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Briefly

Attention 4-Hers don't forget about the Sutton County Days Parade on Friday. We will meet in front of Darla McKissack's at 3 p.m. to decorate the float. Don't forget to bring water guns and wear your bathing suits.

Girl Scout Rally Monday, Aug. 25 at the City Pool from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Come join in the fun. Hot dogs and Cokes will be served. Call Mickey Schaefer for more information, 387-2549 - day or 387-2006 - evening.

Reminder - St. John's Episcopal Women will once again prepare chicken salad lunches Saturday during Sutton County Days from 11:30 to 1:30. at St. John's Parish Hall. Adults \$5, children \$3.

Win a weekend for two at the historic Camberly Gunter Hotel, San Antonio, plus \$50 cash. Purchase raffle tickets at the Courthouse lawn on Saturday, Aug. 23rd. Chances are \$1 each and proceeds benefit the Samaritan Pastoral Counseling Center, Sonora Satellite. Tickets may also be purchased in advance from Roberta James, Edwina Friess, Jeryl Fields and Anita Lane.

Don't Forget, Thunderbird Transit is here for you. Moms & dads we want to remind you we can give your child a ride for only 50 cents one way or round trip for \$1.00. We will also be offering transportation to and from school for all ages. For more information or to make arrangements, call Lilia or Glenda at 387-5657 or 387-3941.

Social Security Representative. Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, will be at the County Courthouse in Sonora on Tuesday, August 26, from 9:30 - 10:30. Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at this time.

Leadership positions filled at hospital / nursing home

By Lewis Allen

The Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital and Nursing Home recently filled key leadership positions with the hiring of Joe Hendrus, hospital/nursing home administrator, and Sheryl Sturgeon, Director of Nurses in the nursing home.

Hendrus, originally from New Braunfels, has 20 years experience in health care administration, having overseen operations of nursing homes, assisted living centers, retirement communities, home health agencies and hospitals.

Most recently he managed a medical equipment center in El Paso.

Hendrus served four years in the U.S. Navy and has attended Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos and the University of Texas in El Paso.

"I have been very impressed with the quality of staff in both the

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Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo & Sutton County Days HERE AT LAST!!!



Photo by Dave Jennings

Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo's Bullfighters/Clown

L-R Mark Callihan, JW Snyder, Michael "Smurf" Horton, Chad Beavers, Mark Swinger

Ask any rodeo athlete to name the backbone, muscle and courage of any pro rodeo and the immediate answer will be "the bullfighter."

Known to many spectators as the rodeo clown, these athletes put their life in jeopardy for each and

every performance. Many skills, talents and entertaining abilities are used by the bullfighter as they balance their job of protecting the bull-rider and saddle bronc rider from the bull and horse and entertain the spectator with their funny antics.

Join the bullfighters Saturday,

August 23rd on the Main Stage at the Courthouse at 11 a.m. as they announce the Sutton County Queen contestants and be available to sign autographs and greet the public from 11:30 to 12:30 near the Main Stage.

Miss Texas USA, Holly Mills to Grand Marshal Sutton County Days Parade

Editor's Note:

With a little help from Miss Mills' grandfather, Vahn Adams, the DRN staff learned that Miss Texas USA, Holly Mills, has ties to Sonora.

When Holly was invited to be the grand marshal of the Sutton County Days Parade, she asked her grandfather, "Where's Sutton County?" He responded with a genealogical lesson.

According to documents from the Sutton County Historical Society, Holly Mills is a descendent of David General and Serena (Estes) Adams, operators of a hotel and barber shop where The Devil's River News office is located. Miss Mills traces her lineage through David and Serena's first born, Frances Marion.

The excitement felt by Holly Mills as she was crowned Miss Texas USA electrified the entire audience on Monday, June 30, 1997. When she was selected from the 126 gorgeous competitors to bear the title of Miss Texas USA, Holly achieved one of her greatest goals. In February of 1998, she will represent the Lone Star State at the Miss USA Pageant.

Born and raised in Texas, Holly graduated from Friendswood High School. She currently attends Southwest Texas State University, where she has been a Sales Marketing award winner, is on the Dean's list, and is an alumni member of the Alpha Delta Pi Sorority. She will receive her B.B.A. this month. She hopes to combine her business degree with her love of sports by working as a marketing and PR consultant for a professional sports team.

Holly considers her education to be her most prized possession. The message she would like to convey to other young people is to "concentrate on becoming as educated as possible, because this is the one thing that no one can ever take away from you."

A desire to serve her community has motivated Holly to volunteer for various charities including D.A.R.E. and Ronald McDonald House, which she plans to continue to support and promote as Miss Texas USA. Holly also models and is a motivational speaker. An avid sports fan, Holly enjoys playing golf, water skiing, deep sea fishing, Tae Bo aerobics, and watching her favorite teams, the Dallas Cowboys and the San Antonio Spurs.

Holly's love and pride in her family are evident when she speaks of having five generations currently living, from two to 92 years old! Her fondest childhood

Tijano Group and Talent Contest Top Off Entertainment at Sutton Co. Days Saturday

Submitted by Paul Cornelius

Roy Contreras Y Grupo "Relo" (Time to Party) will be performing during Sutton County Days Main Stage entertainment on Saturday, August 23rd at 2:30 p.m. "Relo," from San Angelo, will present music that will make you tap your foot and feel good all over.

This fresh and exciting group bring to main stage, up beat music utilizing many types of musical instruments.

Three of their musicians, Junior, Tino and Armando Dominguez, have ties to Sonora.

The rest of the band is made up of Freddy Gandar, Johnny Gatica and their leader, Roy Contreras.

When interviewed, Roy said, "we're just looking forward to getting there and doing a little jam-

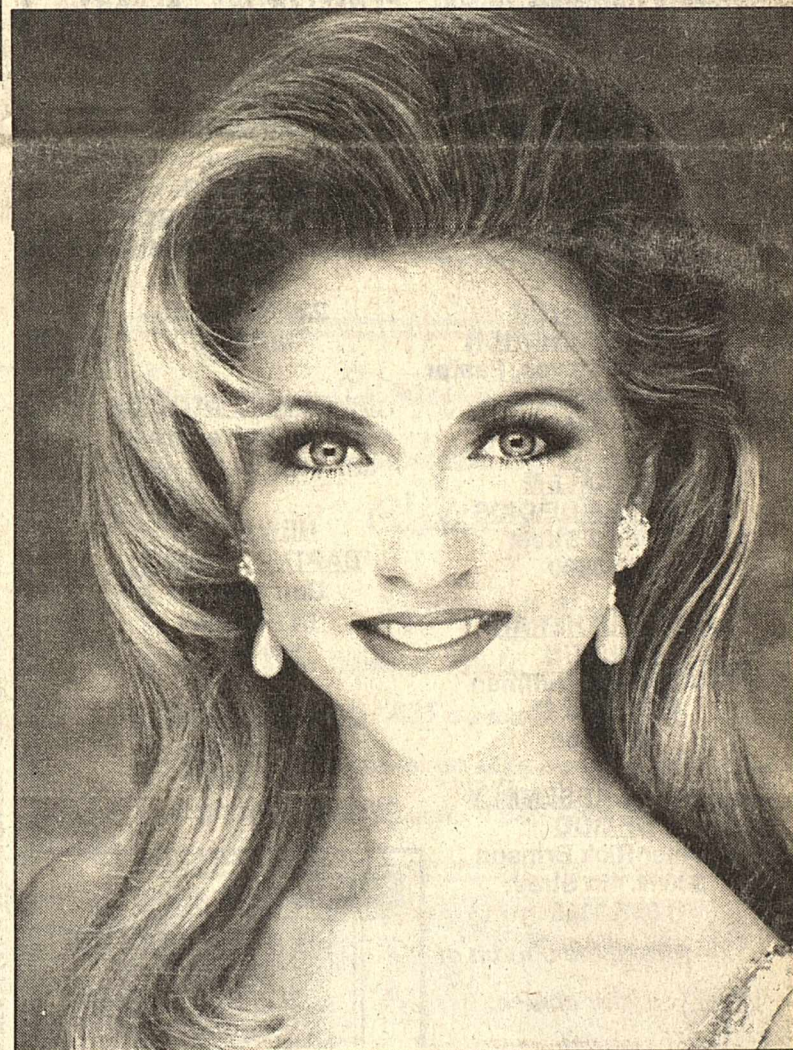
ming." In addition to Tejano music, main stage entertainment will feature one of cowboy music's premiere singing groups, "The Hays County Gals and Pals."

There will also be the zany antics of comedian, "Ty Morris." You just never know what he'll do. WARNING: you might pull a stomach muscle from laughing so hard.

The main stage entertainment will close out with the 1st Annual Sutton County Days Talent Contest.

The contest promises to be exciting as 13 acts from San Angelo, Eldorado and Sonora compete for a cash prize of \$200.00

Don't miss this exciting day of entertainment.



Miss Texas USA 1998
Holly Mills

memory is of the marriage of her Mom and Stepdad, and their two week trip with five children to Disneyworld. In the future, she hopes to balance her career with community involvement and a happy, healthy family. Holly

describes herself as honest, self-motivated and humble, and believes that the choices she makes reflect the person she is. "What I do makes a difference and has a very big influence on everyone I come in contact with."

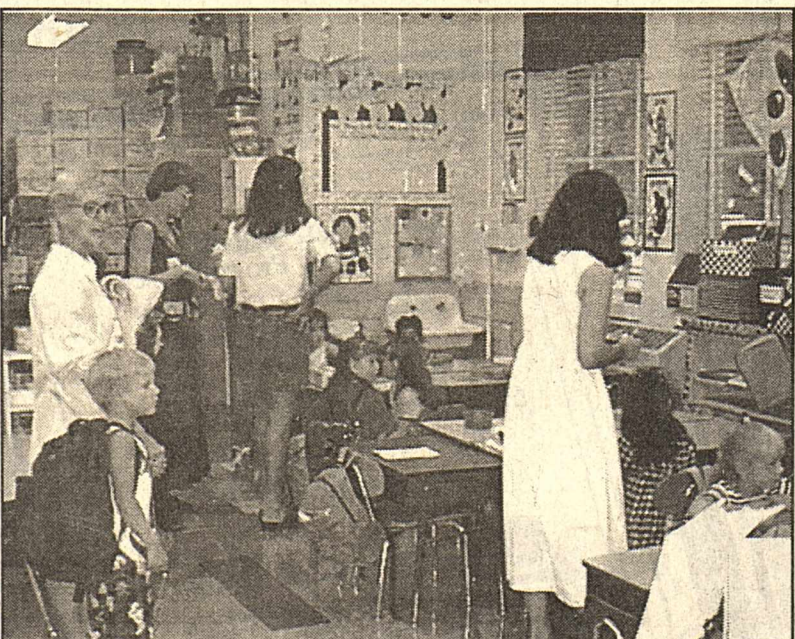
Board proposes tax increase

Sonora Independent School District's Board of Trustees held a special meeting Monday evening to take a record vote on the proposed 1997-98 tax rate. Trustee Mark Wilkinson was absent.

SISD's current tax rate is \$1.28 per \$100 evaluation. With the increase in property values in Sutton County, the effective tax rate for SISD is \$1.18, since it would take this tax rate to raise the same amount of money as was raised last year using this year's evaluation.

Using \$800,000 from other sources, the District needs \$5,230,695.99 in tax revenue to achieve a balanced budget for this year. A tax rate from \$1.31 to \$1.33

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Kindergartners joining Mrs. Burnham's class anxiously await instructions on their first day of school.

Strategic planning scheduled for Sonora

The Sonora Chamber of Commerce and West Texas Utilities Company are hosting a two-part Strategic Planning Session.

Interested citizens are invited to attend and share ideas to build a comprehensive economic development action plan for the community.

The purposes of the Strategic Planning Sessions are to identify the strengths and weaknesses of the community, develop realistic target markets, goals and a vision statement. Attending participants will formulate a plan to improve the business climate, enhance economic development and provide a better quality of life for everyone.

The sessions will be held Monday, August 25 from 6:00 p.m.

to 9:30 p.m. and Tuesday, August 26 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the Junior High Snack Bar.

"We want to encourage as many people as possible to take part in planning for the future growth and success of the City of Sonora," said Blake Burchard, Area Business Manager for West Texas Utilities Company.

Anyone wanting to attend is asked to call the Sonora Chamber of Commerce at 915-387-2880 by Friday noon, August 22, so that preparations can be made for refreshments and seating. Light refreshments will be served from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for your convenience.

Dining Out Directory

Food Center Deli 600 S. Crockett Ave.
387-5616

La Mexicana 240 N. Hwy. 277
387-3401

Pizza Hut 401 Hwy. 277 N.
387-3540

Rosie's Cafe 207 E. Glasscock Ave.
387-5552

Sonic Drive-In 202 Hwy. 277 N.
387-5292

Sutton County Steakhouse 1306 N. Service Rd.
387-3833

Town & Country Subway 610 S. Crockett
387-6181

Town & Country-Country Kitchen
903 N. Crockett Ave.
387-2169

Sonora Church Directory

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504 Santa Clara
387-2035

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304 W. Water
387-3190

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Rev. Paul Cornelius, Assoc. Pastor
404 NE Oak
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Our Sympathy

Margaret King

Margaret A. King, 85, of Sonora died Tuesday, Aug. 12, 1997, in a San Angelo hospital.

Graveside services were held in Sealy. Arrangements were by Etlinger Funeral Home in Sealy.

She was born Sept. 28, 1911, in Cat Spring and after living in various cities had moved recently to Sonora. She was a Methodist and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include two sons, Virgil Polocek of Sonora and Edward Polocek of El Paso; a brother, Robert Dittert of Sealy; four grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

Diamantina Ybarra Galindo

Diamantina (Tina) Ybarra Galindo 64 of Eldorado, Tx. died August 15, 1997 in a San Angelo Hospital. She was a homemaker and a Catholic. Funeral Mass was at 9 a.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in Eldorado, Tx. with Father Michale Dwyer. Burial was at Eldorado Cemetery.

Survivors include one son, Mario Moreno of Eden, Tx., three daughters, Yolanda Moreno of San Angelo, Tx., Ruth Rivera of Sonora, Tx. and Rosie Moreno of Eldorado, Tx. Two brothers, Henry Galindo of Eldorado and Mario Galindo of Sonora and two sisters, Daisy Peña of Eldorado and Rosa Lozano of Sonora. Eight grand children, three great-grandchildren and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.



Street/White Exchange Vows

Michael Reiley Street, Jr. and Cheryl Kay White were married August 9 at the Kurten Community Center in Kurten, Texas.

Cheryl is the daughter of David and Rita White of Carrizo Springs and the granddaughter of Audrey White of Carrizo Springs.

Reiley is the son of Mike and Robin Street of Sonora and Kent and Bernice Holder of Huntsville.

Grandparents are Dick and Peggy Street of Sonora, Bob and Mary Beth Granger of San Angelo and Gene and Ora Stephens of Shelbyville.

Best man was father of the groom, Mike Street. Groomsmen were Trenton Cox, Chad Dowell, and Timothy White.


Maid of honor was Christy Couch. Bridesmaids were Melissa White, Ana Escobedo and Rita Mendoza.

Ushers were Troy and Roy Collins.

Reiley is currently working for the City of College Station. Cheryl is employed at Dillard's Department Store.

After the wedding, the couple honeymooned in San Antonio.

Cards Of Thanks



First of all we would like to say that we felt sad to hear that Art Herrera won't be an officer in our community any longer. We would like to express our sincerest "Thanks" to him for all his assistance in some of our worst circumstances. We are all entitled to our own opinions and we will always be grateful to you. We wanted you to know that we appreciate you for all your hard work! We wish you the "Best" in whatever you do or wherever you go! Don't forget you have some friends in Sonora.

Mr. & Mrs. Luis Escalante and family

Our sincere thanks to all the people for their calls, prayers, food and flowers, to the ladies who prepared such a delicious meal after the funeral and a special thank you to Father Dwyer for the beautiful mass and to St. Ann's Choir of Sonora for the lovely songs.

God Bless you all,
The Moreno and Galindo Family

The family of Pat Brown Sr. gratefully acknowledges all of their friends, families and co-workers kind expressions of sympathy during the loss of our sweet daddy.

SENIOR CENTER

Calendar of Events

August 21-Trax Van to San Angelo. Call Lilia or Glenda.
August 22- B-B-Q Fundraiser Sutton County Days-\$5.00 per plate donation for Sr. Center, The Old Time Country Band will be playing.
August 25-Bingo!
August 26-Cooking w/Kelly Nutrition Program, noon
August 27-Blood Sugar Counts w/Cornerstone Home Health Agency, 11a.m.-1p.m. Call now!

Lunch Menu

Thursday, August 21
Ravioli, Peas, Spinach, French Bread, Fruit Cup

Friday, August 22
Roast Beef, Baked French Fries, Lettuce, Slice Tomatoes, Pea Salad, Bread, Peach Half

Monday, August 25
Hot Dogs w/Chili and Cheese, Sweet Potatoes, Bun, Pineapple, Waldorf Salad, Brownie

Tuesday, August 26
Polynesian Chicken Salad, Sweet Peas, Golden Salad, Bread, Vanilla Pudding


Wednesday, August 27
Salmon Patti w/tartar Sauce, Herb New Potatoes, Blackeyed Peas, Cornbread, Cantaloupe Cubes

Thursday, August 28
Frito Pie w/Chili and Cheese, Spinach, Tossed Salad w/Croutons, Wheat Bread, Cinnamon Apple Sauce

Friday, August 29
Club Sandwich w/Bacon, Turkey, Cheese, Pea Salad, Wheat Bread, Lettuce, Sliced Tomato, Melon Salad

Guest Meals are \$4.00.
Suggested donation for Senior Citizens is \$1.75.

Cards Of Thanks



Our sincere appreciation and thanks to everyone who helped ease the loss of our loved one, Nolen Gibbs. We are truly grateful for the joining of two communities in the preparation of a wonderful meal, the beautiful floral arrangements, cards, calls and many memorials. Your help at the ranch and continuing offers of assistance are most appreciated.

May God Bless each of you for every gesture of kindness and generosity. It will always be remembered by his family.

Ruth Gibbs
Bernie Gibbs

Melissa Kinard Laura Parker
Chris & Becky Clifton Katie Parker.

SCHOOL MENU

<p>Monday, August 25 Pancake, Sausage, Fruit, Juice</p> <p>Corn Dog, Pork & Beans, French Fries, Pears, Cake</p> <p>Wednesday, August 27 Oatmeal, Cinnamon Toast, Fruit, Juice</p> <p>Cheese Burger, French Fries, Lettuce & Tomato, Pickles, Peach Crisp</p> <p>Friday, August 29 Muffin, Sausage, Fruit, Juice</p> <p>Soft Burrito, Vegetables, Salad, Buttered Corn, Cinnamon Roll</p>	<p>Tuesday, August 26 Breakfast Burrito, Juice</p> <p>Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Mixed Vegetables, Tossed Salad, Fruit Jello, Cheese Roll</p> <p>Thursday, August 28 Ham & Egg on Biscuit, Juice</p> <p>Baked Ham, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans, Orange Wedges, Roll</p>
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All meals served with milk

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Community Calendar

The Community Calendar is made possible by:

August 21

Thurs.-Sat. Aug. 21-23
Sonora Outlaw Pro rodeo-see special section for schedule

Friday, August 22nd
Scrimmage

Monday, August 25
6:00-9:30 p.m. Strategic Planning Session, Jr. High Snack Bar

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Sutton County National Bank
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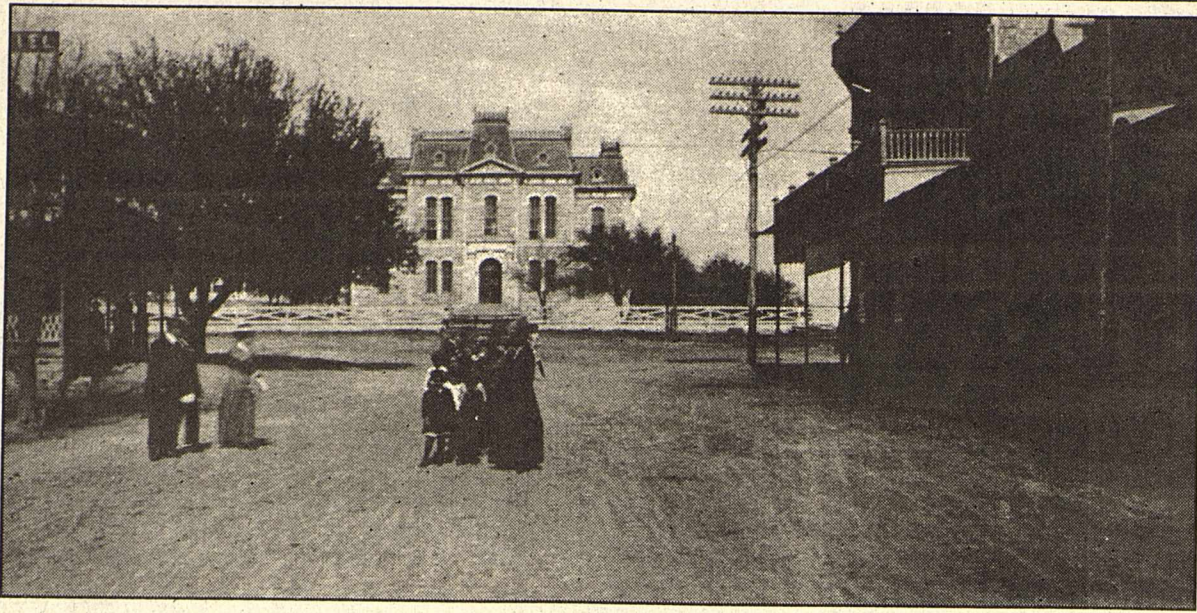
August 228

Tuesday, August 26
6:00-9:30 p.m. Strategic Planning Session, Jr. High Snack Bar

Thursday, August 28
SISD Public Hearing-Administration Building 7:00 p.m.

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Ask The Historical Society



Early day view of Courthouse from Main Street.

By Jo-Ann E. Palmer

It seems hard to believe that another year has gone by and here it is time for Sutton County Days. I see more and more faces in town this week as everyone heads back home. Please drive carefully! With all the construction on Crockett and school back in session we all have to remember to allow a little extra time to get where we are going and to remember to follow the posted speed limits in school and construction zones. We don't want anyone to get hurt and have to miss the parade, rodeo and dance this weekend.

While you are up on the Courthouse Square, take a minute to look out across the valley and see how much Sonora has grown over the years.

Close your eyes for a minute and try to picture the valley as the earliest people in Sutton Co. first saw it.

A lush little valley, with a small stream running through it. There was a covering of buffalo grass and small islands of live oak trees.

Scattered over the landscape they saw deer, javalina, wild turkey, prairie chickens, bear, wildcats, roadrunners, snakes and buffalo. Yes, there were buffalo here when the white man first came to Texas and a few were left, but not for long, when this area was first settled. There are people here who still have pillows made from the hide of a buffalo they killed right here in Sutton Co. It was a beautiful, peaceful little valley; looked like a real nice place to live.

Settlers came to Sutton Co. They brought in massive herds and overgrazed the land. They hunted most of the wild life into extinction almost wiping out the deer too. We really weren't very nice to this area when we first came. We didn't stop to think at that time about preserving for future generations. We seemed to think that there would always be land somewhere that we could expand on or move to.

Luckily for the residents now, there were a few progressive thinkers in Sonora after the turn of the century. These men saw what was happening and knew we must reverse the destruction or there would be nothing left here for anyone. Conservation measures were started in the area and very, very slowly the deer and turkey populations grew. I have even had several ranchers tell me they have wildcats and bear back on their property. We don't shoot the hawks and eagles anymore but we sure like to pick off some of those pesky rabbits now and then. Animal life is once again flourishing in Sutton Co. and the current residents have a very good alternate source of revenue during hunting seasons thanks to those few progressive men.

Some of you more mature people (now I'm trying to be politically correct) can picture in your minds how Sonora looked in the twenties and thirties and looking from the hill now can really appreciate how much our little city has grown. The early members of the Woman's Club would be amazed to see how well their city wide beautification project, tree planting, has done. Where once you could look clear across the valley and see almost every building from the hill, many areas are now obscured from view by large lush trees. Also, those pecan trees have presented another source of income for many residents and definitely are a great source of pleasure to many. There is nothing like a pecan pie made from fresh nuts, freshly dropped and hulled right in your own yard.

I would ask you all as you are up on the Courthouse Square laughing, playing, and enjoying all the games, booths and other activities to take a minute to think of your ancestors and all the activities they had at the Courthouse over the years. Their dances, Christmas parties, races on Main St., picnics on the lawn, musical recitals and other early activities. It is nice to think that after over one hundred years we are still using this site for activities. We don't arrive by horse and carriage anymore and the women aren't sweltering in layers and layers of petticoats, but we do have a good time and enjoy seeing many people we only get to see a few times a year.

I think it is wonderful that we still have the same newspaper reporting on our festivities. *The Devil's River News* has been in Sonora from its infancy and has been reporting on the births, engagements, weddings, and deaths of our citizens since 1890. For a small town paper to stay in business all these years is a testimony to the hard work of the owners.

We must remember to thank them for all their hard work on reporting on and preserving in writing the history of our county.

Some of you may not know it but the Sutton Co. Historical is now into the computer age. We still need a few accessories, but we are on line and you can reach us at: schs@sonora.digicom.net. So, if you don't feel like dialing 915-387-2855 you can send us an e-mail message instead.

With all the extra business from the UPS strike, I am sure the US Post office won't mind your e-mailing a message once in a while instead of writing through them. We would deeply appreciate any assistance you might be able to give us in purchasing our much needed accessories.

Donations may be sent to The Sutton Co. Historical Society, P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or dropped of at our treasurer, Al Elliott's office.

We are starting another fiscal year for the society so dues notices will be going out in a couple of months. Please pay your dues. We cannot continue to record and preserve the history of Sutton Co. without your help. Many of you have asked when the next book will be out. Without the much needed computer accessories we will not be able to compile and print another book. My days of typing on a portable typewriter and doing everything by hand are over. I am getting too old for that and have come to rely heavily on this new computer to help me get my work done quicker, and more efficiently.

We would like to thank all of you who have called or written how much you enjoy this column. It is a pleasure to serve you. I won't see you Sutton Co. Days as we will be off celebrating our 17th wedding anniversary, but we hope you all have a good time!

HAPPY Birthday!

August 21th
Jeremy Creek
22nd
Margarita Hernandez
Manuela San Miguel
23rd
Sarah Blakely
Tino Dominguez
Haleigh Miller
Kevin Snyder
Colely Thompson
Miguel Vaquera
Blair Crain
Jason Edward Vitela II
24th
Jason Freeman
Heather Lawson
Anna Munn
M.C. Tobias

Cassandra Torres
Dick Lynn
Vanessa Martinez
25th
Abby Gesch
Javier Segura
26th
Cassi Cole
Adam Hadsall
Kara Hard
Fran Pennington
27th
Lupe Duran
Errbey G. Moreno

If you would like your birthday published in the birthday list, please call the DRN at 387-2507.

Hospital and Nursing Home Leadership

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Joe Hendrus, Hospital/Nursing Home Administrator



Sheryl Sturgeon, Director of Nurses-Nursing Home

nursing home and hospital, and see great things happening in this community," said Hendrus. "We have a strong commitment from the Board, and I anticipate having a quality operation within one year."

Sturgeon, who began her duties as Director of Nurses on July 21, began her career in nursing homes in 1971 as a nurses aide.

She took a break to raise her family then earned her LVN degree in 1984, worked in long-term care facilities from that time until she

went back to school, earning her RN degree in 1996.

"I've thoroughly enjoyed Sonora. I come from a small town and have made some wonderful acquaintances here."

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Scouting News

By Brenda Valliant

A Court of Honor for Boy Scouts in Troop 19 was held, Tuesday, August 12 to present merit badges and advancements in rank.

Merit badges were presented as follows:

Brandon Adkins - camping, canoeing, wood carving, communications, archery safety, family life and citizenship in the community; Cody Ainsworth - radio; Joseph Ainsworth - basketball, golf and camping; Shane Benson - first aid, golf and camping; David Cook - basketball, swimming, wood carving and leather work; James Elliott - canoeing, lifesaving, environmental science, leather work and citizenship in the community; Adam Hadsell - communications, first aid and golf; Stetson Hall - lifesaving and motor boating; Ryan Hardgrave - music and scholarship; Stevie Hernandez - basketball, rifle shooting and golf; Israel Mendoza - basketball, rifle shooting and wood carving; Justin Odom - basketball, first aid and wood carving; Shawn Odom - camping and rifle shooting; Norbert Ortiz - basketball and leather work; James Ross - basketball, rifle shooting and swimming; Zed Snodgrass - basketball, first aid and swimming; Tom Valiant II - basketball, rifle shooting and swimming; Eddie

Wallace - swimming, golf, first aid and rifle shooting; Wilson Wallace - basketball, first aid and swimming; Tim Warden - Indian lore, first aid, motor boating, swimming, and leather work; Chris Weingart - golf, fishing and rifle shooting; Devon Yearout - basketball, first aid and rifle shooting.

Advancing in rank were Tenderfoot - Israel Mendoza, Zed Snodgrass and Wilson Wallace; 2nd Class Scout - Joseph Ainsworth, Stevie Hernandez, Israel Mendoza, Norbert Ortiz, James Ross, Zed Snodgrass, Tom Valliant II, Eddie Wallace, Wilson Wallace and Devon Yearout; 1st Class Scout - Justin Odom, Eddie Wallace and Tim Warden; Life Scout - Brandon Adkins and Shawn Odom. Congratulations to all these scouts! Serving as master of ceremonies for this occasion was James Elliott.

Sutton County Days are upon us and we would like to remind everyone that the Boy Scouts will have the Coke and snow cone concession again this year. This is the troops big fund raiser each year. We appreciate the support you have given us in the past and hope that we can serve you again this year!

In addition to the concession stand, the scouts are selling raffle tickets for a 25" remote control color TV which was donated by

Barry Limbocker/Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas. The winner will be drawn Saturday afternoon on the courthouse lawn.

With more than 20 young men participating in Troop 19 this year and another 20 coming up, we really appreciate this boost to our fund raising efforts.

We would like to acknowledge the recent gift to Troop 19 from the estate of Maxine Locklin. Maxine was a lifetime supporter of scouting and of young people in our community. We know that she would consider this memorial an investment in the future of our community. We sincerely appreciate her family remembering her in this way.

The Boy Scouts will be assisting the Sutton County Days Association again this year by selling rodeo programs and helping to park cars at the arena during the rodeo performances on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. As you see these young men, you may want to give them a pat on the back for their community service.

Our next camp out is scheduled for October 4. We hope to go canoeing on the Llano River.

If you, or someone that you know is interested in scouting, please contact the Scout Master for Troop 19, Lewis Allen.

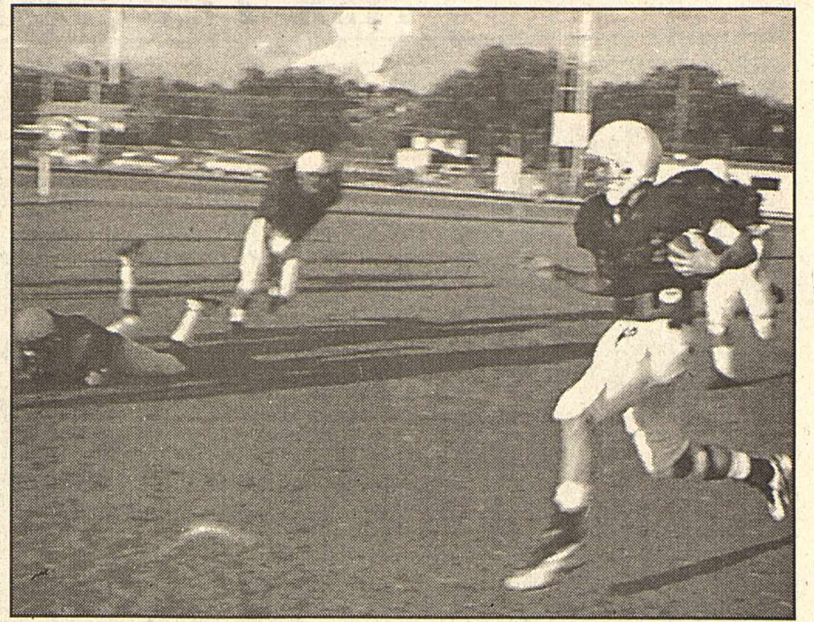
Fall ball set for Sept. 16

Fallball will be from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. starting Tuesday, Sept. 16 for youths playing in the Major of Minor Leagues next spring. Practices will Tuesday and Wednesday.

The fee is \$15 per player which also includes the baseball clinic on Saturday, Sept. 13 with Joe Nobles.

The clinic is open to anyone playing next spring. The Major's clinic will be from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The Minor's will be from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For more information contact Clay Hicks at 387-3286.



The Bronco Booster Club kicked off the 1997 season with their annual hamburger social. Bronco fans were introduced to the coaches and watched an intrasquad scrimmage/practice.

Troop 19 fishing trip

Submitted

Over the weekend of August 1-3, eight brave young men and four adult leaders ventured to the Jimmy Cahill's Devils River acreage for a fishing trip. Those scouts attending were Chris Weingart, Brandon Adkins, Eddie Wallace, James

Elliott, Shane Benson, Stevie Hernandez, Israel Mendoza, and Joseph Ainsworth. Saturday night the scouts fed their adult leaders, Joe Weingart, Al Elliott and John Ainsworth, fish they caught. A fun time had by all fishing, boating and swimming and a few scouts even

worked on their fishing merit badge. The scouts and their adult leaders are grateful to Mr. Cahill for the use of his camping area and boats. Join the boys in Troop 19 for adventures such as more camping and fishing trips.

New Wildlife Project to be offered in 4-H

Preston Faris, local county extension agent has announced a new project to be offered the first time this fall.

The project will be a very intensive study of wildlife and will be taught by a number of experts in the field of wildlife management. The project will be offered on a first enrolled first accepted basis to the first 25 youth who will be entering the seventh grade level or higher this year. Youth do not currently have to be enrolled in 4-H to enroll in this project.

Every effort will be made to accommodate the schedule of students involved in extracurricular school activities but due to the intensive nature of the project it will

require a definite commitment to achieve the total benefit offered.

Participants will learn general wildlife management techniques for wildlife found native and exotic in Sutton County. The class will involve hands on experience in several different areas and will feature a short quiz after the completion of each of the six major sections of the project. Point accumulations from these quizzes, from outside homework assignments (eg. plant collection, photos, etc.) from attendance in class, and from some special projects will be used to recognize outstanding participants. One of the awards will be a free trophy black-buck antelope hunt.

The project will be conducted

in the evenings on a weekly basis from approximately 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on each Tuesday beginning on September 9 and going through October 28. The location will be announced at a later time.

The following are the six major areas which will be highlighted in this first time project with a brief discussion of what will be covered in each section.

Dove, quail, & wild turkey - Habitat and food management, reproductive rates, and hunter demand. Do we want more and if so how can we increase populations? What is the economic importance to Sutton County?

Predatory animals - What are the natural predators of domestic

livestock and wildlife in our county? Is there a significant economic threat? What measures are used to manage predator populations? How to trap and properly take pelts of predatory animals. Hobby tanning techniques for small animal pelts.

Wildlife and domestic livestock - Who competes with who? Managing the range resource to keep everybody healthy and happy. Why does South Texas have bigger deer than we do? Can native wild animals be compatible with exotics and domestic livestock?

Exotics - What exotics are here in Sutton County? Do exotic animals have the same eating habits as native wild animals? Habitat and food management. Reproductive rates

and hunter demand. Economic importance to Sutton County.

Wildlife cookery - Favorite recipes will be shared. How to insure that your wildlife dish will be one which you enjoy. How to make sausage and jerky.

White-tailed deer - Habitat and food management. What is a trophy? How to grow trophy deer. Learn to age by tooth wear. How many should we have? How to determine the number of deer and sex ratios. Will conduct a spotlight deer census.

While the project will require a good deal of effort and a definite commitment to fully benefit from the learning opportunities, we are going to make every effort to have fun in the process. If this sounds like

a project in which you would like to participate then call or come by the county extension office and complete an application form. If you have friends who you feel might be interested and they are not currently enrolled in 4-H, then have them come by and fill out an enrollment form when they fill out their application for the project. We would like to have new 4-H members participate.

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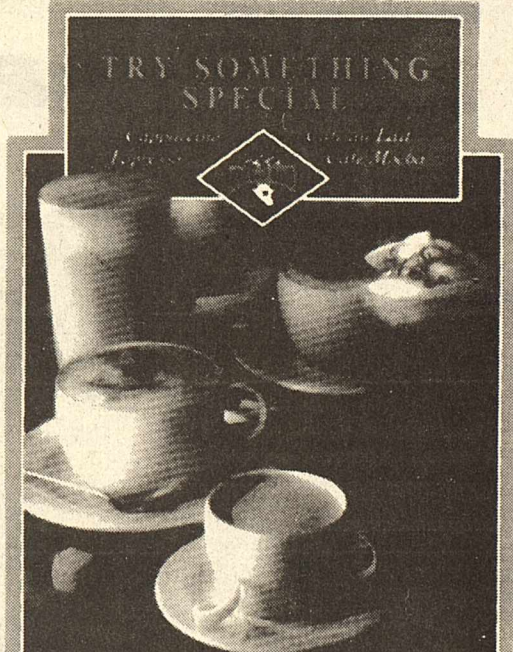
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Marketing A "Must" For Mohair

KERRVILLE - Faced with an ever-growing stockpile of mohair, Angora goat producers are looking into every area to find markets for their product.

Veteran mohair warehouseman, C.A. "Al" Dishman of Uvalde told directors of the Mohair Council of America, meeting here for their summer session, that the present mohair market is similar to that of some 30 years ago. Despite promotional efforts by the council and others, much of the mohair inventory continues to pile up in storage.

Dishman quoted a former council vice president, the late Gail Dudley of Comanche, telling a meeting of growers in 1969 that "the only people who really know how to make money are those who run the mint. The rest of us just get up, do a lot of things, and hope more of them come up winners rather than losers."

The warehouseman urged growers not to lose faith in their product, but strive to find solutions to the marketing problem.

Ironically, a Rhode Island physician who raises Angora goats as a sideline, offered a possible solution when he proposed a catalog project to help manufacturers of mohair products sell goods. If the project succeeds, it would be the only such catalog devoted solely to selling mohair products.

Dr. Fritz Vohr, a Hospice specialist, told council members that he started a new company several months ago. In his business development work, he located some 50 businesses making mohair related products. As interest grew, so did the number of manufacturers.

"As we contacted these vendors around the country, we got no negative responses about the (catalog) idea," he said. "Soon, people started calling us to say they were interested."

Vohr did not know what the cost would be of putting together such a catalog. He was in Kerrville to solicit ideas from fellow mohair growers and others in the industry.

Vohr had a chance to learn about catalogs since the Mohair Council has been working with Zachry and Associates of Abilene for nearly a year on the sale of mohair goods through direct mail and catalog presentations. Steve Krazer reported on results of a survey of catalog operators. Preliminary results were not too encouraging.

Meanwhile, the council's cooperative effort with a Mexican spinning firm, Lanera de Ocotlan, to provide machinery to Graham Johnson's plant south of Mexico City, is progressing on schedule.

Johnson will be able to provide small quantities of yarn to firms interested in doing product development work.

During the day long session, growers also learned from Roy Jacoby of Menard that the state commodity board organized to fight predators had changed its name to better reflect its purpose. The Texas Sheep and Goat Predator Management Board has expanded its ability to put an additional helicopter into the air for its "hot shot" program starting Sept. 1, and also will make money available to rent helicopters if funding from the federal Animal Damage Control (ADC) is unavailable.

In other business, directors were urged to support the upcoming statewide checkoff referendum being conducted by the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association to help raise funds for promotion, research and education. The check-off is planned for late September and early October.

The council's annual membership meeting will be held Jan. 22, 1998 at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in San Angelo.

Producers Livestock Auction

8/15/97

Compared with last week, feeder steers and heifers 1.00-3.00 lower. Slaughter cows and bulls weak to 2.00 lower. Stock cows and pairs steady. Trading and demand moderate. Quality average to mostly plain. Supply included 65 percent calves, 20 percent slaughter cows and bulls, 10 percent yearlings, 5 percent stock cows and pairs.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1 200-300 lb 120.00-126.00; 300-400 lb 105.00-111.00; 400-500 lb 87.00-95.00; 500-600 lb 81.00-91.00; 600-700 lb 76.00-80.50; 700-800 lb 74.00-79.00. Medium and Large 1-2 200-300 lb 110.00-120.00; 300-400 lb 90.00-105.00; 400-500 lb 79.00-87.00; 500-600 lb 73.00-81.00; 600-700 lb 71.00-76.00; 700-900 lb 69.00-74.00.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1 300-400 lb 88.00-91.00; 400-500 lb 76.50-85.00, set 89.00; 500-600 lb 74.00-82.50; 600-700 lb 71.50-80.00; 700-800 lb 69.00-74.00. Medium and large 1-2 200-300 lb 90.00-100.00; 300-400 lb 79.00-88.00; 400-500 lb 70.00-76.50; 500-600 lb 65.00-74.00; 600-700 lb 65.00-72.00; 700-800 lb 63.00-69.00.

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ICA Elects New Officers

Austin - Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas (ICA) Executive Director, Charles Carter today announced the election of ICA's new officers and board of directors. The election was held in San Antonio during the ICA annual convention and Trade Show.

Jim Selman, (left) ICA immediate past President is shown introducing ICA's new executive Officers. They include President John Brown, co-owner of the Luling Livestock Auction and cattle producer; First Vice President Chuck Kiker, a cattle producer and rice farmer from Beaumont; Second Vice President W.T. "Tommy" Guerra, a cattle rancher from Roma; Secretary Harold Clubb, a cattle rancher from Hamshire; Treasurer Joe Conti, Jr. of Victoria and new executive board member Bruce Dopslauf of LaGrange.

Four new and six re-elected board members were installed at the 23rd annual ICA Convention. New three year board members include Jim Selman, immediate past president of ICA; Xavier "Tavy" Villarreal of Zapata; former ICA State Secretary Pat Franke from Victoria; and W.R. "Billy Bob" low of Gonzales.

Board members re-elected to three year terms were Bruce Dopslauf of LaGrange, Bill Thomas of Harwood, Terri West of Winnie, John Gary of Boling, Ivan Cordes of Fayetteville, and Darrell Sklar of Edna.

ICA was created 23 years ago by a group of 17 ranchers who were concerned with the dumping of foreign beef on the U.S. market. Today, ICA is a strong grassroots organization that boasts a membership of over 6,000 members and has appeared before the U.S. Congress and the Texas Legislature representing the interests of its members.

"This is a knowledgeable new leadership for ICA," said Carter. "They have the experience and motivation to lead our organization for the coming year, which promises to be one of the best years for the Texas cattle industry in recent memory."

Large 1-2 620.00-700.00 per head, medium 1-2 470.00-600.00 per head.

Cow/Calf Pair: Medium and Large 1-2 cows with 100-300 lb calves 800.00-870.00 per pair, medium 1-2 cows with 100-300 lb calves 630.00-750.00 per pair.

Stocker & Feeder Cows: Medium and Large 1-2 (young) 800-1000 lb 53.00-58.00; (middle age) 800.00-1150.00 lb 37.50-40.00.

Source: USDA-Texas Dept of Ag Market News

Stock and Feeder Sheep: Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 1: 45-65 lbs 93.50-103.00 CWT. Stock Ewes: Medium and Large 1-2: no test

Barbados: 65-75 lb ewes 32.50-35.00 per head.

Slaughter Sheep: Slaughter Ewes: Utility 2-3 35.00-40.00; Good 2-3 45.00-53.00.

Stock and Feeder Goats: Spanish Goats: nannies 40.00-54.00 per head.

Angora Goats: Good and Choice baby tooth nannies 45-60 lbs 48.00-54.50; Good and Choice baby tooth muttons 50-70 lbs 40.00-51.00 CWT.

Slaughter Goats: Spanish Goats: 15-35 lb kids 67.50-76.00; 40-65 lb yearlings 75.00-82.00; 75-115 lb nannies 50.00-56.00; 100-175 lb billies 62.50-71.00 CWT.

Angora Goats: 80-110 lb muttons and billies 40.00-50.00; fat nannies 33.00-36.75; 30-35 lb kids 65.00-75.00; thin nannies and muttons 23.00-34.00 CWT. Source: USDA-Texas Dept of Ag Market News

Junction Livestock Auction

8/18/97

Compared to last week: Feeder lambs 2.00-4.00 higher. Slaughter ewes fully steady. Stocker Spanish nannies 3.00-4.00 lower. All classes slaughter Spanish 3.00-5.00 lower. All classes stocker angora 2.00-4.00 lower. All classes slaughter angora steady to 3.00 lower. Supply included around 9 percent sheep including near 300 lambs.

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U.P.R.; 10,000', H&H Drilling Company #2H, Patterson Drilling.
New Enron O&G/Midland; 9,600', Sealy Hutchins -9-#7, Patterson Drilling.
U.P.R.; 9,500', Union Pacific Montgomery #16H, Cougar Drilling.
New U.P.R.; 8,600', University 39-19-#1D, Patterson Drilling.
New Arco Permian/Midland.; 8,200', Meadows Ranch -9-#2, Patterson Drilling.
New U.P.R.; 7,300', Eloise Carson Clegg 54-#13, Patterson Drilling.
New Cross Timbers/Midland; 7,000', Montgomery 2-#4, Patterson Drilling.
New Enron O&G/Midland; 6,500', M K Daniel -A-#1, Patterson Drilling.
New Texaco E&P/Denver; 6,600', AR Kincaid B-#27, Nabors Drilling.
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Burlington Res/Mid; 6,650', Deberry-Berger-#13, Patterson Drilling.
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Police Report 8/2 - 8/10

8/3 Public Intoxication, Martin & Mesquite, A Sonora man was arrested after police were dispatched to the above location. The subject was stumbling and could not maintain his balance. The subject was transported to Sutton County Jail.

8/4 Dog Bite, Stadium Dr., A local juvenile was bitten by his own dog. The juvenile was taken to Lillian Hudspeth Hospital for medical treatment. The dog was transported to the Animal hospital for observation.

8/6 Theft, 1105 E. Tayloe, Under investigation.

8/6 Theft of Service, 1001 N. Crockett, Officers were dispatched after clerk told police a black vehicle pumped \$20 of fuel drove off in an unknown direction. Attempts to locate the vehicle failed.

8/9 Dog Bite, 506 Rock Ave., Police were called to the hospital in reference to a dog bite. The local juvenile had lacerations on his back and puncture wounds on his chin. Officers located the dog and placed the animal in the city pound.

8/10 Assault, 101 Dollie, Complainant advised police to make only a report at this time.

8/10 Aggravated Robbery/Aggravated Assault, 510 & Hwy 277 N., A Ft. Worth man was arrested after officers were dispatched to the above location for a fight in progress. When officers arrived they noticed the back window on the passenger side of a 1983 Chevrolet truck was broken and the right passenger door was hanging by one hinge. At that time the victim approached the officer and advised that a subject had approached him with a ratchet and attempted to hit him in the head but missed and hit the window of the vehicle. The subject then removed the stereo and attempted to escape through Busters RV Park. The officer notified the dispatcher, who broadcast the appearance of the subject to other officers. A private citizen (EMT) noticed a man matching that description on Menard and W. 2nd. The suspect was arrested and taken into custody at Menard and W. 1st. The subject was transported to Sutton County Jail.

Hudspeth Hospital and Nursing Home Auxiliary celebrates the monthly birthday party

Submitted
Residents having birthday's this month are Jewel Jennings, Sandy Beebe, Oralia Galindo, and Jose Rios.

Dr. Fred Cullens played the piano for the residents. Hostesses for the party were Bernice Cowsert and Carol Parker.

Special thanks to the Nursing Home staff and the Administrator Joe Hendruz for their help serving cake and punch.

Visitors are always welcome. Come and visit with our residents and new members of our staff.

New members of our staff are Joe Hendruz-Administrator, Sheryl Strugeon-D.O.N., Laura Tyler-Nursing Administrative Assistant, Candice Patton-C.N.A., Doris Hartsfield-Dietary Manager, Nancy Sandoreval-Dayroom Monitor and Demi Casiano-Lab Supervisor.

Our doors are always open. Everyone is welcome.

Emergency Medical Technician Course to be offered

An Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) course will be offered in Sonora beginning September 4, 1997 through January 13, 1998. The course will be sponsored by Sutton County EMS.

Classes will be held at the Sutton County EMS Training Facility from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The EMT course provides emergency medical training in such areas as bleeding and shock therapy, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation,

emergency childbirth, pediatric care, and other emergency illnesses and trauma.

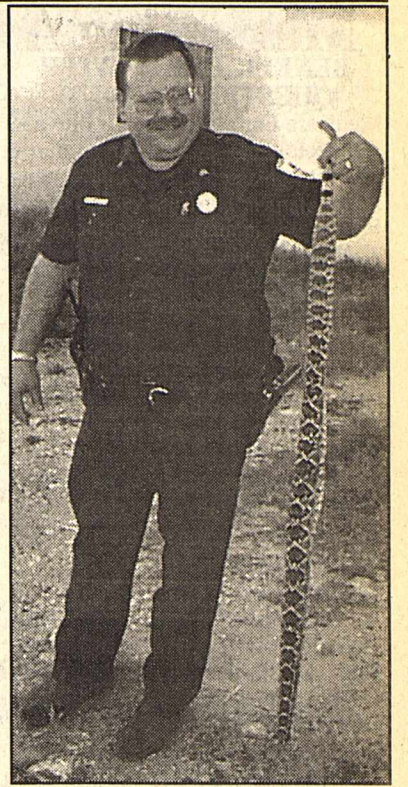
While attending the course, the student will be required to spend 24 hours observing in the emergency room at Angelo Community Hospital in San Angelo. It is also necessary to make three ambulance runs with a certified ambulance service.

Upon completion of the course, a student would be trained to work for public or private ambulance

firms and in some hospital trauma centers.

Ordinarily EMT classes cost approximately \$300.00 per person but Sutton County EMS will make this class available at \$100.00 per student, plus the cost of the book.

Registration must be made in advance. If you are interested in this type of training, contact the Sutton County Emergency Service office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on weekdays. The office is located at 211 East Third Street and the phone number is (915) 387-5132.



Mike House is pictured here with a 56" rattle snake found underneath the home of Adam Fay on Poplar Street. Assisting in the "cold-blooded" murder was Officer House's son, Michael.

School Board

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would be necessary on the 1997 evaluations of \$411,425,056 in the District, up \$19,630,000 from last year. However, the District operated a \$744,000 deficit budget last year using its reserve funds. Therefore, the District needs to make up that from last year's deficit.

There was a lengthy discussion on everything from the District's depletion of its reserve fund, to guessing what the State would do, to the possibility of having to hire another kindergarten teacher.

Sutton County Tax Appraiser/Collector Rex Ann Friess pointed out that although the proposed tax rate can be lowered, it cannot be raised.

Clay Cade favored a higher proposed tax rate of \$1.33 which they could lower when officially adopting the rate. John Barker also favored this approach.

Tom Clifton favored a lower rate of \$1.31, stating that this rate, with a 98% collection rate, which, with the exception of Louis-Dreyfus' current taxes that are in litigation, is the average collection rate of the past 5 years, would barely provide a balanced budget.

After more discussion, a compromise was reached. Cade moved, Barker seconded, a proposed tax rate of \$1.32 per \$100 evaluation. The motion passed unanimously.

A Public Hearing has been scheduled for Thursday, August 28 at 7 p.m. to discuss the proposed 1997-98 tax rate. The Board intends to adopt the new rate during its next regular meeting on September 8.

Sonora team ropers to perform Friday & Saturday

A special County team roping was held Sunday, August 17. Team ropers from Sutton County gathered to combine their skills and talent into a fun day of roping action.

The top teams will rope during the Friday and Saturday performances at Sonora's Outlaw Pro Rodeo. The top teams are:

Keith Hudson and Bradley Bass; Billy Tiffie and Ben Ingham; Tommy Tiffie and Steve Love; Houston Powers and Sonny Samaniego; Thomas Schenkel and Ben Ingham.

Also Keith Hudson and Steve Duhon; Houston Powers and Chase Wardlaw; Keith Hudson and Chase Wardlaw; Keith Hudson and Casey Lewis; Lewis Baker and Chase Wardlaw.

SCD Talent Show Contestants

The Sutton County Days talent competition scheduled for Saturday, August 23 at 4 p.m. on the Main Stage at the Courthouse will feature the following contestants:

Laura Aquirre - vocalist; Bronco Flags; Georgina Caldwell - vocalist; C.H.A.T. (Codi Schwiening) - group vocalists; Lizzie Chavez - vocalist; Leticia Garcia & Cecilia Garcia - group guitar & vocalist; Brad Heckler - vocalist; Stephanie Mercadd - dance; Pete Samaniego, Jr. - dance; Meagan Shelborne - vocalist; Texas Twosome (Tres Campbell & Lou Campbell) - group vocalists; Victory Voices (Gene Talbot) - group vocalists; Arett Wireman - vocalist.

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Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

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The public hearing will be held on August 28, 1997 at 7 p.m., Administration Building.

FOR the proposal: Sam David Hernandez, John Barker, Jesse Bustamante, Clay Cade, Tom Clifton, Helen Scott

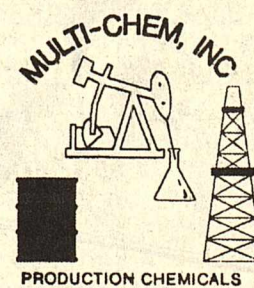
AGAINST the proposal: none
PRESENT and not voting: none
ABSENT: Mark Wilkinson

The statement above shows the percentage increase the proposed rate represents over the 1.18280 tax rate that the unit published on August 14, 1997. The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

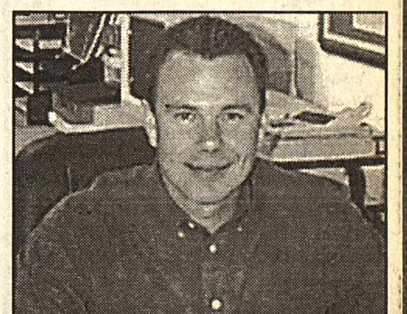
	Last Year	This Year
Average home value	\$ 34,000	\$ 34,000
General exemptions available (amount available on the average home, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ 11,800	\$ 21,800
Average taxable value	\$ 22,200	\$ 12,200
Tax rate	1.28/\$100	1.32/\$100
Tax	\$ 284.16	\$ 161.04

Under this proposal taxes on the average home would decrease by \$123.12 or 43 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$.03125 per \$100 of taxable value or 2 1/2 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

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17 years later, Margy Palm's story remains a thriller

By Paul Cornelius

Sunday night people drove from as far away as San Angelo to First Baptist Church here in Sonora. Their drive was rewarded with a story that would send chills up and down your spine. Margy Palm, a former Sun Queen, came to Sonora to share her story of being abducted by serial rapist and killer, Stephen Peter Morin. Morin, also known as The Drifter, had been wanted for a string of rapes and murders of women across the country. The night before his meeting with Margy in San Antonio, Morin had raped and killed one girl, shot and killed another and had left another tied up in a hotel room. Little did Margy Palm know that on the next day, she was to be his next planned victim, or so he thought.

For three hours at a San Antonio K-Mart, Morin waited to stalk his next victim while helicopters circled about the city looking for him. It was there that an unsuspecting Margy Palm would be abducted. That morning, however, Margy had already been preparing for this unanticipated meeting with Morin. She had spent a great deal of time in prayer and Bible study as she sensed the need for God's strength. Later in the day she would realize just how important those moments with God would be.

Morin pulled out a large handgun and placed it in the side of Margy forcing her into her car while telling her to sit down and place her hands under her legs. He warned her that he had killed and had no problem killing again if she even moved. It was then that God gave

Margy the strength she needed to have no fear in this circumstance and that He was in control, not Morin. She then informed Morin, "I'm going to pray for you." He proceeded to curse her and disagree, but she persisted in bowing her head and praying for him. She then felt a boldness from God to lay hands on him and allow God to take control over the demons that were controlling him. Suddenly, she would describe the situation as if a peace had settled them both in that moment.

Margy was later able to share with Morin of his need for Jesus Christ in his life and he, pulling the car over raised up his hands to God asking for forgiveness. He was immediately changed. Margy then helped put Stephen Morin on a bus to Fort Worth, leaving him with her book

of scriptures to read. Afterwards, Margy Palm began her trip home to her family. When arriving at home she was met by police who had been searching for her. She informed them and her family of her ordeal, later telling the police where they could find Stephen Morin. She told them to look for a man reading a little black book waiting to change buses at the terminal in Austin. Indeed, that was where he was and it was in that terminal Stephen Peter Morin turned himself in peacefully to a plainclothes police officer.

Morin would go on to prison affecting lives, including the warden of the Huntsville Prison, in a positive way for God. He would credit this change in his life to a beautiful, blond-haired woman who was to be his next victim,

but God had other things in mind. On March 13, 1985, Stephen Peter Morin would become the first criminal on death row in the state of Texas to be administered the lethal injection. Yet the story of his encounter with God through a bold little lady continues to be told.

In writing this article, many parts of Margy's story were omitted for space consideration. There is no possible way one, other than Margy herself, could tell you in detail the encounter she had with Stephen Morin. The story will become available on tape soon and if you would like more information, please phone 387-2951.

Thank you to Spares/Pairs and Harvesters classes for bringing Margy to Sonora.



AUGUST 22 & 23, 1997

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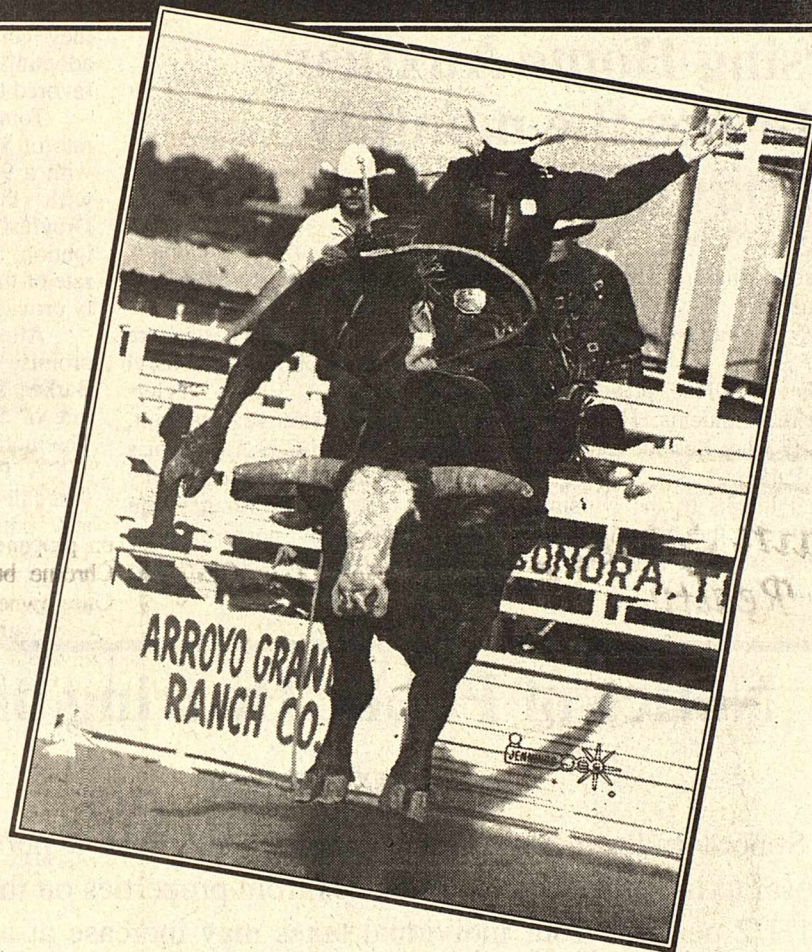
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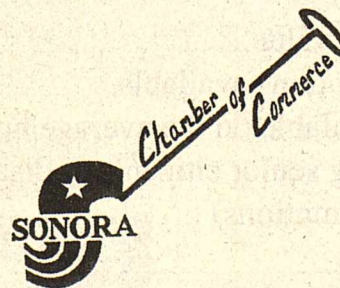
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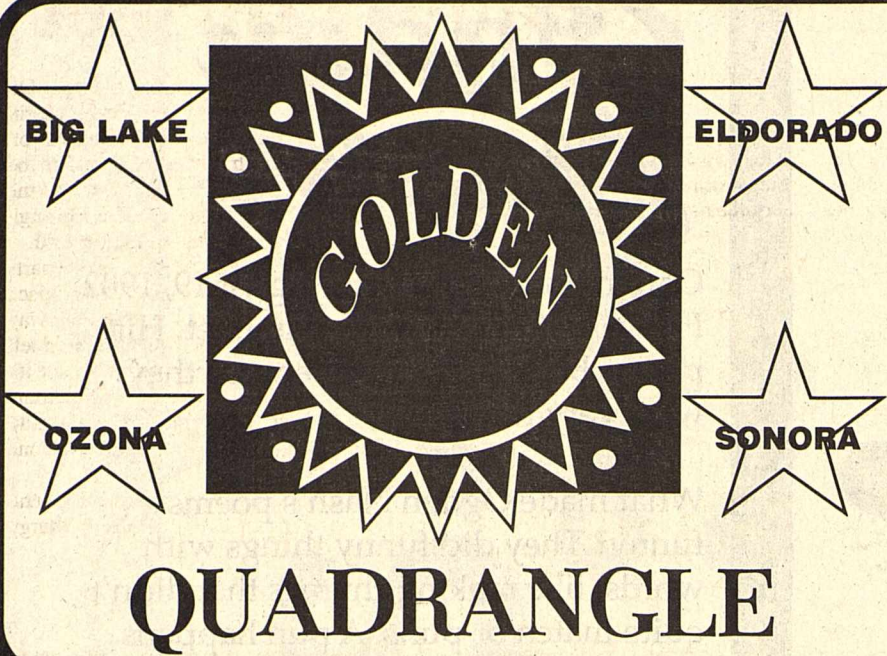
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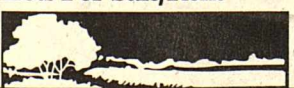
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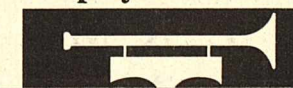


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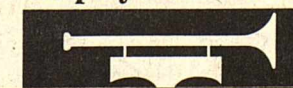
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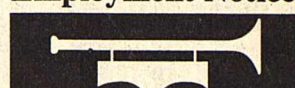
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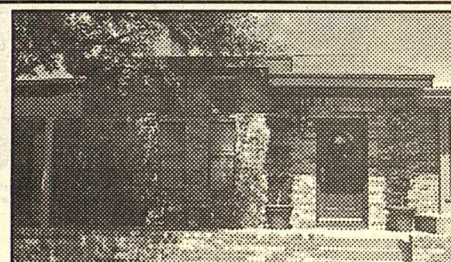
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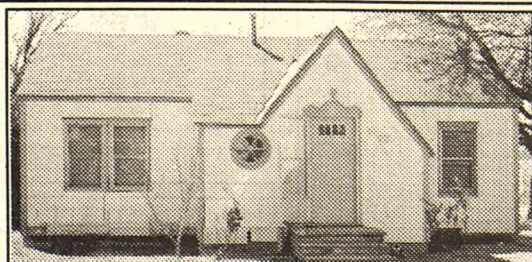
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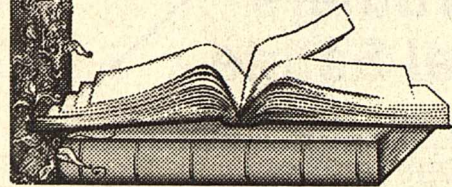
Ogden Nash was born August 19, 1902. He was a famous American poet. His poems became famous because they were very funny.

What made Ogden Nash's poems funny? They did funny things with words, like making rhymes that didn't quite match or puns. A pun happens when someone uses a word that sounds almost like the word you expect to hear. Here's some examples of puns:

Was Ogden Nash a good poet?
Nash-urally.

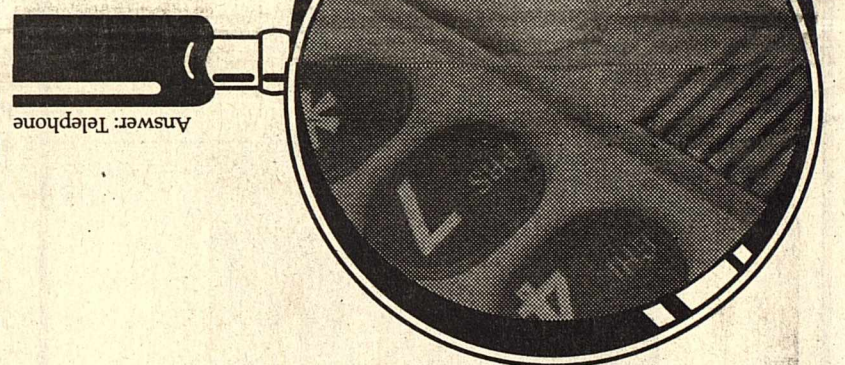
How did your backstroke race go?
Swimmingly.

Many people like to make puns. Can you think of any? Try looking through some books of Ogden Nash's poems to get some ideas.



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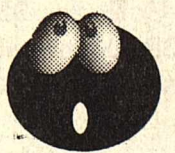
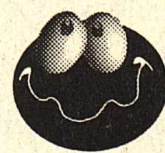
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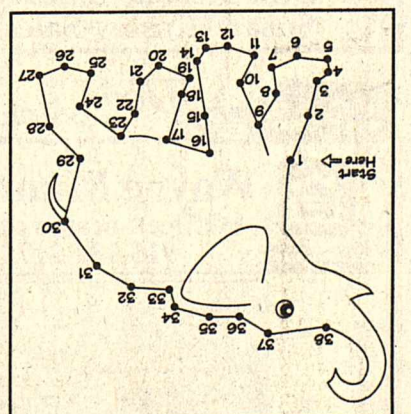
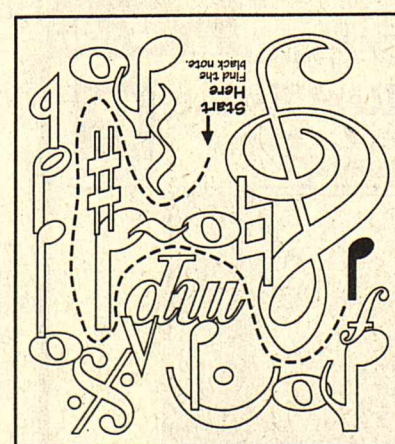
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Did You Know...

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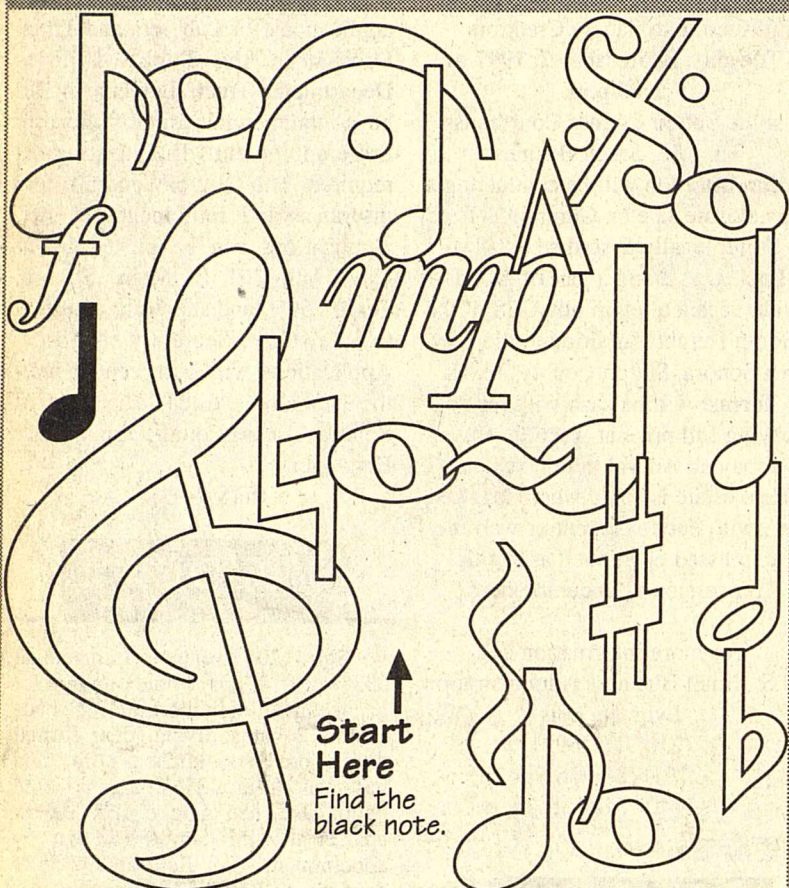


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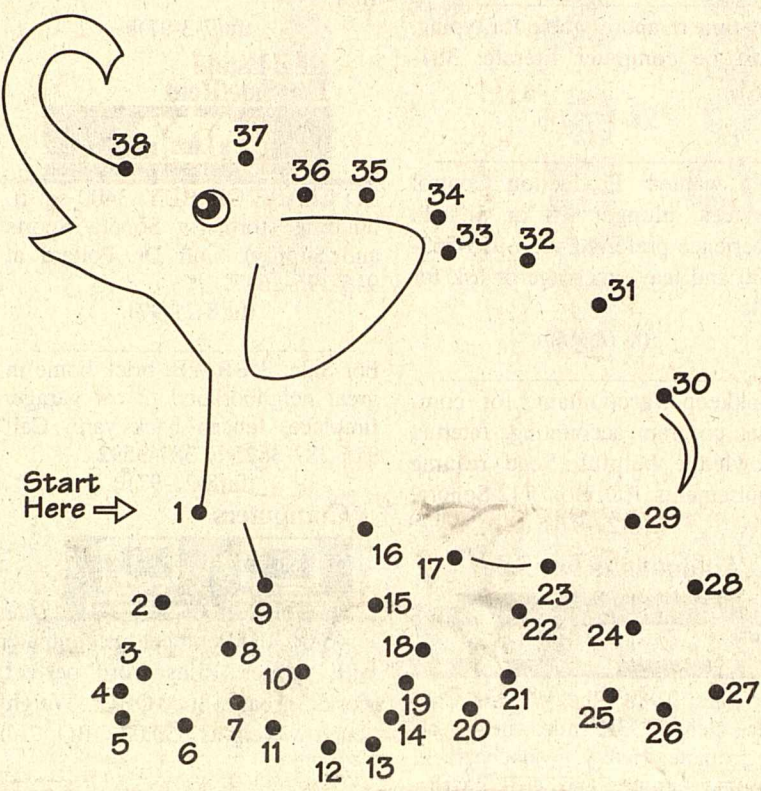


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connect the dots



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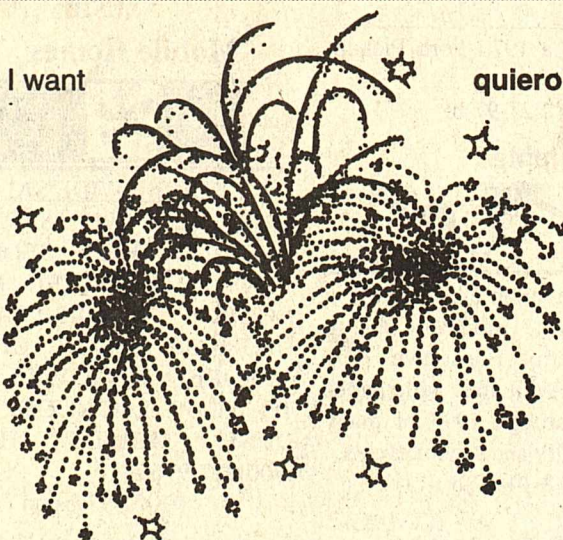
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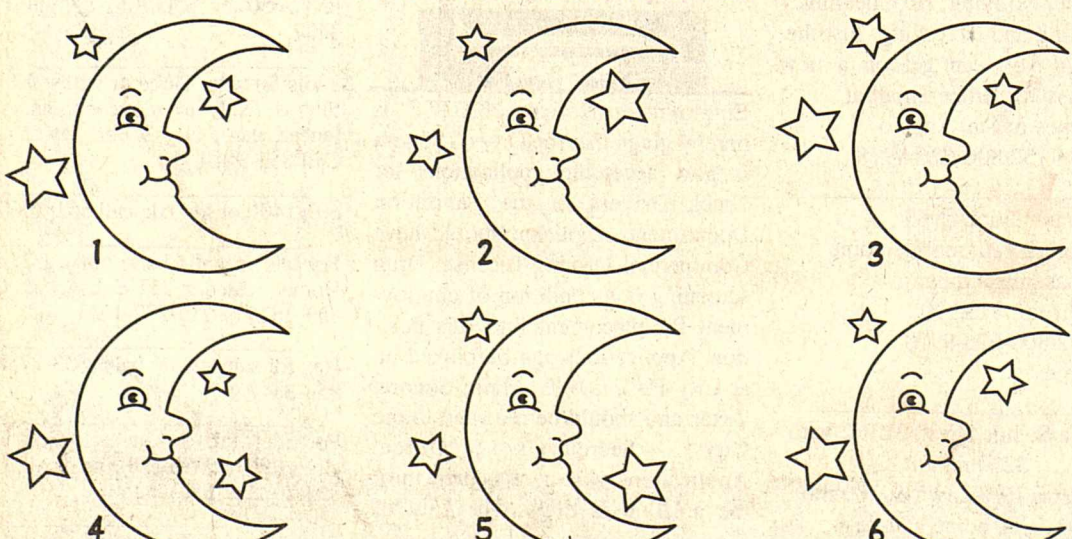
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Quiero ir a ver los fuegos artificiales.
 I want to go see the fireworks.

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ANSWER: ONE AND SIX

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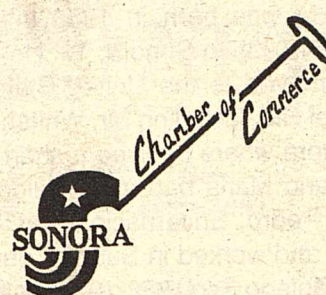


1997 Sutton County Days Schedule

AUGUST 20, 1997

Wednesday

- 3:00 pm Entries due for County Fair-Cauthorn Memorial Building (Depot)
 4:00pm Special Slack Performance- SB, BB, SR, Barrels, Girls Breakaway
 (3 Go-Rounds in the SR)-Rodeo Arena



AUGUST 21, 1997

Thursday

- 9:00am Special Slack Performance-(first go) CR, TR, SW
 10:00am Judging begins for Sutton County Fair-Exhibits open to public after judging is
 complete until 5:00pm

- 5:00pm Special Slack Performance-BR, Barrels, Girls Breakaway
 (second go)-CR, TR, SW

(1st section of Progressive Round in the SR)

AUGUST 22, 1997

Friday

- 9:00am Cowboy Golf Scramble-Sonora Golf Course
 10:00am Sutton County Fair Exhibition open to public
 12:00pm Pioneer Family Reception & Community Box Lunch Social- Courthouse Lawn
 4:00pm Sutton County Days Parade-Miss Texas as "Grand Marshal"
 5:00pm Texas Style Bar-B-Que (Catered by the Committee on Aging to benefit the Sutton
 County Senior Center)-Courthouse Lawn,

Introduction of Miss Texas & Sutton County Queen Contestants,

Autograph by Holly Mills, "Miss Texas"

- 7:30pm Pre-Show Outlaw Pro Rodeo-County Arena,
 Introduction of Miss Sutton County Queen Contestants

- 8:00pm Outlaw Pro Rodeo-County Arena

- 9:00pm Rodeo Dance featuring Sherri Mitchell-County Dance Slab

AUGUST 23, 1997

Saturday

- 10:00am Opening Ceremonies featuring the "Texas Army"-Courthouse Lawn,
 Little Mr. & Miss Sutton County Contest-Main Stage,
 Arts/Crafts Booths open-Courthouse Lawn,
 Registration begins for Horseshoes/Washer Pitchin',
 Sutton County Fair Exhibition open to public-Depot

- 11:00am Twin Fiddler's Contest-Courthouse Lawn-Introducing Miss Sutton County

- 12:00pm Hays County Gals & Pals (Country Band)-Main Stage

- 12:15pm Fiddler's Contest begins-Courthouse Lawn

- 1:10pm Ty Morris (Comedian)-Main Stage

- 1:30pm Children's Games-Courthouse Lawn

- 2:00pm 3rd Annual "Ye Ole Bed Race"-Main Street

- 2:30pm Roy Contreras y Grupo "Relo" (Tejano Band)-Main Stage

- 4:00pm Talent Show-Main Stage

- 5:00pm Closing Ceremonies-Courthouse Lawn

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Crowning of 1997 Miss Sutton County

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1997

**Sutton County Queen
 Candidates**

**Little Mr. & Miss. Sutton
 County Candidates
 Pioneer Family**

**The Devil's River News
 August 21, 1997**

Photos Taken by Dave Jennings



Miss Sutton County 1996



Ashley Shantel Henson

Family Members: Wesley and Tressa Henson, Marisha and Daisha-sisters
Class: Senior
Honors/Awards: 2-Year All-American Cheerleader, 3-Year All-District Golf Individual, 3-Year Regional Golf Team Qualifiers, 1-Year All-district Track (High Jump), 2-Year Varsity Cheerleader, GAA's, FFA, 2-Year Basketball, 1st-Runner Up Lions Club Queen, 1-Year SHS Girl's Golf Award
Hobbies/Interests: Gymnastics, Cheerleading, Golf, Reading, Lifeguarding, Spending time with family and friends.

Thank you Sonora,
 For treating me so wonderful.
 Being Miss Sutton County has been fun.
 And never has a moment been dull.
 From drawing tickets at the Game Dinner
 And eating lots of different foods.
 To being hostess of the Chamber Banquet,
 And getting everyone in the 50's mood.
 When the Public Library opened,
 I was there too.
 I helped make it possible,
 For me and for you.
 Then came Christian Outfitters;
 A place to help the needy out.
 I know this building is special,
 And has helped Sonora without a doubt.
 Modeling for the paper,
 Was such a treat for me.
 Thanks for all the attention.
 And a special thanks to Vallree.
 I'm so glad I got a chance,
 To represent my town.
 I'll never forget the meaning,
 Of that beautiful crown!
THANKS SUTTON COUNTY!

I would like to wish all of the 1997 candidates the best of luck.

1997 Pioneer Family Samaniego Family

The Samaniego family of Sonora are descendants of Santiago Samaniego. He was born in 1858 in Candele Nuevo Leon, Mexico, and passed away in 1935 in Sonora, Tx. He married Maria de Jesus Perez. Santiago moved to the United States in 1917. He worked with several ranchers in Del Rio, including Mr. Whitehead and E. Keys Fawcett. In 1935 he moved to Sonora where he lived a short time until his death.

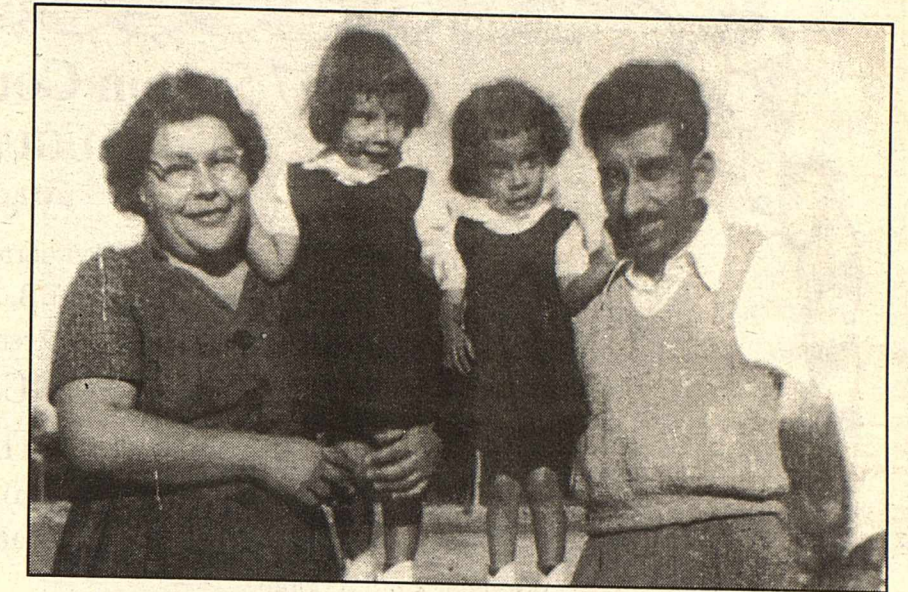
Santiago and Maria had eight children- Maria de la Luz, Felicitas, Ester Sabas, Jose, Pedro, Encarnacion and Tomas. The four sons moved to the United States and worked in Sutton County and other states.

Jose Samaniego Sr. (1882-1958 married Enriqueta Robles. They had four children; Maria de Jesus (1923) Santiago (deceased), Julio Sr. (1925) and Jose Jr. (1930). Jose Sr. worked with Cleve Jones, Bill Meyers and Mr. Wardlaw. He was also a cook for a shearing crew from Rocksprings and Mason.

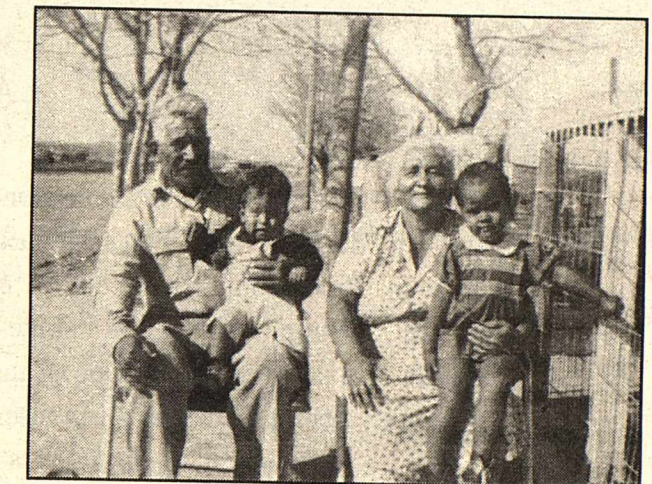
Tomas Samaniego (1899-1959) married Refugia Gutierrez. They had four children: Maria Elena (1945), Tomas Jr. (1946), Crencio (1947), and Juan Manuel (1958). Tomas Sr. worked with Fred Earwood and also worked at the Wool House for approximately 30 years.

Encarnacion Samaniego (1890-1981), married Petra Alcocer. They had two children: Ester Loya (1920) and Brigida Gonzalez Colorado (1921). Encarnacion worked in Michigan at the Ford Huron.

Pedro Samaniego Sr. (1890-1981) married Margarita Palomo in 1917. They had twelve children: Maria de la Luz (deceased), Luis (1920-1979), Santiago (deceased), Maria Chavez (1924), Nora Dominguez (1925), Lionel (1927), Pedro Jr. (1928), Enemencio (1929), Arnoldo (1932), Dora Elia (deceased), Anabella (1936), and Santiago (Jimmy) (1939). Pedro came to the United States from Mexico in 1914 and worked the cattle drives and also worked for J.T. Moore in Del Rio. In 1938 the family moved from Del Rio to Sonora. He worked for several ranchers including; Velma Shirley, Billy Cauthorn, Cleve Jones, Saul Kelly, and Lee Fawcett. His wife Margarita was an active member of the community, serving on the Elliot School P.T.A. Board, Fiestas Patrias Celebrations, and was an active member at St. Ann's Catholic Church. She also worked for Lee Allison, Mae Ward, and Dr. Howell until the time of her death on December 24, 1962.



Luis and Olivia Samaniego with daughters Lilia and Delia



Pedro and Margarita with Margie and Ruben



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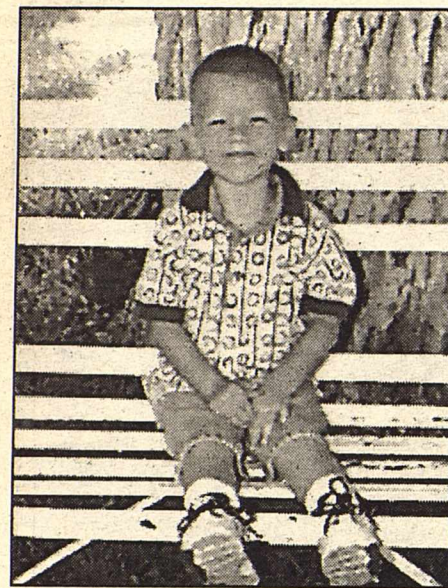
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GOOD LUCK
Camille Marshall
 Miss Sutton County Queen Candidate



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Gunter Pennington

Parents: Stacey and Fran Pennington
Age: 3
Birthday: June 19
Favorite Food: Corn dog
Favorite Toy(s): Horse
Interests: Riding my horse Thunder
Other Items of Interest: Helping dad at the ranch.



Bryce D. Smith

Parents: Ronny Smith and Betsy Knight
Age: 3 1/2
Birthday: November 22
Favorite Food: Crispy Deer Meat and Pizza
Favorite Toy(s): Keyboard and Ninja 4 Wheeler
Interests: Hunting and fishing with his Pappaw, watching Wheel of Fortune on T.V., likes to sing Tim McGraw (I Like It, I Love It) and Johnny Cash (Burning Ring of Fire)
Other Items of Interest: Playing Karate with his friend, having someone read his books to him.

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Cathy Aguero

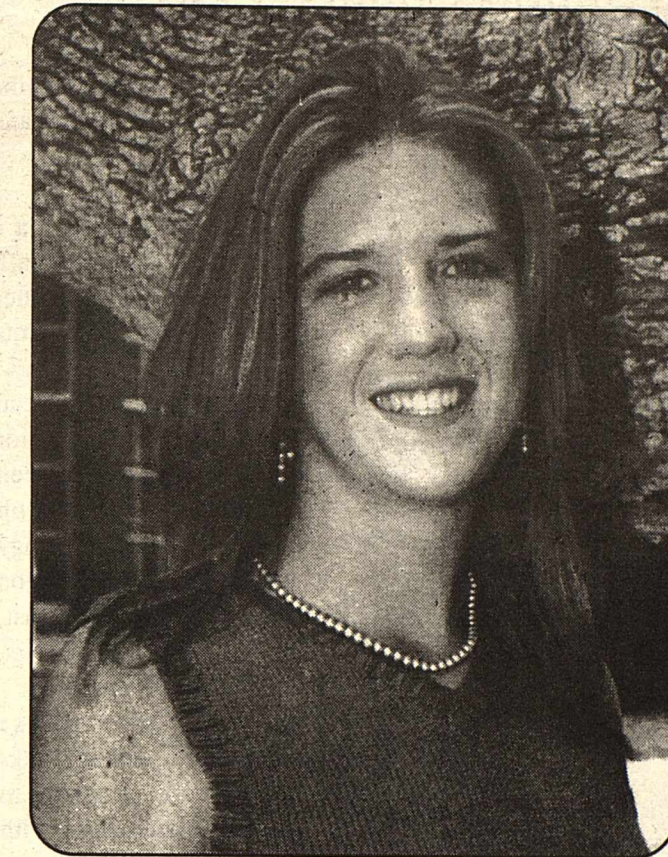
Family Members: Larry Jr. and Lydia Aguero, Casey-sister, and Larry III-brother
Class: Junior
Extracurricular Activities: Choir
Honors/Awards: I earned my letterman jacket in choir my freshman year, and my sophomore year I earned a 2nd letter in choir.
Hobbies/Interests: Listening to music and singing are my hobbies. I also work at Shot's #6 where I meet a lot of people from different nationalities. It's always interesting to hear them talk about their culture and compare.

Future Plans: My future plans contain finishing high school and going to college. I want a job where I can travel and see the world.

What do you like best about Sonora: The thing I like best about Sonora is honestly the schools and the people. We're just a small friendly town making our school better and better.

Sponsor: David Walsh Welding

Why do you want to be Miss Sutton County? To represent Sutton County as the Sutton County Queen would be a great honor. This is a county where people can be themselves, no matter what they are on the outside they're still friends here in Sutton County.



Ashley Brockman

Family Members: Bob and Nancy Brockman, Landon-brother, George Brockman-grandpa
Class: Junior
Extracurricular Activities: Tennis, F.F.A., 4-H, NHS, GAA's, Spanish Club
Honors/Awards: State winner for FFA Creed, 4-H Sweetheart, Second in Area for Public Speaking
Hobbies/Interests: Tennis, riding horses, swimming, hunting, spending time with my

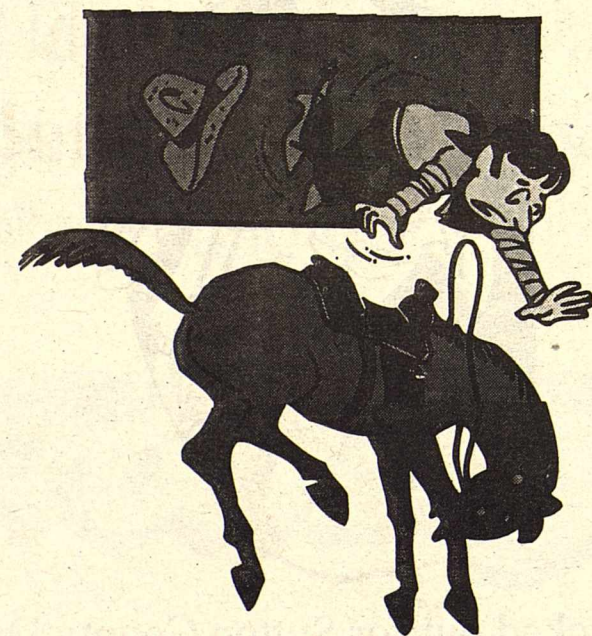
family and friends, and spending time at the ranch.

Future Plans: Attend Texas A&M University & major in Agricultural Journalism/Communication.

What do you like best about Sonora: The friendly people & supportive atmosphere and also the ability to know most of the people in the town.

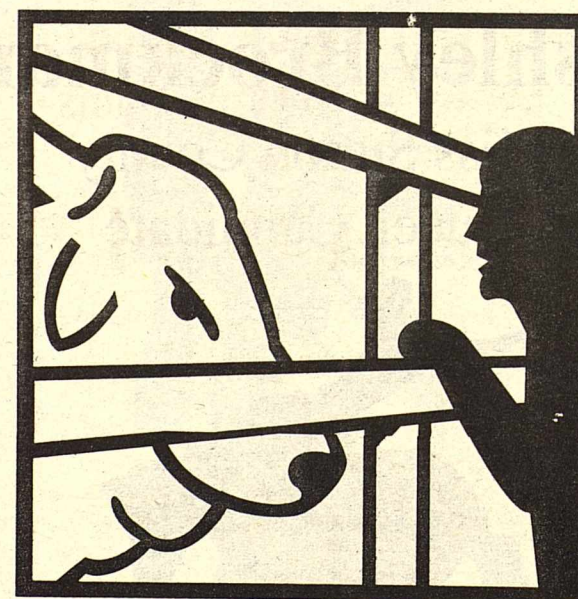
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Why do you want to be Miss Sutton County? My family has been involved in Sutton County since the turn of the century and I think that it would be a great honor to serve as the Sutton County Days Queen.



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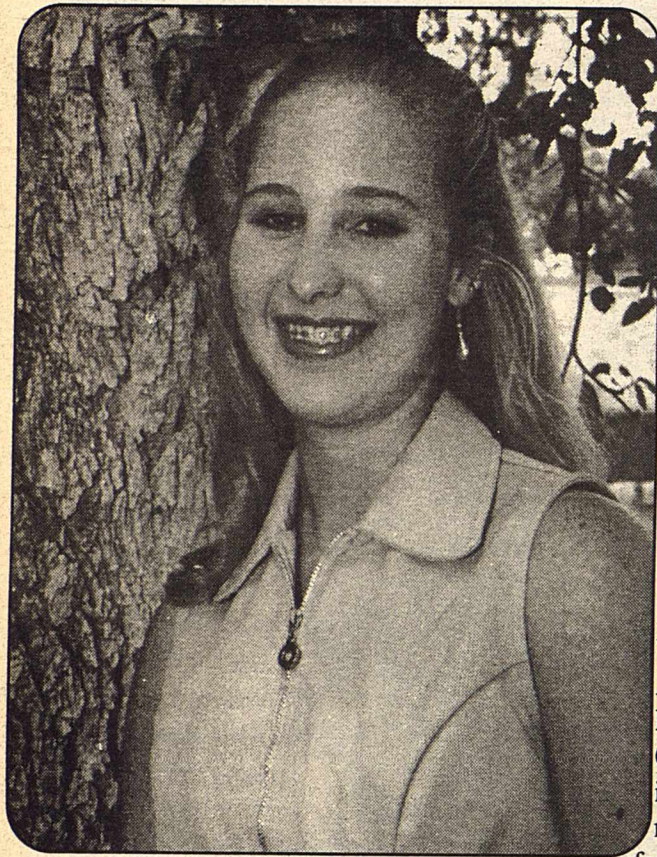
Quirina Perez Miss Sutton County Contestant



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Katy Cooke

Family Members: Mike and Vickie Cooke, Kim and Kathy-sisters

Class: Senior
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball, Cheerleader, Track, One-Act (drama), 4-H, Acts Youth Group

Honors/Awards: Head Cheerleader, Junior Homecoming Queen Dutches, Lion's Club Queen Candidate, Biology Award, Honorable Mention All-Star One Act Cast, Varsity Cheerleader 2 years, All American Cheerleader

Hobbies/Interests: Gymnastics, reading, talking, swimming, listening to music, spending time with family and friends.

Future Plans: Attend college at Texas A&M at College Station. Major in the medical field and become an Anesthesiologist.

What do you like best about Sonora: The people. They are very supportive and nice. It's not in every little town, if you wave 95% of the people wave back. Also, the size of the town

Sponsor: Shot's Convenience Stores

Why do you want to be Miss Sutton County? It would be an honor and a great achievement for myself. Plus, I would like to show my appreciation to the community for all that everyone has done for me as well as other students and children.

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Raevon Danielle Johnson

Parents: Cody and Stefani Bush

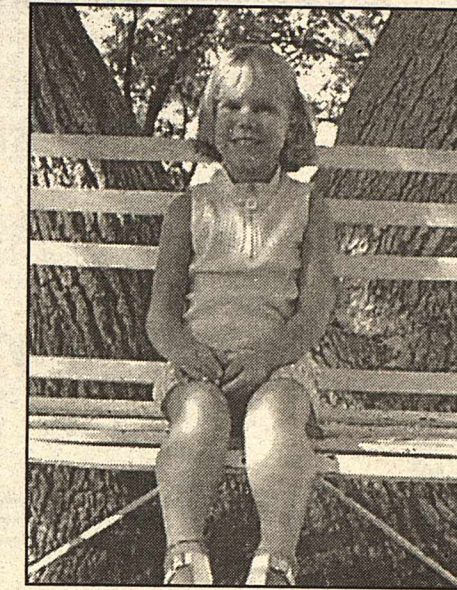
Age: 3

Birthday: August 30

Favorite Food: Spaghetti, Ice Cream

Favorite Toy(s): Barbie Dolls

Interests: Jumping on trampoline, playing dress-up, going fishing, help her Nana & Papa



Cassie Krieg

Parents: Michael and Michelle Krieg

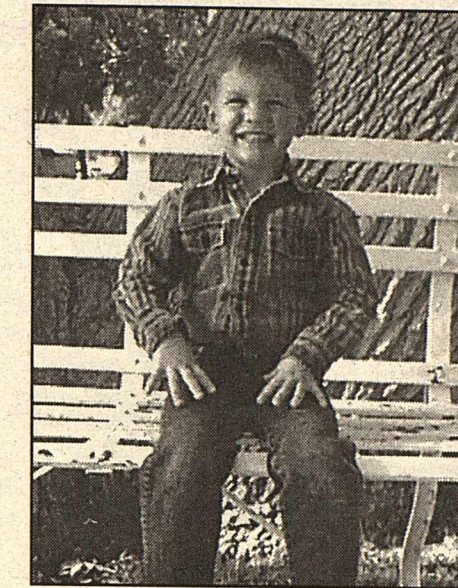
Age: 5

Birthday: December 2

Favorite Food: Macaroni and Cheese

Favorite Toy(s): Playstation, Barbies

Interests: Ditto & Silver (pets), swimming, starting school.



Clayton Parks

Parents: Marty and Cathy Parks

Age: 4

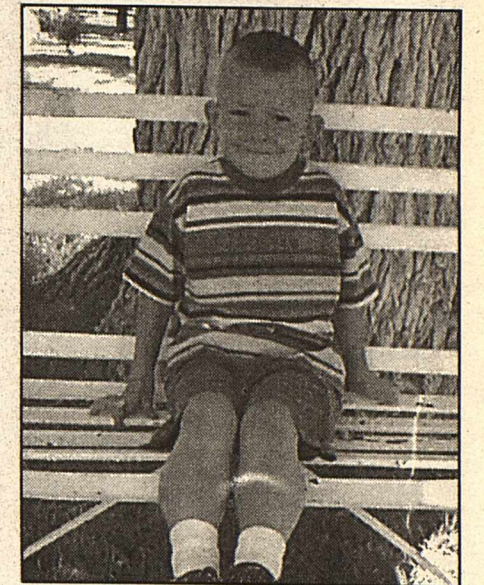
Birthday: August 10

Favorite Food: Pancakes

Favorite Toy(s): Basketballs, football, baseball

Interests: Playing ball

Other Items of Interest: Pulling tricks on friends.



Bailey Joe Pennington

Parents: Stacey and Fran Pennington

Age: 5

Birthday: August 7

Favorite Food: Meatballs and Spaghetti

Favorite Toy(s): Airplane

Interests: Riding my horse Silly Sally, riding my bike

Other Items of Interest: Helping dad at the ranch.

Blair Crain

Miss Sutton County Queen Contestant
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Ashley Brockman

Miss Sutton County Queen Candidate



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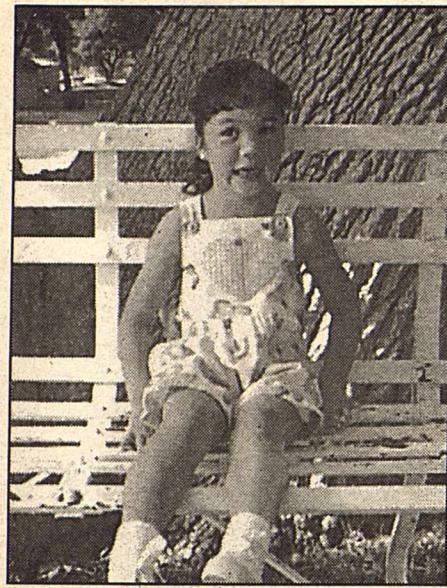
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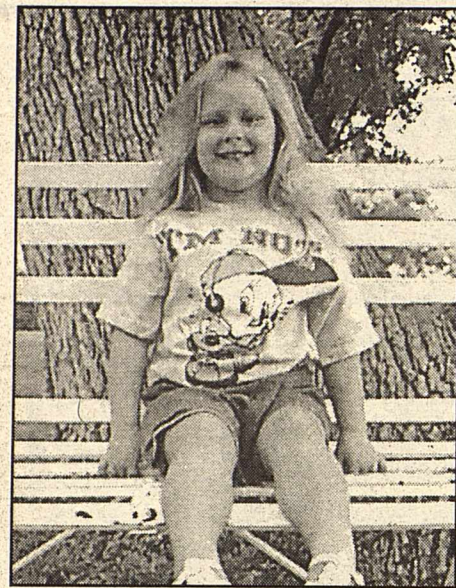
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Whitley Nichole Hernandez

Parents: Arturo and Jennifer Hernandez
Age: 3
Birthday: September 30
Favorite Food: Pizza and Sandwiches
Favorite Toy(s): Bubbles, Bike
Interests: Enjoys watching T.V., riding in Papa's boat and playing outside with friends.
Other Items of Interest: Going to Kathy Hardgraves (Mrs. Kathy).



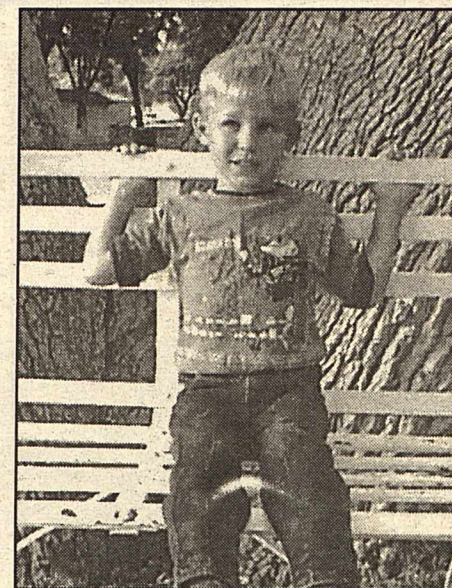
Courtney James

Parents: Nick and Teresa James
Age: 3
Birthday: August 18
Favorite Food: Pizza
Favorite Toy(s): Babies
Interests: Ride bike, play with babies, and play with friends.



Hunter Jennings

Parents: Larry and Kate Jennings
Age: 3
Birthday: September 23
Favorite Food: Chocolate and Candy
Favorite Toy(s): Barbies and Baby Dolls
Interests: Ballet, gymnastics, playing Bat Girl with her brother Cash as Batman
Other Items of Interest: Showing Angora goats, starting soccer this year



Damon Don Johnson

Parents: Cody and Stefani Bush
Age: 5
Birthday: June 15
Favorite Food: Spaghetti, Ice Cream
Favorite Toy(s): Bike
Interests: Riding bike, jumping on trampoline, helping his Nana & Papa.
Other Items of Interest: Riding sheep and fishing.



Blair Crain

Family Members: Bubba Crain and Melinda Crain, Quincy and Riley-brothers and Jesse-sister.
Class: Junior
Extracurricular Activities: High School Rodeo Association, Varsity Basketball, FFA
Hobbies/Interests: Rodeo, traveling, skiing
Future Plans: Attend college and major in Theater Arts
What do you like best about Sonora: The home-town friendliness
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Why do you want to be Miss Sutton County? Sutton County means a lot to me, and I would be privileged to have the honor.



Mary Ann Garza

Family Members: Ray Garza-father, Patsy Garza-sister, Victor Garza-brother
Class: Senior
Extracurricular Activities: Band, Spanish Club
Honors/Awards: 95-96 JV Cheerleader
Hobbies/Interests: Shopping, talking on the phone, dancing.
Future Plans: Going to cosmetology school.
What do you like best about Sonora: It's a small town and everyone knows each other.

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Why do you want to be Miss Sutton County? To represent Sutton County as a mature and responsible young lady.



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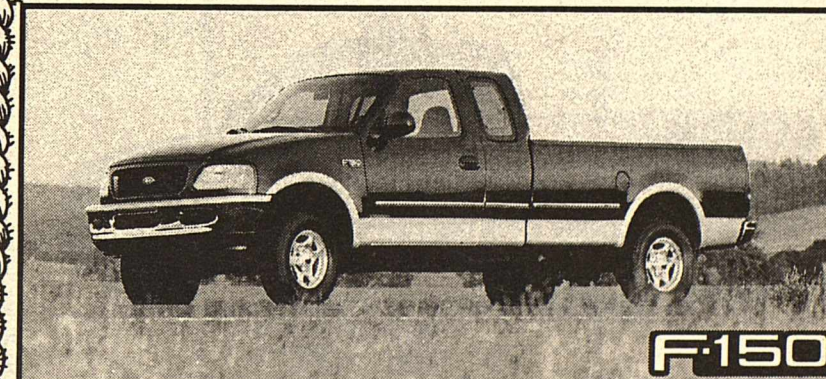


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Kristen Hardgrave

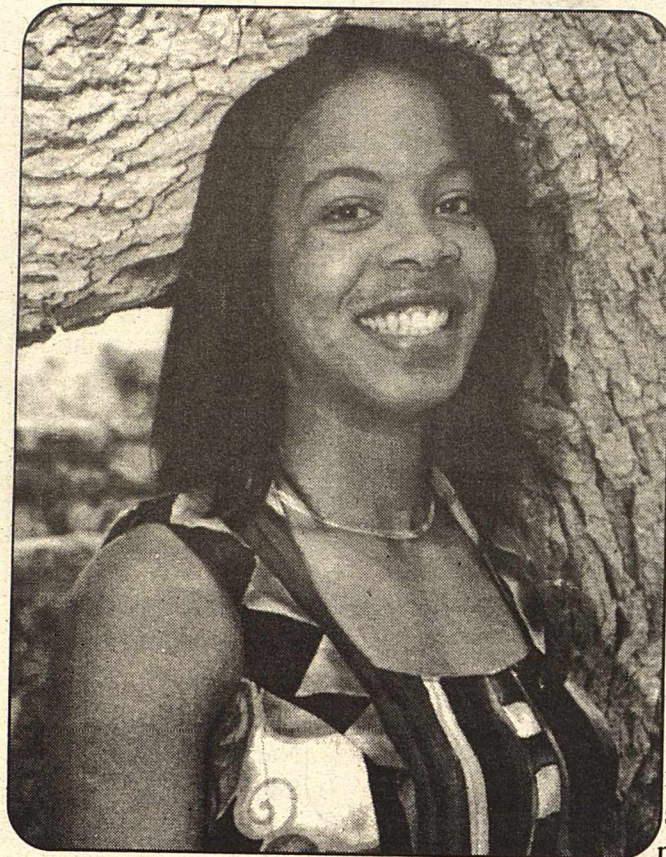
Family Members: Gary and Kathy Hardgrave, Ryan-brother
Class: Junior
Extracurricular Activities: Tennis, GAA's
Honors/Awards: National Honor Society
Hobbies/Interests: Playing the piano, spending time with friends, and shopping.
Future Plans: Attend either Texas A&M, Baylor or Trinity University and one day become a pediatrician.

What do you like best

about Sonora: The thing I like best about Sonora is that everyone knows each other.

Sponsor: Chelle's

Why do you want to be Miss Sutton County? I would like to represent our County as the Sutton Co. Days Queen because it has been a part of my family for four generations. Also, I think becoming Miss Sutton Co. would be a fun way to get involved with the community.



Camille Marshall

Family Members: Oscar and Kathy Marshall, Kim & Tamika-sisters
Class: Senior
Extracurricular Activities: National Honor Society, Track, Basketball, Cheerleading, Student Council, GAA's
Honors/Awards: All District '95, '96, '97, All Academic- '95, '96, '97, All West Texas '97
Hobbies/Interests: Spending time with family, traveling, singing, listening to music, mirrors, ele-

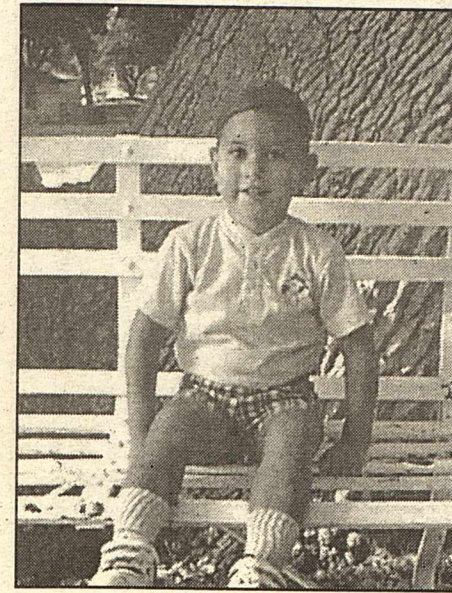
phants, meeting new people.

Future Plans: Play college basketball and become an obstetrician.

What do you like best about Sonora: The atmosphere.

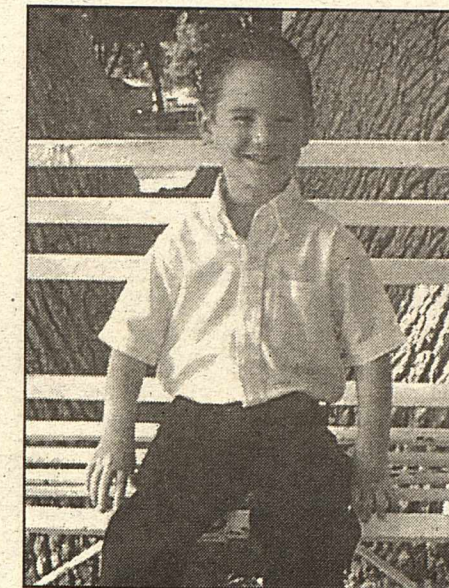
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Why do you want to be Miss Sutton County? I feel I can represent Sutton County because I serve as an example for young ladies intellectually, athletically, and spiritually. And also because I would be the first Afro-American to receive the honor.



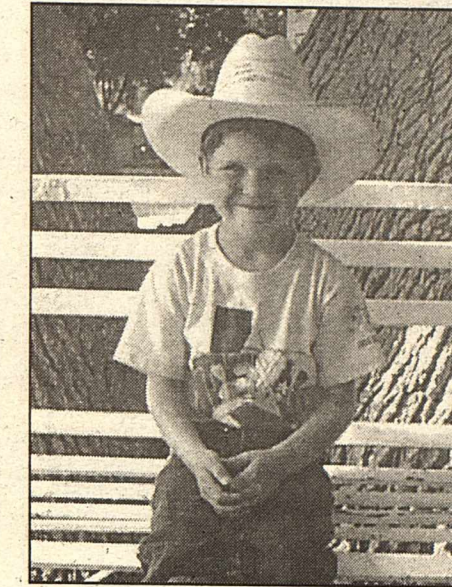
Jonathan Wade Casillas

Parents: Freddy and Lula Casillas
Age: 3
Birthday: May 24
Favorite Food: Hamburger
Favorite Toy(s): Cars, big trucks, Buzz Lightyear and Woody
Interests: Fishing, camping, and riding my bike.



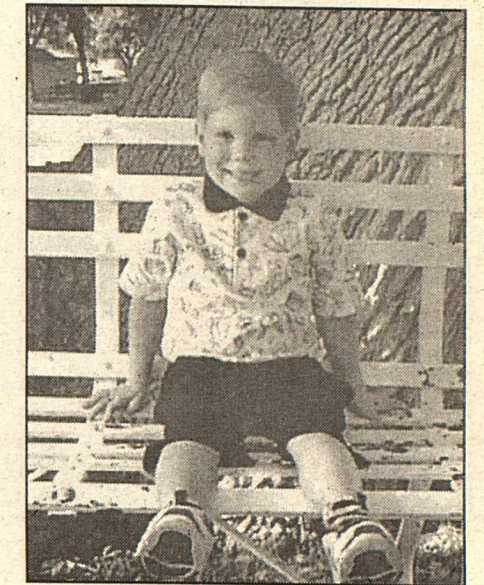
Landon Cornelius

Parents: Paul and Dana Cornelius
Age: 4
Birthday: April 26
Favorite Food: Cantaloupe and suckers
Favorite Toy(s): Bus
Interests: Watching cartoons, making stuff, school work and writing my name, sleeping, playing with Mickey Mouse and looking at books
Other Items of Interest: Policemen



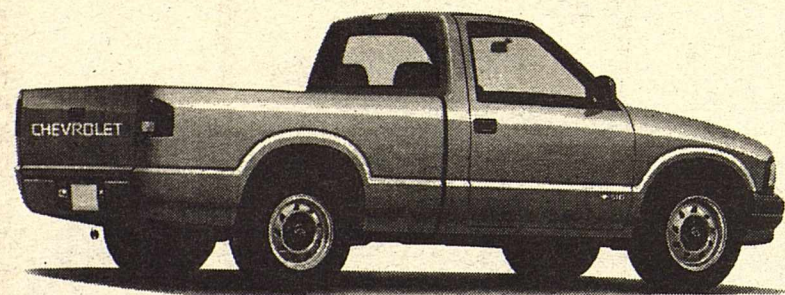
Dustin Crittendon

Parents: Arthur and Angela Crittendon
Age: 5
Birthday: February 20
Favorite Food: Ice Cream, Chicken Fried Steak
Favorite Toy(s): Horses, helicopter, dinosaurs
Interests: Playing in sand box, ride horses, playing on computer



Tanner Dobbs

Parents: Tim and Christa Dobbs
Age: 4
Birthday: July 19
Favorite Food: Cantaloupe, Oranges
Favorite Toy(s): Football, Baseball, Kickball
Interests: Nock-em game, basketball, mountain climbing, coloring & markers.
Other Items of Interest: Swimming, jumping on trampoline, playing with kids and cousins



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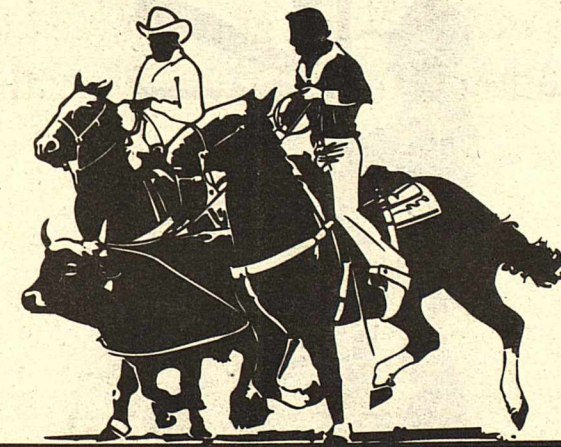
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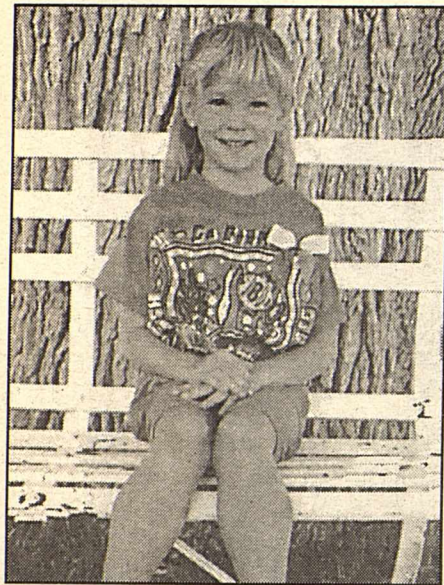
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Shelby Burris

Parents: Michael and Regina Burris
Age: 5
Birthday: December 7
Favorite Food: Macaroni and Cheese, pickles, and corn
Favorite Toy(s): Roller Blades, Bike, Piano
Interests: Gymnastics, swimming, playing with Jerry (Cat) and Christi (dog), riding my bike, playing soccer and basketball, playing with friends, fishing and watching movies
Other Items of Interest: Coloring, painting and writing



Brooklyn Paige Caddell

Parents: Dale and Leslie Caddell
Age: 5
Birthday: September 27
Favorite Food: Lasagna
Favorite Toy(s): Baby Doll
Interests: Playing with goats, riding horse and singing
Other Items of Interest: Likes to sing "I Should Have Been a Cowboy"

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Family Members: Carmen Castillo-mother, Jesse Martinez-father, Jesse Martinez Jr.-brother, Felicia and April Marie Castillo-sisters
Class: Senior
Extracurricular Activities: Mighty Bronco Band, Bronco Band Flag Corp.
Honors/Awards: 95-96 J.V. Cheerleader, Recently elected Senior Representative of the Mighty Bronco Band, 2nd year Flags
Hobbies/Interests: Travel, listening to music, shopping, meeting new people.
Future Plans: Join the United States Air Force,

attend college and major in Criminology and start my career in the U.S. Border Patrol

What do you like best about Sonora: The wonderful people. Sonora definitely has a special kind of people.

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Why do you want to be Miss Sutton County? To have the opportunity to get to know the people of my hometown better and to present myself as a responsible young leader.



Quirina Perez

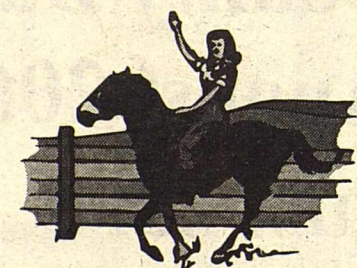
Family Members: Ramiro and Rosemary Perez, Leandra-sister
Class: Senior
Extracurricular Activities: Band, Spanish Club, Play piano for St. Ann's Catholic Church
Hobbies/Interests: Playing the piano, horseback riding, swimming, spending time with friends and family, and dancing.
Future Plans: Attend Sul Ross State to major in Spanish and minor in English or Del Mar in Corpus Christi and major in Dental Hygiene.

What do you like best about Sonora: The friendly people, helping and caring community.

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Why do you want to be Miss Sutton County? Because I feel that by representing Sutton County, I would learn more about Sonora and its people. I also feel that it would be a great experience because I enjoy, being around others.

Good Luck
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Raven Rainer
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Raven Rainer

Family Members: Lester and Patti Rainer, Raymond-brother
Class: Senior
Extracurricular Activities: Band, GAA's, Track
Honors/Awards: Scholarship to Wayland Baptist University, Lions Club Queen Candidate 1997
Hobbies/Interests: I like to shop & talk on the phone with friends when I'm not working.
Future Plans: College plans are undecided, but I'm presently attending modeling school and plan to attend a convention in

New York next spring & hope for a modeling career.

What do you like best about Sonora: With all the law enforcement in the County situated here, I feel safe & secure. And everyone knows everybody!

Sponsor: Sonic Drive-In

Why do you want to be Miss Sutton County? Besides it being an honor to be chosen, I would love to have the experience and opportunities that come with the crown.



Haley Thompson

Family Members: Gene and Jeannette Thompson-Uncle & Aunt, Kimber-sister, Coley & Walker-cousins
Class: Junior
Extracurricular Activities: Varsity Cheerleader, Golf, Volleyball, Softball, FFA, Peppermint Ball Club, Spanish Club, Student Council Secretary, GAA's
Hobbies/Interests: Playing sports, cheer-leading, horseback riding, spending time with my family and friends, fishing and camping.

Future Plans: To graduate from SWT with a major in some type of physical therapy or in high school education.

What do you like best about Sonora: The way that the community comes together as one when the town needs them, how everyone is always willing to help, and all the beautiful places to see.

Sponsor: Sonora Ladies Golf Auxiliary

Why do you want to be Miss Sutton County? I think it would be a great honor to represent the town I live in. I know what a great responsibility being your queen would be, and I want that responsibility.

Good Luck

Kristen Hardgrave
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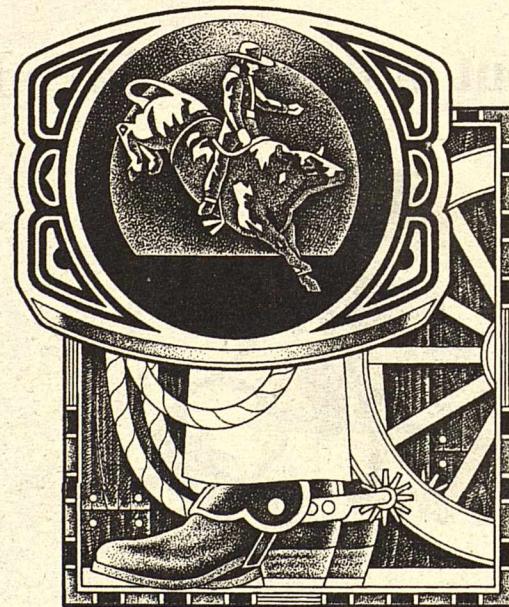
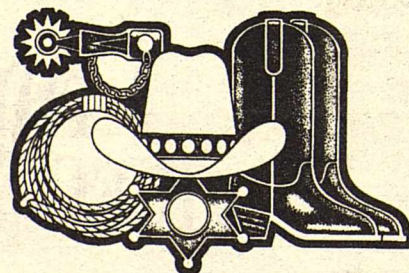
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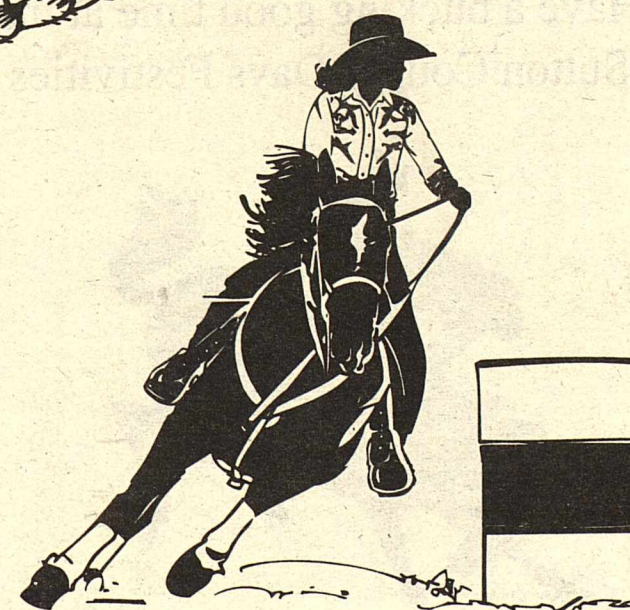
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