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## Board Announces Myers As Lead Superintendent Applicant

The S.I.S.D. School Board held a special executive meeting on January 24, 2001 to discuss filling the Superintendent position. After meeting in closed session the board announced that Sonora High School Principal, Brant Myers is the leading applicant for the position.

Myers is a graduate of Rankin High School and Angelo State University. He is currently working on his Ph.D. from Texas A&M Commerce.

There is a required 21 day waiting period from the time the applicant is announced and the time he or she is hired. If Myers is hired for the position, the Board will then begin looking for a new high school principal.

The next meeting of the Board will be on Monday, February 12th.

## The Bank & Trust Announces Promotions

At the January Board of Director's Meeting, Jo Ann Hernandez was promoted to Vice-President and Lauri Smith was promoted to Assistant Vice-President. Newly elected officer was Terry Duckworth to Assistant Cashier.

Jo Ann Hernandez has been employed with The Bank & Trust, formerly Sutton County National Bank, since September 1983. She is a native of Sonora, graduated from Sonora High School and attended Angelo State University. She has a Foundation of Banking diploma through the American Institute of Banking and a certificate from the Texas Banker's Association Teller Management School. Jo Ann is currently Mayor of Sonora and a 9th grade Sunday school teacher at St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Lauri Smith has been employed since 1988. She graduated from Angelo State University in 1983

with a BBA degree in accounting. She was named as Compliance Officer of The Bank & Trust in September 2000 and is responsible for all branches. Lauri is active in the Cub Scouts as a Tiger leader and enjoys working with the junior high students at The Lighthouse Baptist Church as a Sunday School teacher. She and her husband, Jack, have two sons, Embre and Garrett, and have lived in Sonora for fifteen years.

Terry Duckworth has been employed with The Bank & Trust, formerly Sutton County National Bank since December 1983. She is a native of Sonora and graduated from Sonora High School in 1976. She has completed numerous American Institute of Banking courses and is currently Loan Administrator. She has served on the Sutton County Days Parade Committee for the past five years.

## Broncos Make Academic All-District

Twelve seniors, one junior and a sophomore were named to the Academic All-District Football Team for 2000. These Broncos were:

Seniors: Bryce Williams, Shane Mathews, Tom Jacoby, Riley Crain, Cole Cearley, Chris Green, Chris Weingart, Thomas Schenkel, Cameron Sims, Matt Torres, Ryan Hardgrave, and Ed Mayfield.  
Junior: Byron Williams

Sophomore: Thomas Bloodworth.

Senior Cody Ainsworth and Freshman Wilson Wallace were named to the Boys Academic All-District Cross-Country Team.

Lady Bronco Cross Country team members that were named to the Girls Academic All-District Cross Country team include junior, Kasey Miller; sophomore, Brittney Longoria; and Freshmen, Tamika Marshall and Evangelina Martinez.

## Academic All - State

Two Broncos were named to the Academic All-State Football team. Cameron Sims was chosen for 1st team and Bryce Williams made 2nd team. Congratulations to all the Academic team qualifiers.

## Fling Ding Club Celebrates A "Blast From the Past"



Corkey Robinson and The Keynotes entertained dancers in the main room at the 2001 Fling Ding, while others enjoyed the music of Willena Holden in the bar area.

Guests had an opportunity to step back in time and enjoy decorations from past Fling Ding themes that adorned the Sonora Wool &

Mohair walls. They were also treated to pictures and old articles from dances of yester-year that lined the walls of the walkways. Many memories were discussed while party-goers mingled with friends and enjoyed the annual party.

See more "Fling Ding fun", page 6.



Willena Holden of Ozona plays her piano at the 2001 Fling Ding.

## ...And The Race Is On!!!!

The Cub Scouts held their annual Pinewood Derby on Saturday, Jan. 27, 2001. Each year the derby gives Cub Scouts a chance to work with their parents and build a small racing car to compete with.

The pinewood derby started in 1953 with Pack 280C in Manhattan Beach, Calif. In the pinewood derby's first year, the idea spread rapidly, and competitions were held across the country, mainly with recreation departments and non-profit organizations.

The originator of the idea—Don Murphy and the Management Club of North American Aviation—sent out thousands of brochures to anyone who requested more information. Of all that early enthusiasm, however, only Cub Scouting made it part of an official program.

In 46 years the rules for the pinewood derby have changed about as much as the U.S. Constitution. Of the 11 rules in the derby today, eight are the same as they were originally, and one is amended to change the maximum length of the car from seven and three-eighths inches to seven.

Two rules have been added: the requirement that the car be made for the current year, and that no loose material of any kind is allowed in the car.

Despite the rain, there was a great turnout for the 2001 derby, with 36 boys entering the race. Those competing were: **Tigers:** Nathaniel Villa, Cande Tobias, Ruben Galindo, Jr., Stephen Bedwell, Stefan Ortiz, Clayton Parks, Garrett Smith, Braxton Snyder, Phillip Stephens, Taylor Velarde, Davis Virgen and Stephen Dominguez. **Wolves:** Preston Lopez, Cody Snyder, Dustin Covey, James Bean, Marcos Gamez and Ethan Morriss. **Bears:** Tyler Creek, Dustin Crittendon, Cash Jennings, Dakota Malik, Bubba Ramoz, and Michael Stephens. **4th Grade Webelos:** Ryder Crites, Stevie Pacheco, Tyler



Phillip Stephens, Cash Jennings, Clayton Parks, Stephen Bedwell, Stefan Ortiz, and Davis Virgen won individual awards for their Pinewood Derby cars.

Edmondson, Ricky Lozano, Manuel Paredes, Alex Steves, Ross Crites, Kody Word, Mikael Samaniego, and Reggie Hernandez. **5th Grade Webelos:** Jacob Cooper and Matt Mabry.

Several certificates were awarded to the boys for the work they put in to their cars. "Outstanding Performance" Award- Davis Virgen, "Best Paint" Award- Phillip Stephens, "Best Looking" Award- Stefan Ortiz, "Best Design" Award- Cash Jennings, "Most Creative" Car- Stephen Bedwell, "Most Unusual" Car- Clayton Parks.

The overall winners, by process of elimination were: (right) 1st place- Stephen Bedwell, 2nd place- Marcos Gamez, and 3rd place- Dakota Malik. Congratulations!



## "Senior Connections" Topic For Community Meeting

Sutton County and the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley Council of Governments are hosting a community meeting on Thursday, February 15th at 11 a.m. at the Sutton County Senior Citizens Center. "Senior Connections" is a community meeting designed to provide information about services and programs available to older individuals. A brief introduction to the Area Agency on Aging will be followed by a question and answer session. Senior citizens,

their families and friends, and other persons who are interested in issues affecting the aging population are invited to share their insights, concerns and thoughts for solutions to the unmet needs of Sutton County's older population.

A wide variety of printed information covering various topics will also be distributed. Area Agency on Aging representatives, will meet with community members at the Senior Center from 11:00 a.m. until 12:00. Representa-

tives with expertise in the areas of Information & Assistance, Benefits Counseling, Nursing Homes, Long Term Care, and Care Coordination will be available to answer questions.

Persons wanting more information may contact Juanita Mesa, Director of the Senior Citizens Center at 915-387-5657 or the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley at 915-944-9666, or 1-800-728-2592.

Make plans to attend this important event at the Senior Citizens Center and let the Area Agency on Aging staff help you get ...connected! Services of the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley are funded by the Texas Department on Aging.

## J.V Broncos Take Down The Eagles

The boys J.V. Broncos are still on a winning streak, defeating all the Eagle teams, Eldorado, Junction and Grape Creek.

The boys defeated the Eldorado J.V. "A" team 50 to 26 on the 19th. Tom Valliant led the scoring with 10 points. Dustin Martin had 8 and Scottie Moore and Caleb Gulley each had 7.

On the 23rd the J.V. Broncos defeated the Junction team 44 to 39. Reyes Garcia led this game, with 10 points. Scottie Moore had 8, Dustin Martin had 7 and Caleb Gulley and Tom Valliant each had 4.

The last Eagle team to fall to the Broncos were the Grape Creek J.V. "A" boys. The Broncos were victorious, 54 to 43. Emmanuel Lopez was the high scorer, with 12 points. Dustin Martin scored 8, Tom Valliant 7, and Caleb Gulley and Justin Sims each had 6.

Keep up the good work Broncos.

## ACS Looking For Quitters

**WHAT:** The American Cancer Society market test of a new "quitline" for smokers in Texas who are interested in smoking cessation support. The quitline, based on state-of-the-art techniques for self-help in smoking cessation, will provide structured assistance for callers who want to quit smoking. 1-877-YES-QUIT (877-937-7848)

**WHO & WHERE:** Smokers who live in Texas and are committed to quit smoking are eligible to call the "Quitline" for smoking cessation assistance.

**WHEN:** The Quitline can be accessed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**WHY:** Each year millions of Americans attempt to stop smoking and many are interested in advice and counseling that may improve their likelihood of success. However, most of these smokers are not willing or able to attend individual or group counseling sessions. Because of easy access and caller confidentiality, telephone counseling and self-help materials may provide a useful approach to assisting smokers achieve and maintain cessation.

When compared with smokers who try to quit on their own, smokers who make quit attempts with telephone support and self-help advice are approximately twice as likely to attain success.

**HOW:** The American Cancer Society's quitline is staffed by a group of clinically-trained counselors supervised by licensed psychologists with 10-20 years tobacco dependence counseling and smoking cessation research experience. Callers are assessed for their readiness to quit and assigned to one of two clinical trial groups. All callers will receive a minimum of self-help materials. Some callers will receive personalized telephone counseling.

While this service focuses on cigarette smokers, the advice and support that it provides may also be useful for helping other tobacco dependence. The service is available in English and Spanish.

All calls are confidential and strict privacy will be maintained for all information received by the American Cancer Society. If successful, this service will launch nationwide in 2001.



## Sonora Church Directory

<p><b>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA</b> Rick Sanchez 504 Santa Clara 387-2035</p> <p><b>CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> Jerry Jackson 304 N. Water 387-3190</p> <p><b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH</b> T. Wayne Price Pastor 404 E Oak 387-2951</p> <p><b>ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH</b> Rev. Ted W. Harris 404 E. Poplar 387-2955</p> <p><b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> Rev. Suzanne Steves, Pastor 201 N. Water 387-2466</p> <p><b>TEMPLO JERUSALEM ASAMBLEA DE DIOS</b> Rev. Santos Beserra, Jr. 306 W. 4th St. 387-5713</p> <p><b>HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> Rev. Charles Huffman 417 E. 2nd St. 387-5366</p> <p><b>NEW LIFE MINISTRY CENTER</b> Jerry &amp; Joy Wood 205 E. Main 387-3241</p> <p><b>LA IGLESIA HISPANA PENTECOSTAL DEL NOMBRE DE JESUS, INC.</b> Pastor Hector A. Portillo 807 Orient Ave. 387-6065</p>	<p><b>THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD PRESBYTERIAN</b> Lewis Allen, Pastor 319 E. Mulberry 387-2616</p> <p><b>LIGHTHOUSE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Don Longoria, Pastor Corner of Hwy. 277 S. and Glasscock</p> <p><b>PENTECOSTAL CALVARY TEMPLE UNITED</b> Randy Greenwood Pastor 509 Amistad 387-5266</p> <p><b>ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> Father William DuBuisson, O.M.I. 229 W. Plum 387-2278</p> <p><b>JEHOVAH'S WITNESS</b> 310 St. Ann's Street 387-5658 or 387-5518</p> <p><b>NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Don Seigler 511 Cornell 387-5207</p> <p><b>SONORA FAMILY FAITH CENTER</b> Sonora Stock Pens Sunday 6:00 p.m.</p>
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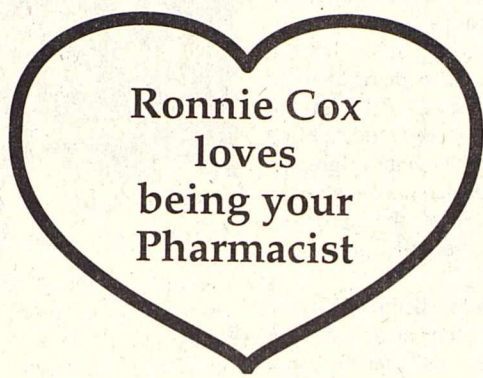
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### Card of Thanks

I would like to extend a Big thank you to the following people who gave donations or their time to help with the Pinewood Derby.  
Brad Black, Jody Luttrell, Sonora Volunteer Fire Department, Food Center, Sutton County Civic Center, Johnny Snyder, Paul Stephens, Steve Morriss, Arthur Crittendon, Josh Hopkins, Shane Folmar, Tom Homra, Rosa Hawkins, Tyler Edmondson, Dustin Crittendon, Stephani Morriss, Sam Tidwell and of course, all of the other den leaders: Erica, Jan, Patsy, Lauri, Maribel and Kevin.  
Another special thanks to James for all the time he gave to help me prepare for the race.  
And to my dear friend, Ronda Hall - who's always willing to lend a helping hand - THANK YOU! I couldn't have done it without you!  
Tibba Edmondson  
Cub Scouts Pack 19

### Welcome

**Welcome**  
*Steve, D'Arcy and Hunt,*  
*You are a great,*  
*new addition to Sonora and we are*  
*excited to be working with you.*  
**From the Staff**  
*at Texas Land and Ranches.*  
*Erica, Cherry, Marsha, Rick and Jean*



### Lunch Menus

**School Lunch Menu**  
**Feb. 5 - Feb. 9**

**Breakfast**  
*Mon.* - French toast, syrup, fruit or assorted juice.  
*Tues.* - Grilled cheese, potato wedges, assorted juice.  
*Wed.* - Muffin, oatmeal, assorted juice.  
*Thurs.* - Scrambled eggs, toast, assorted juice.  
*Fri.* - No School!

**Lunch**  
*Mon.* - Grilled ham and cheese, tator tots, celery / carrot sticks, apple crisp.  
*Tues.* - Sloppy Joe on bun, pork and beans, potato chips, cookie.  
*Wed.* - Chicken enchiladas, pinto beans, tossed salad, jello with fruit.  
*Thurs.* - Corn dog, baked beans, French fries, chocolate cake.  
*Fri.* - No School!

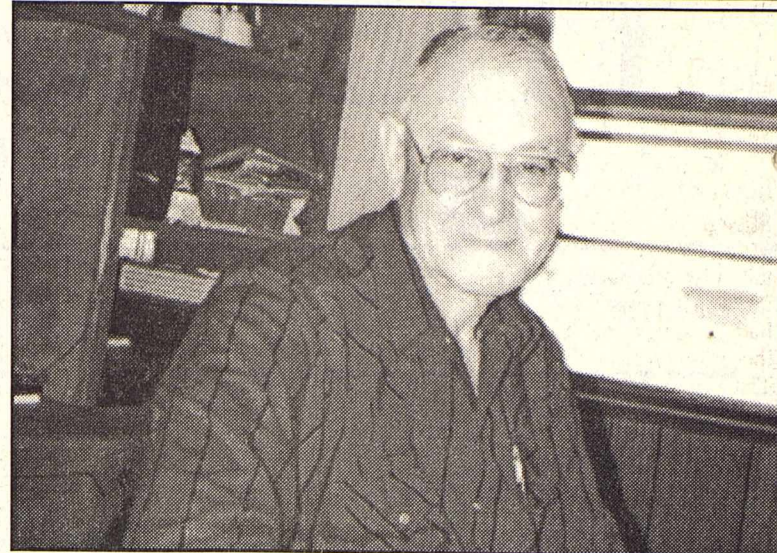
*Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts.*

### Senior Center News

**Feb. 5** - Bingo!  
**Feb. 6** - Exercise with video! 11 a.m. or 2:00 p.m.  
**Feb. 7** - TRAX Van to San Angelo! Call 387-2509  
**Feb. 8** - AARP Tax Aide! Call Center 387-5657. (1:00 - 4:00 p.m.)  
**Feb. 9** - Run errands and pay bills!

**Senior Menu**  
**Feb. 5** - Beef stew with vegetables, green beans, cornbread, pear half with cottage cheese, vanilla pudding.  
**Feb. 6** - Oven baked chicken, lima beans, broccoli, bread, chunky mix fruit.  
**Feb. 7** - Baked ham, candied yams, green beans, carrot raisin salad, jello with fruit.  
**Feb. 8** - Beef tips, rice, carrots, cornbread, fruit cup with bananas and strawberries, lemon pie.  
**Feb. 9** - Smothered chicken, baked potatoes, fried okra, rolls, sliced peaches.  
Lunch is served Monday thru Friday at 12:00 Noon.  
\$1.50 donation is suggested for those 60+ and \$4.00 for others.

### Obituaries



#### Douglas C. Campell

Douglass C. Campell, 72, of Sonora died Saturday, Jan. 27, 2001, in a San Angelo hospital.  
Graveside service was at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 30, in Sonora Cemetery. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.  
He was born Nov. 26, 1928, in Winters. He was a pipeline technician for Lone Star Gas for 29 years. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and a member of the Methodist Church.  
He is survived by his wife, Loyce Campbell of Sonora; one son, James Campbell of San Angelo; one brother, Lloyd Campbell of Salem, OR.; two sisters, Jean McCampbell of Midland and Mildred Tabor of Miles; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

#### Frances Schneider Mertz

Frances Schneider Mertz, 44, of San Angelo died Sunday, Jan. 21, 2001, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Her beloved husband, Len, and their children, James, Phillip, Louis and Madolyn survive her.  
Frances was born Dec. 14, 1956, in Galveston, Texas, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John Schneider. Her roots and deep sense of family began in Austin, Texas, where she grew up the eldest of six children. Frances attended Austin schools and upon graduation enrolled in Vanderbilt University. She transferred to the University of Texas at Austin, where she was Mortar Board president, a member of Omicron Delta Kappa and Kappa Alpha Theta. While attending the University of Texas, Frances was selected Cactus Outstanding Student and Queen of the Austin Aqua Festival. She earned her bachelor's degree from UT and a master's degree from the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.  
Frances also is survived by her parents, Dr. John and Ellie Schneider of Austin; brothers, John and wife, Mary Pat, James and wife, Mary Frances; her sisters, Phyllis and husband, John Russell, Mary and husband, Will Pitts, and Catherine. Frances also is survived by her father- and mother-in-law, Mort and Madolyn Mertz; brothers-in-law, Mort Mertz and wife, Susan, Michael Mertz and wife, Trina; and sister-in-law, Susan and husband, Dub Slaughter.  
Also surviving are nieces, Alice, Evie and Elizabeth Schneider, Jenny and Molly Pitts, Ellie, Catherine and Claire Russell, Arden and Chase Mertz; nephews, John William, Charles and John Gary Schneider, Bill and Mason Pitts, Jack and Michael Russell, Lawson Mertz and Wyatt Mertz, Will and Len Slaughter; aunts and uncles, Louise Baker, Frances and Bob Bauman, Marilyn and Joe Mertz, Marilyn and Joe Bean, Nancy and James Powell; and many cousins whom she loved.  
Frances was a member of Holy Angels Catholic Church and was knighted by her church as a Lady Knight of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher.  
A Scripture service and Holy Rosary was offered at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24, at Johnson's Funeral Home. The Mass of Christian Burial was presided by Bishop Michael Pfeifer and concelebrated by Father William George, Father Charles Greenwell and Father Maurice Voity at the Cathedral Church of the Sacred Heart at 10 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 25. The burial followed in Fairmount Cemetery.  
Pallbearers were Randy Stout, Dr. Joe Mims, Taylor Mayne, Max Parker, Gary Johnson, Bob Baumann, Dr. Stephen Walther, Dr. Joe Artnak, Wes Bonner and Joe Andrews.  
The family requests that any memorials be made to Our Lady of Grace Carmelite Monastery, 6200 CR 3391 Via Maria, Christoval, TX 76935.

#### Serafin Maskill

Serafin S. Maskill, 88, died Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2001, in a San Angelo hospital.  
Service was at 10 a.m. Saturday at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with burial in Lima Cemetery. Arrangements were by Preddy Funeral Home.  
He was born Jan. 14, 1913, in Ozona and was a lifetime resident. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and was a Catholic.  
Survivors include four daughters, Gloria Goforth and Soppa Wyatt, both of Flint, Mich., Emma Munoz and Ernestina Caldera, both of Ozona; five sons, Serafin Maskill III and Alfredo Maskill, both of San Angelo, Joe Maskill of Sonora, Mariano Maskill of Midland and Mike Maskill of Ozona; four sisters; two brothers; 25 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

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### Community

- Feb. 9 - 10**  
55th Annual Sonora Speech Meet & Academic Meet  
School Holiday
- Feb. 9 - 10**  
Lions Club Mid Winter Conference  
FMI Call Sonora Chamber of Commerce 387-2880
- Feb. 12**  
School Holiday

#### The Community Calendar

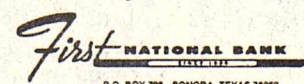


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### Calendar

- Feb. 20**  
Tri-County Discovery Tour  
Contact Chamber of Commerce 387-2880
- Feb. 24**  
Sonora Community Arts & Theater Presents  
Kimberly Snauffer (Harp) & Marc Garvin (Guitar) Duo  
Sonora High School Auditorium • 7:00 p.m.
- AI-Anon Meeting**  
Held every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the Month  
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## Historical Society

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer

**Q.** Could you please print the picture of the cattle drive, going around the corner of the square and out Poplar Street, again? Who took the picture?

**A.** The picture is being published with this column. The late Mason Rountree said, in a letter to John Eaton, that the picture was taken by Murdoch McDonald and a lot of people bought copies. Mason had written the names of all those on the drive on his copy of the picture. They were the following: R. H. (Bob) Martin, trail boss; Henry Bridge, cook; Henry Pullen, horse wrangler; Johnnie Johnson, Albert Owens, Sr., Albert Owens, Jr., Lee Woodward, Ed Robbins, Mason Rountree, Phil Baker, Holly Carson, Parker Dennis, Arthur Simmons, Joe Bradford, Audie Dennis, Tom Drago, Walter Drago; all cowboys. Henry Pullen and Mason Rountree were in the lead with the saddle horses. Mason doesn't know who the fellow on the gray horse is and guessed he was some "sweater" they picked up in town. There were 2100 head of cattle to start with but they cut out 100 and left them in the old Tayloe pasture because they were too sick to travel. The steers had been gathered on the Nueces and belonged to George Kindricks of San Angelo. They drove the steers from the Nueces to Brady and shipped them to the Oklahoma Territory. Phil Baker and Henry Bridge went to the Territory with the steers. When they got back Phil had a broken arm and claimed, "he fell off the train."

Mason Rountree was the son of Sutton County Judge J. O. Rountree and lived in Sonora from about 1890 to 1911. He left town to work on different ranches until 1916 when he joined the Texas Rangers. After a tour of the lower Rio Grande Valley under Captain A. L. Ronson he left Texas for Arizona and in 1919 he moved to New Mexico. He came back to Sonora on visits in August of 1957 and May of 1960. He died a few years after that but not before sharing some interesting stories with the Devil's River News. Several of them "The Day We Buried Besente," and "Nath Thompson & Cotton-eyed Joe" have been reprinted in this column several times.

I like the stories he told that he remembered from a child's point of view. He thought that Leafy Parker ate green peaches and died and that Alice Hagerland ate a whole lot of chewing gum and died of locked bowels, childhood memories of these events. His stories of Sonora were reprinted in several articles in the 1930's and usually had more than a hint of humor in them. But even his humor couldn't dull his memories of bad times. He said the following about them, "During the



Cattle drive to Brady, up Main Street of Sonora, 1914-1915.

drought men and women wept to see the stock stand around and die of starvation or thirst. Then in rainy and muddy spells, when the freight wagons bogged down for weeks, they ran out of food and the children cried for flour biscuits and men bemoaned the fact that barrel whiskey sold for \$5 a gallon."

**Q.** Was there any mention in your 1890 newspapers of the death of a school teacher named Sherman?

**A.** Devil's River News, November 1, 1890: Died at Fort McKavett, on Wednesday the 29th, after a short illness, Mr. J. Sherman, school master. He leaves a wife and child to mourn his loss.

**Q.** What ever happened to Bossie Sharp, the man who spotted Will Carver in Sonora?

**A.** H. E. "Boosie" Sharp was born on June 2, 1873 in Flatonia Texas to Hiram Edward and Mollie Evans Sharp. He married Allie Gertrude Conner at Brady, Texas in 1900. When they came to Sutton County they lived at the Whitehead Ranch where "Boosie" was foreman of a group of Mexican hired hands. They moved into Sonora when "Boosie" took a job as a bartender and lived with his single brother, Henry V. who was deputy sheriff, in the living quarters of the jail. Their next move was to Mayer (Middle Valley) and in 1923 moved into Eldorado where he worked as a

meat cutter and sheep inspector. Allie died in 1939 and H. E. "Boosie" Sharp died in 1945. They are both buried in the Eldorado Cemetery.

**Q.** Where was Point Breeze?

**A.** Point Breeze was the name given to the old Black Ranch near Ft. McKavett. I have only seen the name used a couple of times in the old papers.

**Q.** What ever happened to O. G. Babcock's bug collection?

**A.** Orville Gorman Babcock (1885-1973), longtime Entomologist for the U. S. Bureau of Entomology turned over most of his collection to the Angelo State College in 1968 in the hopes they would be helpful to Zoology students. Along with his insect specimens he turned over about 200 samples of native woods that he had collected over the years.

**Q.** Do you have any information on a marriage of Maria Urias about 1897?

**A.** Devil's River News, January 2, 1897: Married in Santa Rosa de Sonora on Wednesday, Dec. 23rd, 1896, Simon Fernandez to Miss Maria Uriaz, W. A. Stewart, J. P., officiating. Sutton County Marriage Records, Vol. 1, Page 37, state that Simon Fernandez married Maria Gues Urias on December 23, 1896.

Readers I asked for some help with old football games. I know a lot of you have old albums, I don't care if your team was champion or not, we need to copy this material and get it on file. We are getting a lot of requests for information on old games and don't have a complete record of them. We need anything you can give us from 1919 on. If you can't copy them for us, give me a call and set up a time to come by and we will copy them here. This can be done while you wait if you don't want to leave the album. We also want to preserve the history of basketball, golf, baseball, tennis and track from 1919 to present. Thank you!

Last but not least, a special thank you to Sam Gauny for the old newspapers, pictures and the 1932 graduation material. Your support of the Sutton County Historical Society's preservation of local history is deeply appreciated.

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@sonoratx.net. You may call me at 915-387-2855. If you want an old wedding published in time for an anniversary celebration or an old birth announcement ask at least 3 weeks ahead of time. I write several weeks of columns ahead of time and need notice to get these in on the date you request.

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## Main Street Traffic

The Texas Downtown Association Board recently met in Marlin, TX, where Sonora acted as the voice of the small towns to help decide what is important for all the cities in Texas. Sonora resides on the TDA Membership Committee, the Roundtable Committee and the Mid-Year Conference Committee. This year the Mid-Year Conference will be held at the Midland Hilton Towers in Midland, TX on April 26 & 27, 2001.

The Board discussed the Anice Read Fund, and how the grants were given at the November TDA Conference, held in McKinney, TX.

The Sonora Main Street Program is proud to announce that they will be working with the "Texas Folk Life" program and will be bringing Mingo Saldivar to town for seven days. This will be a wonderful time to experience the wonders of a Conjunto Accordionist. He will be giving workshops in the Sonora Independent School District and will be performing all around town.

Mark your calendar now to hear Mingo Saldivar perform, March 26 - April 2.

## Thousands Still Missing Last Year's Refund Check

WASHINGTON - Tens of thousands of taxpayers still haven't received tax refund checks from last year worth millions of dollars. The IRS wants to get these refund checks back to where they belong. An annual review by the IRS last fall showed more than 90,000 taxpayers had not received tax refund checks worth \$67.4 million. The average per-check amount was \$734.

If you think the IRS may still have your refund check, call the toll-free assistance line at 1-800-829-1040.

There are many reasons why refund checks might not reach taxpayers. Most frequently, people move and the tax refunds come back to the IRS. For example, college students might file a return while at school and move before the refund arrives.

Other undelivered refunds can occur because taxpayers provide an incorrect address when they mail their return. Taxpayers should take extra care when providing a return address. Often, numbers are transposed or information is incomplete.

A death or marriage may also result in a returned check. Estate executors should explore whether a refund check might be involved.

Newly married taxpayers are urged to notify the IRS promptly if there is a change of name or address.

What if you don't realize you have a refund? The IRS will keep the information on file and forward the full amount to the taxpayer as soon as a valid address is known. For many taxpayers owed refunds, the money will be forwarded automatically the next time a tax return is filed. There is no statute of limitations for claiming these refunds.

There is an easy way to ensure your refund won't be lost. Choosing to have a tax refund deposited directly to a bank account is the best way to guard against loss or theft. Nearly 30 million taxpayers elected to use the direct deposit option during the 2000 filing season, up from 23.5 million the year before.

Filing a change of address card with the post office is not enough to guarantee delivery of a refund check. Taxpayers who have moved since filing their last tax return are urged to file a Form 8822, "Change of Address," with the IRS. The form can be obtained by calling 1-800-829-3676 or by downloading it from the IRS Web Site at www.irs.gov.

## Give The Gift Of Experience

The Concho Valley Council of Governments is seeking individuals interested in becoming Foster Grandparents to children and youths in the Concho Valley who want and need their help.

What is a Foster Grandparent? Every day in communities across America, Foster Grandparents are the people children in need depend on for love, wisdom and support. In schools, Head Start, day care centers, juvenile facilities and community centers, Foster Grandparents even the odds for children who have special needs.

As a Foster Grandparent you will receive: on-going training; an annual physical examination; supplemental accident and auto liability insurance; a tax-free stipend of \$2.55 per hour; a daily meal; help with transportation costs and the joy of knowing you're making a difference in your neighborhood.

Can you be the Foster Grandparent a child needs? Foster Grandparents are over 60 years of age; can volunteer an average of 20 hours a week; have limited income and love children. Foster Grandparents give children the much-needed attention that can change lives. They help children learn to read, care for children with disabilities and offer counseling to those who need it.

Children who need Foster Grandparents gain: the individual attention they might not otherwise receive; confidence from your faith in them; tutoring to help them succeed in school; the advice and life skills they need to lead productive lives; and the life-changing opportunity to know the consistent love of a Foster Grandparent.

Foster Grandparents help children develop the skills, confidence, and strength to succeed in life. Foster Grandparents make neighborhoods stronger by helping children with special needs achieve their goals. There's a child waiting right now for a Foster Grandparent.

For more information contact the Foster Grandparent Program at 915-944-9666 or 1-800-728-2592.



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## Give The Gift Of Life



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

This time of year is a busy one for all of us. The holiday season has come to a close. We've made our new year's resolutions and we're getting back into the swing of things. As you dash into 2001, I urge you to consider an extra new year's resolution: donate blood. The need is great, and the few minutes it takes may mean years of life for a sick or injured patient.

The good news is that millions of Americans voluntarily donate blood every year. The bad news is that this is not enough. Did you know that 60 percent of the U.S. population is eligible to give blood, but only five percent donates each year?

The demand for blood is constantly increasing, but the nation's blood banks simply can not keep

up. According to the American Red Cross, the amount of blood needed by hospitals increased more than 15 percent in the past year.

Maintaining an adequate amount of blood for surgeries, trauma victims and treatment of diseases is becoming a year-round problem.

What's worse is that donations traditionally slump during the Christmas holiday season. Colleges, schools and businesses that normally host blood drives close and families take vacations. An outbreak of the flu and bad weather can also affect donations. That means that the demand for blood is higher this time of year than in other months.

In order to avoid a critical shortage, more donors are needed. Donating blood is safe, painless and can save the lives of others. Any individual who is at least 17 years old and weighs 110 pounds or more can donate. Donating blood takes about 45 minutes to 1 hour, includ-

ing 20 minutes for the actual blood collection. Type "O" blood is the most commonly used because it can be safely transfused to people of all blood types. You can give blood every eight weeks, but remember that with just one donation you could save a life.

There are many places where donations can be made. Bloodmobiles travel to high schools, colleges, churches, and other community organizations. People can also donate at community blood centers and hospital-based donor centers. Many people donate at blood drives at their workplace. To find out where you can donate, call the National Red Cross hotline at 800-GIVE-LIFE, America's Blood Centers at 888-256-6388, or the American Association of Blood Banks at 866-376-6968.

Every few seconds, someone in the United States needs blood. In the year 2001, make a resolution to give the gift of life: donate blood.

## Energy Assistance Available For Qualifying Seniors

The CEAP Energy Assistance Program in San Angelo begins February 1, 2001. Senior Citizens must 1. make appointment in San Angelo, 2. have 12 months billing history of gas and electric bill, 3. social security card for all family members, 4. current original bill (not paid), 5. income verification, 6. identification card with date of birth. Call the Senior Center for more information.

Para tomar su aplicacion de ayuda para energia necesita copias de esta lista: 1. 12 meses de los pagos anterior de luz y gas, 2. cuenta de pagos corrientes, 3. tarjeta de seguro social de todos los miembros del hogar, 4. verificacion de ingresos de todos los que reciben dinero, 5. tarjeta de identificacion con fecha de nacimiento.

### Happy Birthday

**February 1**  
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**February 2**  
Antonia Castro, Shanna Patton, Laurie Garza, Wayford Tyler, Jr., Irene Beard, Brandon Tyler Whitehouse, Tamyé Espinosa, Cassie Krieg

**February 3**  
Josh Tidwell, Tammie Tidwell, Susan Crowder, Gregory Jolly, Eva Perez, Savannah White, Rita E. Lopez, Bobbie Jackson, Don Longoria

**February 4**  
Jennifer Creek, Jennifer Covey, Michelle Escalante, Janey Dillard, Mariah Gonzalez, Kevin Miller, Carlos Reyes, Evelyn Solis, Kerry Mabry, Allan Richards

**February 5**  
Kobie Herring

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

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

## F.Y.I.

The Sonora Elementary PTA will be holding a talent show for Pre-K, 1st, 3rd & 5th grade students along with their February meeting on February 19. Information about the talent show will be sent home with each student. Sign up sheets will be available in the school offices. The PTA encourages any students in these grades wanting to share their talents to sign up and participate.

The Sonora Lions Club Annual Broom & Mop Sale will be Tuesday, March 13, 2001. Mops, brooms, push brooms, brushes, dish towels, dust pans and much more will be available.

There will be a youth revival at the New Hope Baptist Church on February 9, 10, & 11, starting at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join us for food, drinks and fun. For more information call Mike Moore at 387-5040 (Daytime)

The Senior Wheels USA Program makes available Power (Electric) Wheelchairs to Senior Citizens (65 yrs. old & up) and the Permanently Disabled at no cost to the recipient, if they qualify. The Power Wheelchairs are provided to those who cannot walk and cannot self-propel a manual wheelchair, and who meet the additional guidelines of the program. No deposit is required. If your need is for use in your home, please call for more information to see if you qualify. Call toll free, Leon Johnson at 1-800-246-6010.

If you would like to purchase a copy of the Bronco's state winning game or any Varsity or J.V. game tape, please call Kristin Keel at the High School. Each tape is only \$6. All proceeds benefit the S.H.S. Radio and T.V. Class. The class is also selling highlight tapes of the 2000 season for only \$15.00. The highlight tapes are edited to the latest music and have the best plays of the season. You can also purchase any Varsity girls or boys basketball game tapes for only \$6.

Attention All Basketball Lovers! The Texas Professional Basketball League has come to the Hill Country. For information about tryouts please call Sonny Rowe at (915)446-4951 or Ernest Adams at (915)446-8646. Serious inquiries only. Particularly looking for tall centers and forwards. If no answer call cell number (830)739-9699 or work number (915)446-3102.

Applications are now being evaluated from the Ten Star All - Star Summer Basketball Camp. Boys, ages 8-19 and girls, ages 10-19, can apply. Players are selected by invitation only. Camp locations in Texas include Commerce and Ft. Worth. College Basketball Scholarships are possible for players named to the All-American Team. For an evaluation form call (704)568-6801.

Piano lessons - trying to put together a Wednesday class. If interested call 387-5788.

The Sonora Community Arts & Theater (SCAT) presents Kimberly Snauffer (Harp) and Marc Garvin (Guitar) Duo. February 24, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sonora High School Auditorium. A reception to meet the artists will follow the presentation. Tickets will go on sale soon.

A representative of the San Angelo Social Security Office will be in Sonora on Tuesdays, February 27, and March 27, 2001 from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. You do not have to wait until the representative's visit to handle Social Security matters. Your Social Security business can be handled just as quickly by telephone. Call toll free 1-800-772-1213 Mon. - Fri., 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. You can also call the San Angelo office at 915-949-4608 Mon. - Fri., 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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## Sonora Intermediate Rising Star Classroom Winners

Congratulations to the following Sonora Intermediate Rising Star classroom winners. These students were the winners from their classrooms in the categories of narrative writing, poetry writing, and art. These narratives, poems, and art work will be judged and the winners will advance as our campus winners. The campus winners will then be judged by a community panel and the finalists will compete against other students across the state. Good luck! Great job!

### Narrative Writing

#### Third Grade:

Christian Lujan, Amber West, Sarah Hernandez, Caleb Gonzales, Mackenzie Hirt, Alyssa Vela, Mario Oliden, Kasey Gutierrez, Bethany Berry, Sterling Love, Edna Dominguez

#### Fourth Grade:

Mikael Samaniego, Jessica Snyder, Monica Traylor, Steely Ingham, Samantha Tidwell, Steven Pacheco, Kaitlyn Henderson, Alex Steves, Vickie Torres, John Duke Hudson

#### Fifth Grade:

Hunt Wagner, Emily Earwood, Laura Martin, Danielle Rodriguez, Edward Garcia, Kelsey Watkins, Julio Samaniego, Elbe Samaniego,

Marcus Perez, Luran Schaefer

### Poetry

#### Third Grade:

Dustin Neff, Mario Oliden, Elle Newton, Bethany Berry

#### Fifth Grade:

Chelsea Martinez, Kyla Turney, Joe Castillo, Kayla Garcia

### Art

#### Third Grade:

Cash Jennings, Britni Mitchell, Kati Chavez, Gus Trevino, Aimee Chavez, Bianca Trevino, Tyler Creek, Hillary Borrego, Alyssa Vela, Chacho Mesa, Cassie Krieg, Anali Velez, Vanessa Lopez, Amy Hernandez, Sterling Love, Mario Oliden, Caleb Gonzales, Amber West, Edna Dominguez, Monica Sanchez

#### Fourth Grade:

Ross Crites, Mikael Samaniego, Ivan Chavez, Monica Traylor

#### Fifth Grade:

Victor Vaquera, Felicia Rodriguez, Casandra Velardez, Laura Martin, Hunt Wagner, Heather Hughes, Jacob Cooper, Justin Molina, Shaylynn Kresta, Dalton Dover, Julio Samaniego, Kelsey Watkins, Danielle Castro, Katrina Ramos

## Bedwell Receives Masters at Baylor Graduation

Waco, TX - Laura Kay Bedwell received a Master of Arts at the Baylor Fall Commencement exercises held December 16 at the Ferrell Center. Bedwell was among 822 students that were awarded academic degrees during the 2000 fall graduation, according to figures from the university registrar.

Degrees awarded include 689 bachelor's degrees, 98 master's

degrees and 37 doctorate degrees.

Baylor President Robert B. Sloan Jr. gave the traditional charge to students and presented the diplomas. Greeting were brought by John G. Wilkerson Jr., chairman of the Baylor board of regents, and Dr. L. Gerald Fielder, emeritus professor of political science, was bearer of the mace.

## Broncos Compete Well At Brownwood Speech/Academic Tournament

Congratulations to the following students for their accomplishments at the Brownwood Speech/Academic Tournament this past weekend.

**Computer Science;** 4th - Chang Hernandez, 2nd Place Team (Sonora)

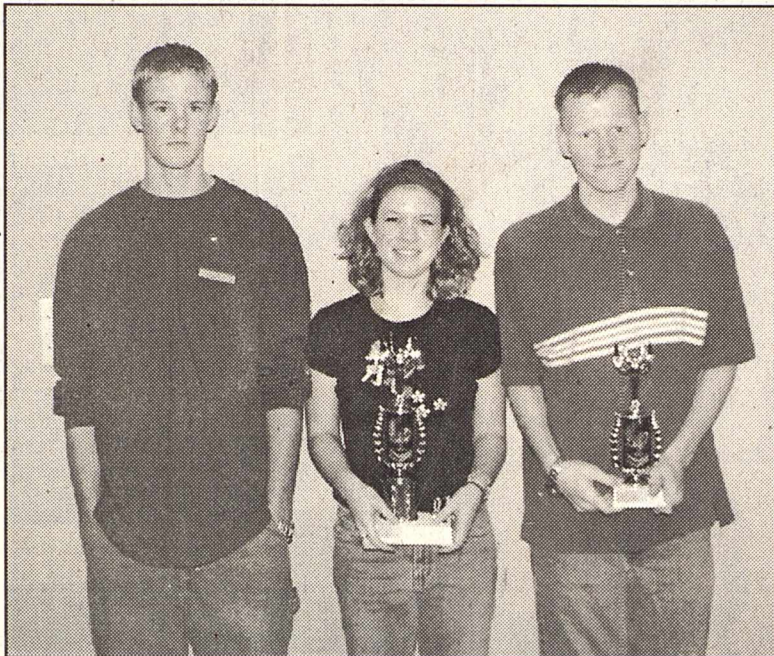
**Computer Applications;** 3rd - Cody Ainsworth

**Spelling;** 5th - Leticia Leos

**Poetry;** 5th - Genny Cramer

The Brownwood tournament was made up of many 4A schools and our students had some tough competition. There were 39 schools involved and Sonora did very well.

## Journalism U.I.L. Travels To Brownwood



Congratulations to the following Journalism U.I.L. students who participated in the Brownwood U.I.L. Meet on Saturday. In News Writing, Andi Allen placed first. In Feature Writing, Walker Thompson placed third. In Editorial Writing, Chance Dillard placed sixth and in Headline Writing, Walker Thompson placed fifth. These results are very significant as there were at least 30 competitors in each contest. The students are coached by Kristin Keel.

## TSWA All-State Football

The Texas Sports Writers Association has chosen their pick for an All-State Football team. Broncos chosen for the 1st team are:

Tight End - Riley Crain, Offensive Line - Dustin Patino and Receiver - James Elliott.

Broncos chosen for the 2nd team are Defensive Lineman - Anthony Sanchez and Linebacker - Thomas Bloodworth.

3rd team Broncos are Running Back - Bill Renfro, Defensive Secondary - James Elliott and Kicker - Javier Gaytan.

## Broncos On A Roll Against Eagles

The Sonora Bronco Varsity boys hosted the Junction Eagles on January 23, 2001. The Broncos played a great game, coming from behind and winning in overtime 76 to 68.

Riley Crain led the Broncos with 29 points. Chance Dillard had 7, and Crispin Lira and Matt Torres both scored 6. Bryce Williams, Pokey Samaniego, Ryan Hardgrave and Ed Mayfield each contributed 5 points and Justin Routh and Cameron Sims rounded it out with 4

points each.

The boys kept up the winning pace against Grape Creek on January 26th, defeating the Eagles 57 to 36.

Cameron Sims was the leading scorer, with 14 points, followed by Bryce Williams with 11 and Chance Dillard with 10. Riley Crain scored 8, Matt Torres 4, and Justin Routh, Ed Mayfield, Nick Lozano, Pokey Samaniego and Ryan Hardgrave all had 2.

## Lady Broncos Have Win-Lose Week

by Heather Felts

On January 23rd the Lady Broncos hosted the Junction Lady Eagles. The Lady Broncos stepped on the floor ready for a win, and that is exactly what they got.

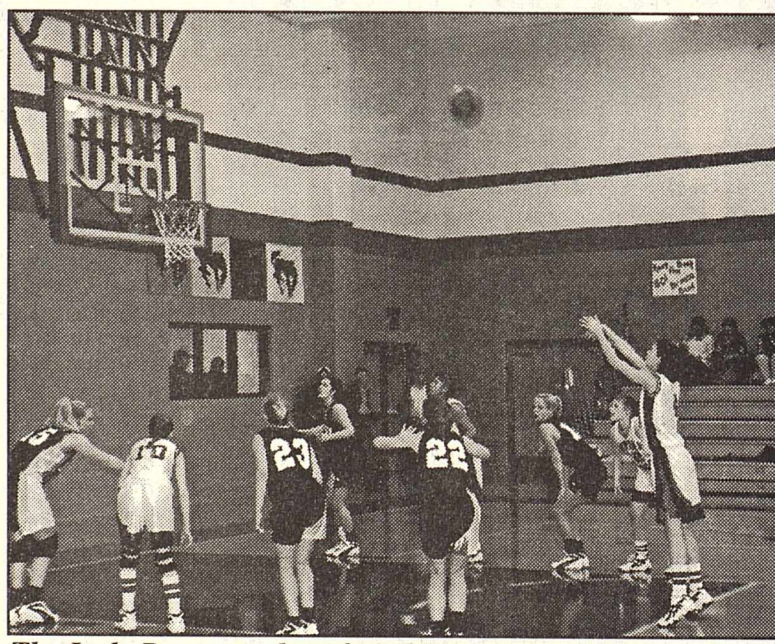
The Lady Broncos took the lead from the beginning and never backed down. With a great contribution by the entire team, the Ladies really dominated, with a final score of 63-24 in favor of the Broncos. Morgan Hobbs was the leading scorer with 11 points.

Marshall had 9, Lira and Felts 8, Miller 5, Lewellen and Arme 4, Parker, Gonzales and Lawson 3, Gann and S. Hard 2, and K. Hard with 1.

On Friday, January 26th the Lady Broncos traveled to Grape Creek to take on the Lady Eagles.

After winning against Grape Creek once, the Lady Broncos were looking for another win. Unfortunately, that was not to be.

Having several girls down with the stomach bug, the Lady Broncos struggled throughout the entire game, and just couldn't gain con-



The Lady Broncos take a free throw shot against Junction.

trol. The Lady Broncos lost 47-25. It was a hard loss for the girls, but like it has been said, "Anything can happen on any given day."

The season goes on and the Lady Broncos are refusing to stop

fighting. Scoring for the Broncos were: Word - 5, Marshall, Hobbs, Lawson and Lira - 4, and Parker and Miller - 2.

## Sonora Student Attends Presidential Inauguration 2001

by Nash Traylor, age 12

The first part of our trip started in Sonora. From Sonora we drove to San Antonio to get on our airplane. Our plane left San Antonio at 12:58 and flew to Chicago. In Chicago we boarded another airplane and traveled to Washington D.C. We left the airport, got a taxi, and went to our hotel.

On Friday, we began our day by visiting Union Train Station. Union Station is an old train station that is still used for trains but is also a fancy shopping mall. The ceilings are trimmed with gold. The stores were very expensive. They had many restaurants that were very crowded. Union Station was very fun.

Our day concluded with the Black Tie and Boots Ball. We had to wear very formal clothing to the ball. I wore a tuxedo. While leaving the hotel we met the Attorney General of Michigan. We got into a traffic jam when we were going to the ball. The taxi driver was a very reckless driver. After thirty minutes of riding in a taxi we finally got to the ball. When we arrived we met Governor Perry, his wife, and daughter. We walked in behind Gov. Perry while the Ross Volunteers held sabers at attention. It was like walk-

ing under a bridge of swords. Our trip to the ball was very exciting.

The ball was held in a big new hotel. It had three rooms for eating and dancing. The main ballroom was very crowded and I wasn't able to go in. This is where President Elect Bush spoke. The other two rooms were for dancing and a lot less crowded. We ate supper in both rooms and we danced here too. The Beach Boys, Clint Black, Gary P. Nunn, Tanya Tucker, Mark Chestnut, and Asleep at the Wheel were the people who sang there. We also saw ZZ Top but they did not sing. It also had a room for booths. The booths were from business' and universities. Bevo was there but the highlight for me was to see Revell. The security was very tight. They had hand held metal detectors that they used on you. When you left or went in a ballroom they used them. When we left we stood in line, then we walked down the street in the rain and finally after two hours we got a taxi.

On Saturday we watched the Inauguration on television. We didn't have tickets to the Inauguration so if we would have gone to it we wouldn't have been able to see President Bush. While getting ready for the parade we saw the protesters walking

to the manager of the hotel. He told us we would have a free meal. We ate a meal that would have cost us \$130.

In the evening we went to the Texas-Wyoming Ball. When we got there we walked through a metal detector and security checked our cameras. Since President Bush had become president the security was tighter. The ball did not have any chairs or tables so we had to stand up. The ball was just one huge room. There were two bands going at once and if you stood in the middle you couldn't hear either one. The music was from orchestras. We were interviewed by a Midland Post Reporter. We saw the President and the Vice-President. They spoke and then danced with their wives. After President Bush left, we left. We walked 7 blocks in the snow back to the hotel. On the way back we saw some homeless people sleeping in a doorway.

On Sunday we packed and left the hotel. We then flew to Chicago, then San Antonio, and drove home. The trip to Washington is an experience I won't forget. The balls and parade and seeing President Bush are events that I may never see again.

When we returned to the hotel my grandparents had already ordered supper. It was still not there after an hour and a half. They talked

## Lady Colts Travel To Wall

The 7th grade Lady Colts grounded the Hawks on January 22, 2001, defeating the Wall team 29 to 25. Desirae Boldt led the scoring with 12 points, followed by Kayla McBride with 8. Tissie Wagoner scored 4, Kristina Hernandez 3, and Jillian Gulley 2.

The girls attempted 9 free throws, only making 4, giving them a 44% free throw average.

The 8th grade Lady Colts had a little harder time against the Hawks, being defeated 37 to 15.

Chealsey Seaton led the scoring for the Lady Colts with 5 points. Danielle Fox and Alyssa Ibarra each had 4, and Amanda Word had 2. The girls made 6 of 14 attempted free throws, giving them a 43% free throw average.

## Sonora Bronco Basketball

### Varsity Schedule \* District Games

Feb. 2 - Wall • There - 8:00 p.m.  
Feb. 6 - Eldorado • Here - 8:00 p.m.

### JV Schedule

Feb. 2 - Wall • There - 5:00 p.m.  
Feb. 6 - Eldorado • Here - 5:00 p.m.

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## Lady Bronco Basketball Schedule

### Varsity Schedule \* District Games

Feb. 2 - Wall • 6:30 p.m. - There  
Feb. 6 - Eldorado • 6:30 p.m. - Here

### JVA Schedule

Feb. 2 - Wall • 5:00 p.m. - There  
Feb. 6 - Eldorado • 5:00 p.m. - Here

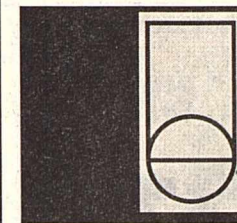
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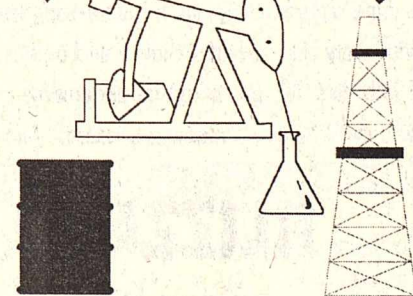
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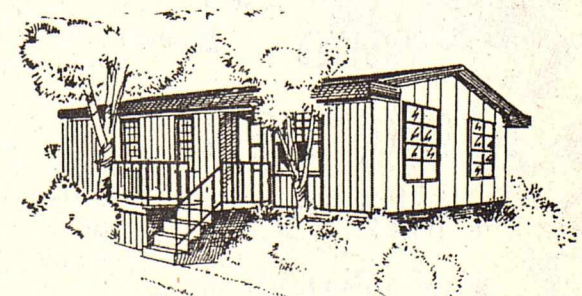
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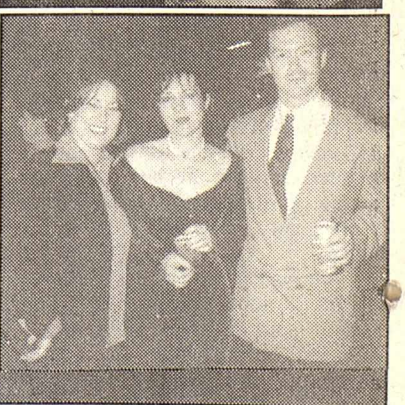
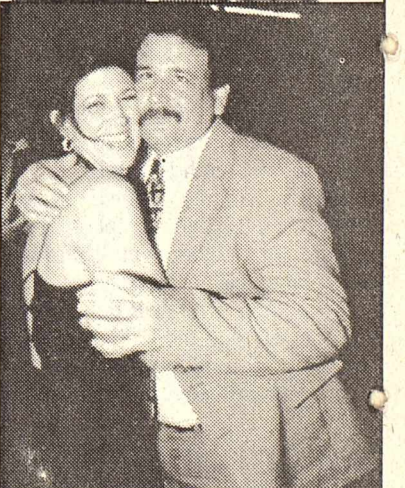
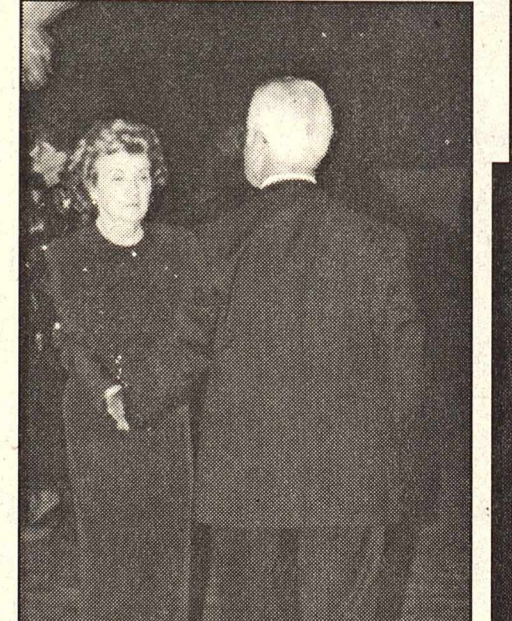
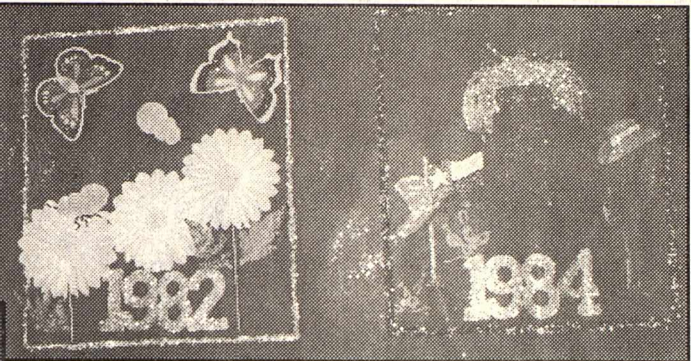
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## Texas Animal Health Commission Advises On Possible Feed Contamination

From the Texas Animal Health Commission:

During the past few days, the media has focused on a situation in Texas regarding a possible feed contamination issue. We are taking this opportunity to advise you of the facts surrounding this situation, in order to avert undue concern.

According to reports from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), about a week ago, some cattle in a Texas feedlot may have consumed some feed that contained mammalian protein (meat and bone meal). Since 1997, the FDA has banned mammalian protein in feed for ruminants (multi-stomached animals), such as cattle.

The error was noted within hours and was reported by the feed manufacturer to the FDA. The use of the lot of feed in question was suspended and the feedlot is voluntarily holding the cattle on site. The FDA is analyzing samples of the feed. The feed analysis should have been completed by Monday evening, January 29, 2001, at which

time, the FDA will evaluate the next step regarding these animals.

Some salient points:  
 \* This is not a disease situation.  
 \* The FDA is determining if mammalian protein is contained in this feed. (The meat and bone meal, if present, was derived from US-origin animals.)

This situation is NOT a disease issue. It is a possible contaminated, or adulterated, feed occurrence and is under the jurisdiction of the FDA.

\* The US does not have BSE, and the ban on feeding mammalian protein to ruminants is a preemptive precaution.

\* The FDA has not released the name of the feed company or the feedlot and its location.

Please refer any questions to Mr. Lawrence Bachorik, at the Food and Drug Administration, which is in charge of this situation. Mr. Bachorik's number is 1-301-827-6250. Carla Everett, public info officer at the TAHC, can be reached at 1-800-550-8242, ext 710.

## Texas Wool And Mohair Production Down In 2000

Austin - Low wool demand and fewer sheep and lambs shorn than a year ago led to a decrease in wool production for 2000. Mohair production continued to decline even though prices increased in 1999.

According to the annual report released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, wool production totaled 7.51 million pounds during 2000, down 6 percent from the previous year's total. This is the lowest level on record. Texas producers sheared 1.13 million sheep and lambs during the year, 3 percent less than 1999. The average fleece weight was 6.6 pounds compared with 6.8 pounds last year.

Total value of the state's wool production was down 6 percent from the previous year to \$3.68 million. Price per pound averaged \$3.49, unchanged from the average for 1999.

Texas mohair production during 2000 totaled 2.35 million pounds, down 8 percent from a year ago and the lowest on record. Producers clipped 345,000 Angora goats and kids with an average clip weight of 6.8 pounds. The number of Angora goats and kids clipped declined 8 percent from the previous year, and the average clip weight was unchanged from 1999.

Value of the state's mohair production increased to \$10.01 million. Price per pound averaged \$4.30, compared with the \$3.68 average a year earlier.

United States shorn wool production during 2000 was 46.4 million pounds, down slightly from a year earlier. Sheep and lambs shorn during 2000 totaled 6.14 million head, down slightly from 1999. Average fleece weight of shorn wool was 7.6 pounds per head unchanged from 1999.

The average price paid for wool sold in 2000 was \$3.33 per pound, for a total value of \$15.4 million, down 14 percent from \$17.9 million in 1999.

Mohair production in the three major producing states, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas, during 2000 was 2.63 million pounds, down 9 percent from 1999. Goats and kids clipped, at 402,000 head, were down 9 percent from 1999. Average weight per clip at 6.5 pounds, was unchanged from 1999. Value of mohair production was \$10.6 million, up 6 percent from 1999.

## Texas Sheep And Lamb Inventory Down 8 Percent

Austin - The Texas inventory of all sheep and lambs totaled 1.1 million head on January 1, 2001, down 8 percent from last year's revised level of 1.2 million head.

According to the annual report released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, the inventory of breeding sheep and lambs totaled 800 thousand head, down 16 percent from the 2000 revised total. Breeding ewes one year old and older were down 14 percent also at 680 thousand head, while replacement lambs were down 29 percent to 85 thousand head.

The 2000 lamb crop totaled 570 thousand head, down 130 thousand head from 1999, State Statistician Robin Roark reported.

Market sheep and lambs in Texas were up 20 percent from last year, totaling 300,000 head. Sheep for market totaled 10,000 head, down 33 percent from last year, while lambs for market totaled 90,000 head, up 23 percent from last year.

Lambs for market weighing less than 65 pounds totaled 105,000 head; lambs weighing 65 to 84 pounds totaled 65,000; lambs weighing 85 to 105 pounds totaled 60,000, and lambs weighing over 105 pounds totaled 60,000 head.

The January 1 Texas goat inventory was up 8 percent from

last year's level to 1.4 million head.

Angora goats totaled 300,000 head, down 70,000 head from last year, while Spanish and other goats were up 18 percent from last year to 1,100,000 head.

Nationally, the inventory of all sheep and lambs totaled 6.92 million head, down 2 percent from 2000.

United States breeding sheep inventory on January 1, 2001, declined to 4.93 million head. Ewes one year and older, at 4.06 million head, were 4 percent below last year.

The 2000 lamb crop was 4.62 million head, down 2 percent from 1999. The 2000 lambing rate was 109 per 100 ewes one year old and older, on hand January 1, 2000, compared with 110 in 1999.

Market sheep and lambs totaled 1.99 million head on January 1, 2001. Market lambs comprised 96 percent of the total.

Market lambs weighing less than 65 pounds accounted for 24 percent of the total; 65 to 84 pounds, 18 percent; 85 to 105 pounds, 24 percent; and more than 105 pounds 30 percent. Market sheep account for 4 percent.

The Angora goat inventory in the three major producing states totaled 359,000 head compared with 436,000 head last year.

## AGRIBUSINESS

### Turner Ready to Help Rural Texas

AUSTIN - A House committee has released a report on rural development that experts say could help Rural Texas meet its economic potential, according to Rep. Bob Turner (D-Voss). Experts gave testimony last Thursday (Jan. 25) before the Rural Caucus of the Texas Legislature in support of the report which identifies critical issues facing rural Texas. Turner, who serves sixteen full counties and a portion of a seventeenth, is a member of the Rural Caucus and served on the interim committee that released the report.

Among the report's recommendations are the development of a comprehensive state rural policy; combining rural programs into one central coordinating agency; training community leaders; and bringing advanced telecommunications and infrastructure to rural areas.

Findings in the report on rural development were endorsed by five experts in the field including Economist Ray Perryman; Greg Taylor of the Texas A&M Department of Rural

Sociology; A&M Agricultural Economics Professor Ron Knutson; Quincy Ellis, executive director of the Early Economic Development Corporation; and Sam Tessen, executive director of the Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund.

"The findings of this report are crucial to rural development for the 73rd Legislative District," Turner said. "House Speaker Pete Laney has recognized the importance of a comprehensive rural policy for the state by appointing this committee and supporting its recommendations. I am proud to stand with Speaker Laney and other members of the Rural Caucus in finding new ways to meet Rural Texans' needs."

"Texas has reaped enormous benefits from a new economy that emphasizes services, manufacturing and high tech, but not all of our rural areas have shared in the prosperity," Laney (D-Hale Center) said. "The Legislature now has a unique opportunity to extend a helping hand."

Caucus members, including both House and Senate members,

plan to file a number of bills vital to the development of rural Texas. The bills range from one which would create new tax-free agricultural development districts to help local producers compete with large corporations to one that would refocus the majority of rural development efforts into one state agency.

Rural lawmakers also expect to file bills to give more funding to rural community colleges, provide counties wider authority to regulate and control growth and change the term for Texas House members from two to four years. Rep. Judy Hawley (D-Portland), chair of the Rural Caucus, said issues on telecommunications infrastructure, transportation funding and education will also be on the rural agenda.

Hawley lauded Turner's work on behalf of rural Texans. "Rep. Turner has been an invaluable asset to improving rural communities across the state," she said. "There are no easy solutions to the problems that face rural Texas; but we firmly believe that rural Texans deserve access to good health care, the ability to get on the information highway, the best education available and the opportunity to live and work in their hometowns, without having to leave for a job in the city."

"The 77th Legislative Session could prove very significant for rural Texans," Turner said. "Not only is it a redistricting session in which the boundaries of many rural legislative districts may change, but important legislative actions could determine how rural communities will survive in the future."

### Rig Locations as of January 26, 2001

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 Oxy Permian; 16000' Mitchell - D - #50, Nabors Drilling.  
 New Ricks Exploration; 9500' Riggs - 21 - #8, Cleere Drilling.  
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## 2001 Texas Cattle Inventory Down 1 Percent

Austin - The inventory of Texas cattle and calves totaled 13.70 million head on January 1, 2001, down 1 percent from last year's inventory of 13.90 million head, and 3 percent below the 1999 inventory of 14.10 million head.

"Drought conditions during late spring to early fall forced continued liquidation of cattle herds," said Robin Roark, State Statistician.

Texas continued to rank first in the nation in total number of cattle and calves with 14.1 percent of the total United States inventory.

Beef cow inventory, at 5.47 million head, was up 1 percent from last year's total of 5.43 million head. Milk cow inventory, at 345 thousand head, was down 1 percent from the 1999 total of 350 thousand head.

Total inventory of all cows that have calved was 5.81 million head, increased 1 percent from last year's total of 5.78 million head.

Beef replacement heifers totaled 720 thousand head on January 1, down 5 percent from the 2000 total of 760 thousand head. The milk replacement heifer inventory was up 11 percent at 100 thousand head. Last year's total was 90 thousand head.

Texas's inventory of steers 500 pounds and over totaled 2.43 million head, down 6 percent from the 2000 total of 2.58 million head. Total inventory of heifers, steers and bulls under 500 pounds was 2.64 million head, down 1 percent from the 2000 total of 2.68 million head.

The 2000 calf crop totaled 5.10 million head, down 1 percent from the 1999 crop of 5.15 million and down 4 percent from the preliminary estimate of 5.30 million.

The United States inventory of all cattle and calves totaled 97.3 million head on January 1, 1 percent below last year's inventory of 98.2 million head, and 2 percent below January 1, 1999.

All cows and heifers that have calved totaled 42.6 million head, slightly below the 42.8 million on January 1, 2000 and 1 percent below the 42.9 million two years ago.

Beef cows totaled 33.4 million head, 1 percent less than a year ago, while milk cows were up slightly from a year ago at 9.20 million head.

Beef replacement heifers, at 5.59 million head, were up 2 percent from the previous year. Milk replacement heifer numbers were up 1 percent to 4.05 million head.

The 2000 calf crop was estimated at 38.6 million head, down slightly from both 1999 and 1998.

of 8 years to participate in special drawing hunts.

\* To waive the requirement of a regular permit for hunters selected on regular hunts if they possess an Annual Public Hunting Permit.

\* To clarify TPW's ability to retain application fees submitted with invalid applications for a special permit hunt.

\* To require supervising adults participating in youth-only hunts to possess a valid access permit.

Public comment on public hunting sites and other matters be made at public meetings yet to be scheduled, or by writing Texas Parks and Wildlife, 4200 Smith School Road, Austin, TX 78744 or calling (800) 792-1112.

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## TPW Proposing 45 State Parks for Public Hunts

AUSTIN, Texas -- Texas Parks and Wildlife is proposing special drawn public hunts at 45 state parks during the 2001-2002 hunting seasons.

State wildlife officials conduct hunting in state parks and on other TPW managed lands to provide additional opportunities for the use of public resources and to help achieve wildlife management objectives.

The list of nominees, announced Jan. 24 at the TPW Commission's Regulations Committee meeting, includes 42 sites where hunts were conducted last year and two new state parks in the public hunting program -- Cooper Lake State Park South Sulphur Unit and

Lake Bob Sandlin State Park. A third, Dinosaur Valley State Park, was not hunted last year but has been hunted in previous years.

In coming months, TPW officials will seek public input on the candidate sites for state park hunts during a statewide series of public hearings. The commission will make a final decision on these nominees at its April 5 public meeting.

Following is a list of candidate state parks and other sites: Arroyo Colorado; Atlanta; Big Bend Ranch; Brazos Bend; Brownwood; Bryan Beach; Caddo Lake; Caprock Canyons; Choke Canyon Calliham and North Shore Units; Colorado Bend; Davis Mountains; Devils River State Natural Area; Devil's

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TPW also proposed several changes to the public hunting program regulations, including provisions:

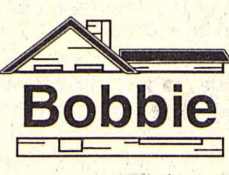
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