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## Jr. High Golf Brings Home the Gold



The Sonora Jr High Boys and Girls took first place Monday at the Scott Schreiner Ker-ville Golf Course! 1st place girls team: Holly Sparks, Kylie Galindo, Wyatt Watkins, Isaiah Lira, Ronald Pincince and Elyssa Prieto. Holly Sparks took 1st place individual and Kylie Reiner took 5th place! 1st place boys team: Josh Galindo, Wyatt Watkins, Isaiah Lira, Ronald Pincince and Ariel Luna. Josh Galindo was individual first and Wyatt Watkins and Isaiah Lira tied for second place. A job well done by all the Jr. High team.



## Grand Opening

Grand Opening for Bronco Salon was a success!! Thanking first and foremost Mr. & Mrs. Fred VanShoubrook for being great landlords and Mike and Sandy Glover for all of their work and support. Also Sulema (my awesome hairdresser), Sonny, Whitley Hernandez, Scott Martinez, Nathan Jarratt, Ryan Contreras, my Yourgalite family, JoAnn Martin, Angie Bryant and many more. I know I have missed some and I apologize. Also thanks to Curtis Bryant and Robert Webb for their craftsmanship of the racks and nail table. And last but not least I thank my wonderful family and awesome husband Wade for all of their continued support.

## Study Compares Recent Drought To 1950S On Woody Plant Dieback

COLLEGE STATION—Scientists with Texas A&M University and Texas A&M AgriLife Research had a unique opportunity to compare recent patterns of drought-induced woody plant mortality on the Edwards Plateau in Texas to the extended drought of the 1950s.

Dr. Bill Rogers, an associate professor in the Texas A&M ecosystem science and management department, said it is important to understand how climatic extremes such as drought cause shifts in vegetation.

These shifts can alter semi-arid ecosystems, potentially affecting the abundance of forage and browse available for livestock and wildlife, as well as land/atmosphere feedbacks, carbon and water cycles, and disturbance dynamics, Rogers said.

A recently completed study led by two doctoral students from Rogers' research lab,

Dirac Twidwell and Carissa Wonkka, examining the effects of severe drought on woody plants in Texas will be featured in the international journal, Applied Vegetation Science.

"This is one of the first assessments of the effects our recent drought has had on native vegetation," Rogers said. "It is also particularly novel because we are able to compare our findings to a study that was conducted at the same research site during the drought of the 1950s."

The research site was the Texas A&M AgriLife Research Station in Sonora, managed by Dr. Charles "Butch" Taylor. Following the drought from 1951-1957, a study was conducted at the site to quantify rates of dieback for various woody plant species.

In 2011, during the most severe drought on record since the 1950s, the study was repeated in the same long-term grazing treatments established

in 1948. The primary species they looked at were southern live oak, scrub oak or sandpaper oak, persimmon, and Ashe juniper or blueberry juniper.

Twidwell said the study, in addition to comparing the patterns of drought-induced woody plant dieback to that from the extended drought of the 1950s, was designed to determine if composition of the woody plant community shifts consistently across the landscape following dieback, or if shifts depend on differences among species, soils, land use and plant demography.

The study showed the recent severe droughts across Texas resulted in high levels of woody plant dieback in areas that have for decades experienced woody encroachment, he said. Periodic drought events since 2000 killed nearly 25 percent of woody plants and decreased woody plant

cover 18 percent.

However, measurements taken after the 1950s drought ended showed woody plant cover had decreased 44 percent compared to pre-drought estimates taken in 1949, Twidwell said.

"Based on weather records from the research site dating back to 1919, the drought of the 1950s was more prolonged and severe than any other period from 1919-2011," he said. "While recent droughts have been severe, historical records at this site show the seven-year drought of the 1950s was worse and lasted considerably longer."

"Woody plant die-off was almost three times worse in the 1950s than in our 2011 study. This gives us an indication of how vegetation may continue to change on the Edwards Plateau if the current drought continues for a number of years."

Neither drought, however, resulted in widespread shifts from one woody plant community to another, Wonkka said.

"Even with reductions in cover of 44 percent and 18 percent following the droughts of the 1950s and 2000s, respectively, woody plant communities did not transition to a grassland or savanna or an alternate woody-dominated plant community," she said. "Rather, the system remained as an oak savanna following the 1950s and a juniper woodland interspersed with clusters of oak in 2011." A unique finding in this study is that long-term livestock management practices have the potential to influence the direction of vegetative change following drought, Twidwell said.

High mortality rates of mature juniper trees in deep soils, combined with the recruitment of oak species where cattle, goats and deer had been excluded on the research site for the last 60 years, caused shifts in vegetation from a juniper woodland to a live oak-dominated overstory with a diverse under-

story, he said.

Because many areas on the Edwards Plateau have been heavily browsed by goats and deer for decades, the study suggests that drought-induced shifts on deep soils away from juniper woodland and toward a plant community more similar to the oak savanna occurring prior to juniper encroachment is unlikely to be realized unless the drought becomes worse.

"Juniper will likely continue to dominate the woody plant community on both shallow and deep soil areas on much of the Edwards Plateau following the most recent drought, albeit at lower densities," Twidwell said.

He said the widespread changes in land management on the Edwards Plateau from mostly livestock production to wildlife and hunting enterprises may sufficiently decrease browsing pressure in some areas to cause the shift from juniper woodland to a diverse shrub understory.

"To improve our understanding of climate-induced vegetation change, modeling projections need to be down-scaled to a finer spatial resolution that is relevant to land managers," Twidwell said. "Many regional planners rely on predictive climate-vegetation models to understand potential shifts in vegetation that may result from short- and long-term changes in climate."

In this study, specialized responses to drought were observed as a result of complex localized interactions, such as ecophysiological differences among soil types, plant water-use strategies, density-dependent relationships among plants, and legacy effects of livestock management, he said.

"Studies such as this play an important role in improving these models and projecting how drought will impact the types of vegetation important to land managers," Twidwell said.

## Sutton County Health Foundation Gives Back To Police Station



The Sutton County Health Foundation donated 5 portable defibrillators to the Sonora Police Department. The defibrillators will be kept in the police cars as the officers are often the first responders on the scenes of accidents.



### Senior Center Activities

Thurs. May-  
Fri. May-  
Mon. May-  
Tues. May-  
Wed. May

### Senior Center Menu

Thurs.  
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Wed.

Participants in the senior nutrition program must be 60 or older. Meals are served Monday - Friday at 12:00 p.m.  
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### 3 Stories to Rebuild your Faith in Humanity

Today, my 75-year-old grandpa who has been blind from cataracts for almost 15 years said to me, "Your grandpa is just the most beautiful thing, isn't she?" I paused for a second and said, "Yes she is. I bet you miss seeing that beauty on a daily basis." "Sweetie," my grandpa said, "I still see her beauty every day. In fact, I see it more now than I used to when we were young."

Today, I walked up to the door of my office (I'm a florist) at 7AM to find a uniformed Army soldier standing out front waiting. He was on his way to the airport to go to Afghanistan for a year. He said, "I usually bring home a bouquet of flowers for my wife every Friday and I don't want to let her down when I'm away." He then placed an order for 52 Friday afternoon deliveries of flowers to his wife's office and asked me to schedule one for each week until he returns. I gave him a 50% discount because it made my day to see something so sweet.

Today, I told my 18 year old grandson that nobody asked me to prom when I was in high school, so I didn't attend. He showed up at my house this evening dressed in a tuxedo and took me as his date to his prom.

### 2013 Little Miss and Little Mr. Sutton County Entry Form & Rules


A \$5.00 entry fee is required upon entry from each contestant. The contestants must have turned (3) yrs of age and must not have turned seven (7) prior to June 29, 2013. Parent or guardian must be present throughout the contest. Contestants must be a resident of Sutton County or be eligible to attend Sonora Schools. Completed pre-entry forms must be returned by June 14, 2013 to the Sonora Chamber of Commerce Office at 205 Hwy 277 N or mailed to P.O. Box 1172, Sonora, TX 76950. There will be no late or last minute entries accepted, so that all contestants may be pictured in the Devil's River News the week of the contest. Bring a picture of the contestant to be put in the Devil's River News or email to chamber@sonoratax.com. Contest begins at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 29, 2013 at the main entertainment stage at the Sutton County Park. If the contestant wishes to sing or dance, he or she may not have recorded accompaniment, but may play an instrument themselves. All contestants should dress comfortably and appropriately for children their age. All contestants are very much encouraged to participate in the Sutton County Days Parade to be held on Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m. The sponsor for the parade will contact each contestant. Entry forms will not be accepted without signatures.

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To insure your child's safety, we request the parents' presence throughout the contest. \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial)

For further information contact the Sonora Chamber of Commerce at 325-387-2880

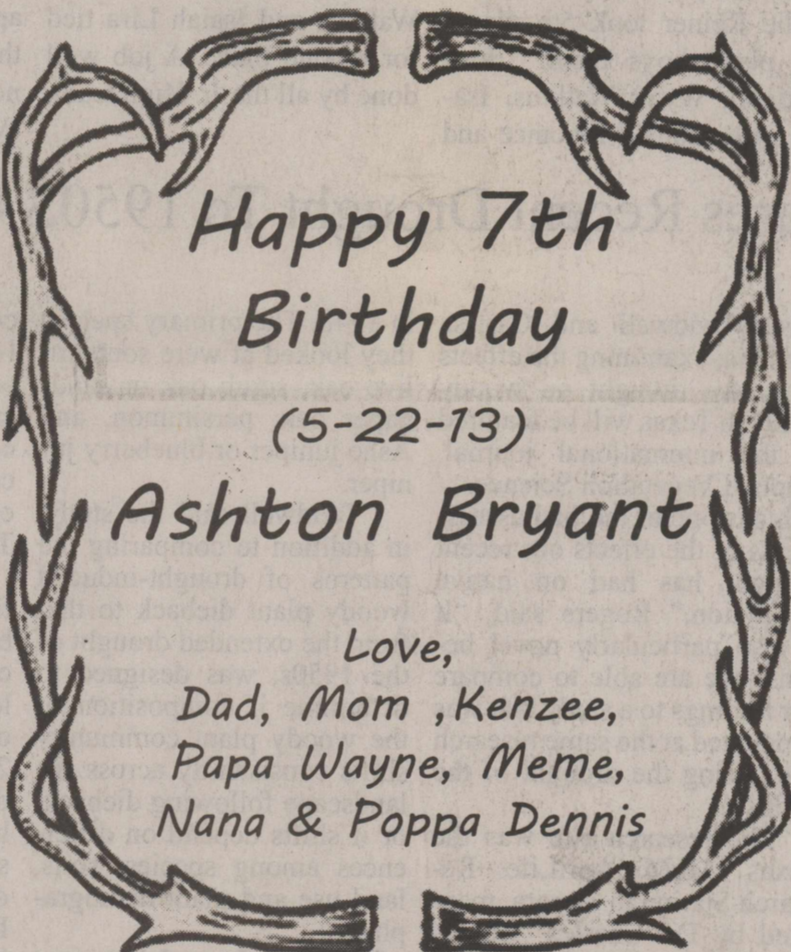
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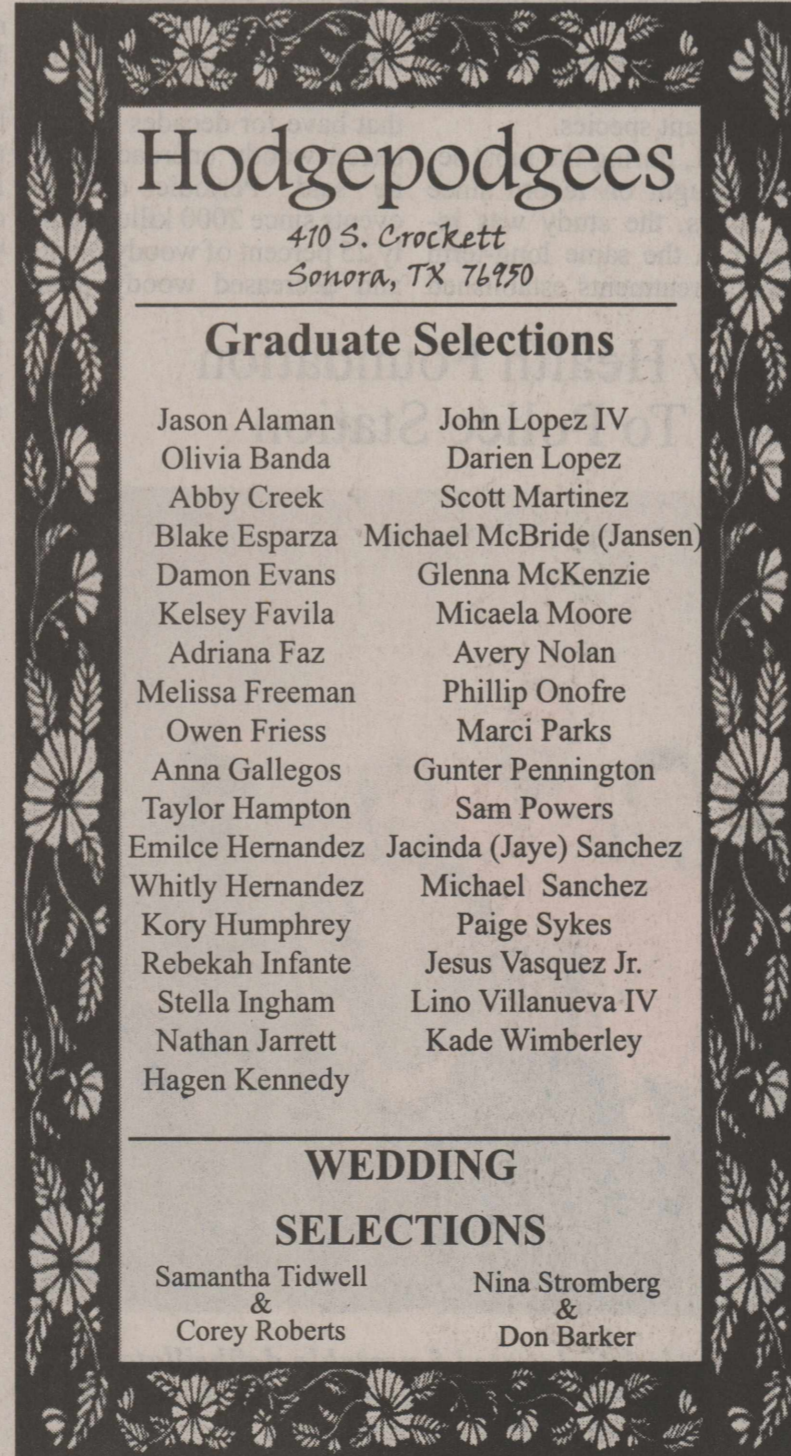
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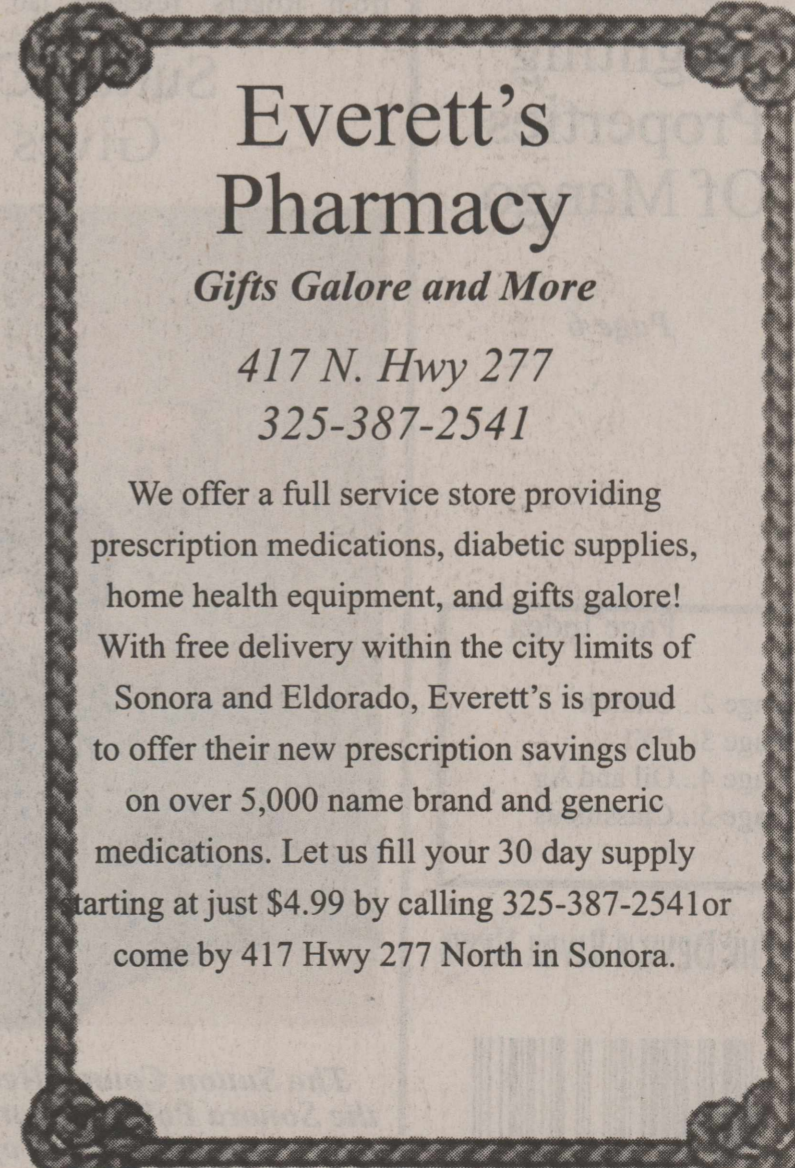
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Sonora, TX 76950

### Graduate Selections

Jason Alaman	John Lopez IV
Olivia Banda	Darien Lopez
Abby Creek	Scott Martinez
Blake Esparza	Michael McBride (Jansen)
Damon Evans	Glenna McKenzie
Kelsey Favila	Micaela Moore
Adriana Faz	Avery Nolan
Melissa Freeman	Phillip Onofre
Owen Friess	Marci Parks
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Emilce Hernandez	Jacinda (Jaye) Sanchez
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Nathan Jarrett	Kade Wimberley
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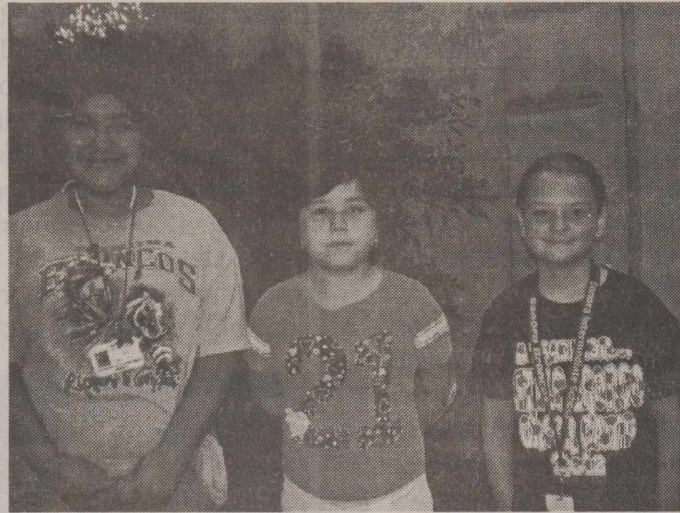
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Haley Teague



Abigail Mendoza

## Students of the Week

May 28, 2013

Claudio Morgan

Aiden Luna



Gael Duenes Juan Meza

## F.Y.I

Sutton County Friends of NRA Safe Full of Guns raffle is underway! Tickets are \$10 each with one winner taking home four firearms, to include an AR-15, and a 10 gun fire resistant safe. Tickets may be purchased at Buck N Bass/Sonora Air Cooled Engines, by contacting Tonya @ 325-206-0454 or by contacting any committee member. The winning ticket will be drawn during our 6th Annual Auction/Banquet, Saturday, September 21, 2013. Your support is appreciated!

**PROJECT GRADUATION**—Graduation is THIS month!! The all-night lock in party held at Sonora High School for Seniors and Juniors after Graduation..To provide an alcohol/drug free place to celebrate one of the most exciting times of their lives. Our community plays a vital role in the success of the programs for our youth. We appreciate any and all contributions to help plan this event. Please send your contributions to Project graduation P.O. Box 993 Sonora, TX 76950. Feel free to call if u have any questions Louise Dermody 325-226-3887 or Bonnie Lou Campbell 325-650-2062

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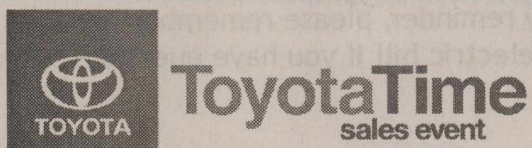
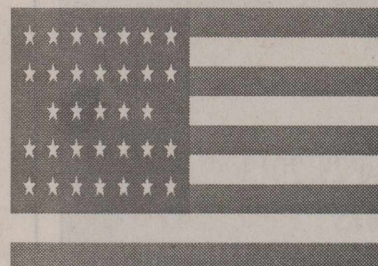
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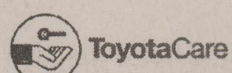
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**Grief Seminar and  
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to be Held This  
Summer**

The past two years we in Sonora have experienced quite a few deaths in our family and community. IN order to address the needs of our community, First Methodist Church will offer Grief Share, a special help seminar and support group for people experiencing grief following the loss of a loved one.

Grief Share is a nondenominational program featuring biblical teaching on grief and recovery topics. Each of 13 sessions is self-contained, so you DO NOT have to attend all of them in order to benefit from the program. You will find encouragement whenever

you begin. However, you are encouraged to attend as many as possible. Each participant will receive a workbook, which cost \$15. Scholarships are available if needed.

Grief Share will be held every Wednesday beginning Wednesday June 5 and continuing through September 4. Each Session will be from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the parlor of the Methodist church which is located at 201 Water Ave. Please call 387-2466 if you have any questions.

**Report Shows Hunting Remains Safe Outdoor Activity**

AUSTIN, Texas — Hunting accidents and fatalities in Texas continued their long-term decline in 2012, still below three accidents per 100,000 hunters in recent years.

Last year, there were 25 reported hunting related accidents, five of which were fatalities. Although any fatality is tragic, Texas accident numbers are small compared to the number of hunters with 1,155,542 hunting licenses issued in 2012.

The National Shooting Sports Foundation, the trade association for the firearms industry, has compiled data on accident rates among 28 recreational pursuits that shows hunting ranks third in safety behind only camping and billiards.

"The statistics show hunting is safe and getting safer in Texas," said Robert Ramirez, hunter education program manager for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. "And we do believe that is directly related to hunter education."

The state's worst year on record for hunting accidents was 1968, when 105 accidents were reported, including 37 fatalities. That equates to about 12 accidents per 100,000 hunters.

Prior to mandatory hunter education requirements in the fall of 1988, Texas reported 7.5 hunting accidents per 100,000 hunting licenses issued. Since then, Texas has averaged 2.95 accidents per 100,000 licenses issued.

"We're still on a trend that is taking us downward," Ramirez said. "Whether we bump it up next year or not, the 10-year trend is what

I look at, and it's coming the education course are more down. Mandatory hunter aware of basic safety principles than before. education is really having an impact."

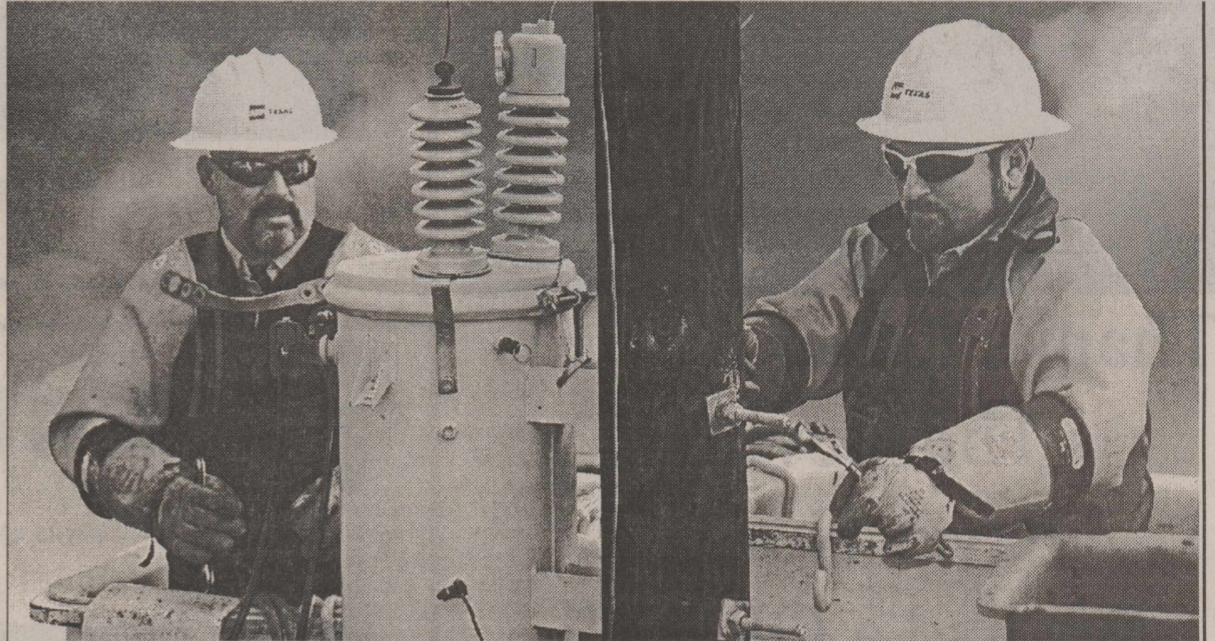
"It's things like the '10 Commandments of Shooting Safety,' the very basic safety principles that are promoted a whole lot more now than 30 years, born after September 1, 1971. The minimum age of certification is 9 years. In 2012, volunteer hunter education instructors certified more than 45,000 hunters across the state.

Ramirez said even hunters a firearm near a vehicle, and who are not required to take three where the shooters did

not follow basic rules of firearms safety.

According to Ramirez, these accidents were preventable if the hunters had only followed some very basic safety principles like those taught in the hunter education courses.

"You know you're not going to stop accidents altogether," he said. "But you're going to help people build knowledge and skills to avoid accidents."



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Entry Fee (all proceeds benefit Eaton Hill Nature Center):  
Adults \$5.00/photo Children (age 18 and under) \$2.00/photo

Categories for the 2013 contest include:

- Wildlife (in the wild)
- Plants in Nature
- Insects
- Natural Landscapes
- Makes Me Smile

Entered photos must be minimum size of 5"x7" and must be matted. Entries will be accepted at Eaton Hill Nature Center - 500 City Hill Road, Sonora, Texas and at the Sonora Chamber of Commerce.

**DEADLINE FOR ENTRY: 5:00pm June 21st**

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Generally at this time of year, those with an interest in pecan trees keep an eye on dates to spray for the pecan nut casebearer. With good reason. The pecan nut casebearer is the most common and damaging insect pest of pecan for both commercial and backyard pecan growers.

The small casebearer caterpillar feeds on the pecan fruit just after pollination in the spring. The damage destroys the newly formed nuts and leaves a mass of webbing and black waste webbed on the normally green nut clusters. They often destroy all nutlets in a cluster.

The pecan nut casebearer is most damaging in May and early June, although a later generation in mid-summer can sometimes be a problem. A single, well timed application of a foliar-applied insecticide can prevent nut loss by this pest. But it's best to make observations to decide if spraying is required, especially those trees with only a light or moderate crop.

Throughout the state, casebearers have arrived later than usual this year. This delay is probably due to the cool weather we enjoyed into early May. Scouting last week showed few eggs laid on nutlets.

For those interested in spraying, now is the time to closely monitor. However, for most homeowners with only a few trees, spraying for casebearer may be more trouble and cost than it is worth. You might consider letting nature take its course. Also, some nut loss due to feeding by pecan nut casebearer may be beneficial when trees have more nutlets than they can support.

These insects do not damage a tree, so, if only shade rather than a pecan crop is desired, treatment is not needed. For the gardener who is determined to spray, call the County Extension Office for a list of insecticides labeled for pecan. You may also consider using a landscape service

## Summer Events for Mainstreet

Just a reminder of upcoming events this summer for Mainstreet. Starting May 27th at 7:00 p.m. till? ad every Monday evening this summer Mainstreet will be sponsoring an open mike session at the Depot outdoor theatre. If you play an instrument or sing or just have a special talent please come and share your talent with others. There will be no cover charge for talent or spectators. Come join the fun and bring a friend.

Again this year Mainstreet will be having a farmers market every Wednesday starting around 8:00 a.m., give a little or take a little. If you have fruits, veggies, hot sauce or other wares please bring them to the mainstreet office and be a part of the fun.

For any information please call Mainstreet at 325-387-2248. Hope to see you there.

## Perry Signs New Water Law Effective Sept. 1

Gov. Rick Perry today ceremonially signed House Bill 4, which lays the foundation for meeting Texas' water future water needs. HB 4 provides for active, full-time governance at the Texas Water Development Board; creates a new funding mechanism to support water-supply project implementation over the next 50 years; and directs local, regional and state officials to prioritize projects to ensure efficient use of available resources. The governor was joined by Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and Speaker Joe Straus, as well as bill authors Reps. Allan Ritter, Four Price, Eric Johnson, Doug Miller and Eddie Lucio III, and sponsor Sen. Troy Fraser at the signing ceremony.

"Water is an essential part of everyone's life, and ensuring adequate supplies means continued job creation, stronger communities and healthier families for decades to come," Gov. Perry said. "HB 4 will help secure our water supplies for generations, even through rapid population and economic growth, by creating new funds that will support local and regional projects and lower the cost of issuing bonds for much-needed water projects."

HB 4 will ensure Texas has a reliable water supply for the next 50 years by promoting conservation and innovative reuse. With voter approval of SJR 1 this fall, this \$2 billion investment will fund up to \$30 billion in projects over the next 50 years. These measures will help address the increased demand population growth will have on our water needs now and into the future.

"Our state's economic engine continues to outpace the rest of the nation, so we're taking aggressive steps to ensure our infrastructure can support the accompanying growth," Lt. Gov. Dewhurst said. "This bill is part of an overall solution that combines great fiscal stewardship with citizen involvement and sound strategic planning to meet our state's water needs for the next fifty years."

"The Texas House made HB 4 a top priority because we have all seen the devastating effects that severe drought can have on our farms, our communities and our entire economy," Speaker Straus said. "In addition, we know that a reliable supply of water will help us remain the leading state in the country for job creation."

"It has been an honor to work with leadership on securing our future water supply," Rep. Ritter said. "The Governor and the Legislature worked together to help ensure that we will have our most essential element to public health and economic growth for decades to come."

"The drought not only has an impact on the health and safety of our communities but it also affects our State's economy and the ability to attract new businesses," Sen. Fraser said. "I am glad that we finally passed HB 4 to implement the State Water Plan, so we can ensure Texas will have sufficient water supplies during times of drought."

House Bill 4 becomes law on Sept. 1, 2013.

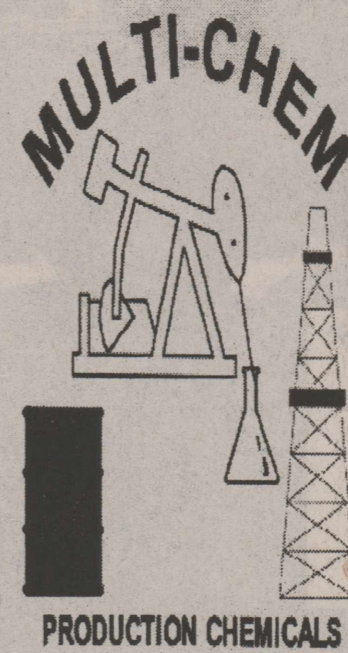
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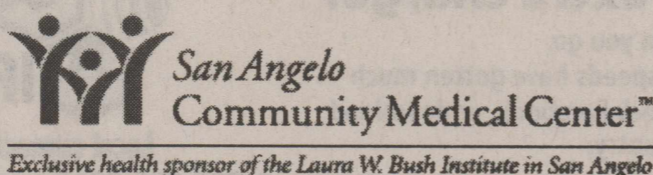
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# Texas A&M Researchers Investigate Cancer-Fighting Properties Of Mango

COLLEGE STATION – In addition to being one of the most important tropical fruits consumed worldwide, recent studies by researchers at the Institute for Obesity Research and Program Evaluation at Texas A&M University in College Station have shown that mangos also may help prevent breast cancer.

“We wanted to investigate the anti-inflammatory and cell-toxicity properties of mango polyphenols on breast cancer and non-cancer cells,” said Dr. Susanne Talcott, director for research at the institute and assistant professor, nutrition and food science department, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

“There was already some research done showing that polyphenolic compounds, such as those found in the mango, have cancer-fighting properties,” said Talcott, who also works in conjunction with Texas A&M AgriLife Research. “Those compounds appear to have antioxidant properties that may contribute to decrease

oxidative stress, which can lead to the onset of chronic diseases such as cancer. In addition to that, polyphenolics have been shown to be anti-inflammatory. “We recently completed one in vitro study and one using mice to see if the polyphenols found in mango did, in fact, exhibit inflammation- and cancer-fighting properties.”

Both non-cancer and cancer breast cells were treated with mango polyphenolics at different concentrations, and results were shown in Gallic acid equivalents per milliliter, or ug GAE/ml, of liquid sample. The study showed that at 5 ug GAE/ml mango Keitt polyphenols decreased sample breast cancer cell proliferation by approximately 90 percent, and at the same concentration, decreased the proliferation of sample non-cancer cells by approximately 20 percent.

A second study by this research group using hairless mice showed mango polyphenols also suppressed cell proliferation in the breast cancer BT474 cell line and tumor growth in mice with human breast carcinoma cells transplanted into them. “The tumor-fighting potential of mango polyphenolics may at least in part be based on those same properties which reduced cancer cell proliferation and reduce inflammation that may be involved in carcinogenesis,” Talcott said. She said the mango polyphenols in the mice study also reduced expression of a cell-regulating protein that affects cell oxygen absorption. And a preliminary microRNA profile screening showed the polyphenols also targeted several microRNA important to cancer-cell proliferation.

Breast cancer is one of the leading causes of cancer death among women, and diet has been shown to have a preventive or protective role against several types of cancer, Talcott said. “It has been estimated that around 30 percent of cancers may be prevented with a healthy lifestyle and diet,” she noted.

Talcott said interest in mango has been increasing in recent years and experimental data has already shown bioactive compounds present in mangoes exert anti-inflammatory, anti-carcinogenic, antiviral and antibacterial properties. “This is due to the presence of botanical compounds such as phenolic acids and flavonoids, and carotenoids,” she said.

Talcott said several dietary polyphenols already have been tested to determine their potential role in growth inhibition, proliferation and destruction of breast cancer cells.

“Based on this premise, we extracted mango polyphenols and tested their ef-

fects in vitro, or separate from their normal biological context, on commercially obtained non-cancer and cancer breast cells,” she said.

The mango used for the study, the Keitt variety of *Mangifera indica*, was provided by the National Mango Board, and polyphenolics were extracted from these.

“These results of the study indicate that the cell-killing effects of mango polyphenols are specific to cancer cells, where inflammation was reduced in both cancer and non-cancer cells, seemingly through the involvement of miRNA-21 — short microRNA molecules associated with cancer,” Talcott said.

She said the research also showed mango polyphenols exerted anti-inflammatory activity and reduced the expression of miRNA-21, depending on the amount

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“The earlier in vitro study and the study using the mice have moved us closer to determining whether mango polyphenols will have cancer-fighting effects on human beings,” Talcott said. “So far, the indications are positive, but a lot of work will have to be done to determine the actual concentration of mango metabolites in target tissues.”

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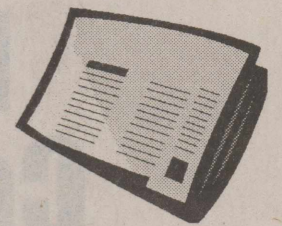
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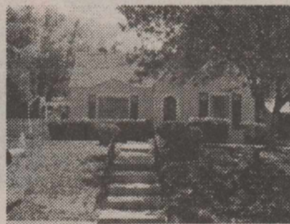
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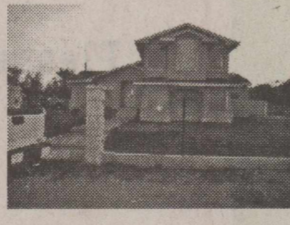
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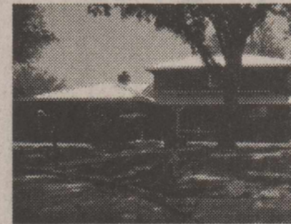
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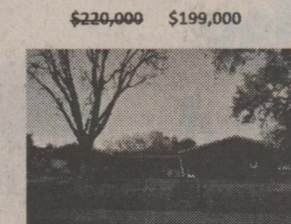
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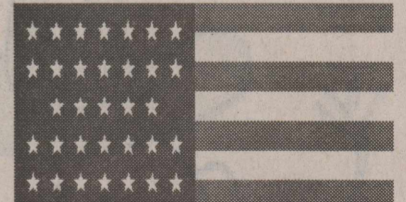
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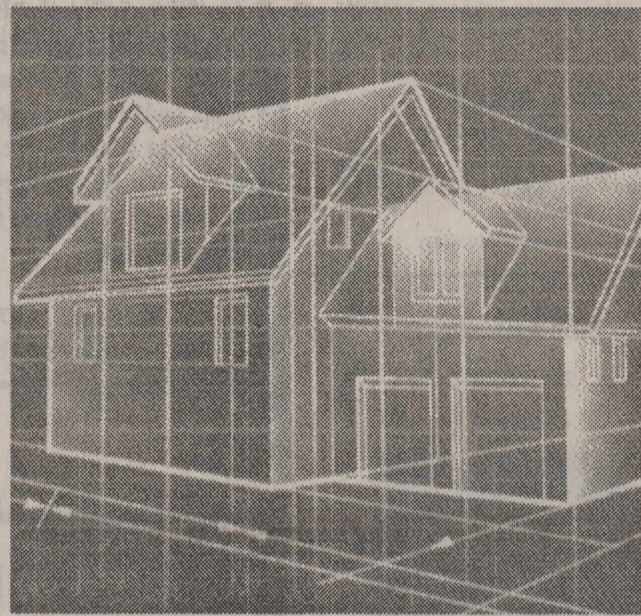
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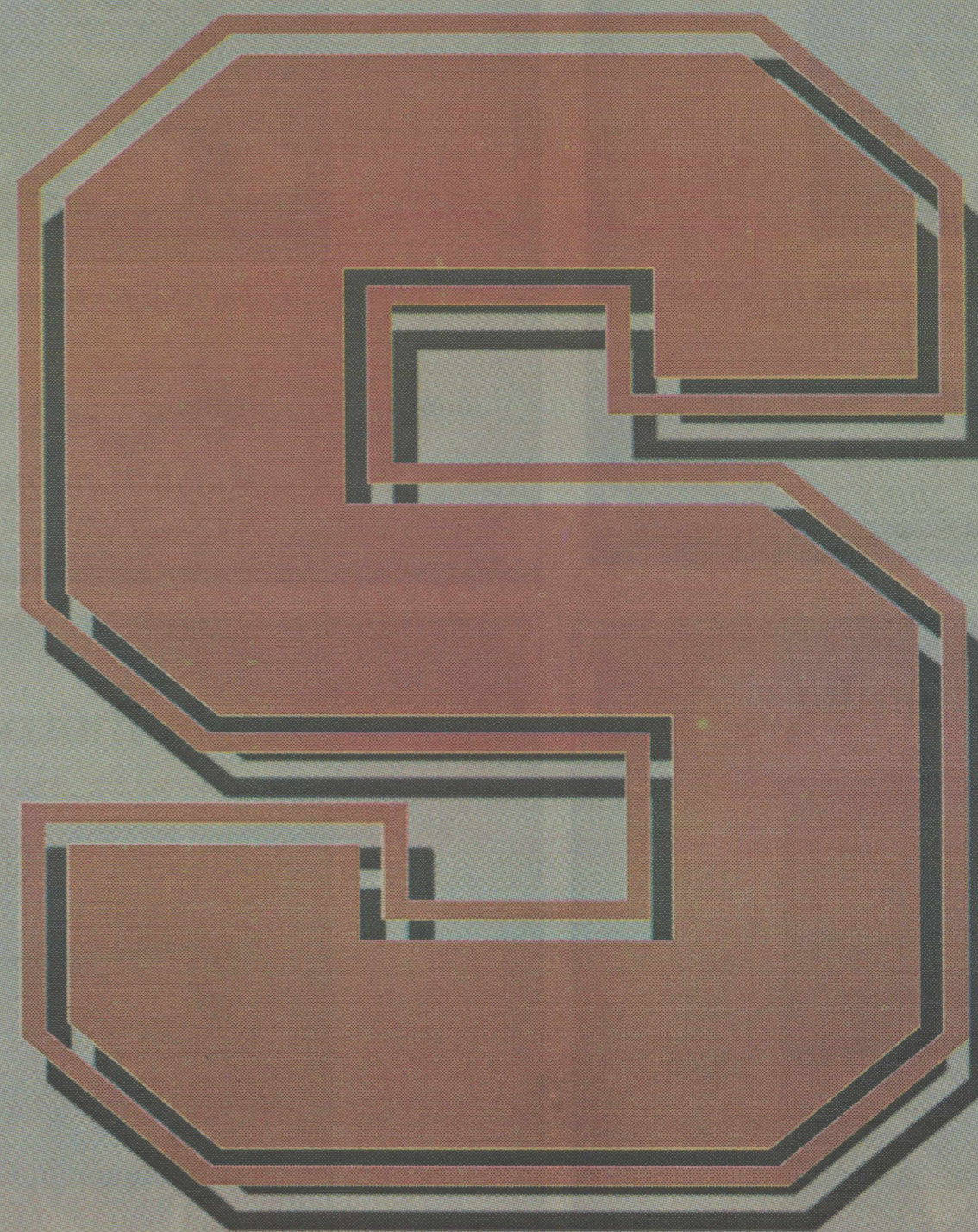
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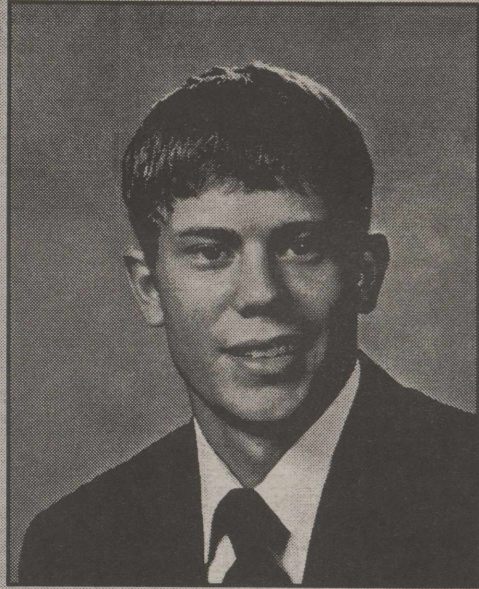
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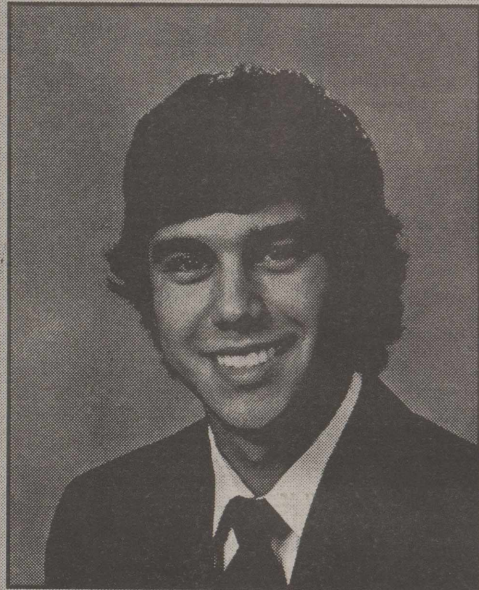
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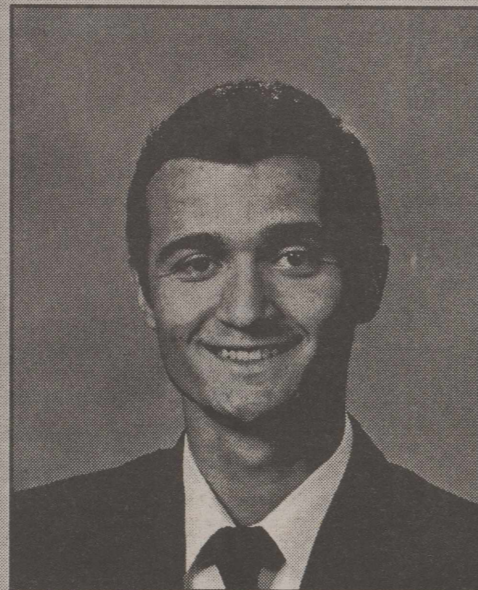
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By Ben D. Taylor

*"The road leading to a goal does not separate you from the destination; it is essentially a part of it."*

*Charles de Lint*

Today you find yourselves at a crossroads. Which road will you take? The answer to that question is solely up to you, but as with most expeditions the answer is found not in the destination, but the journey itself. It is along the road to success that you will find the tools to succeed. It is hardship that teaches you perseverance, its love that shows you mercy, and it is triumph that gives you hope. In the past 12 years each of you have felt the heavy hand of life as it taught you these lessons, but you were not alone. Your teachers have spent those twelve years equipping your mind to be able to choose the right path, your parents (with their love and support) have given you the strength to take that first step, and your friends have given you the passion to continue on with your journey. How will you pick which way to go?

The greatest tool our species has is our mind. Use it! Do not be afraid to question everything along the way. Claude Levi Strauss once stated that "The scientist is not the one with all the

right answers; they are the ones with all the right questions". Those questions are the life blood of exploration and expansion, both for our culture and your specific well being. As you go along your chosen path you will never know where you are headed unless you continually ask where you are.

Never underestimate the power of action. Don't be the type of person that dreams without following through. The only difference between your dreams and reality is that first step of concrete action. I am not going to lie to you though, that first step is the most difficult in any task you will complete. Keep your eyes on the horizon, but don't forget that your feet are the ones carrying you towards the sunset. It's important to dream but it's just as important to keep your feet on the ground always moving forward.

Any decision you make will be the right one as long as you base it on a strong moral code and faith. It is that strong base that gives your actions substance,

without your heart any action is empty. They say that home is where the heart is, so keep the lessons and memories of where you started in your heart. Faith through God, family, and in your own morality will act as a map to dictate all the decisions you make throughout your lives.

Your journey will be successful only if you are honest with yourself. There is a fine line between quitting and changing course, and each of you will find a point in your lives where you will ask yourself that question. I have been at that particular crossroads before, and friends it is not easy. If ever you find yourself at that point simply look over your shoulder, if you can't see the lights from which you started then its time for a change. It's a sad truth that the only road signs in life are seen in your rear-view mirror.

You will find that life is what you make of it. In Robert Frost's poem "The Road Less Traveled" he reflects upon the paths his life has taken. In his mind's eye he is standing at a point

where the road splits into two different paths. One that is unknown and overgrown, the other is well worn by use and is a much easier path, "Two roads diverged in a wood, and I took the one less traveled by, and that has made all the difference". If your decisions result in hardships don't perceive them as detriments, but embrace them as opportunities.

There are no keys to success, only doors. It is up to you to figure out how to open them. Always remember though that you will use your head to choose the right path, you will use your feet to take the first step, but your heart will take you the rest of the way. Congratulations to the Graduating class of 2009!!

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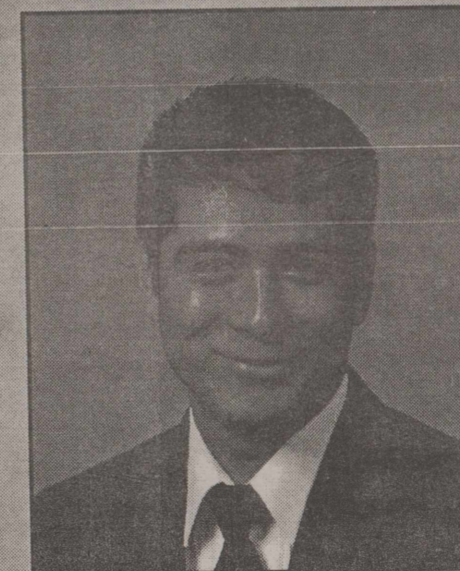
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*Plans to attend Blinn College at Bryan, Texas for Paralegal studies.*

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### Felipe Calderon



*Plans to attend Western Governors University to become a math teacher.*

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### Ryan L. Contreras



*Plans to attend Western Governors University to become a math teacher.*

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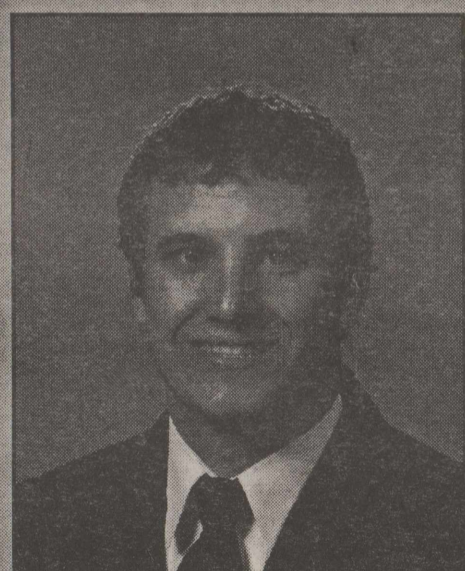
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*Plans to join the workforce.*

*Mungia Southwest  
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Damon G. Evans



*Plans to attend ASU for engineering.*

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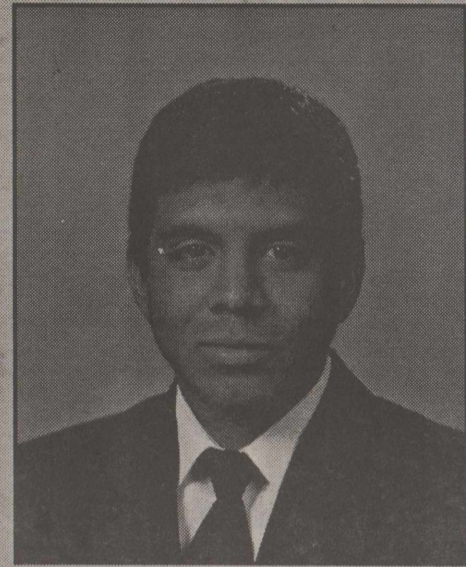
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Wishing Best in all  
Your Years to Come!

“The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty  
of their dreams.”

Eleanor Roosevelt



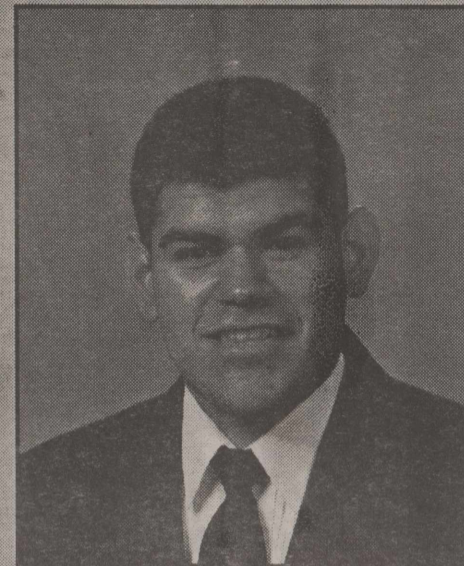
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*Devils River News*

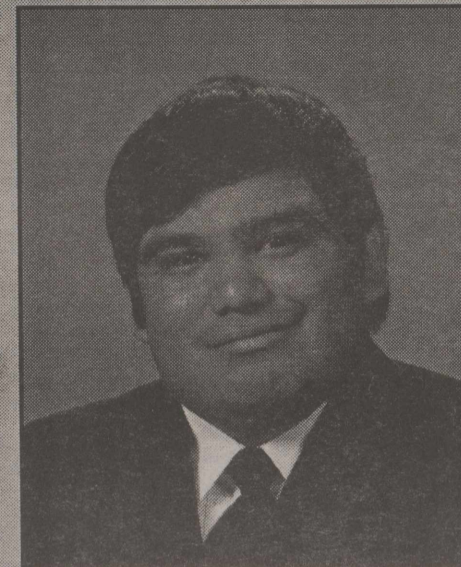
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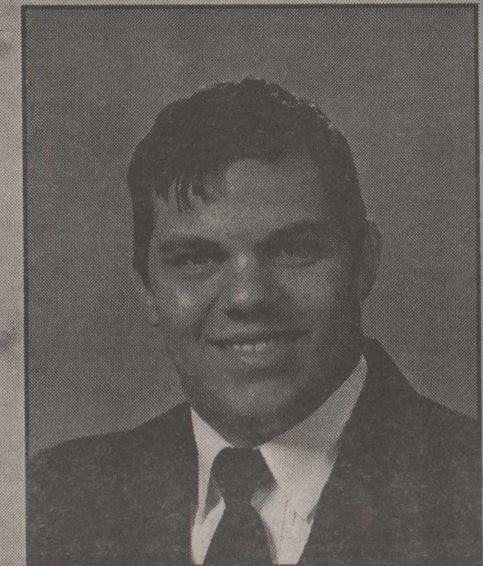
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*Plans to attend ASU for bachelors in Criminal Justice and a career in law enforcement.*

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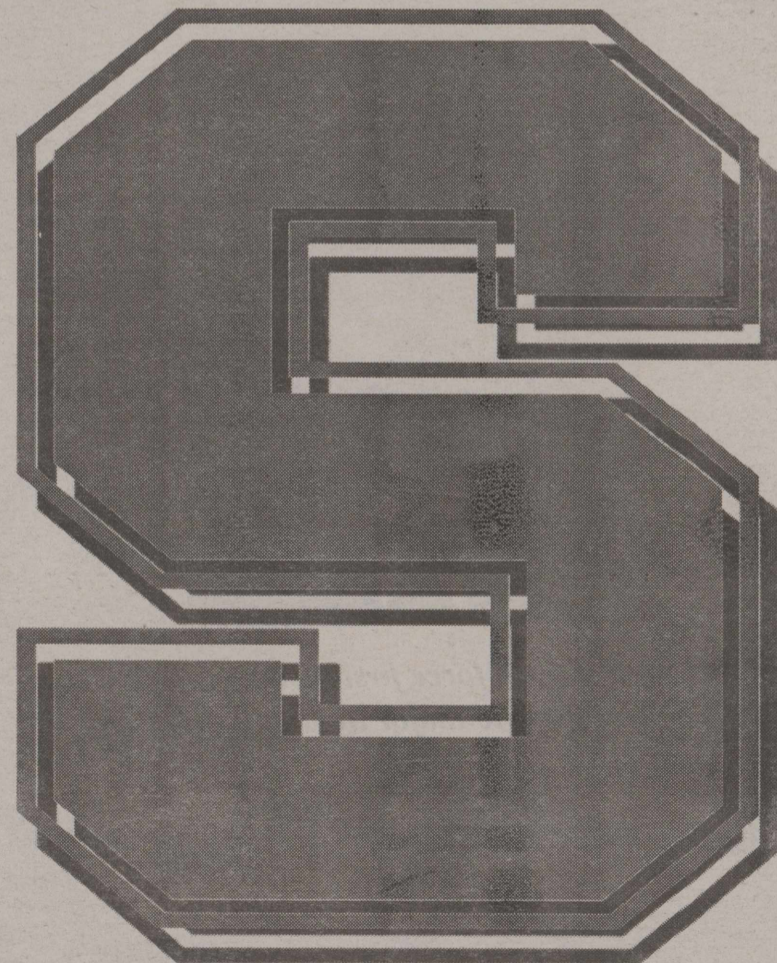
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**Kade H. Wimberley**



*Plans to attend ASU to play football and to major in Education and minor in Biology and Kinesiology.*

*Main Street Reality  
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*Highmount  
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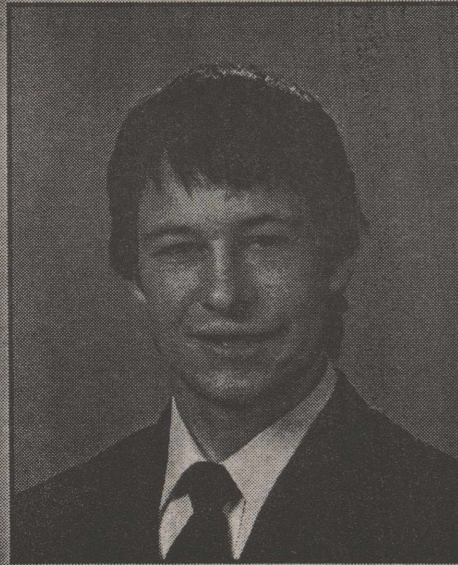


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*Walsh Welding  
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Owen L. Friess



Plans to enter the workforce and attend a college afterwards.

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Plans to attend Blinn Junior College in College Station.

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Plans to join the work force in the oil field.

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Plans to attend Midland College to major in Welding.

Taco Grill  
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Alonzo Hernandez Jr.



Plans to attend ASU for a year then transfer to Tech to study Petroleum engineering.

NAPA  
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Plans to attend ASU for Physiology or Physical Therapy.

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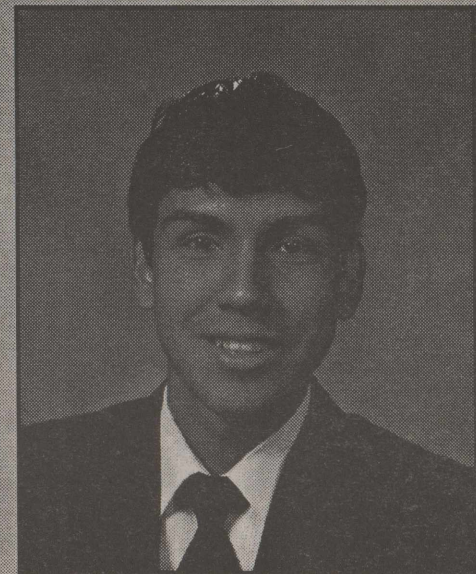


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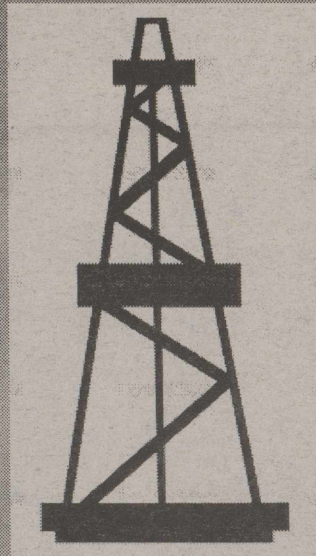
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*Plans to attend Odessa College to run cross country and major in auto mechanics.*

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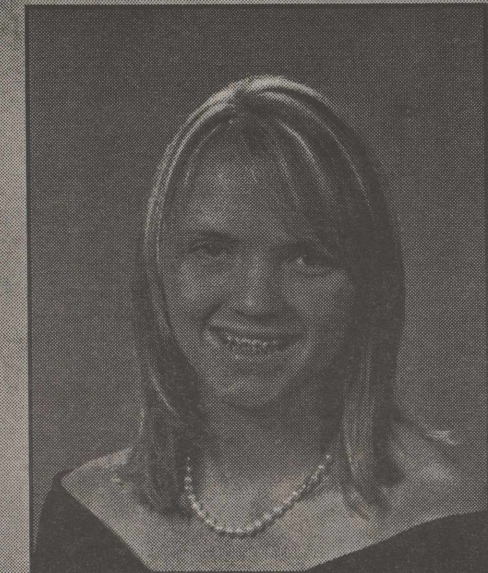
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*Plans to attend Howard College.*

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*Plans to attend South Plains College to study Nursing and finish at Texas Tech.*

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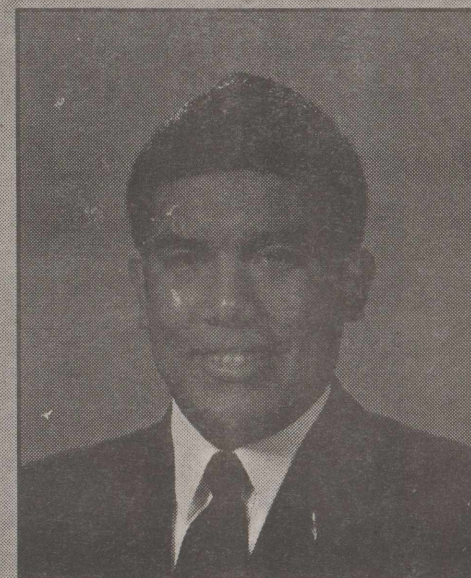
**Jacinda L. Sanchez**



*Plans to attend Sul Ross State University to play basketball and to major in biology.*

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**Michael D. Sanchez**



*Plans to attend ASU to expand my education.*

*State Farm Insurance  
(325) 387-3893*

**Emilce C. Hernandez**



*Plans to attend Howard College to study Physiology.*

*Sonora Academy of Arts*

**Julietta M. Hernandez**




*Plans to attend ASU to become a Pre-k Teacher.*

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**Luis A. Hernandez**



*Plans to attend ASU to study pre-medicine.*

*Sew Addicted*


**Whitly N. Hernandez**



*Plans to attend Howard College for cosmetology and then work in the Bronco Salon for 3 years.*

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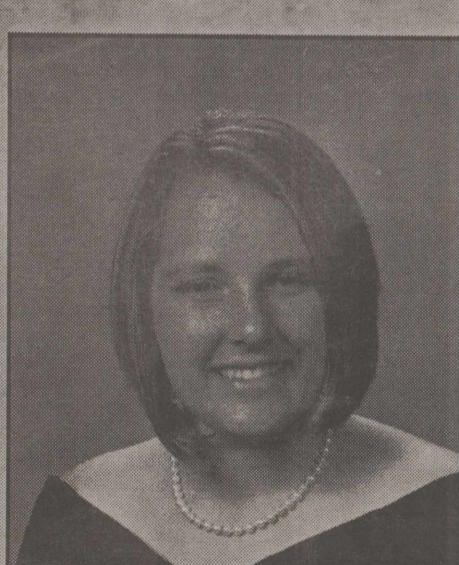
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*Plans to attend Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio to become an elementary teacher.*

*Southwest Treating*  
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*Plans to attend A&M, to study Agribusiness.*

*Caverns of Sonora*  
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*Plans to attend ASU to run track and become a doctor.*

*Serendipity*  
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**Sam H. Powers**



*Plans to attend Sul Ross University to study Agribusiness and minor in marketing.*

*Valliant, Powers, and Espy Families*  
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**Marcos A. Quiroz Jr.**



*Plans to attend college and run for them.*

*Mungia Southwest*  
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**Miller McCall**



*Plans to attend TSTC in Sweet Water for an associates in Diesel Technology. (picture not available)*

**Buck 'n Bass**  
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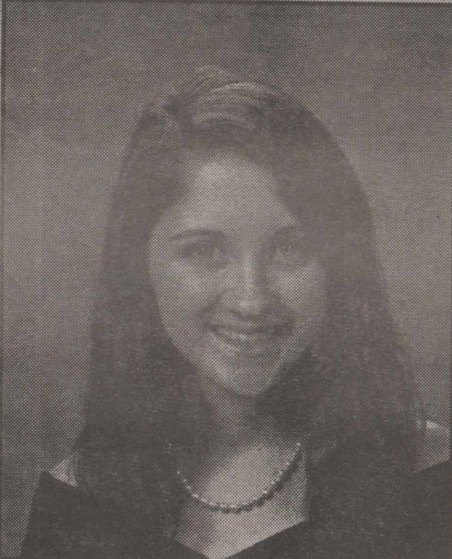
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*Plans to attend college in Corpus Christi.*

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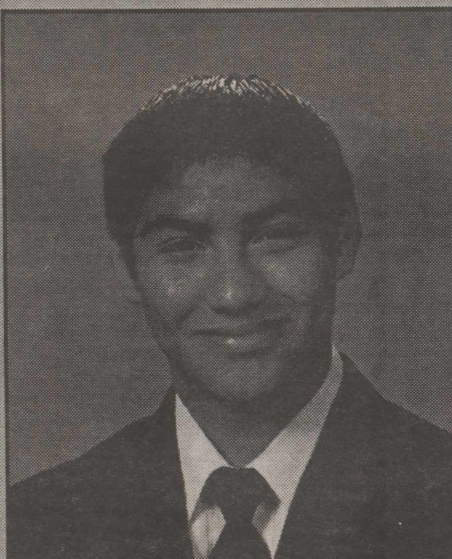
**Kory B. Humphrey**



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*Plans to study in order to become a fulltime Juvenile Probation officer.*

**Taco Grill**  
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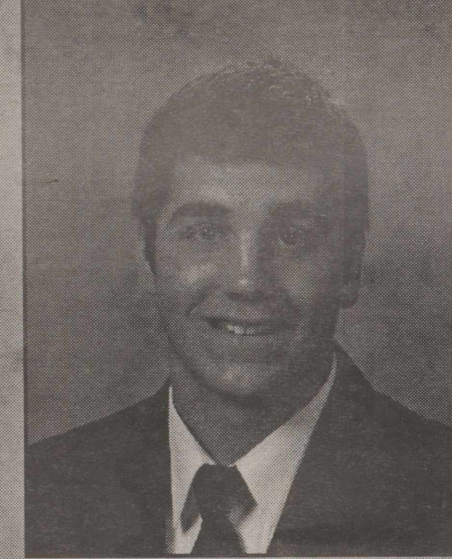
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**Hagen D. Kennedy**

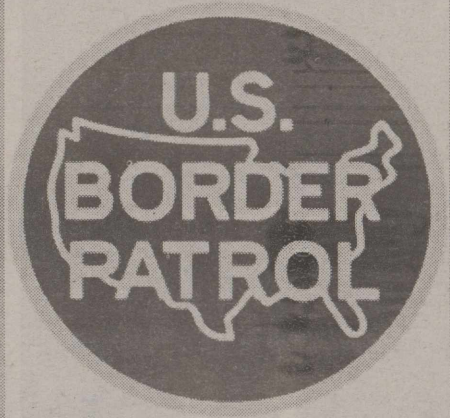


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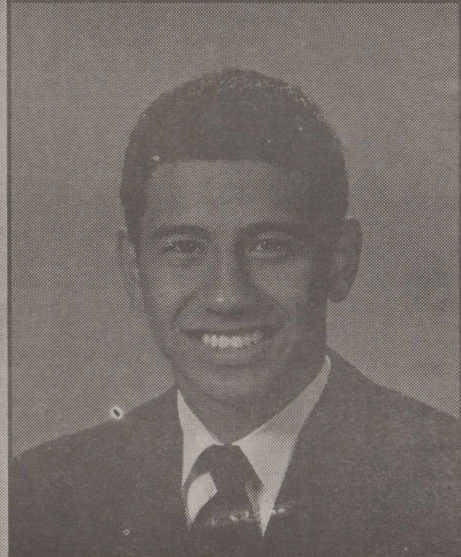
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*Plans to become a Border Patrol agent.  
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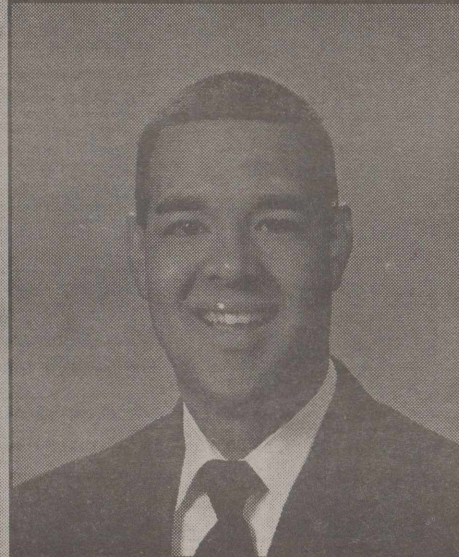
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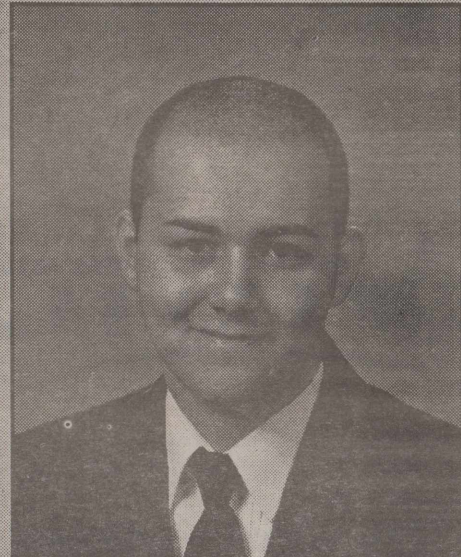
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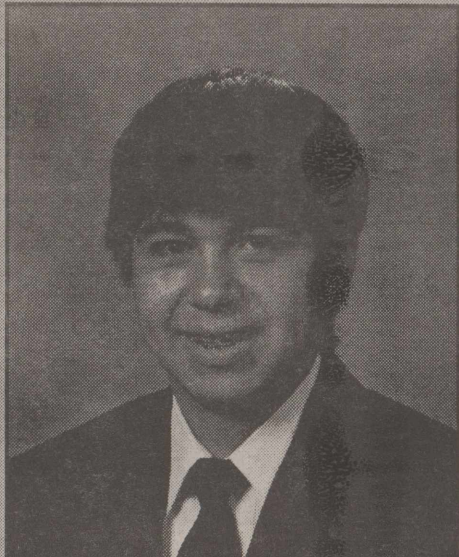
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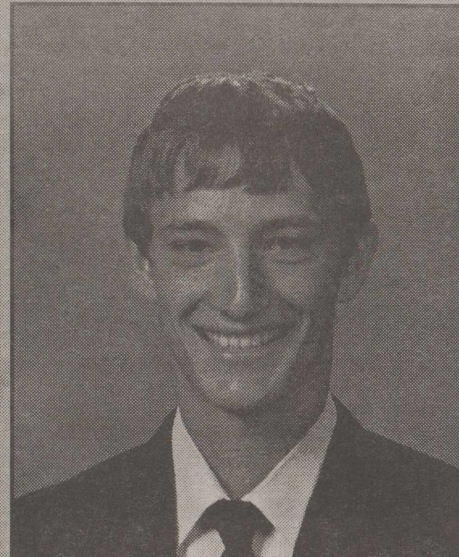
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*Plans to attend ASU to become a doctor.*

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**Janson McBride**



*Plans to play golf at McMurrey and take over my dad's business.*

*Jet Supply  
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