

The Sonora

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Sonora residents support United Blood Services

Christmas and other holidays, when numerous travelers crowd the highways, are a joyous time for most but can also very likely be a time when life-or-death decisions are made. People involved in holiday accidents, as well as those with cancer, hemophilia, anemia, hepatitis, ulcers, leukemia and other disorder may desperately need blood. The life-or-death decision can be determined by the availability of blood. Having matching blood types, or at least compatible ones, makes a remarkable difference in tragic situations as well as other unplanned instances transfusions are required.

During the blood drive Wednesday at First National Bank, Sonora volunteer blood donors did their share to help alleviate this problem. United Blood Services, of San Angelo, collected thirty-two pints of blood in six hours. However, the number of people attempting to donate was smaller than anticipated by local volunteer workers and was credited to the busy holiday season.

Nelda Mayfield, Marlene Evans, Dorothy Harrell and Glenda Lowe are volunteer workers in our area. Publicity (of the blood drive prior to the collection day), providing cookies and drinks, and assisting U.B.S. in every way possible are the main ways in which they contribute to the blood drives. Their dedication and commitment to such a worthwhile cause makes them a credit to our community.

United Blood Services collects blood four times a year in Sonora. The next blood drive will be sponsored by Graham Energy Services, Inc., a local oil and gas

scheduled for March 15. In the past this particular drive, referred to as Graham Top Gun, has contributed the largest number of units to the blood bank than any other.

Donating blood is easy. The entire donation takes only 30 minutes of your valuable time. Following a brief interview, your temperature, pulse, blood pressure and the iron level in your blood

will be evaluated by a professional. As you relax in a comfortable

production company, and is chair, a specially trained and you will be treated to a light certified technician collects one unit of blood, about a pint, An average person has between eight and twelve units of blood so it is no problem to spare one. The actual donation takes around ten minutes.

> Contracting diseases from donating blood is not an issue so set your mind at rest. All materials used in the donation process are sterile, disposable and after they are used once, thrown away.

Proceeding the blood donation,

refreshment. Your blood is taken to the blood center laboratory where technicians determine its safety as well as type the unit for ABO group and RH factor. Samples taken from the tubing attached to the blood bag are used for all testing, therefore, the transfusable unit remains safe in its closed, sterile bag.

Won't you donate blood and give the most precious gift of all..."The



Catherine Kepler



Julie Jones

Scholarships awarded

Christmas was made even merrier for Catherine Kepler, daughter of Reverend and Mrs. Kent Kepler, when she received a scholarship from Nebraska Wesleyan University Monday morning. With the trustees scholarship, she will receive \$1200.00 a year for four years. At first, Ms. Kepler was concerned when she received only a small letter, as she was expecting a large packet. However, the letter contained all she needed to know at present and the details will follow

Julie Jones, daughter of The Reverend and Mrs. Monte Jones, received word Friday, December 21, that she had been accepted into Austin College.

The letter indicated she would receive between \$2,300.00 and \$2,700.00 and the scholarship would be renewable. Austin College, which is a liberal arts school, will give Ms. Jones more details concerning her scholarship in the spring.



Nelda Mayfield visits with Roy Evans at the blood drive last Wednesday at First National Bank.



Is this really Sonora?--Ben and Lenore Pool created their own winter wonderland by placing a sprinkler in this tree as temperatures dropped to around 10 degrees last weekend.

Markers commemorate first families

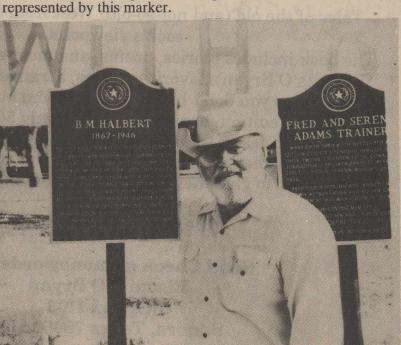
In the spring of 1990, L.P. Bloodworth approached the Centennial Committee with an idea. He suggested that Sutton County allow the early pioneer families to be commemorated by placing Historical Heritage markers for all to see. The Centennial Committee agreed, so the next step was to go see the Commissioners Court with the same idea. The commissioners court was more than excited at this prospect and allowed the project to carry-on.

The next step was harder to proceed with, being that Mr. Bloodworth needed to contact the oldest families to explain the situation. Each family wishing to follow through would need to pay for the markers. Even though there are still more that need to be represented by this marker. recognized. The markers honor not only the pioneers, but also Sonora and Sutton county with its rich historical past.

Originally the markers were to be placed the week of Homecoming. However the casting company could not meet this deadline. The markers are now placed firmly in front of the courthouse but there are still more to come. As of this date there is no official ceremony set to dedicate these markers. If you are interested in having your family represented, contact Bloodworth, Patricia Johnson or 387-2793 for more information. They must have at least ten more markers before they can add any more to the now existing row of 20. At this time there are 5 more families wanting a place in history. So if your family was one of the name into the history of the area.



twenty families are represented, Darla McKissack explains to daughter Thia that their family is



pioneers, get busy and place your L.P. Bloodworth proudly stands by the marker that represents his family heritage.

Registration for the 1991 commodity Program will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon on December 31, 1990 at the Sutton County Senior Center. You must have valid I.D. and proof of all income. This program does not discriminate due to race, creed, sex, age, handicap or ethnic origin.

The Texas Laundry and Dry Cleaning Association is still sponsoring its state wide coat drive. Although the drive usually begins in November and ends the last day of December, Thorp's Laun-dry has extended the drive until January 15. At present, children's coats are still in demand. The coats are cleaned if necessary and forwarded to the Sutton Co. Senior Center.

Effective January 1, 1991, the Sutton County Driver License office will be open each Friday and the second and fourth Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Los Amigos will hold their 11th annual New Years Eve Dance December 31, at the 4-H center from 8:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Cost will be \$12.50 per person and set-ups will be provided. There will be a live band and proceeds will go to benefit the Lucinda Favila Scholarship Fund. Tickets are available from any club member or you may call 387-2218 or 387-2112 for further information.

Christmas spirit--Bah Humbug?

spirit we all have as children? The lines and must try to find enough stores promoting Christmas to the fullest extent the day following Halloween certainly doesn't help us start feeling all "Christmasy" now, And what about does it? Thanksgiving? It's almost as though we go directly from Halloween to Christmas and bypass Thanksgiving all together. You may see a few Thanksgiving decorations here and there, but we are overwhelmed by aisles of Christmas items which people are actually browsing through.

When Thanksgiving is over and December is approaching, we all try to motivate ourselves to begin shopping so we can avoid that dreaded last minute "rush" and if not find the perfect gift, at least come up with some type of useful or appreciated gift that won't get put away with the polka dot ties. Shopping is not a rewarding job but after all, someone has to do it, right? Of course, we all have at least one person on our list to buy for that has absolutely everything they want or need, and although they seem delighted each year as they open your gift, everyone knows it will just get put in some closet, never to be seen again. Boy doesn't that make you have a good feeling about preparing for Christmas?

So now we all have good intentions about getting our shopping completed prior to that dreaded last minute "rush." However, good intentions don't get the job done. Meanwhile we all manage to get tied up with our families and jobs, or other time consuming activities and somehow, most of us end up having some last minute shopping to do. So we trod off grudgingly to finish what we started in plenty of time to avoid the last minute hustle and bustle, and just as we expected we have problems finding a place to park. down the hall. Now I had already

Despite the bitter cold,

approximately 30 people braved the

weather to attend the 2:00 p.m.

"Share the Pride" drawing on

Saturday. The drawing went

relatively fast despite the smaller

Bank thermometer the temperature

was a cool 10 degrees at the onset

of the drawing. Those attending

found some comfort as they huddled

up against the wall of Perry's while

others simply stayed in their cars.

to \$203. Those receiving prizes

Prizes Saturday ranged from \$115 and Robert Mendez.

According to the Sutton County

than usual turnout.

Where can we find that Christmas We also have to wait in long, slow patience to tolerate all those "kids" picking up toys, banging, stomping, and throwing them and whatever else they can do to create noise and distraction. So now do we have that Christmas spirit? Speaking for myself and probably you as well, the answer is most definitely no!

Now at this point, it may seem like a lost cause altogether. But hopefully some event or someone will help us reach deep inside to uncover that feeling we all experience as children.

This is where I have chosen to share with you, what has helped me find that Christmas spirit. It all started as a part of my job, but ended up becoming three heartwarming experiences I will never

I went to take pictures of the Nativity and it was enough to help me remember that the celebration of Jesus's birth should be the primary focus of Christmas. As I looked on, I knew these children were reliving in their hearts, that very first Christmas. Their faces were so solemn, which admittedly is quite unusual for most children. And most of the photographs I took verified my theory. Then after the Nativity, I saw little Claire Thorp (dressed as an angel) reach over and give an elderly man a kiss as the rest of the children were sweetly singing Christmas carols to everyone in the nursing home. The whole evening was enough to make me forget the commercialism, bad shopping experiences, etc.

A second experience later in the week continued to fuel the fire. I went to the Sonora Primary school to take pictures of the school parties. After all most of us love to see children in the paper, right? Anyway, I bumped into Santa Claus with his big red bag walking

were Marsha Patton, Connie

Samaniego, Dora Mata, Robert

Mendez, John Jones, and Casey

drawing was held downtown.

Several more people were in

attendance and this time there were

8 winners. The prizes ranged from

\$100 to \$213 and this time the

were

Moore, Melissa Teaff, Stacey

Espinosa, Evangeline Lira, Bernice

Hearn, Noemi Sanchez, Flori Mera,

Kathleen

On Christmas Eve the final

visited several classrooms and the parties were lively, however, when Santa arrived, the whole mood changed. You could see it in the children's faces and smiles. (I tried to share this with you in last week's paper by including some of the photos I took of the children as Santa entered their room and hearts.) But no one had to show me because I was there.

Santa asked one little girl,"What do you want for Christmas?" She replied, "I wrote you, you should know!" Well turnabout was fair play, when Santa was asked many questions himself. He always managed to answer each child intelligently, occasionally with the aid of a teacher. I mean, if seeing these little children's excitement doesn't help you find that spirit,

The Senior Citizen's Christmas party was the third experience that put the icing on the cake for me. The local band, which contributed their valuable time to prepare for the occasion, played Christmas as well as contemporary music while others dance. Santa even paid an unexpected visit to pass out gifts and hugs. Although Santa receive a little surprise himself when in the process of giving a big hug, he ended up with eyeglasses entangled in his thick, full beard.

It didn't take long for the vibrancy and life of the young-atheart to captivate me. I tried to tell myself I was only there to take pictures but I knew after I was there for an hour, I was fooling myself. After all, it is the holiday season and at that time, Christmas was quickly approaching. I knew, as when I was a child, I was experiencing that joy and excitement.

I hope your Christmas was as precious as mine, and you were able to let go of all the negative aspects of the holiday season and truly experience the spirit of Christmas.





Biscuits' Crumbs

By Biscuits O'Bryan

Taters in a Box

I reckon that ol' devil has got a special, extry hot corner reserved for the feller who first come up with the frozen french fried potato, with a little closet in that same room for the "Taters in a box" folks. God knew just what he was doin' when he come up with the potato. It keeps without much fuss, it's portable in its natural state, and it can be fixed in lots of truly larrupin' ways. But I have a feelin' that the frozen or boxed versions was inspired from the other end of

the spectrum. Let's reminisce a bit (those of you who are old enough to do so with some style). Do you remember: goin' out with your favorite feller or guy (in my day, the fellers all went out with gals and vice versa), payin' 25 cents to get into the picture show, then stoppin' by the drug store on the way home to share an order of fries and a coke (the coke was a nickel and the fries a dime)? The person doin' the cookin' took 2 or 3 big ol' Irish potatoes, peeled 'em, cut 'em up into thick slices, dropped 'em into a good, hot deep fryer full of lard til they was crisp on the outside and light and done in the middle, then served 'em up on a real plate with lots of salt and a bottle of ketchup. Compare that to goin' into one of the "fast food" places where they punch your request into a computer, dump a bag of frozenplumb-solid, dinky little slivers of what may have been real potatoes at one time into some computercontrolled vegetable shortening for a computer-timed while, then sparingly salts them things and scoops 'em up into a little cardboard fullel that tastes just about like what's been put into it, then they charge you 79 cents or more.

I have no doubt that the latter way is considerably more economical to the food seller, but how in tarnation did the public, who spends the 79 cents, ever let 'em get away with it? Since when did fast become more important that taste and quality? I figger if most people in this country are willin' to go along with such nonsense, we're headed to Hell in a handbasket

Then there's them things in a box. Now I've already expressed by feelin's about canned biscuits, but taters in a box don't even taste good, and they sure as shootin' aren't all that time savin'. As far as I'm concerned, you might just as

well soak the box in some chicken

stock and serve it up with a glob of theat other fustatory delite, imitation sour cream. Yuck!

Here's what I want you to try sometimes, as far as tater dishes go. The next time you go to one of them real big stores where they've got all kinds of fresh vegetables, look for some of them little new potatoes and pick out the smallest ones you can find, about 5 for each person you plan to feed. Then wander on down and find some leeks (they look like giant green onions) and get 4 or 5 real good ones. When you get home, wash them little taters real good then steam 'em til they are just done. You don't have to peel 'em or nothin', just put 'em in one of them little steamer baskets in a pot with water below the steamer, get it boilin', put on the lid and check 'em ever now and then with a sharp, pointy knife. When the little taters get done, take the leeks and cut off all the green tops, leavin' only the white part. Also cut off the root ends. Split the leeks long ways almost to the bottom and wash 'em real good, cause they love to hide sand inside theirselves. Put about 1/2 to 1 stick of butter in a saute pan or dutch oven with a lid, and when it's melted, throw in the chopped up leeks, seasonin' with salt and whit epepper (don't use black pepper cause it makes little specks and you want this dish to be a beautiful creamy white). When the leeks get softened and start to look kinda clear, add 1/4 to 1/2 cup of flour, dependin' on how much butter you used, and stir real good for a couple of minutes, til the flour has soaked up all the butter. Then pour in about 3 cups of whole milk (there ain't no use usin' that ol' blue John after you done used all that butter, is there?) and keep on stirrin'. You can stop long enough to halve them little taters and chunk them into the milk, but keep a pretty good stir a'goin'. When the milk gets about like thick cream, turn off the fire, stir a couple of minutes longer, then serve this up with whatever else you fixed.

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If you really want to see how good you done, come back at 'em the next night with some of them taters from a box and see what kind of reaction you get. A'course this is dangerous, couse feedin' your family real food that is prepared with love in mind rather than just thinkin' about how much time you saved on spoil'em into expectin' nourishin', tasty meals instead of quick, easy ones. Keep on cookin'.



Melissa Teaff got to take home \$115 in gift certificates at the Sonora Merchants Association drawing on Monday.



Winning \$203.00 in gift certificates Saturday brought a smile to



Share the Pride drawings--final winners

Lewis Allen was finding it difficult to stay warm Saturday at Perry's during the Share the Pride drawing.

If you know of an upcoming newsworthy event, please call 387-5719 or bring it by The Sonora Observer at 114 W. Concho. Information can also be mailedto Box 247, Sonora

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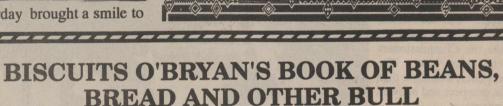


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(Fictional Tales with Factual Receets)

by The Rev. Monte Jones a.k.a. Biscuits O'Bryan

Tales of the old (and not-so-old) West from the chuckwagon cook's viewpoint.

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Death Notices Ruth Luckett

Ruth Luckett, 75, of Sonora died Wednesday, December 19,1990, in St. John's Hospital in San Angelo.

Funeral services were held Friday at First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Kent Kepler officiating. Burial followed in Sonora Cemetery, under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home.

She was born August 25, 1915, in Merit, Texas. She attended Greenville High School. She married C.A. Luckett on August 27, 1933, in Oklahoma. They moved to Sonora from Longview in 1957. She was a member of the Methodist church. She will be remembered for being a mother and grandmother. She was preceded in death by her husband on July 11,

She is survived by two daughters, Camille Green and her husband, Billy, and Ann Feagin, all of

Dixie Lee (Jacobson Eldridge, 91,

Service were held at 4:00 p.m.

of Sonora, passed away Sunday in

Hudspeth Nursing Home in Sonora.

Wednesday at the First Baptist

Church in Sonora with the Rev.

Jim Stephen officiating. Burial

followed in Sonora Cemetery under

the direction of Kerbow Funeral

Dixie was born January 6, 1899

in Archer City, Texas. She married

Joseph Edward Eldridge on

November 6, 1920. Dixie was

preceded in death by her husband, a

long time Baptist minister in

several churches, the last two being

in Bronte and Sonora, and by one

Dixie and Joseph Eldridge had

two other daughters, Erma Lee

Turner, longtime county and district

clerk in Sutton County and Mrs.

Myrtle Whiddon

Wednesday in a local hospital.

burial in Sonora Cemetery.

homemaker and a Baptist.

in Tulis, La.

great-grandchildren.

Myrtle Whiddon, 76, died

Services were held Friday in Kerbow Funeral Home chapel with

She was born October 14, 1914,

Survivors include her husband,

James Whiddon of Sonora; two

sons, J.L. Whiddon of Crane and

Bud Lee Whiddon of Odessa; a

sister, Erma Lee Ingram of

Midland; 13 grandchildren and three

Start the New Year

With A Straight Face

She was a

daughter, Ruby Dell Pruitt.

Home.

Dixie Lee (Jacobson) Eldridge

Sonora; one son, Larry Luckett of Sonora; two granddaughters, Angela Crittendon and her husband, Arthur, and Cindy Feagin, all of Sonora; one great-grandchild; William Crittendon; stepgrandsons, Bill Green and his wife, Debbie, of San Antonio and Tom Green and his wife Heidi, all Austin; five stepgreatgrandchildren, Jerrad and Tyler Green, both of San Antonio, Cassie Green of Olfen, and Meagan and Evan Green, Both of Austin.

Active pallbearer were Jerry Hopkins, Ronnie Cox, Jack Johnson, Eddie Smith, Oliver Wuest, Jerry Johnson, Bloodworth and Hal Whitten.

Honorary pallbearers were Gerald Nicks, Haynie Davis, Si Loeffler, Guila Vicars, James and Christine Morris, Mollie Elliott, Nancy Bloodworth and Martha Wallace.

Rex (Edith) Lowe, a teacher for 31

Terry Hill of Marietta, Ga., Rex M.

Lowe of Alpharetta, Ga., and Becky

Lynn Shamburger of Joshua,

Texas, by one great grandchild,

John Tyler Lowe of Alpharetta, and

by one brother William Moore of

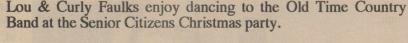
First Baptist Church and honorary

pallbearers will be her friends and

loved ones wherever she has lived.

Pallbearers were deacons of the

years in Sonora and San Angelo.



Dixie was a loving, cheerful wife and mother. She played the piano, taught Sunday school classes and was otherwise very active in the churches where her husband was She is remembered with special fondness by her daughters and grandchildren, namely Ted Turner of Sonora, Tim Turner of San Angelo,

Approximately 60 people listened and danced to music played by a local community group. The Old Time Country Band consisting of Harley Broods, Patsy Dobbs, Oscar Galindo, John Henry and Patti Strauch, Johnny Ringgold, J.C. Surber, Mo Salinas and Scott numerous songs for the audience's Prior to the dance, everyone enjoyed a delicious meal consisting of barbequed goat meat,

twenty-five pound bird.

Carole Thorp, senior center director, told the group a humorous story about the turkey. She started out by indicating the last time she looked at the turkey it weighed seventeen pounds. However, like most everyone, during the holiday season, it had put on a few pounds. Gilmore contributed their valuable After the laughter died, she told time and talent to fine tune everyone what actually occurred. The Senior Citizen's cook accidentally cooked the seventeen pound turkey which was to be



Seniors hold Christmas party

Santa Claus not only has a place in his heart for the young but also for the "young-at-heart." At least it seemed that way Thursday night at the Sutton County Senior Citizens' and the Committee on Agings Christmas party and dance. Santa arrived during the dance with live decorated Christmas trees for all the senior citizens who were good this year. The trees were donated by the Sutton County Committee on

smoked ham, tamales and other dishes they personally prepared for the occasion.

The drawing for the turkey, donated by Robert Duran, was enough to slow down the dancing for a few minutes. Cheryl Strauch, daughter of John Henry and Patti Strauch, reached in the box to pull out the winning name. Diana Virgen was the lucky winner of the

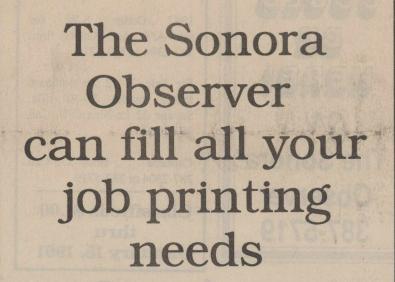
Holiday death toll report Each holiday we celebrate and

enjoy the company of our friends, neighbors and families. However, for some, the holidays represent sorrow and sadness. As of 8:00 p.m. December 25th, twenty-five families had to face that their loved ones had become another holiday

As in the past, the Texas Department of Public Safety began a count of traffic fatalities. They predicted 33 people would lose their lives on Texas highways over the holiday. As of 8:00 p.m. Tuesday

evening 25 deaths had been reported. The official count will not be available until after this newspapers deadline. There has not been a report of any fatalities in Sutton County as yet.

Another count will be started as the New Year approaches. A few helpful hints can guide you safely into 1991: 1. WEAR YOUR SEAT BELT. 2. DON'T OVERDO (if you need to stop, DO SO) and 3. DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE. Be careful and have a Happy New Year.



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Texas Caviar (Black-Eyed Pea Salad)

Black-eyed peas are a Southern New Year's tradition. This year, why not heat up your meal with this spicy specialty from the Lone

2 cups black-eyed peas, dry diced green bell pepper diced white onion 1/4 cup finely chopped canned 2 tbsp. jalapeno peppers

113 Calories

Protein

Total Fat

Polyunsaturated Fat

2 tbsp. acceptable* vegetable oil 2 tbsp. red wine vinegar 1 clove garlic, minced 1/4 tsp. freshly ground

black pepper

Sort black-eyed peas and soak overnight in 6 cups of water. Drain. Cook peas in 4 cups of fresh water until done but still firm, about

Rinse in cold water and drain. In a medium bowl, combine all remaining ingredients and mix well. Add peas and chill. Makes 6 servings.

* Corn, soybean, safflower, sunflower, canola or olive oils.

This Help Your Heart Recipe is from the American Heart Association Low-Salt Cookbook. Copyright 1990 by the American Heart Association Inc. Published by Times Books (a division of Random House Inc.), New York.

Texas Caviar (Black-Eyed Pea Salad) Nutritional Analysis per Serving

Saturated Fat

0 mg Cholesterol 13 g Carbohydrates 18 mg Calcium 199 mg Potassium

39 mg

Sodium

Monounsaturated Fat



Church Directory

The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian Worship Service-11:00 am Church School-9:45 am Choir Practice-Wed. 7:30 Cummunion first Sunday of

each month Lewis Allen, Pastor New Life Assembly of God 306 N. 4th Street Sun. Worship 10:30 am Sun. evening worship 6:00 pm Weds. Study 7:00 pm

Daniel Timmerman, pastor

Primera Igelsia Bautista Sunday School-9:45 am Worship Service -11:00 am Training Union-5:00 pm Evening Service -6:00 pm Wednesday Service 7:00 pm W.M.U.-Sunday-2:00 pm Between Santa Clara & Chestnut

New Hope Baptist Mission 708 SE Crockett Sun. morning bible Study-10 am Sun. morning Worship-11 am Sun. evening Worship-7 pm Weds. Childrens Bible Study-7 pm Dana Floyd, pastor

St. Ann's Catholic Church Rev. Lawrence D'Mello Deacon E. Samaniego Saturday night Mass 7 pm English Sunday Mass 8 am Spanish 11 am English Holy Day Mass 7 pm

Templo Jerusalem Asamblea de Dios St. Ann's Street Sunday School-10:00 am Sunday Evening Serv.-5:00 pm Wednesday Serv. -7:00 pm Friday Prayer Meeting -7:00 pm Daniel Diaz de Leon, pastor

Visit the Church of your choice this Sunday.

Sonora Tabernacle United Pentecostal Rev. Kenneth Doyle, Pastor Sunday School, etc.-10:00 am Prayer Meeting-6:30 pm Evening Worship-7:00 pm Prayer Meeting-6:00 pm Wednesday Service-7:00 pm

Jehovah's Witness 310 St. Ann's 387-2679 or 7-3947 **English Meeting** Public Talk-10 am Sun. Watchtower Study-11:55 Sunday Theocratic School-7:30 pm Wed. Service Meeting-8:15 Wednesday Bible Study-7:30 Monday

Spanish Meeting Public Talk-1:00 Sunday Watchtower Study-1:55 Sunday Theocratic Ministry-7:30 pm Tues Service Meeting-8:15 Tues. Bible Study 7:30 Thurs.

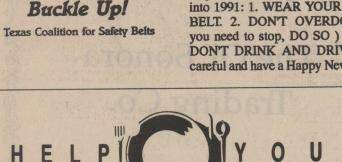
First Baptist Church Rev. Jim Stephen
Sunday School-9:45 am
Morning Worship-11:00 am Church Training 6:00 pm Evening Worship -7:00 pm Wednesday Service -7:00 pm

Hope Lutheran Church Sunday School-10:00 am Worship Service-11:00 am Thursday: Adult Bible Class-8:00 pm Charles Huffman, Pastor

Church of Christ Minister-Don Jones Bible School-10 am Worship-11 am Sunday Night-6:30 pm Wednesday Night-7:00 pm

St. John's Episcopal Church 404 NE Poplar Holy Eucharist-Sunday 8&11 an Sunday School -9:45 am Holy Eucharist w/Prayers for healing 1&3-Wed 7:15 pm Rev. J. Monte Jones, Rector

First United Methodist Church Kent L. Kepler Sunday School - 9:45 am Worship - 10:55 am KHOS 92.1 FM - 11:00 am Chancel Choir Wed. 7:30 pm





Fruit-Nut Snack Mix

This high-energy mix is great to take on hikes and camping trips, or as a snack anytime.

1/2 cup dried apricots, cut in quarters 1/2 cup dates, cut in half 1/4 cup raisins

1/2 cup whole almonds 1/2 cup walnut halves 1/2 cup unsalted peanuts 1/4 cup unsalted sunflower seeds

In a large bowl, toss ingredients together. Store in tightly covered

Variation: You may substitute your favorite dried fruits or nuts in place of those listed. Makes 12, 1/4 cup servings.

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Fruit-Nut Snack Mix Nutritional Analysis per Serving

Protein 5 g 11 g Total Fat Saturated Fat 1 g Polyunsaturated Fat

162 Calories

0 mg Cholesterol 15 g Carbohydrates Calcium 35 mg 280 mg Potassium Sodium 4 mg

Monounsaturated Fat

Police Reports

At 8:05 p.m. a male subject in a small green car towing a U-Haul trailer pumped \$10.04 worth of gasoline into his vehicle and drove away from the Town & Country at 610 Crockett Ave. without paying for the gasoline. The suspect vehicle was not located.

At 2:00 p.m. Officer received a call that an intoxicated male subject had just walked out of the IH 10 Exxon. Suspect was located at Golf Course Road and IH 10. He was arrested for Public Intoxication.

At 6:50 p.m. a blue Chevrolet Monte Carlo pulled into the Shot's #1 and the driver pumped \$10.02 worth of gasoline into the vehicle and then drove off without paying for

At 8:51 a.m. John Yeager reported that someone 12/01 had stolen a 1990 gray flatbed trailer Texas License plate number The Old Time Country Band kept the Senior Citizens hopping 37SVGT from his shop on Concho Ave. This is the second flatbed trailer stolen from Yeager since October. Anyone knowing anything about this incident please contact the Sonora Police Department at 387-3888.

At 6:30 p.m. a female reported that her two children had been taken by her common law husband and that she could not locate them anywhere.

At 9:30 p.m. Officers responding to a fight in progress call at a local bar observe a male subject urinating in the parking lot upon their arrival. This subject was arrested by officers.

At 3:45 p.m. a male subject was arrested in front 12/06 of the Sutton County Jail on felony warrants from the State of Oregon by Sonora City Police Officer Mike House. The arrest was effected after the wanted subject came to the sheriffs office seeking assistance for gasoline.

At 10:35 p.m. a female subject was arrested on Midland County Sheriff's Office warrants by Sonora City Police Officer Mike Routh following a traffic stop for a defective headlamp.

At 10:20 a.m. Officer House worked an accident involving a vehicle and the fence at the Sonic Drive In. The damage to the fence is estimated at \$350.00.

City Pound in reference to someone forcing the lock on a pen year and Santa had her on the top of his list. that was holding a pit bull dog. The dog had been impounded the previous night and belonged to Kirk Joy. This dog has not been located.

At 8:00 a.m. an elderly female reports that four men unknown to her came to her home and delivered a lift chair. These men represented a company they called United Medical Equipment Company from the Dallas/Ft. Worth area and informed the lady that her physician had ordered the chair for her. Investigation has revealed that this is not the case and the

process of getting the lady's money returned is in the works. At 4:30 p.m. The manager at L&H Grocery reported the loss of \$735.00 yesterday. The theft occurred when several people came into his store and distracted all of the cashiers. During this time the suspects removed the cash from

At 4:50 p.m. the manager at the Perry Brothers Store reported that he had a shoplifter. Investigation revealed that \$22.38 in merchandise had been taken. The suspect was taken before the Municipal Judge and fined.

At 10:35 p.m. a male subject reported that he had changed clothes in the rest room at the Town & Country Store and had lost his wallet there.

At 1:17 p.m. a family fight was reported in the 100 block of East College Street. Investigation revealed that the daughter-in-law had struggled with the mother-in-law slapping her in the face and breaking a window. The son/husband advised that he would keep them apart.

12/17 At 4:10 p.m. Officer House received a report of two young males writing graffiti on the outside walls of the Town & Country Store at 610 Crockett Ave. with black spray paint. Damage to the building is estimated at \$200.00.

12/18 At 10:40 p.m. a citizen reported that there was an intoxicated man in front of the Town & Country Store at 805 Crockett Avenue. Officer Routh found a male subject at the pay telephone and subject was arrested for public intoxication.

At 4:50 p.m. a female reported that she had lost her billfold. It is a hot pink color and was lost either in the area

of the elementary school or Perry's parking lot.

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At 5:30 p.m. a female complainant reported that a female known to her had stolen her 2'x2' octagon wood table from her storage room. The table is valued at \$50.00.

12/20 At 12:00 p.m. the clerk at Shots reported that a Beige Winnebago towing a Ford Bronco had pumped \$120.01 worth of unleaded gasoline but failed to pay for \$4.00 of the

12/20 At 10:16 p.m. Sonora Police Officer Mike Routh apprehended a male subject driving a stolen 1982 Oldsmobile. The vehicle is reported stolen by the Quiency Mass. Police Department.

Traffic Accidents

At 4:45 p.m. a 1985 Buick Electra driven by Diane A. Gonzales and a 1986 Oldsmobile driven by Jennifer Tankersly collided at the intersection of the 500 block of U.S. Hwy. 277 North and the 400 block of Water Avenue. Both drivers were from Sonora and one minor injury reported.

At 6:55 a.m. A 1983 Buick driven by Matias Gandar was in collision with two parked vehicles in the 200 block of East 2nd Street. Gandar spilled a cup of hot coffee and lost control of his vehicle striking a 1984 Chevrolet pickup and a 1984 Buick both belonging to Bennie King. There were no injuries reported.

12/14 At 4:55 p.m. a 1974 Ford Pickup driven by Cynthia Carr and a 1980 Chevrolet Pickup driven by John Casparia collided in the 400 block of Poplar Street. Ms. Carr was traveling West on Poplar when she was blinded by the sun and drove to the left of the center of the roadway. The vehicles collided left front headlight to left front headlight.

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Los Amigos to hold dance

Many Sonora residents will be dancing to the music provided by the band "Orguello" at the Los Amigos Club 11th Annual New Years Eve Dance December 31. The festivities, which will begin at 8:30 p.m. and last until 1:00 a.m., will be held at the 4-H Center and will benefit the Lucinda Favila Scholarship Fund.

The Los Amigos Club is a nonprofit organization founded in February of 1980. The club began with four members, Lilia Hernandez Gallegos, Lydia San Miguel Lopez, Irma San Miguel and Pete Samaniego III. It started as a social organization, but as the club grew in membership the interest in community service became the main purpose of the club. With an emphasis on raising money to provide a yearly scholarship to one of our graduating seniors. The scholarship is given in memory of

Lucinda Favila, Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesus Favila, Jr. Ms. Favila graduated from Sonora High School in 1976 and was an outstanding person who played an active part in school as well as in our community.

The first scholarship was awarded in 1981, and in the expanse of time about \$10,000.00 has been awarded. The funds have been raised thru projects such as bake sales, little league concession stand, raffles, dances, Sutton County Days booths and, the main project, The Annual New Years Eve Dance.

The Los Amigos Club would like to thank you for your support and invite you once again to join the fun this New Years Eve. Tickets are \$12.50 per person and set ups will be provided. For more information call 387-2218 or 387-

City employees enjoy Christmas party

Despite a small sterno fire and a broken G string (guitar that is) employees of the City of Sonora had an enjoyable Christmas party, Wednesday, December 19. The eventful get together occurred at the Sutton County Senior Center.

Entertainment for the evening was provided by John Zimmerman, who sang while accompanying himself on guitar. Daniel Prieto pleasantly surprised the group with the performance of a song he has composed entitled "Sonora."

Turkey and dressing were catered

by the Sutton County Steakhouse. The employees each prepared a dish to contribute to the dinner.

Approximately seventy-two people were present to share in the Christmas fellowship. Two-thirds of the city employees along with their families were present for the festivities.

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In case you are wondering about the fire, Carole Thorp, Senior Citizen director, rushed to the scene with a glass of ice water and extinguished the flames insuring a pleasant evening for all.

If you haven't heard 2 Zateo perform yet, you don't know what you're missing. The local ensemble is comprised of twenty high school students. include: Julie Jones, Vicki Anderson, Tana Churchill, Carmen Chavez, Liza Allen, George Reyes, Michael Escalera, Shannon Escalera, Angie Stewart, Kim Covington, Sara Patton, Catherine Kepler, Edward San Miguel, Pete Perez, Tate Fincher, Jericho Thorp, Shawn Wallace, Laura Barlemann, April Spiller and Kelly Webster.

Abel McGee, who graduated last spring and is presently in the Marines, originally came up with the idea to pull the group together. In September, Vicki Anderson got the word out at school and they held their first meeting at Ms. Anderson's home. As time went by, the group added more and more members so they started having weekly meetings on Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m. in the Kepler's house on Poplar St.

2 Zateo mainly sings for local churches. However, during the holidays, some members of the group were able to perform for the Nativity at Hudspeth Memorial Hospital, the Senior Citizens Center and the nursing home.

The name 2 Zateo is a Greek term which means "to seek." In an effort to seek the Lord's will in their lives, 2 Zateo primarily delivers their message by singing gospel music.



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