituents visited with Rep. Turner about issues ranging from health care to tax relief. Turner said that he was proud to support tax cuts, which put more money back in the pockets of Texas families. He went on to say that there is a plan in the works to provide prescription drug benefits for more Texas seniors.

This is the second tour Turner has made through his district since

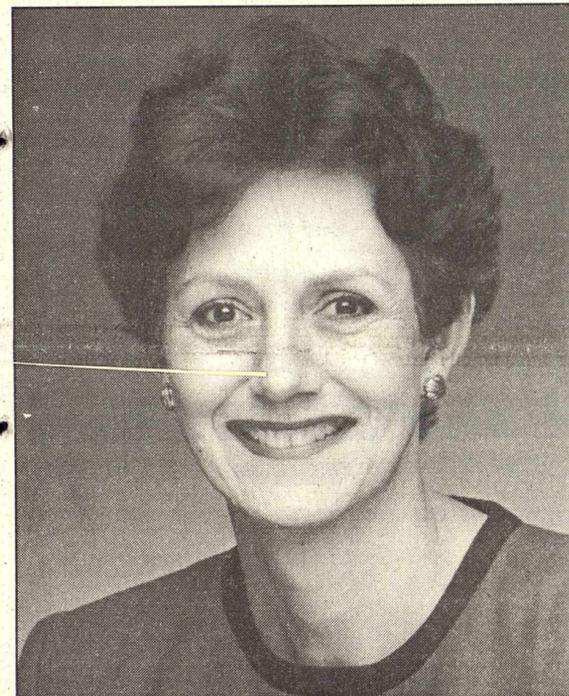


Bob Turner stopped in Sonora to discuss issues with the community.

the close of the 76th legislative session. He said that it is a necessity for legislators to take the time to listen to their constituents' concerns.

"It is important to keep rural folks representing rural folks," Turner concluded.

Commissioner Combs Holds Town Meeting



Susan Combs

by Storie Sharp
Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs was in Sonora on Tuesday, October 10, 2000 to discuss issues that are affecting Texas agriculture and rural communities, mainly water issues, the federal farm bill, and rural economic development with possible additions to income.

This stop was part of Combs' "Town Hall Meetings" that she is holding throughout rural Texas. The meeting gave local ranchers a chance to pose questions to Commissioner Combs that they might have on the future of agriculture and where they, as a rural rancher, stand today. Combs commented "If I'm not listening and engaging in conversation, then I'm not doing my job."

By hearing what the people have to say and what their main concerns are, Combs has fuel to fight with when up against the Legislature. Combs said that these meetings are a good way to remind people that legislative is coming and their voices need to be heard in order to make a difference. She also said that she wants to be sure that the legislature doesn't forget those way out here in West Texas.

Susan Combs is a fourth generation Texas rancher that has a cow-calf operation on her family's 100-year old ranch in Brewster County. Recently Commissioner Combs has launched a plan to enhance the Texas agricultural industry and to strengthen its position in the global marketplace well into the 21st century. The GO TEXAN promotional and advertising campaign promotes Texas agricultural products and will enhance Texas agriculture by establishing marketing partnerships between the Texas Department of Agriculture and producers, commodity organizations, cooperatives and small businesses.

"Make A Difference" in Sonora

"Make A Difference Day" is scheduled for Saturday, October 28, 2000. This is the second annual "Make A Difference Day" cleanup. Last year's cleanup was a huge success and the hard work was rewarded with \$2,000, which was donated to the American Cancer Society.

Volunteers are needed to help with the following: weedeaters, rakes, hoes, lawn mowers, hand saws and tree trimmers.

Any and all help would be greatly appreciated, even if it is only a word of encouragement. Everyone will meet in the big tent in front of the Catholic Church and work will begin at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday.

Hope to see you there!

All Scouts that received popcorn forms in the mail need to return them to your den leader or the DRN office ASAP. The date to start selling popcorn is Oct. 23 and the forms should not have been mailed to each scout. Leaders will distribute the forms at the appropriate time.

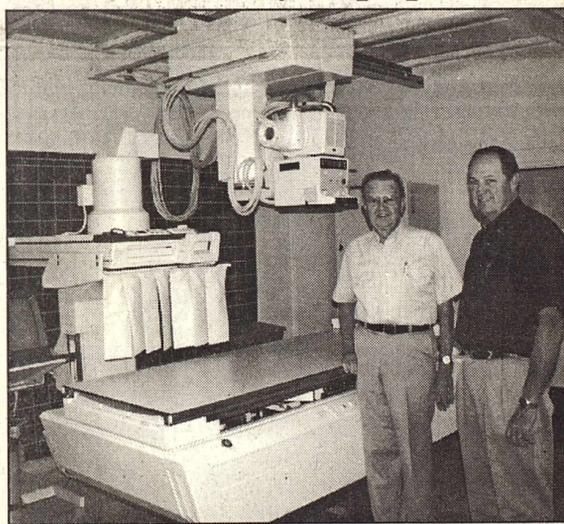
Broncos Have New Lucky Entrance



Michael Kissire's Ag-Mechanics class at Sonora High School recently completed the new entrance way at Bronco Stadium. Bronco fans now enter through an 8' by 6.5' red metal horseshoe to go watch a Bronco game. The project was designed by the Ag. Department, with assistance from Lee Bloodworth and was sponsored by the Bronco Booster Club.

Hospital Receives New X-ray Equipment

Alvis Johnson M.D., President, Board of Directors, Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital and Thomas J. Early, President, San Angelo Health Foundation stand in front of the newly installed x-ray equipment at the hospital. The new x-ray room was purchased with \$149,500 received from San Angelo Health Foundation. The generous gift of Myrtle Williams in honor of her parents, William Harden Williams and Mary Eveline Holmes Williams, made this bequest through the San Angelo Health Foundation possible. Plaques have been mounted on the wall outside the x-ray room recognizing: The Williams Estate through the San Angelo Health Foundation, Burlington Industries, Mr. Bruce Redwine, The Redwine Foundation, and Dr. and Mrs. Alvis Johnson. The Hospital is grateful to everyone that contributed to our new portable x-ray machine and our new Radiographic and Fluoroscopic room.



Continuing Education Classes Offered In Sonora

The Sonora Chamber of Commerce along with the Angelo State University Division of Continuing Studies are working together to bring more continuing education courses to Sonora. The Fall courses that will be offered are: Introduction to Windows 98, Introduction to Windows 98 for People Over 50, and Intermediate Windows 98.

Introduction to Windows 98
Windows 98 makes computing easier with Start button access to major functions. You can learn the basics of Windows 98 including how to activate programs, manage open programs, and manage your files, as well as how to set up your computer to fit the way you work. Prerequisite: Experience with DOS-based systems. Class meets Tuesday and Thursday, October 17 and 19, from 1 to 4 p.m. \$41

Introduction to Windows 98 for People Over 50

This introductory Windows class shows you the newest features of the graphical user interface. You can learn the basics of Windows including the Start button with easy program activation, managing programs, setting up your computer for easiest access, internet access, and many other features. Some prior experience with a computer is preferred. Class meets Tuesdays and Thursdays, November 14-28, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. (excluding November 23). \$54

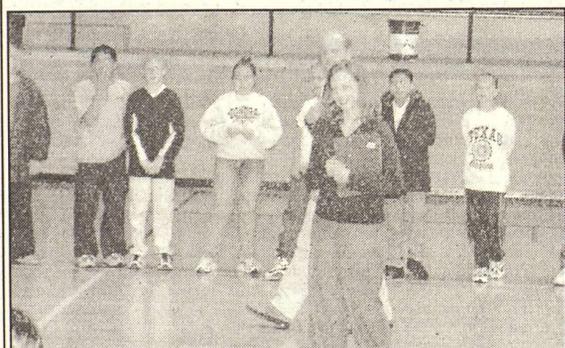
Intermediate Windows 98

You can learn more expanded uses of Windows 98 from file management and manipulation to operating system enhancements. You also can learn how to optimize Windows 98 to run smoothly and efficiently

on your personal computer. Specific topics include advanced operations such as file structure, disk management, DOS mode operations, correcting problems, and using keyboard shortcuts to save time. Prerequisite: Introduction to Windows 98. Class meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays, November 14-28, from 1 to 4 p.m. (excluding November 23). \$79

All classes will be directed by experienced instructors and each student will be provided a lap top computer to use for the class. All classes will be held at the First National Bank Annex Building. If you would like to take any of these classes, simply fill out the following form and mail it to the address at the bottom of the form. If you have any questions, you may call the chamber of commerce at 387-2880.

Treasure Island Selects Cast



The leaders from the Missoula Children's Theatre chose the parts for Treasure Island on Monday.

Follow young Jim Hawkins and his friends as they sail a dangerous sea of adventure with Long John Silver and his pirate band at the helm on Saturday, October 14th when Missoula Children's Theatre and over 50 local students present an original musical adaptation of Robert Louis Stevenson's epic novel TREASURE ISLAND.

The local cast features Eric Welch as Jim Hawkins and Colton Moore, Megan Maxwell, Stacy Sanchez, Monica Traylor, Brady Welch, Kelsey Watkins, and Samantha Tidwell as the rollicking Pirate crew. Jim's six Sisters are played by Hunter Jennings, Amanda Berry, Steely Ingham, Jordan Miller, Madeline Higdon, and Kayla Fields, while Meghan Krieg, JJ Galindo, and Chelsea Martinez are featured as his Ruffian friends. The cuddly Gulls are played by Kash McGee, Courtney James, Rose Kams, Rae Welch, Gunter Pennington, Stella Ingham, Madison Myers, Clayton Parks, Stephen Bedwell, Stephen

Dominguez, Michael Sanchez, Marcy Parks, Sidney Dermody, Kelsey Favila, Abby Creek, and Marissa Bielto while the seacoast Villagers are Carrie Nicholas, Whitney Perez, McKenzie Perez, Antonio Torres, Clayton Sahr, Sara Gillit, Kayla Webb, Kaitlyn Henderson, Alyssa Favila, David Lane, Bailey Pennington, Colyer Dermody, Cassie Krieg, Bethany Berry, Vicky Torres, Jennifer Sanders, Karley Frazier, Lindsey Frazier, and Stephani Morriss.

TREASURE ISLAND will be presented at 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Sonora High School Auditorium. Tickets are \$7.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children and are available at Lisa's Flowers and Gifts, Tedford Jewelry, Business Basics and at the door.

TREASURE ISLAND was originally developed by the Missoula Children's Theatre in partnership with the Montana Power Foundation. For more information, call Carolyn Welch at 387-9040.

Sonora Classes Registration - Fall 2000

Please type or print. You may register for as many classes as you wish. This form may be duplicated as necessary.

Course Title	Begin Date	Fee	Name: _____
_____	_____	_____	Address: _____
_____	_____	_____	City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
_____	_____	_____	Social Security Number: _____
_____	_____	_____	Telephone: (home) _____ (work) _____

Payment Method

- Check Make your check or money order payable to Angelo State University
- MasterCard Card Number: _____
- VISA Exp. Date: _____
- Signature: _____

Mail or FAX this completed form with your payment to:
Division of Continuing Studies
P.O. Box 11022, ASU Station
San Angelo, TX 76909
Telephone: 915-942-2339
Fax: 915-942-2023

Sonora Church Directory

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Rick Sanchez
504 Santa Clara
387-2035

CHURCH OF CHRIST
304 N. Water
387-3190

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
T. Wayne Price
Pastor
404 E Oak
387-2951

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. Ted W. Harris
404 E. Poplar
387-2955

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Suzanne Steves, Pastor
201 N. Water
387-2466

TEMPLO JERUSALEM ASAMBLEA DE DIOS
Rev. Santos Beserra, Jr.
306 W. 4th St.
387-5713

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

NEW LIFE MINISTRY CENTER
Jerry & Joy Wood
204 E. Main
387-3241

LA IGLESIA HISPANA PENTECOSTAL DEL NOMBRE DE JESUS, INC.
Pastor
Hector A. Portillo
807 Orient Ave.
387-6065

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319 E. Mulberry
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Pastor
509 Amistad
387-5266

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229 W. Plum
387-2278

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

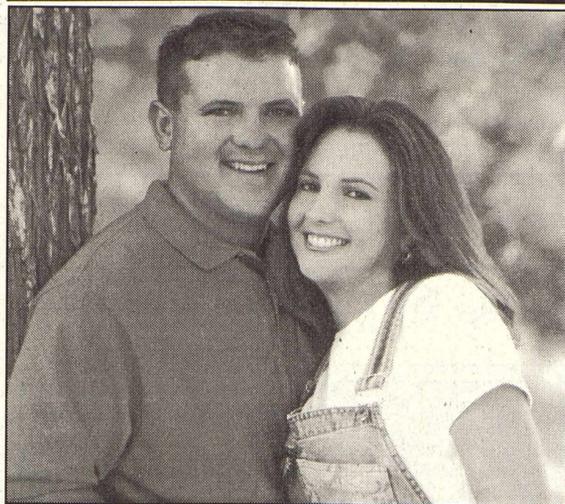
NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
Don Seigler
511 Cornell
387-5207

SONORA FAMILY FAITH CENTER
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115 N CONCHO
SONORA, TX 76950
(915)387-2549

Kerbow Funeral Home
387-2266

Engagement



Mayer - Childress

Megan Leigh Mayer of Sonora, TX and John Clayton Childress of Ozona, TX will be married on December 30, 2000 at First Presbyterian Church in San Angelo, TX.
Parents of the engaged couple are Mr. Ernest Mayer and the late Carol B. Mayer and the late Mr. Johnny Childress.
Miss Mayer is a 1996 graduate of Sonora High School and a candidate for December graduation from Texas Tech University with a degree in Early Childhood Education and also attended Texas Christian University.
Her fiancé is a 1996 graduate of Ozona High School and attended Angelo State University.

Cards of Thanks

The Spanish Classes at Sonora High School would like to thank Homer Lozano Jr. for taking time out from his military leave to share with the students stories of his military experience. Good luck in your training.

On behalf of the Faculty and Staff of Sonora High School I would like to extend a big THANK YOU to all the parents that attended the "Parent Round-Up" Tuesday evening. It was a huge success and the covered dish meal was wonderful. The great turnout of over 100 parents shows how much you care about your children's education. Please remember that our doors are always open for parents to stop by and visit the high school campus.

Sincerely,
Brant Myers
Sonora High School Principal

Ronnie Cox
would like to be
your pharmacist.

Birth Announcement

It's A Girl!

Westley Ray and Walker Ryan Lipham are proud to announce the birth of their baby sister,
Wheless Ranay Lipham.
Wheless was born at 7:20 a.m. on August 23, 2000.
She weighed 6 lb. 14 ozs. and was 20" long.
Proud parents are Marty and Darla Lipham
Grandparents are Steve and Frances Tackel and Rita Lipham, all of Sonora.
Great-Grandmothers are Oda Mae Spring of Sonora and Emilie Tackel of Paradise.
Wheless is welcomed by numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.



Senior Center News

- Oct. 16 - Bingo!
- Oct. 17 - City Council 2:00 p.m. CEAP 11:00 a.m. - ? Energy Assist.
- Oct. 18 - Van to San Angelo! Call Lilia now!
- Oct. 20 - Birthday Party for October babies! Maggie Mesa donated birthday cake! Thank You!

Senior Menu

- Oct. 16 - Beef stew with vegetables, sweet peas, crackers, peaches, chocolate pudding.
- Oct. 17 - Baked ham, glazed candy sweet potatoes, summer squash, wheat rolls, fresh fruit cup.
- Oct. 18 - Chicken fried steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, roll, orange.
- Oct. 19 - Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, broccoli, wheat rolls, fruit cocktail.
- Oct. 20 - Fried catfish with tartar sauce, corn, tomato casserole, spinach roll, jello with fruit.

Lunch is served Monday thru Friday at 12:00 Noon. \$1.50 donation is suggested for those 60+ and \$4.00 for others.

Weddings



Hearn - Wolff

Laura Susan Hearn of Sonora and Timothy Orvon Wolff of Gonzales exchanged wedding vows on Saturday, August 5, 2000 at the First Baptist Church in Gonzales with the Rev. Don Sessom officiating over the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Allen (Hoot) and Kathy Hearn of Sonora. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hearn of Sonora and Ann Rogers of Iraan and the late Bailey A. Rogers.

The groom is the son of Robert (Bubba) and Sandra Wolff of Gonzales. He is the grandson of Adell McGinty of Gonzales and the late L.O. McGinty and the late Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wolff.

Pianist for the ceremony was Vicky Richardson of College Station. Soloist, Candie Sessom Welch of Del Rio, sang "Holy Ground".

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor length Peau De Soie wedding gown with full length train featuring a sweetheart neckline and long sleeves tapering to a point. The sleeves and bodice had an overlay of sheer lace accented with pearls and sequins. The back was connected with strands of pearls. The bride wore a matching veil of double layered tulle edged with pearls that fell from a halo of tiny flowers accented with pearls. The bride carried a cascading arrangement of white flowers including Eskimo Roses, Mini Calla Lilies, Freesias, Tulips, Queen Ann Lace and Oriental Lilies. Larkspur with foliage including Italian Ruscus, Plumosa and leather leaf ferns. Wired pearl strands and pearl edged crystalline ribbons accented the bouquet. The bride also carried her great-great grandmother's blue handkerchief.

Tina Tyler attended the bride as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were LeAnn Wolff of Gonzales, sister-in-law of the groom, Jenny Purvis Kneuper of Bryan, Trish Bauerlien of San Angelo and Wendy Cox of Seguin, sister of the groom. The attendants wore slender floor length gowns of navy velvet with draped necklines and open backs. They carried bouquets of silk burgundy roses. Serving as flowergirl was Jordyn Bauerlein of San Angelo. Ringbearer was the groom's nephew, Boone Cox.

Ray Morgan served as the groom's best man. Groomsmen were Matt Wolff of Gonzales, brother of the groom, Marty Thomas of Austin, Kennon Schuhert of Gonzales and Steven Filla of Victoria.

A reception, dinner and dance was held following the ceremony at the American Legion Hall in Gonzales. Following a wedding trip to Las Vegas, Nevada, the couple will reside in College Station.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of Sonora High School, and is presently employed at College Station Medical Center.

The groom is a 1995 graduate of Gonzales High School, and is presently pursuing a degree in Civil Engineering at Texas A & M. He is currently employed at Carlomagno Surveying.

90th Birthday

Please join us for a come & go
90th Birthday Celebration
honoring
Trouba Kaplan
Saturday, October 14, 2000
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Sonora Fire Hall
No gifts please • Casual dress

Family Reunion

The Hamer/Hamer family gathered together at Waco, Texas on September 23, 2000, for a memorable reunion. The reunion was held at the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum, where a display commemorating the four Hamer brothers who had served as Texas Rangers was unveiled at the museum during the reunion. The brothers were Dennis Estill Hamer, Frank Hamer, Harrison Hamer, and Flavious L. Hamer. The daughter of Harrison Hamer, Wilna Hamer Schwiening of Roosevelt, Texas attended the reunion and was joined by her children Aline Gilbert of Cedar Creek, Curt Schwiening Jr. and wife Betty of Sonora, and Marla Tisdell of Roosevelt. Great grandchildren John Gilbert, Michael Gilbert, Mickey Gilbert and son Cade, Allison Mirike and Elba Schwiening also attended. 120 descendants of Harrison Hamer, Flavious Hamer and Alma Dell Hamer Cumbe attended, traveling from across the United States. Also attending was Mike Cox, author of *Texas Ranger Tales* who signed books for the family.

Dining Out Directory

El Torito #2
1005 N. Crockett
387-9525

La Mexicana
240 N. Hwy 277
387-3401

Los Jarritos
605 S. Crockett
387-2838

Pizza Hut
401 Hwy. 277 N.
387-3540

Rosie's Cafe
207 Glasscock Ave
387-5552

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

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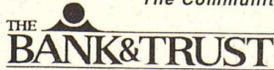
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- Oct. 14
Missoula Children's Theater
Treasure Island Performances - 3:00 & 7:00 p.m.
- Oct. 16
Sutton County 4-H Banquet
6:00 p.m. • 4-H Civic Center
- Oct. 18
Early School Dismissal 1:00 p.m.
- Oct. 23
First day of early voting by personal appearance for Nov. 7 general election, Sutton County Annex.

The Community Calendar



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Calendar

- Oct. 28
11:00 a.m. The Sons and Daughters of the Confederacy Memorial Marker Dedication at the Sonora Cemetery for Joseph Terry
- Oct. 28
Make a Difference Day
St. Ann's Catholic Church 7:30 a.m.
- Oct. 31
Fall Festival - Main Street - 5:15 p.m.
- Al-Anon Meeting
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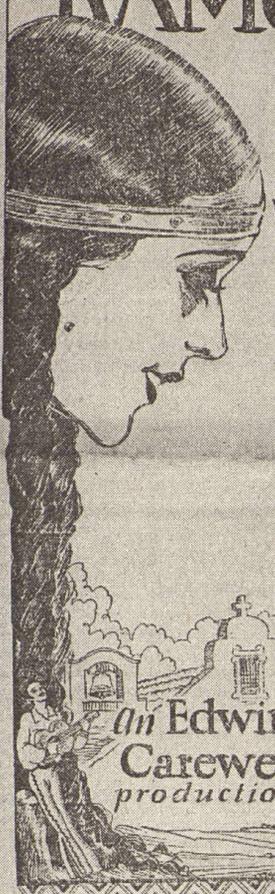
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OCTOBER, 25 & 26.

This ad was run in the 1928 issue of The Devil's River News.

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer, Secretary
Q. Do you have any information on the movie house that opened in the Mexican section in the 1920's?

A. Devil's River News, January 13, 1928

John Velasquez of Sonora this week showed the first film to be shown in his new motion picture theatre recently opened in the Mexican portion of Sonora. The house will seat 160 persons, and was well attended the opening night, Velasquez said. Pictures will be shown on Wednesday and Saturday night. A full range of pictures will be shown. No name as yet has been selected for the new show house, and Velasquez will conduct a con-

test among the Mexicans, to choose a suitable name. A prize of a free pass for one month will be given to the person submitting the best name, Velasquez said.

Devil's River News, April 27, 1928

John Velasquez, proprietor of the Valencia Theatre, and one of the most prominent leaders among the Mexican population in Sonora, stated to the News this week that Cinco De Mayo, the fifth day of May, Mexico's Independence day, would be celebrated here with a big dance at his theatre.

He will also give a free matinee that afternoon. Everyone is invited. Mr. Velasquez has been improving his theatre for the past

few months and now ranks second to none among the Mexican theatres in West Texas. He is installing a cooling system this week which will add much to the comfort for the Mexican movie fans.

Note: The La Vista Theatre was in the other moving picture house at that time.

Q. What did Marion Archer die from?

A. Devil's River News, July 7, 1928

Marion Archer, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Archer of this place, was called by the death angel Monday at noon. Marion had been suffering with leakage of the heart for several years and a few months ago kept getting worse until the end came. Deceased was one of the most likeable young men in Sonora. He was always trying to do some deed for his loved ones and himself. Deceased was survived by his parents, seven brothers, Emmett, Duard, Dorsey, G. W. Jr., Francis, Lester and Edward, four sisters, Mrs. Cliff Johnson, Lida, Stella Mae and Ina.

Q. Did the Devil's River News run anything on the marriage Sid Roberts and Vera Ellis in June of 1926?

A. Devil's River News, July 17, 1926

A message from Fredericksburg that caused much surprise to relatives and friends here was the telling of the marriage of Mr. Sid Roberts and Miss Vera Ellis at that place on June 22. Mr. Roberts is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Roberts now living at Rocksprings but recently from Barksdale community where the groom has spent the greater part of his life. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mrs. G. W. Ellis and is a descendant of one of the pioneer families of Edwards County, the greater part of her life being spent on the Ellis ranch on West Nueces, and is highly regarded by all who know her. That life has much joy and happiness in store for them is the hearty wish of their friends.- Camp Wood Messenger

Q. Do you have any information on a builder named Charles Sievers?

A. In the same issue we finally found an answer to this question: Charles S. Sievers, formerly of Sonora, but for the past ten years has been living in Del Rio, Texas died in Del Rio Monday, July 1, aged 65 years. The body was shipped to Lewiston, Ill., his old home for burial. He is survived by his wife and daughter, Mrs. Gordon Watson, Del Rio. Charlie Sievers lived in Sonora several years and was a building contractor, and he superintended the building of the addition to the Sonora School. Note: The Old Rock School.

Q. Who were the children of Louis S. Hoggett?

A. On November 7, 1888 Louis Hoggett married Teresa Griffin in Gonzales County. They had nine children, eight of which survived: Mansfield, Martin, Jack, Pierce,

Roy, Mrs. Tom Davis, Etta, Mrs. Ruth Lee Eaton.

Q. Where was the Scofield School?

A. The Scofield Home School for Girls was held in Kerrville and was established in 1909 by a Miss Scofield who felt that the girls of west Texas should have a place where they could be instructed in all branches that would fit them for lives of usefulness. Because of the limited enrollment each girl received an exceptional amount of individual instruction. The building of character through religious instruction and close contact with Christian teachers was emphasized.

Q. Do you have anything on the marriage of Finegan and Fawcett in 1926?

A. Last Saturday night at 9 o'clock O. D. Finegan and Miss Brancie Fawcett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Fawcett were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents in Del Rio, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. F. H. Stalknecht, rector of the Episcopal Church. The young couple immediately left for San Antonio in the grooms car and returned home Tuesday. Mr. Finegan's home is in Austin, but he came to Del Rio a year and a half ago from Yoakum to manage the local Woolworth store. He is a good business man and has made many friends here. Mrs. Finegan is the daughter of one of the most successful ranchmen in the county. She is a lovely young lady and popular with the people in Del Rio and vicinity. - Del Rio Herald.

When it was a slow news week locally the editors of local papers often reported news from other papers. We were fortunate to find several out of town marriages that were written up and gave us the answers to several questions in this weeks column.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history send them to "Ask the Historical Society," P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or e-mail them to schs@sonorax.net. You may call me any day but Wednesday at 915-387-2855 and please let the phone ring a while. I just had another, #34, operation and am moving very, very slowly right now.

Don't forget to mark your calendar for Oct. 28, at 11 a.m. That is when the Sons and Daughters of the Confederacy will have a special memorial marker dedication at the Sonora Cemetery for Joseph Terry (1843-1902). Dee Ora Masonic Lodge, Sons of the Republic of Texas and a guest speaker from East Texas will also participate in the ceremony. The family wishes to invite the public to attend this most interesting and informative event.

Period costumes will be worn by the Sons and Daughters of the Confederacy and a program presented on the activities of Mr. Terry during the Civil War.

October Is Breast Cancer Awareness Month



Washington, D.C. - U.S. Representative Henry Bonilla, R - Texas

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. This is a good time for us to learn and remind ourselves about the serious facts surrounding this disease and to look ahead to the promising news about breast cancer research.

The widespread impact of breast cancer is staggering. Every year, almost 184,000 American women are diagnosed with breast cancer and more than 44,000 will die from the disease. These are not just faceless women. They are our wives, our mothers, our sisters and our daughters. Breast cancer has become the leading killer of women aged 35-44.

Breast cancer is not just a war fought by the families directly affected by it. It is every American's war to win. Each year breast cancer costs this country \$6 billion in medical costs and lost productivity. When it comes to this disease, no one can afford to take a "that won't happen to me" attitude.

It's unfortunate, but sometimes our federal government wastes time and money on trivial causes. But if there's one thing it should be dedicating time towards, it's searching for cures to deadly diseases - such as breast cancer. I am proud to sit on two subcommittees in Congress that fund breast cancer research, the House Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Subcommittee, and the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee.

Cancer research is a national priority. That is why Congress has consistently provided necessary and ample funding to expand breast cancer research through the National Cancer Institute and the National Institutes of Health.

The good news is that researchers are making exciting new strides in breast cancer research. Genes responsible for inheritable breast cancer have been isolated. New drugs like tamoxifen lower the risk of developing the disease in high risk women. And scientists are developing a better understanding of the cancer cell itself. We now have the armor and weapons needed for the fight against this disease.

There's still a lot we don't know about breast cancer. But what we do know is that early detection and treatment is essential to winning the war against this terrible disease. The number of women dying each year from breast cancer is declining. The experts tell us that this is a direct reflection of the recent increase in early detection and treatment of breast cancer. Let's keep that trend going.

I encourage everyone to learn more about breast cancer this month.

Through education, research and sheer tenacity, we can work together to help the millions of women and their families whose lives are threatened by breast cancer.

Claudia Dempsey Continues to Improve in Colorado

Claudia Dempsey is continuing to recuperate at the University Hospital in Denver, Colorado. She is more responsive and alert at this time and would truly appreciate any letters or cards. Her address is:

University of Colorado Hospital
4200 E. 9th
Denver, CO. 80262
Attn: Claudia Dempsey - ICU 409

Don't forget the Dallas Cowboy ticket drawing to benefit the Dempsey family. A \$1.00 donation will buy you a chance for the "Cowboys vs. Redskins" game on Sunday, December 10, 2000 at 3:15 p.m. (Row 6 on the 45 yard line). The drawing will be held during the Sutton Co. Game Dinner. You can purchase your chances at the following locations: image apparel, Westerman Drug, Sutton County Steakhouse, Tedford Jewelry, Ol' Sonora Trading Co., Ronda's Styling Haus.

Breast Cancer

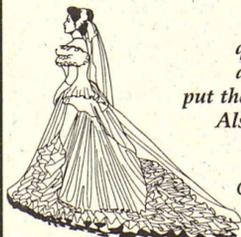
Every 13 minutes a woman dies of breast cancer. Early detection of breast cancer, through monthly breast self-exam and particularly yearly mammography after age 40, offers the best chance for survival. **October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month!**

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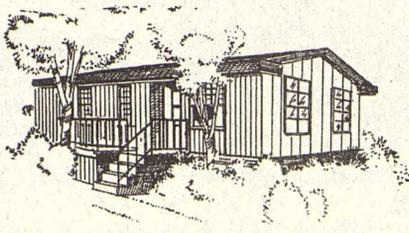
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**Booster Club to
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A chili dinner fundraiser will be held on Friday, October 20, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. to benefit the Sonora High School boys and girls athletics teams. Join us in the high school commons for a delicious chili dinner, including beans, cornbread, home-made pie and a drink, before the Grape Creek vs. Sonora football game! Tickets are \$6 for a large plate and \$4 for a small plate, and are available in advance at Ronda's Styling Haus, 712 S. Crockett, or by calling Melinda Crain, 387-3721. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door. Take-out plates are also available. The dinner is sponsored by the Bronco Booster Club.

**Elderly West Texans
Urged to Participate
in Health Poll**

Lubbock-Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center will conduct the largest health poll to date of elderly West Texas residents. The poll is being funded through a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Administration on Aging. The poll, which will be conducted during the months of October through December, will assess health status, access to health care, health concerns, and health needs of a cross section of 5000 West Texans who are 65 years of age or older.

"Because of its scope, we believe this poll can have a major impact on the future availability of health care and health services for elderly residents of West Texas. However, the poll's credibility depends upon the willingness of these citizens to respond to our questions," said James Rohrer, Ph.D., director of the Texas Tech 5000 Senior Poll.

Rohrer said the results of the poll will be used to help channel health program and funding where they are needed most, and to assist in identifying and assessing the needs of elderly West Texans, particularly ethnic minorities and those who live in small towns and rural areas.

The poll will be conducted by telephone in English or Spanish according to the desires of the respondents. "The questions are straightforward and should be fairly easy to answer. The questions will ask for basic demographic information and for such information as the respondent's current health condition, number of recent doctor or hospital visits, and difficulties in accessing health care," said Rohrer. Rohrer emphasized the confidential nature of the survey. "No one is going to be using the information we obtain to try to sell anyone anything," he said. "The poll results are going to be carefully analyzed by Texas Tech staff members and made available, without personal identifiers, to health policy makers, health officials, and others at the state and federal level with responsibility for addressing the health needs and concerns of the elderly."

For more information, please contact James Rohrer, Ph.D., director, Texas Tech 5000 Senior Poll at (806) 743-3013 or Suzanna Cisneros-Martinez, associate director, News and Publications at (806) 743-2143.

VOTE!!

Note: Early Voting has been moved to open Saturday, October 21, 2000 from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Oct. 21 - First day of early voting by personal appearance for Nov. 7 General Election, Sutton County Annex.
Oct 31 - Last Day for Early Voting Clerk to receive application for ballot by mail for Nov. 7 General Election. Call 387-3815 for an application.
Nov. 3 - Last day of early voting by personal appearance for Nov. 7 General Election, Sutton County Annex.
Nov. 7 - General Election Day

F.Y.I.

The Benefit Golf Scramble for the Volunteer Fire Department had been rescheduled for Saturday, October 14, 2000 with a 1:00 p.m. tee time. For more information call the Sonora Golf Club at 387-3680.

A benefit lunch for Homer Lozano will be October 15, 2000 at the St. Ann's Catholic Church Parish Hall. A \$5.00 donation will get you a Bar-B-Que plate of brisket and all the trimmings prepared by the Knights of Columbus. All the food is being donated by the Lozano and the Castilleja families.

The District Site-Base Meeting scheduled for Oct. 4th at 4:00 p.m. has been re-scheduled for Oct. 11th at 4:00 p.m. at the Sonora Middle School Bldg. Computer Lab room #203.

The Sonora PIP's Program will begin soon! Students in grades Kindergarten thru 6th may pick up registration forms in the school offices Oct. 5 - 20. The PIP's Camp will be held on October 29 from 1:00 - 5:00. The deadline to register is Oct. 20. No late registrations will be accepted! The cost is \$55.00 and includes T-shirt, shorts, basketball, and camp. Payment must be made at time of registration. Spaces are available for 70 students! Register today and be ready for a great season!!

Sonora Elementary PTA will be selling raffle tickets for a Super Bow cap autographed by Dallas Cowboy quarterback Troy Aikman. Tickets will be sold by Sonora Elementary students and will also be available at home football games. Tickets will be sold for \$1.00. The drawing will be held November 3 during the Sonora vs. Wall game at Bronco Stadium. Proceeds will go to Sonora Elementary PTA, which supports programs at the elementary school both financially and with volunteers. Programs such as reading, UIL and incentives to encourage students to perform at their best are supported. Buy your tickets and help support our future!

The First Annual State Wide Outing for Texas Outdoors Woman Network will take place October 20, 21, & 22 at the Texas Tech University Facility in Junction, TX. The three-day event will include all the Texas chapters of TOWN - you do not have to be a member to attend. There will be many classes and outdoor events: canoe trips, fly fishing, hiking, a trip to the Caverns of Sonora and a big campfire with smores! Go to www.3.ttc.ttu.edu/junction/ or www.main.org/town/calendar.html!

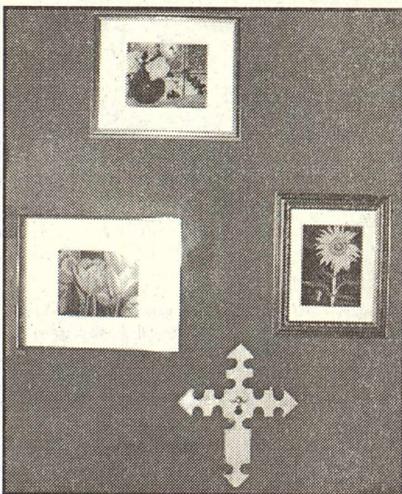
US Hwy 277 is now closed to through traffic between Del Rio and Sonora. All north and southbound traffic on US 277 is now detoured through Rocksprings via SH 55 and US 377.

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- October 13**
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- October 14**
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- October 15**
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- October 16**
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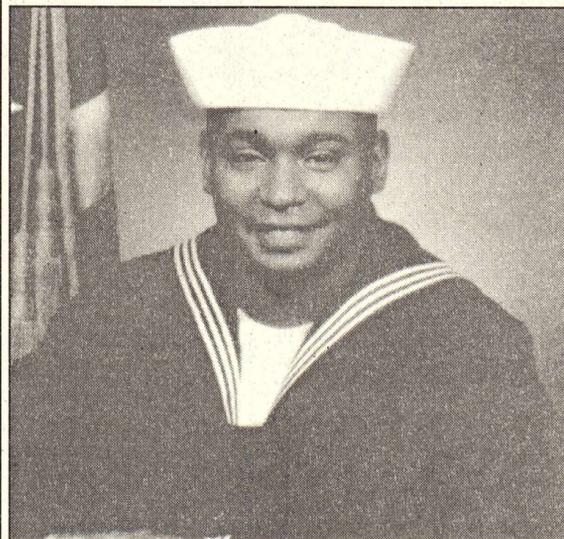
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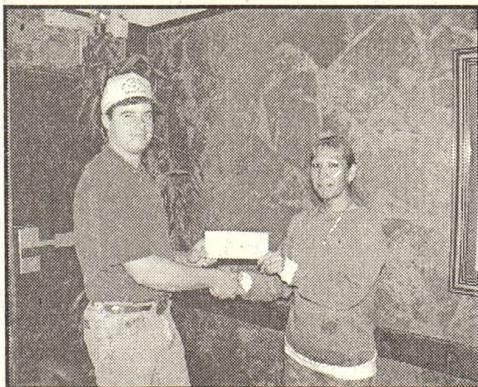
Rosa and Alvaro DeHoyos of Sonora, TX are proud to announce the enlistment of their grandson into the U.S. Navy.

Seaman Recruit Nabi O. Smith, a resident of San Angelo, along with his wife Jessica, daughter Zia and son Marcos, are to be stationed in Virginia Beach, VA during his five year term.

Mother Irma A. Floyd, a resident of Houston, TX and stepfather George Edward Floyd of San Angelo are very proud of their son's accomplishments so far.

After completing boot camp in Chicago, Ill. at the Great Lakes Naval Recruiting Station, Smith received his honors pendant for being one of the top 5 of his class. He completed his schooling in Pensacola, FL. Smith is an Aviation Machinist Mate and is looking forward to Navy life.

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Fall Festival

The annual Fall Festival is set for October 31, 2000 on Sonora's Main Street.

The Story Book Character Parade line up is at 5:15 p.m., with the parade starting at 5:30 p.m. Prizes will be given for best character.

In addition to the parade there will be food, fun games, contests, prizes and lots of activities. The Sonora Independent School District, Merchants Association, and the Sonora Main Street Program would like to encourage everyone to come be a part of the 2000 Fall Festival. The festival will be from 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. Proceeds will go to support special programs and clubs in our Sonora Schools, Headstart Program and local youth groups.

**School Lunch Menu
Oct. 16 - 20**

- Breakfast**
- Mon. - Waffles, syrup, fresh fruit.
 - Tues. - Breakfast pizza, assorted juice.
 - Wed. - Scrambled eggs, toast, juice.
 - Thurs. - Cinnamon roll, assorted juice.
 - Fri. - Bean & cheese burrito, juice.
- Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts.**
- Lunch**
- Mon. - Chili cheese dog, baked beans, peaches, cookies.
 - Tues. - Grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, lime jello fruit, crackers.
 - Wed. - Beef tacos/cheese, pinto beans, tossed salad, cherry cobbler.
 - Thurs. - Fish nuggets, macaroni & cheese, broccoli, spiced apples.
 - Fri. - Chicken on bun, lettuce, tomatoes, chips, pickles, tator tots, mixed fruit.

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High School Cross Country News

by Andi Allen
 The Sonora High School Cross Country team has been practicing since the third week of August in order to prepare for the district Cross Country meet in Carlsbad on October 23.

Consisting of seven boys and nine girls, the team runs at least three miles per day. Some members run as many as seven miles a day for optimum conditioning and for fun.

"None of our runners are required to do this for any other sport," Cross Country coach Eddie Favila said. "All of them just enjoy doing it."

There are three scheduled practices every weekday, and runners choose during which practice they run. Those who practice at 5:30 a.m. run in front of the Junior High, and during the after school and evening

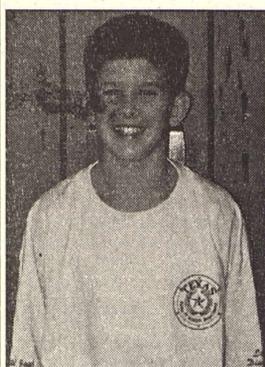
practices, team members run around the football field or at the golf course.

So far the team has competed in five meets. The boys run 3 miles and the girls run 2 miles per competition. During the Ozona meet on October 7, Cody Ainsworth placed 17th and Joe Oliden placed 23rd in the boys' division, and Shalayne Hobbs placed 9th in the girls' division. Approximately 120 runners competed.

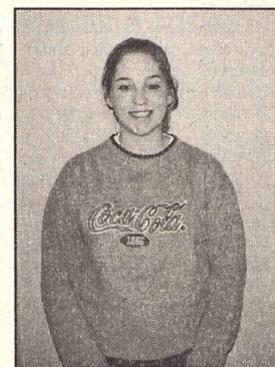
The next Cross Country meet will be held in Sonora this Saturday, October 14th at the golf course.

"We want to get the sport of Cross Country introduced to the community," Favila said. "We had the Fun Run during Sutton County Days, and we wanted to have this meet here so that people can come out and see what these kids can do."

Band Students of the Week



Junior High band member of the week is **Ty Love**. Ty plays trombone and drums in the 7th grade band. He is a good student that always does what is needed to make the band better.



High School band member of the week is **Brittany Longoria**. Brittany is an excellent flute player and a leader in the band. She works hard at making the band the best.

The band will be performing at the Judson Band contest on Saturday, October 14. We will be leaving the school at 6:00 A.M.

ATTENTION: If you graduated from Sonora High School and you played in the band, we would like to put on an alumni show for the last home game which will be on November 3rd against Wall. Anyone who is interested please contact Sonora High School.

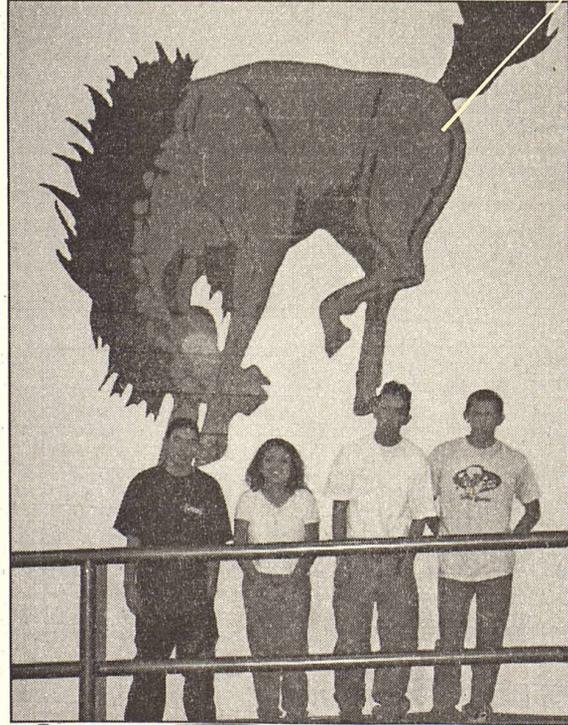
Hawks Swoop the Colts

Last Thursday night the 7th grade Colts traveled to Wall to face a large and very good Wall Hawks team. Overwhelmed by the size of the Hawks, the Colts found themselves down with a halftime score of 22-0. Showing their pride and enthusiasm, the Colts came out of halftime ready to play. An inspired Colt defense kept Wall out of the endzone for the entire second half. The Colts played the Hawks to a standstill in the half, and the game ended with a final score of 22-0. The loss puts the 7th graders at 2-3 on the season as they travel to Junction this week.

4-H Record Training

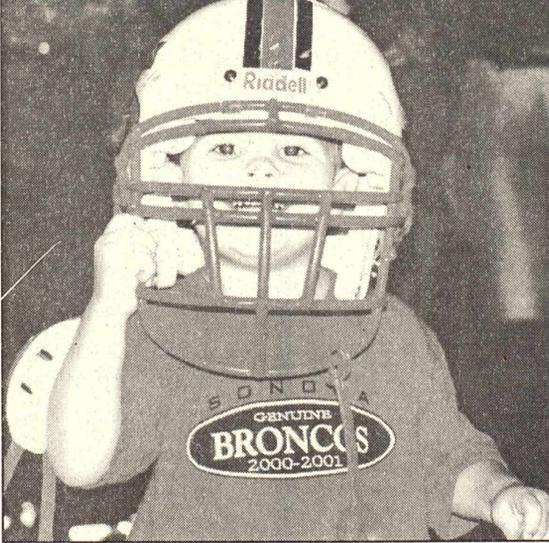
"For the Record" is a new record keeping system to help 4-H members learn the importance and benefits of record keeping. This new system will benefit members involved in all sectors of the 4-H program. Charla K. Bading, Extension 4-H Specialist, will be conducting a training for our 4-H volunteers and parents on this component of the record keeping system. The training will be on October 18th at 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. Please plan on attending this very informative workshop. For more information call 387-3101.

Students Show Talent at High School



Sonora High School Art III students helped to improve the decor in the high school commons area by painting this Mighty Bronco on the gymnasium wall and a set of lucky horseshoes over the front doors. The talented artists that participated in this Art III project were (from Left to Right) Adrian Reyes, Rocio Renteria, Carlos Ramirez, Jr, and Zach Rojo.

Bronco Fans Come in All Sizes



"When I grow up I want to be a Bronco, just like Uncle Riley!" Jaydan Crain doesn't miss a Bronco Football game and loves to cheer on the Broncos!

News from the Neighbors

Pioneer Heritage Days - Ozona

The annual Pioneer Heritage Days, sponsored by the Crockett County Museum, will be held on October 13 & 14. Young, old and in-between can enjoy learning, remembering, and participating in the history of Crockett County. Friday the 13th from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Historical Emerald House you'll find activities relating to Archeology, Indian, Pioneer Mexican and Ranching history. The second day, Saturday the 14th at the Emerald House, starting at 5:00 p.m. there will be an authentic Chuck Wagon Dinner with music and guest author Elmer Kelton speaking. For more information call Crockett County Museum (915)392-2837.

All American Fall Arts & Crafts Festival

The seventh annual All American Fall Arts & Crafts Festival will be held October 14-15 in the Exhibits Building at the San Angelo Coliseum complex. Artists and crafters from throughout the Southwest will be on hand with original art and handcrafted items. Hours for the show are Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. There is no admission charge. Exhibitors will offer items such as painted gift boxes, tote paintings, barnwood furniture, Shaker furniture, jewelry, wood carvings, clothing, handthrown pottery, framed fretwork, photography, wall hangings, angels, benches, birdhouses, ornate crosses and much more.

"I Wanna Be a Cowboy!" on Display

The "I Wanna Be A Cowboy" is now on display at the Kerrville Cowboy Artists of America Museum. The display will continue through January 16, 2001 and provides an unvarnished view of those who rode the open range, and explores the way in which the public hunger for heroes has contributed to the cowboy mystique.

The exhibit is convincing in its presentation that though the American cowboy's moment in history passed quickly, his enduring presence as a national symbol continues until this day. For more information contact Diana Comer at 1-830-896-2553.

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Powell - Holman to Compete in North American International Livestock Expo

Louisville, Kentucky - Powell Holman of Sonora, TX has entered 2 head of Boer goats in the 27th annual North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE). The NAILE is recognized as the world's largest purebred livestock show with more than 21,000 entries. Dates for this year's NAILE are November 4-17, and the event takes place at the Kentucky Fair & Exposition Center, Louisville, KY.

Purebred breeders from nearly every state and Canada bring entries to compete in one of nine expo divisions: dairy cattle, dairy goats, Boer goats, beef cattle, quarter horses, draft horses, sheep, swine, and llamas. More than 220,000 American and foreign visitors attend the hundreds of individual breed shows and sales. Winners from the competitions take home in excess of \$750,000 in premiums and awards. In addition to the recognition and prize money that comes with winning at the NAILE, the value of the breeding stock is significantly enhanced.

Breed association events are

not the only NAILE feature. The Expo is also home to numerous youth events that are an important part of the livestock industry's traditions. Youth events include: Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup; Youth, Junior College and Senior Collegiate Dairy Judging Contest; National Collegiate Livestock Judging Contest; National 4-H Livestock Judging Contest; Junior College Livestock Judging Contest; and National 4-H Poultry & Egg Conference.

Additionally, young livestockmen enter market animals, those targeted for meat production, in the Junior Steer Show, Junior Market Swine Show or Junior Wether Show. These three events are nationally recognized for the quality of competition and prestige of winning.

For more information contact the North American International Livestock Exposition, P.O. Box 36367, Louisville, KY 40233, (502)595-3166 or www.kyfairexpo.org.

AGRIBUSINESS

Field Day Scheduled for Sheep and Goat Producers at Texas Agricultural Experiment Station

Holistic Resource Management of Texas, Inc. and Texas A&M Extension Service are hosting a free field day October 21, 2000 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Sonora Experiment station to educate sheep and goat producers and the general public on current principles and practices of holistic management and the ongoing research findings.

The field day will cover: the grazing history of the Edwards Plateau and role of the TAMU Research Station, a tour of burn pastures and discussion of fire ecology, the economics and benefits of multi-species grazing, techniques for determining Carrying Capacity for Edwards Plateau Rangelands using *The Grazing Manager* (matching sheep, goat, cattle and deer forage demand with forage supply), a visit to the pastures to view long-term effects of different grazing manage-

ment treatments and fire, how to determine trend and range condition, wrap-up and discussion. The tour involves some walking, so dress appropriately.

Please register by Oct. 16 by calling HRM executive secretary Peggy Jones at 512-858-2761 or email delphic@earthlink.net. State your name and how many in your party. Tour is free. A BBQ Boer goat lunch will be served at \$5.00 per plate.

The Research Station is located between Sonora and Rocksprings. From Rocksprings, take Hwy. 55 and drive 28 miles-look for a large rock sign on the right. From Sonora, take Hwy. 277 south toward Del Rio. Approximately 22 miles down 277, turn left on Hwy. 55, go approximately 6 miles. Large rock sign will be on the left. Headquarters is .3 mile from Hwy. 55.

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Regional Water Districts Key to Maintaining Property, Water Rights

Writer: Tim W. McAlavy, t-mcalavy@tamu.edu

MUNDAY - Regional and local water districts are key political players in the statewide debate over urban and rural water needs and rights, State Rep. Rick Hardcastle of Vernon told a crowd of more than 130 landowners at a recent agricultural field day.

"Right now, we (legislators) are struggling with the state's water needs and our water future. The best spokesmen for landowners in that debate will continue to be local and regional water districts," Hardcastle said. "As lawmakers we have to balance the need to water the metropolitan areas in an environmentally friendly manner without infringing on landowners' long-standing personal property rights including their water rights."

The field day was held at a satellite research farm operated by the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Vernon.

Hardcastle told the crowd, "The Texas economy is booming, and much of that boom is dependent on water. Even though the ag economy is down right now, we cannot ignore agriculture's role as major contributor to our economy. In some parts of rural Texas, landowners can sell their water right for a higher return than a crop or livestock enterprise might generate."

Landowners' "right to capture" their legal right to capture and use the water originating on, or flowing under, their property stands outside the governance of local and regional water districts, he said. It is a state-given right that the legislature may have to regulate if Texas is to have a comprehensive, statewide water policy that meets both rural and urban needs in the future, he added.

"Our challenge is acceptable

regulation that keeps private property rights intact and in synch with the needs of a growing urban Texas. Your involvement with local water districts is crucial," Hardcastle said. "Urban Texas now has, and will continue to have, more votes than rural Texas."

"You must therefore use your local water district as your spokesman for water and private property rights. They will be your best representative in Austin as we (legislators) struggle to formulate a statewide water plan that encompasses the surface and sub-surface water that is so vital for our continued growth and prosperity."

In its next session, which begins in January, the Texas Legislature will examine how future groundwater conservation districts should be created; whether those districts should have authority to assess water-use fees; groundwater marketing and exports; junior water rights; and whether low-volume pumping would be exempt from future regulation.

The Texas Senate and the House Natural Resources Committee are studying groundwater and future state groundwater policy during this legislative interim.

So far, lawmakers are leaning toward making local and regional water districts governed by local communities the instrument of any future modification to landowners' right to capture.

For that policy to work, however, lawmakers in the next session must ratify Senate Bill 1911 - the law which created 13 local and regional groundwater districts during the last legislative session. Without ratification, the creation of those water districts will not stand.

The Research Station at Sonora

Charles "Butch" Taylor, Superintendent - Throughout the 150 year history of ranching on the Edwards Plateau, technology and science have been vital tools for an industry based on strong lifestyle choices and a love of the land. Ranchers often didn't have the information they needed to understand why herds were dying and the landscape becoming less desirable. This need for information resulted in the 1915 establishment of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station deep in the heart of the greatest sheep and Angora goat producing section of the country to study management of these animals under range conditions.

Research on the Sonora station has established an international reputation among scientists and educators as well as ranchers for making useful information available. Research on this station produced a soremouth vaccine, discovered causes of sheep and goat diseases, initiated ram and billy performance testing and developed methods to control parasites and poisonous plant problems.

Grazing management research has studied the foraging habits of livestock, nutritive value of range plants, and the effects of stocking rate, multi-species grazing, and grazing systems on livestock and vegetation production.

More recent range research includes rangeland hydrology, white-tailed deer and domestic livestock interactions, woody plant ecology and biology (focusing on juniper), heritability of juniper consumption by goats, use of summer and winter prescribed fire to manipulate vegetation, and the use of prickly pear as forage.

In addition to actively extending research information to producers throughout its history, the research station has provided strong support for graduate student research and a place for professors to bring classes to re-enforce classroom theory with hands-on experience. Dr. Taylor provided the leadership for formation of the Edwards Plateau Burning Cooperative, a rancher-based organization to empower landowners with greater

knowledge, skills, equipment, and organization to manage their rangeland resources more effectively and economically.

The Academy for Ranch Management (ARM) is a new program of workshops designed to meet the educational needs of today's ranchers. The Texas A&M University Research Station at Sonora is committed to providing the products and services desired by the citizens of Texas through the development of quality research and educational programs.

Information from research stations is a big part of the toolbox needed for understanding and managing ecosystems, herds of livestock and ranching finances. Holistic Resource Management provides a process for making the right management decisions.

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by Steve Byrns, s-byrns@tamu.edu
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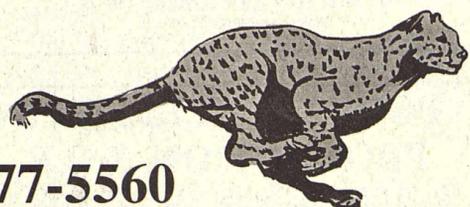
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