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Broncos well represented in All District Selection

Seven Broncos were selected to the 4-3A All District baseball team. Two of these were selected to the First Team, three to the Second Team, and two more to the Honorable Mention Team.

Senior outfielder Fernie Emiliano and Junior short stop Tanner Fields were both selected to the First Team. The three individuals named to the Second Team All District are all juniors. Homer Lozano was named as a pitcher, David Mayer was named as an outfielder, and Ty Harrelson was named as a first baseman. Two more juniors were named to the Honorable Mention Team. Greg Hughes at catcher and Lupe Ramon at third base.

Coach of the Year: Mario Heredia - Kermit

MVP: Michael Otho - Greenwood, Senior

Newcomer of the Year: Clay McGuire - Crane, Sophomore; Norman Castillo - Kermit, Freshman;

First Team All District:

Utility Player: Rudy Bonilla - Reagan Co., Sophomore; Kenny Howard - Kermit, Sophomore

Designated Hitter: Jared Mills - Kermit, Senior

Pitcher: Frankie Keller - Greenwood, Senior; Abel Bonilla - Colorado City, Junior

Catcher: Eric Gallardo - Kermit, Senior; Brett Hoyle -

Colorado City, Junior

First Base: Justin Hill - Colorado City, Junior

Second Base: Thomas King - Crane, Junior; Gabriel Pallanez - Greenwood, Junior

Short Stop: Blayne Moody - Greenwood, Senior; Tanner Fields - Sonora, Junior

Third Base: Eric Castillo - Kermit, Senior; Wes Smith - Greenwood, Sophomore

Outfield: Fernie Emiliano - Sonora, Senior; Chris Rodriguez - Crane, Senior; Stephen McFarden - Greenwood, Senior; Iver Ramirez - Kermit, Sophomore

Second Team All District

Designated Hitter: Monty Magee - Greenwood, Junior

Pitcher: Craig Pettit - Crane, Senior; Homer Lozano - Sonora, Junior

Catcher: Joel DeLaGarza - Reagan Co., Junior

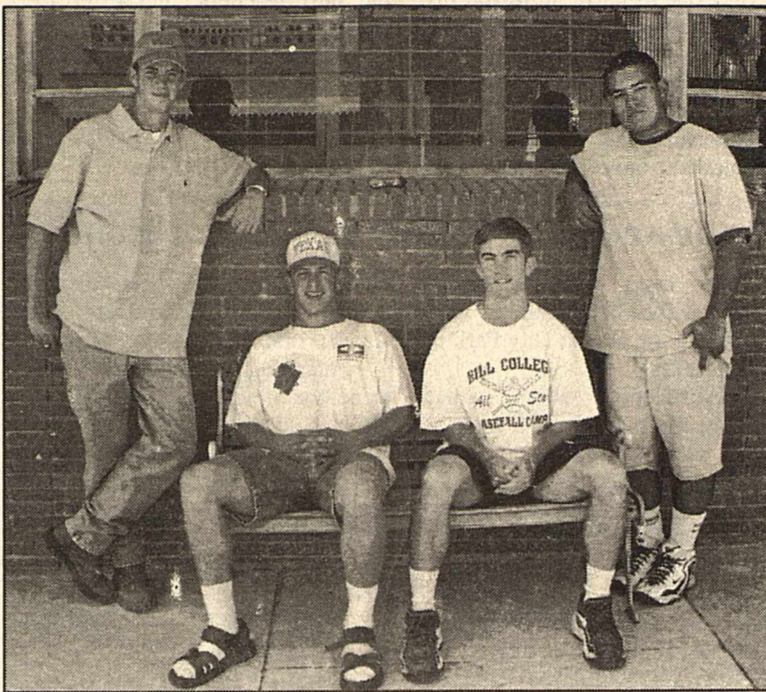
First Base: Daniel Aguirre - Kermit, Senior; Ty Harrelson - Sonora, Junior

Second Base: Junior Flores - Reagan Co., Senior

Short Stop: Lino Garcia - Crane, Sophomore

Third Base: Mark Cavazos - Crane, Senior

Outfield: Ben Schenkman - Crane, Senior; David Mayer - Sonora, Junior; J.J. Chavez - Kermit, Junior



4-3A All District Baseball Team: 2nd Team David Mayer, Honorable Mention Greg Hughes, First Team Tanner Fields, Honorable Mention Lupe Ramon. Not pictured First Team Fernie Emiliano, Second Team Homer Lozano and Second Team Ty Harrelson

Honorable Mention
Colorado City: Chris Fambro, Randy Byington, Armando Rocha
Crane: Josh Marquez, Tino Arranda, Eric Carrasco
Greenwood: Leland Foster,

Angel Valles, Luke Richards
Kermit: Richard Greene, Ismael Munoz
Reagan County: Joe Camacho, Buck Rameriz, Joe David West
Sonora: Greg Hughes, Lupe Ramon

School Board Meeting well attended

by Storie Sharp

The Sonora ISD met Monday June 8, 1998 to a full house audience.

Board President Jessie Bustamante called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Superintendent Dr. William Harlan gave the invocation and informed those attending that Dr. Paul Trautman and Dr. Weldon Wells, who were to give the presentation of the final ADA report, could not be there. Dr. Harlan reported that a detailed report had been completed on what was needed to bring the SISD buildings into compliance with ADA handicapped capability regulations. Anyone with questions on this matter can contact Dr. Trautman by phone or fax.

After the minutes for both the May 11 and June 7 meetings were approved, Diane Jacoby informed the board that 98.2% of the current year taxes had been collected, 81/100 more than was anticipated.

The payment of current bills was discussed. Mrs. Jacoby reported that the last payment on the insurance had been made and that a high renewal rate was anticipated because Sonora had hit its maximum on claims. Discussion followed concerning two items; expenses for private transportation, and payment for Mrs. Winston Special Education Consultant. Thereafter, a motion was made and approved for the payment of \$287,434 on bills.

Donna Hill presented a detailed chart of the Objective and Goal Plan for SISD Improvement that explained the strategies of how each goal could be accomplished and who should be responsible. Hill asked that this plan be approved with the understanding that different techniques other than those on the chart may have to be used in order for the goals to be successful. It would be a matter of seeing what works where. In answer to a question from Tom Clifton about goal 5, having to do with parent organizations, Mrs. Hill said that it will be up to each individual campus principal to decide how to structure parent organizations, be it PTA, PTO, or Focus Groups. With no further questions for Mrs. Hill the board made a motion and approved the Objectives and Goals Plan for Improvement. Dr. Harlan interrupted to take a minute to commend Donna Hill and all the teachers that have worked so hard to make this plan and stated that he firmly believes this plan will help improve our schools.

The fact that our track is in bad need of repair was presented to the board by Coach Eddie Favila. To prove his point on this matter Coach Favila provided pieces of the track that had come off. He then showed samples of what the track should look like and gave two bids from two companies on what these necessary repairs would cost. Favila explained that it has been at least eight years since renovation had

been done and that this was something that should be done every 5 to 6 years. Favila stated that the safety of Sonora's students is the main reason for concern in this matter. A worn track can, and has already caused injury on three different occasions. Favila said that Southwest, the company that Sonora has worked with since the early 80's, gave the lowest bid on all 3 choices of textures considered. \$90,671 for the best, \$78,004 for the 2nd best, and \$35,000 just to clean and re-layer. John Barker asked what kind of guarantee was offered on these repairs and Favila said 6 years. Coach Larry Jennings joined Coach Favila to inform the board that the tennis courts were also in bad need of repair. Coach Jennings said that in the 18 years that he has been playing on these courts, they have never been redone and they have really needed it for about 8 years. Jennings explained that the courts are slick, flaking in spots, and bare cement is visible in some areas. He reiterated Coach Favila's concern about the safety of our students. Coach Jennings suggested possibly redoing two courts a year. He also presented bids from Southwest - \$22,510 for six courts, \$16,442 for four courts and \$9,811 for two courts. Mrs. Jacoby informed the board that at present there was not sufficient funds in the budget to cover these repairs. Athletic director Scott Harelson commented that he believes that the community would probably show their support and help out in any way possible to make these renovations because it does involve the welfare of our students. Bustamante said the board would discuss this matter and get back to the coaches.

The budget was discussed at length, the main topic of discussion being the losses in the cafeteria. Tom Clifton suggested that the accounting system desperately needed updating. Having no comments from the visitors, Clifton's comment regarding teacher's salaries was that in order for Sonora to remain competitive, salaries should be \$2800 above state base. Since other districts of our size do so successfully, he fully believes SISD can too. In order to compensate for this it is necessary to concentrate on cutting the losses in other areas, foremost being the cafeteria.

Dr. Harlan then took a moment to introduce the new high school principal, Mr. Steve McCann, and to welcome him to our district. The board then went into closed session.

After deliberating for over four hours in executive session, the board reconvened in open session and announced the hiring of Edward Hernandez as Assistant Band Director and Mica Allen as Spanish Teacher/Coach. On a motion by Sam David Hernandez and seconded by John Barker, the resignation of Tryon Fields was accepted.

The next School Board meeting will be Monday, June 15th at 6:30 p.m.

F.Y.I.

Meals for the Senior Center will be served at the Sonora Elementary Cafeteria starting Wednesday, June 10th.

1998 Sonora Basketball Camp will be June 8-11. Boys grade 1-2 will be from 9 a.m.-10:30 p.m. and cost \$12.00; boys grades 3-6 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and cost \$30.00; boys grades 7-9 from 1 p.m.-4 p.m. and cost \$30.00; girls camp will be held as soon as a girls coach is appointed.

Diabetic Clinic The Texas Department of Health will be conducting an education class on diabetes and also checking blood sugars on diabetics or anyone needing to be tested. The clinic will be on Thursday, June 11, 1998 - English at 2:00 p.m. and Spanish at 3:00 p.m. for more information call 387-2234 or 387-5720

4-H Horse Play Day will be held Thursday, June 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the County Arena for information call 387-3101.

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 the pool, runs at approximately 7:00 a.m. for summer school starting Monday, library or anywhere you need to go for all ages. For more information or to make reservations, call Lilia or Glenda at 387-2509.

Promise Keepers will meet August 21-22 in the Houston Astrodome. Anyone interested in attending may contact Brad Childress at 387-2617 or Keith Wallace at 387-2831.

Hudspeth Hospital & Nursing Home Auxiliary meets every 2nd Monday of each month at the Sutton County Steakhouse from 12 noon to 1 p.m. New members are welcome to come & join.

If you purchased high

school spring sports pictures, you may pick them up at the Sonora I.S.D. Administration Office, 807 S. Concho.

Any junior or senior girl interested in running for 1998 Miss Sutton County, please contact Storie Sharp at 387-6547.

Internet-current subscribers to Sonora Digicom wishing to log on with the new server should come by The Devil's River News office if you have Windows '95 and pick up an instruction sheet. Windows 3.1 and Mac subscribers should contact Cam Campbell paper #278-3230.

TDH Extended Hours Texas Dept. of Health at 1005 Eaton, next to the elementary school, will be conducting late-extended hour clinics every 2nd Wednesday of the month. These clinics are immunizations, WIC, child health, and other services. Hours will run from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. For further information, please call TDH at 387-5720 or 387-2234.

Sutton County Days will be held August 19-22. The annual Sutton Co. Days Parade will be held Saturday, Aug 22 at 9 a.m. Those wishing to have an entry may contact Tonya Brown, Parade Chairman at 387-2593.

The annual Little Mr. and Little Miss Contest will be held on the courthouse lawn, Saturday, August 22 at 11 a.m. Contestants will register at the Chamber Tent prior to the contest and pay a \$5 entry fee. A group picture will be taken of all participants. Questions may be directed to the Chamber office at 387-2880.

Rocksprings First Baptist Church continues to plan for their 100th anniversary, June 21, 1998. Any descendant is encouraged to contact Rocksprings First Baptist Church, c/o Helen Fred at P.O. Box 438 Rocksprings TX 78880.

Sonora student competes at State

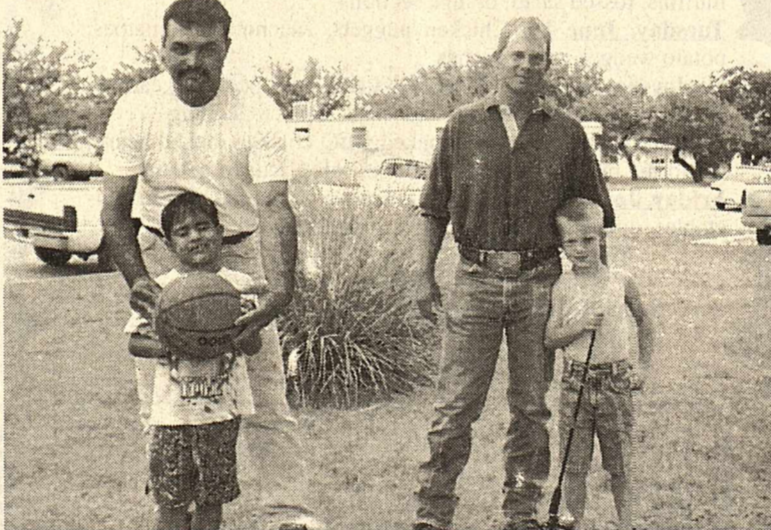


Kristen Hardgrave

Sonora High School Senior Kristen Hardgrave competed in the Texas State Solo-Ensemble Contest

on Monday, June 1st at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos. Entered in the piano division, Kristen played "Sonata In D Major" by Joseph Haydn. She received a Division II (excellent) rating from Judge David Renner, and took home a silver medal.

To qualify for the state contest, Kristen competed at the Regional Solo and Ensemble Contest in February at Angelo State University. Because she performed her solo there by memory and received a Division I (superior) rating, she qualified to advance to state. Her teachers since beginning piano in the first grade were the late Rena Elliott of Sonora, Dr. James Queen of San Angelo, and most recently Virginia Jones, formerly of Sonora.



Emilio and Stevie Pacheco/Dean and Collier Dermody prepare for the Fathers Day Olympics.

Daddy Olympics scheduled for June 20

Is your Dad or Granddad the outdoors type? Does he spend his spare time watching sports on television? If that's the case, why not give him the Father's Day gift he would really like. Sign him up for the 1998 Daddy Olympics, for a chance to win 4 tickets to Schlitterbahn Waterpark Resort.

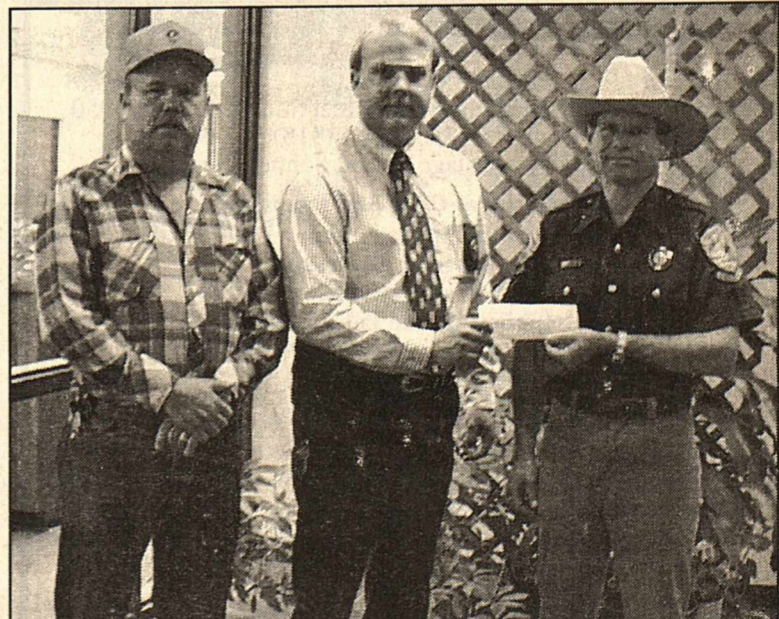
The Sonora Merchant's Association will be hosting a Daddy Olympics on Saturday, June 20. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m., and the competition begins at 10:00 a.m., on Main Street in front of the courthouse. The Dads and Granddads will be competing in the following events: Baseball toss, Football toss, Rope the Dummy, Fishing, Golf, Darts, and Basketball shoot-out.

The format for the competition will be an elimination process. There will be 2 Dads or Granddads running the course at a time doing

each event. The winners of each heat will advance to the next round until there are only 2 Dads or Granddads left. The winning Dad or Granddad will win 4 one-day passes to Schlitterbahn Waterpark Resort in New Braunfels Texas.

You can sign up your Dad, Granddad, or both at any of the participating merchants in Sonora. The deadline for entry is Wednesday, June 17 at 5:00 p.m. Sign your Dad or Granddad up today for the Sonora Merchants Association 1998 Daddy Olympics, and come by Saturday morning for all the fun.

You may sign up at any of the following locations: Image Apparel, Vallree's Bright Spot, Westerman Drug, Tedford Jewelry, Business Basics, B&C Department Store, Cowboy Way Travel, Petal Pushers, The Craft Cottage, The Video Store, Ol' Sonora Trading Co., Lisa's Flowers & Gifts, Sonora Wool & Mohair.



Officer Mike Routh and Chief Chris Croy were presented a check in the amount of \$1,000 from Officer Justin Berry with the Department of Public Safety Officers Association (DPSOA) for the DARE program. The DPSOA has been contributing to the DARE program for 3 years. Your contributions to the DPSOA are returned to the community through the DARE program.

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387-2118

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

La Mexicana 240 N. Hwy. 277
387-3401

Los Jarritos 104 Glasscock
387-2838

Pizza Hut 401 Hwy. 277 N.
387-3540

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

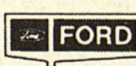
Sutton County Steakhouse 1306 N. Service Rd.
387-3833

Town & Country Subway 610 S. Crockett
387-6181

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

Sonora Church Directory

<p>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA Rick Sanchez 504 Santa Clara 387-2035</p> <p>CHURCH OF CHRIST Tim Dobbs, Minister 304 N. Water 387-3190</p> <p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Jim Stephen, Pastor Rev. Paul Cornelius, Assoc. Pastor 404 E Oak 387-2951</p> <p>ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH Rev. Bob Burton 404 E Poplar 387-2955</p> <p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Suzanne Steves, Pastor 201 N Water 387-2466</p> <p>JERUSALEM ASAMBLEA DE DIOS St. Ann's Street 387-3600</p> <p>HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH Rev. Charles Huffman 417 E 2nd St. 387-5366</p> <p>NEW LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD Terry & Joy Woods 306 W. 4th Street 387-2898</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Attend the church of your choice. this Sunday.</i></p>	<p>THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD PRESBYTERIAN Lewis Allen, Pastor 319 E Mulberry 387-2616</p> <p>OUTREACH CHURCH OF CHRIST Hwy. 277 S. Glasscock</p> <p>PENTECOSTAL CALVARY TEMPLE UNITED Lonnie McGallion, Pastor 509 Amistad 387-5266</p> <p>ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH Father William DuBuisson, O.M.I. 229 W Plum 387-2278</p> <p>JEHOVAH'S WITNESS 310 St. Ann's Street 387-5658 or 387-5518</p> <p>NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH Don Sessom 511 Cornell 387-5215</p> <p>COWBOY CHURCH Monty Price Auction Barn Tuesdays 7:00 p.m.</p>
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Letter to the Editor

To the Citizens of Sonora and Sutton County:
I would like to take this time to express my thanks, with sincere gratitude for your support, thoughts, and prayers during the last three months. Without your support it would have been very difficult for me and my family to have continued to live in this community. This community knows when something is not right, and you are not afraid to speak up. For this I am very grateful. This is one of the reasons that is why very difficult for me to resign as a teacher and coach of the Sonora Independent School District. I feel very strongly that I am letting not only you, but the young people of Sonora down. This decision was not an easy one to make; however, my family must come first. The last 2 months have begun to take its toll, not only upon myself, but on my wife as well as my children. Relationships with friends, as well as others, have become very

strained. I will continue to support our young people in this community in any way that I can. Sometimes, one might be able to better serve a community when you are on the outside of the system looking in. In this case, I feel that this is probably the best way.
Once again, I would like to say thank-you to everyone who spoke out in my behalf. We have an outstanding community, some of the best children in Texas, and all the tools to have one of the best schools in the state. Now all we need is for the community to continue demanding that the school administration to do what is right for the young people of Sonora. Our school system must get its priorities straight, hire the best teachers, and offer the courses that are needed to better prepare these students for the next level, whatever it may be.
Sincerely yours,
Tryon Fields

The Jesse Young Family Reunion at Hondo

The Jesse Young Family Reunion will be held Saturday, June 13, 1998 at the Hondo City Park in Hondo, Texas.
Descendants will gather Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. at Yancey Cemetery, south of Hondo on FM 462, to dedicate the Civil War marker of Issachar Greenberry Young, son of Richard Young and grandson of Jesse Young.
Richard's children, who resided in Texas are Christopher, Elizabeth Hammonds, Jesse W.,

Issachar, John C., Catherine Donaho, Elisha T., and Amanda March. (1850 Census)
Following the dedication, a barbecue lunch, with all the trimmings, will be held at the Hondo City Park. Afternoon activities include white elephant sale and music by family members.
For further information, contact Jane or Lester Buck at 134 Forest Circle, Kerrville, Texas 78028 or call 1-830-257-4927.

Edwin Sawyer Neely makes Dean's List at Vanderbilt

The outstanding academic achievements of undergraduates at Vanderbilt University have been honored with publication of the Spring 1998 Dean's List for the College of Arts and Science, School of Engineering, Peabody College of Education and Human Development and Blair School of

Music.
To qualify for the Arts and Science Dean's List, students must receive grades equivalent to a 3.5 on a 4.0 scale for the semester.
Edwin Sawyer Neely is the grandson of Mrs. Lura Sawyer of Sonora. The parents of Edwin are Mr. and Mrs. Joe P. Neely of San Antonio.

Ronnie Cox would like to be your pharmacist.

Senior Center

June 10- Meals will start being served at the High School Snack Bar during remodeling. Blood pressure checks by Vantage Health Services.
June 11- Crafts
June 12- Movie Time
June 15- Bingo
June 16- City Council Meeting 2:00 p.m.
June 17- Good Nights Great Days program

Lunch Menu

Thursday, June 11- Glazed ham, cooked cabbage, sweet potatoes w/apples, wheat roll, banana pudding
Friday, June 12- Chicken salad sandwich, tomato soup, carrot and celery sticks, potato chips, banana
Monday, June 15- Swiss steak, peas, carrots, cornbread muffins, tossed salad, orange sections
Tuesday, June 16- Chicken nuggets, zucchini, w/tomatoes, potato wedges, roll, peaches
Wednesday, June 17- Chopped steak, herb potatoes, carrots, wheat bread, cucumber, tomato salad, tapioca pudding
Thursday, June 18- Oven baked BBQ chicken, baked beans, california mix, cornbread, macaroni salad, fruited gelatin
Friday, June 19- Baked fish, macaroni & cheese, mixed vegetables, dinner roll, tossed salad, sugar cookie

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

Obituaries

Edward Warren Wall

Sonora - Edward Warren "Dub" Wall, 76, passed away Saturday, June 6, 1998, in a Kerrville Hospital. Graveside Services will be held Wednesday, June 10, 1998, 2:00p.m., in Sonora Cemetery. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home.
He was born March 16, 1922, in Sonora and was a lifetime resident. He was a Veteran of World War II.
He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Jean Johnson Wall of Sonora, 5 children - Linda Whitten of Big Lake, Betty Stallard of Pecos, Dabra Stimac of Battlecreek, MI, June Carter of Sonora, and Kieth Wall of San Antonio. Ten grandchildren and six great grandchildren. He is also survived by 3 brothers - Robert Wall of Henderson, Eddie Wall of Ozona, and Nig Wall of Sonora, and 2 sisters - Mandy Turk of Sonora, and Louise Olsen of Monahans.

Anne M. Webster

Mrs. Anne M. Webster, age 80 of West Main Street, Rowland died Thursday at Southeastern Regional Medical Center in Lumberton, N.C.
She was born in Marlboro County, South Carolina on September 18, 1917 to the late William and Pearl McCall.
The funeral will be at 3:00 p.m. Sunday at Rowland United Methodist Church by Rev. Eugene Goldfinch. Burial will be at Rowland Cemetery of Rowland, N.C.
She is survived by two sons: Howard Webster, Jr. of Ayden, N.C. and William Walker Webster of Sonora, Texas; one brother Robert McCall of Greenwood, S.C.; one sister Mrs. Bea McGirt of Rowland, N.C.; seven grandchildren; ten great grandchildren.
The family will receive friends from 7:00 till 9:00 p.m. Saturday at Gaskins Funeral Home in Rowland, N.C.

Cards of Thanks

The Chamber of Commerce and Main Street would like to thank Sonora Independent School District for the use of the Sonora High School Auditorium and Commons area. McMurry University was very impressed with all the cooperation and kindness that the Sonora Community showed. They were also very impressed with the lay out and care given to the stage area; it made it real easy to work. We would also like to thank Edward Maskill for giving his Saturday evening to this fine group of actors and actresses.

I would like to thank everyone who made my graduation a night to remember. My parents for all their love and support along with my grandmother and uncles. All my other family members and friends that showered me with wonderful gifts and love. I would like to thank all the parents, sponsors, and businesses who gave and donated to make our Project Graduation a huge success. In general I would like to thank Sonora as a whole for all the support you have given me in everything I've ever done. In addition, I would like to thank Michelle Anderson for her long hard hours of work to make out Project Graduation a safe, fun, and memorable one. Thanks again, and I wish the best of luck and success to my graduating class of 1998. May God Bless Everyone.
Nanette T. Sanchez



Pictured James Jay Kay-Jim, Ethan Logan-Big Jim, Rowdy Stovall-Jackson, Andi Allen winner of the wonderful door prize (air freshener) and Melissa Oden-Prudie. Not pictured Kara Dudash-Rhett and Brandon Ray-L.M.

Pump Boys and Dinettes performed by McMurry students

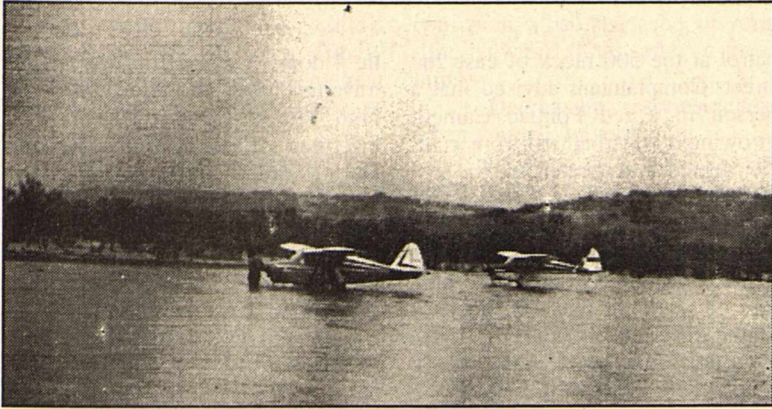
The play was about 7 people who live in a small town and run two different businesses. The boys run a gas station and the girls run a diner. However, the businesses are right across the street from each other and it makes for convenience while your automobile is getting fixed. The customer can have a nice meal, a piece of pie, or just a cup of coffee. The service depends on you, and the amount of TIP you leave on the table. After the hot meal or cup of coffee you pray your automobile is fixed seeing that these guys liked to make excuses to play their country instruments.
After seeing several of McMurry University plays, I personally give this play double thumbs up. The energy and enthusiasm of the play were wonderful. After three songs the town of Sonora was clapping their hands and stomping their feet to the songs and sounds of this play. Every character was full of energy and that energy made us want to jump up and join the jamboree. If you missed this one, you missed a good one. Hopefully McMurry Theater Department will return to Sonora again and the ones who missed this one will get the advantage to see these guys in action again.

<h3 style="text-align: center;">Community</h3> <p style="text-align: center;">June 11</p> <p style="text-align: center;">June 10th-12th 10:00-4:00 Wool Show, Sonora Wool and Mohair Thursday, June 11th 2:00 English & 3:00 Spanish Diabetes Education Class, Texas Department of Health</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Community Calendar</i> Sutton County National Bank 207 Hwy 277 N</p>	<h3 style="text-align: center;">Calendar</h3> <p style="text-align: center;">June 18</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thursday, June 11th 6:00 4-H Playday, County Arena Tuesday, June 16th 2:00 City Council Meeting, City Hall Thursday, June 18th 6:00 4-H Playday, County Arena</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>is made possible by:</i> First NATIONAL BANK Member FDIC 102 N. Main 387-3861</p>
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Ask the Historical Society



October 1957-Sonora Air Strip 1/2 mile north of Sonora. The south end of the Sonora Air Strip is under approximately 3ft. of water from 4-6 inches of rain on the 1700 acre drainage area above. Water covered some 1,000 feet of the south end, but did little washing. Photo by E.B. Keng

by Jo-Ann Palmer

Q. It is so dry around here! Doesn't it ever rain?

A. Oh yes it rains in Sonora, just not quite when people want it to and sometimes it rains too much. Devil's River News, Thursday, October 17, 1957 had this headline on their front page: AREA GETS UP TO 8 INCHES Torrential Rains Early This Week Close Roads, Put Draws on Rampage by E.B. Keng.

Torrential rains varying from three to seven inches fell over practically all of Sutton and adjacent counties Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Heavy rains Sunday drenched the northern half of the area with rainfall. Monday was concentrated largely in the south half-thank goodness!

Sunday's rain dumped over six inches at the W.F. Berger ranch, inundating the new air strip with several feet of water, but causing little actual damage. Lowery Draw crested at noon Sunday about one foot lower than the high mark had reached on May 12. Dry Devil's River was some two feet lower than on May 12, but it was fed primarily from the Berger and Meckel draws. The main stem of Dry Devil's River north of the W.L. Davis ranch, where only 2.45 inches fell, contributed no runoff Sunday.

Rainfall early Monday left 7.15 inches on the Gene Wallace ranch, 7.00 inches at the Holman Estate, 6.00 inches at the Robert Pfluger ranch, and other flood producing rains. Draws and lakes were reported higher than in previous years. Damage to roads and fences were heavy.

Water flooded the basement of the J.A. Cauthorn ranch home and moved a large barn off its foundation. Highway 277 to Del Rio was blocked at the nine mile crossing and by the Cusenbary Draw. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Morris and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cusenbary were in Sonora Sunday and were unable to return home until Wednesday.

The heavy October downpour brought wide smiles to Sonora

ranchmen with a promise of the best green winter feed in years. Grass was greening on many ranches from earlier rains, and with a few frost free days additional growth will be made. A heavy crop of winter weeds and grasses have germinated and will help furnish green sheep feed during the winter and spring. Rainfall reports gathered by E.B. Keng showed the following totals:

Joe Logan 7.30, Steen Ranch 7.00, Rip Ward 7.15, J.A. Cauthorn 4.00, Fred T. Earwood 3.60 to 4.50, Leonard Gibbs 3.50, Woolhouse 5.82, Hospital Ranch 4.70, Alvis Johnson 6.00, Edwin S. Mayer 5.72, W.L. (Tom) Davis 7.20, Dantes Reiley 4.30, Cleve Jones 7.18, Bryant Hunt (Edward) 5.00, City Power Plant 6.15, Bustie Halbert 6.70, Edwin Sawyer 5.20, Jack Turney 4.00, R.A. Halbert 6.00, Harold Schwiening 6.60, Clara Allison 4.70, George Brockman 3.25, W.L. Miers 2.80, Robert Pfluger 6.00, Gene Wallace 7.15, Experiment Station 4.75 to 5.70, Holman Estate 7.00, W.B. McMillan 5.30, Thelma Espy 4.50, Byron Newby 5.00, Dan Cauthorn 4.00, Mack Cauthorn 3.50 and Harold Friess 8.00.

So see readers, it does rain in Sutton County. We just have to be patient and ask the Lord for some nice gentle rain that will soak into the ground and last us about 4 days.

There are a few other items of interest in this paper I thought you might like to read: Lawrence (Nick) Nichols went fishing down on the coast a couple or three weeks ago and they were biting. Nick brought home a 113 fish on a string. Contrary to what Fred Nichols (Nick's dad) says, they weren't sardines.

Three Sonora students are enrolled at Southwest Texas State College in San Marcos Katherine Kiser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kiser, Samuel Jimenez, son of Mr. and Mrs. Candelario Jimenez and Sixto Chavez, son of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Chavez.

Mrs. Rip Ward has returned

from Waco where she visited Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ward and Katherine Mae.

Mrs. Eddie Sosa and Irma Favila complimented Mrs. Martha Jimenez with a pink and blue shower in the Eddie Sosa home recently. Bingo prizes went to Crececia Martinez, Lola Duran, Rebecca Perez, Auroro Gomez and Nolbert Brown. Cookies and cake were served to 23 guests.

Piggly Wiggly has green beans and peas for 20 cents a can. Spinach was 14 cents, corn 15 cents, pears 29 cents and fruit cocktail 25 cents a can. Pork chops were 59 cents a pound and hamburger was 3 pounds for a dollar. Vienna sausage was 19 cents a can and a giant box of Tide or Cheer cost 69 cents. A half gallon of Gandy's milk was 45 cents and a can of Spam was 45 cents. Sirlon steak is 69 cents a pound and russet potatoes are 39 cents for 10 pounds.

Wm. Cameron & Co. had laundry baskets on sale for \$1.89.

Meeting at the home of their leader, Mrs. Tommy Smith, third grade Brownies last week elected officers for the coming year: Nedra Rape is president, Lynne Smith is Vice president, Bonnie McKinney is secretary, Margaret Bundy is treasurer and Kay Ellis is reporter.

Mrs. Norman Rousselot, Mark and Michelle spent last week in Dallas visiting friends, Ralph Mayer and Norman Rousselot joined them Thursday and they attended the SMU and Missouri football game.

Westerman Drug was selling Crestwood Electric Blankets, twin size for \$19.95, double for \$22.95 and double dual control for \$29.95.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County History, send them to the Ask the Historical Society, P.O. Box 885, Sonora, Texas 76950, or give me a call at 915-387-2855. You may also e-mail us at schs@sonoratax.net.



1998-1999 Flag Corp- Front row Evelyn Mungia, Brandi Baize and Lizzy Badillo. Back row Kimberly Bustamante-Captain, Lorena Hernandez-Lieutenant, Jennifer Gonzalez and Linda Hernandez. Not pictured Selina Martinez.



October 1957-Looking west over the south end of the Sonora Air Strip after 4-6 inches of rain fell on the 1700 acre watershed. Photo by E.B. Keng



The Sonora Headstart held their graduation ceremony on May 21 at the Sonora Depot. The 1998 Head Start Graduates: April Castillo, Dustin Covey, Dakota Daniels, Marion Dominguez, Joanna Garza, Alicia Lira, Ashley Perez, Michael Perez, Christina Rodriguez, Daniella Sanchez, Jennifer Sanders, Marissa Valdez.

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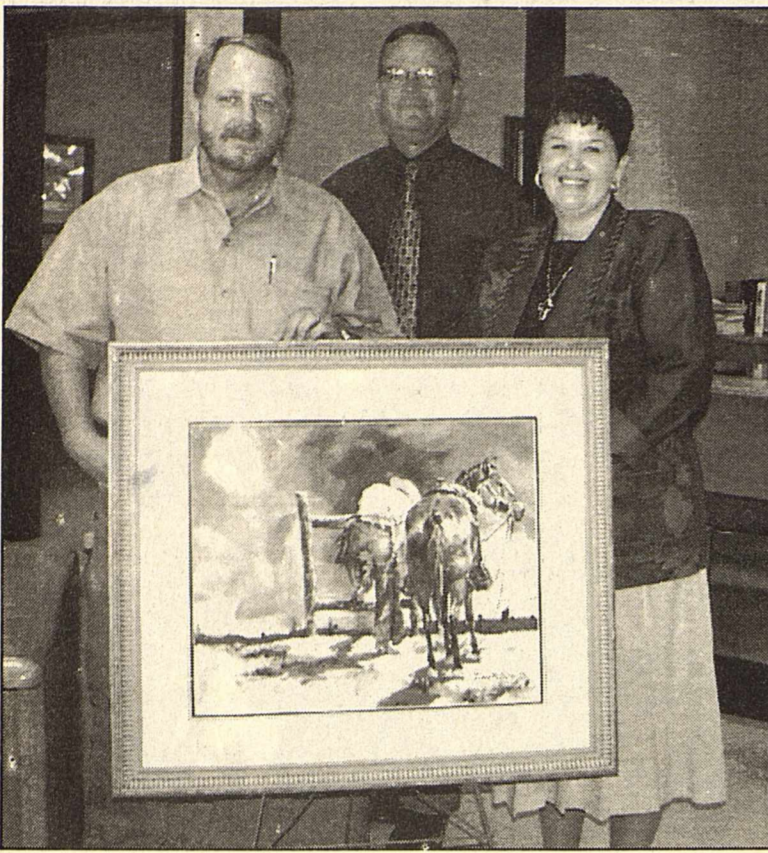
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James "Bob" Butler held a successful art show at the Sutton County National Bank June 1st-5th. Pictured is from the left-James "Bob" Butler, Mike Heely and Tonya Brown.

West Texas Rehabilitation Center to open in Ozona

On Tuesday, June 23, West Texas Rehabilitation Center-Ozona will officially open, becoming the organization's third out-patient treatment center. Others are located in Abilene and San Angelo.

The day's festivities include an all-day open house beginning at 9 a.m. and concluding with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 5:30 p.m. at the newly remodeled and equipped facility at 908 First Street adjacent to the Crockett County Care Center.

"This project is a source of special pride to us," said WTRC President/CEO Jim Pethis, "because it's going to allow us to provide rehabilitation care to many people who have previously been unable to reach a Rehab Center. Now we'll be accessible not only to people in Crockett County, but also to those in nearby communities."

Initially, the program will focus on physical therapy services, which will be provided by Kelly Jackson, a licensed physical therapist who moved to Ozona in early May to oversee the final phase of building completion and equipment installation. As the need for other rehabilitation programs is evident, the Rehab Center will implement them, Pethis said.

The opening of this building is the result of the cooperative effort of

many people, starting with the Crockett County Commissioners Court, which is leasing space to the Rehab for the operation. Others who have been instrumental in the success of the project include the Board of Directors and staff of the Crockett County Care Center; Mrs. Charlie Davidson and Mrs. Fred Van Shoubrouek, spearheaded a campaign, which raised more than \$91,000 to renovate and equip the facility; and the WTRC Board of Directors, which made a strong commitment to add a third clinic site.

"One other special acknowledgement is important," said WTRC Board Chairman Billye Proctor-Shaw of Abilene. "I am delighted to announce that this project received a \$50,000 donation in memory of Terrell County ranchers Keith and Polly Mitchell. It is appropriate that the Mitchells are identified with this effort because they were great supporters of Rehab and they loved the part of Texas--Sanderson, Ozona, Iraan, and other nearby communities--which will be served by this program."

General Contractor for the renovation project had been A.E. (Abe) Morris of Ozona and the architect is James R. (Bob) Zentner of Chakos, Zentner and Marcum in San Angelo.

Sutton County Library kicks off Annual Summer Reading Program

The Sutton County Public Library is gearing up for the annual Summer Reading Program starting on June 10th. Lots of neat things are scheduled for the children as well as READ, READ, READ!!

Pre-Kinder to Kinder
Wednesdays 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
(if too many are registered for that hour a second program will be held from 11:00 - 12:00 p.m. also on Wednesdays)

1st grade and 2nd grades
Wednesdays 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

3rd, 4th, and 5th grades
Wednesdays 10:30 - 12:00

Reading rules will be posted at the library. We hope to make this program fun and great reading enhancement for the young ones.

We've had several volunteers for reading, if you are interested and would like to help out in other areas, please call us. We are also in need of cardboard egg cartons, for a project. If you happen to have some please bring them to us. It would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, call 387-2111.

Registration forms are available at the library, 306 Mulberry.

Castro graduates from Texas Tech

Lubbock - More than 2,000 students at Texas Tech University received degrees during 1998 spring commencement exercises. One of those graduates was a resident of Sonora. Lance Heath Castro achieved a Bachelor of Business Adm., and majored in Petroleum Land Management.

Police Reports 5/26 through 6/8

Sonora Police Department activity for the week of May through June 8 include the following:

5-26-98 Paraphernalia 10:33 a.m. Sonora High School during investigation with K-9 Bates alerted to a red and white chevy pickup. Verbal consent was received to search. Found in the vehicle were marijuana seeds, stem and leaf which were tagged and placed in evidence locker. Suspect was cited for possession of drug paraphernalia.

5-26-98 Possession of Marijuana 11:10 a.m. Sonora High School during investigation with K-9 Bates alerted to a Black Ford Probe. Verbal consent was received to search. Found was a clear cellophane wrapper containing a usable amount of marijuana inside a black velcro wallet. Upon further search a package of ZigZag brand rolling papers along with a red/black Touch Lite Lighter inside a black CD case in the back seat of the vehicle. The marijuana, lighter and rolling papers were taken and tagged as evidence in the Sonora Police Dept. locker. Suspect was arrested.

5-26-98 11:55 a.m. Theft Sonora High School, Officer was contacted by complainant. Complainant reported a pair of Oakly Sunglasses stolen from backpack while in class. Investigation still pending.

5-27-98 Incident/Waterballoon 3:25 Officer was flagged down while on

patrol at the 500 block of east 2nd street. Complainant advised that a person in a red Pontiac Camero throwing a waterballoon from vehicle. Vehicle was located and the suspects were cited.

5-29-98 Driving w/liscense suspended 3:20 Officer observed a black Chevrolet traveling at a high rate of speed in the 500 block of State Highway 277 North. Upon stopping, driver's license check revealed suspect was driving with a suspended license. Suspect was arrested and transported to Sutton County Jail.

5-31-98 Possession of Marijuana 1:20 p.m. Officer observed a white & blue GMC pickup pulling a white flatbed trailer travelling North on Highway 277 at a high rate of speed. Vehicle was stopped and informed of the traffic violation. During a search a clear plastic baggie containing marijuana was found. Subject was arrested and transported to the Sutton county Jail.

6-1-98 Warrant Arrest 12:00 a.m. Officer observed a vehicle traveling north. Vehicle did not have any tail lights. After stopping and speaking with the driver, it was found that suspect was wanted on insufficient check charges. It was later found that the charges had been taken care of. Suspect was released.

6-3-98 Possession of Marijuana 2:00 p.m. Officer observed a gray chevro-

tle 4 door occupied by four males traveling north on Hwy. 277 at a high rate of speed. Driver was informed of the traffic violation. During a search of the vehicle a clear plastic bag was located in the suspects right front pocket, containing marijuana and three marijuana cigarettes. Suspect was arrested and transported to Sutton County Jail.

6-4-98 Possession of Controlled Substance 12:20 p.m. Officer observed a gray Subaru swerve into the inside north-bound lane and back into the outside lane. Vehicle was stopped in the 900 block of Water Ave. During a search of suspect's belongings, six foil pill containers containing 10 pills each and 1 foil pill container 4 pills were found in a green duffle bag in the backseat. Also located was two small vials containing a liquid in each. Suspect was arrested for possession of controlled substance.

6-5-98 Theft 6:40 p.m. Officer was dispatched to Triangle Tire Service at 509 Crockett. Suspect purchased two tires on a credit card which revealed insufficient balance. Suspect left to go to the ATM machine and did not return. Attempts to locate suspect were negative.

6-8-98 Minor Accident N 600 block of Hwy 277 and 800 block of west frontage 11:40 a.m. No injuries.

Father's Day family weekend at X Bar working Guest Ranch

Eldorado, Texas - Let's open the doors (and gates) so this ranch can keep itself going. This is what the Meador family of Eldorado decided to do two years ago this month. Since then their doors have been open to a number of guests, both domestic and foreign, who are looking for a real ranch life experience and a place to enjoy nature.

The X Bar Ranch has been a part of the Meador family for almost 100 years, and the fifth generation is becoming more and more involved in the handling of the ranch. Although, the third and fourth generations are also still heavily involved in the family operation.

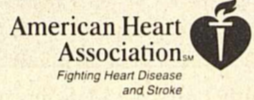
As a way of trying to offset adverse weather patterns and low market prices, a combination that makes traditional ranching difficult and unprofitable, the X Bar Ranch has added extensively to their recreational program. In addition to their long-time hunting program, guests can now come and enjoy a variety of lodging accommodations and activities. Lodging can go from campsites to rustic cabins and ranch houses to the deluxe Round House. Activities can include horseback rides, ranch work, swimming (in a cleaned out stock tank), observing animals, using the nature trails for hiking and biking, and guided on and off-ranch excursions, to name a few.

A full program of special events/weekends has been scheduled for Summer 1998 at the ranch, one of which includes Father's Day Weekend. The Meadors have shared many special moments together as a

family on this ranch, and it therefore comes quite naturally that they want to allow others to share special times together at X Bar Ranch.

Activities for this weekend (June 19-21) include horseback riding, guided excursions, family scavenger hunts, kite flying and plenty of free time. Friday night, June 19, there will be a catered meal and live musical entertainment by Rika Lea. Rika is a future country music star from Coleman, Texas. She recently performed at the Relay for Life Cancer Benefit in Sonora, was on the Jenny Jones show and performed at the Johnny High Review. This event can be attended alone or as part of a weekend stay. Tickets are on sale in advance only for the meal and performance. For weekend guests, kids are encouraged to help prepare a special lunch for Dad on Sunday.

For more information on the ranch and/or events, please contact



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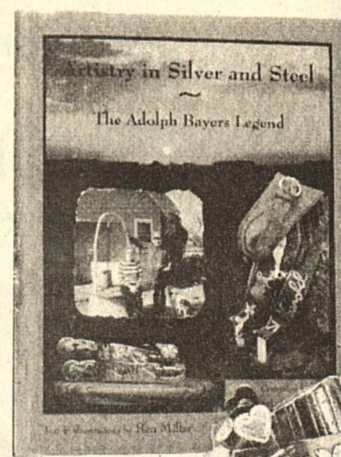
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What is a true emergency?

A true emergency is when you believe a severe injury or illness is threatening your child's life or may cause permanent harm. In these cases, a child needs emergency medical treatment right away.

Discuss with your child's pediatrician in advance what you should do in case of a true emergency.

Many true emergencies involve sudden injuries. These injuries are often caused by the following:

- * Bicycle or car crashes, falls, or other violent impacts
- * Poisoning
- * Burns or smoke inhalation
- * Choking
- * Near drowning
- * Firearms or other weapons
- * Electric shocks

Other true emergencies can result from either medical illnesses or injuries. You can often tell that these emergencies are happening if you observe your child showing any of the following:

- * Acting strangely or becoming withdrawn and less alert
- * Increasing trouble with breathing
- * Bleeding that does not stop
- * Skin or lips that look blue or purple (or gray for darker-skinned children)
- * Rhythmical jerking and loss of consciousness (a seizure)
- * Very loose or knocked out teeth, or other major mouth or facial injuries
- * Increasing or severe persistent pain

- * A cut or burn that is large or deep
- * Any loss of consciousness, confusion, a bad headache, or vomiting several times after a head injury
- * Decreasing responsiveness when you talk to your child

Call your child's pediatrician or poison control center at once if your child has swallowed a suspected poison or another person's medication, even if your child has no signs or symptoms.

Always call for help if you are concerned that your child's life may be in danger or that your child is seriously hurt.

In case of a true emergency

- * Stay calm
- * If it is needed and you know how, start rescue breathing or CPR
- * If you need immediate help, call "911". If you do not have "911" service in your area, call your local emergency medical service. Otherwise, call your pediatrician's office and state clearly that you have an emergency.
- * If there is bleeding, apply continuous pressure to the site with a clean cloth.
- * If your child is having a seizure, place her on a carpeted floor with her head turned to the side, and stay with your child until help arrives.

After you arrive at the emergency department, make sure you tell the emergency staff the name of your child's pediatrician. Your pediatrician can work closely with the emergency department and can provide them with additional information about your child. Bring any medication your child is taking and his immunization record with you to the hospital. Also bring any suspected poisons or other medications your child might have taken.



George Boutwell to be at Fiesta Del Concho

Sometimes getting mad gives you just what you need to get up off your duff and take action. That's what happened to Texas Artist, George Boutwell in 1986 when his work was rejected by a major publisher from up north. "I got a call from this publisher who had seen one of my paintings, and was really impressed and wanted to see more. I sent some samples of my work and got a call back saying the work was great but they couldn't use it because it was so obviously Texas and Texas wouldn't sell in the national market. To top it off they sent me some calendars that they said had 'National Appeal' and suggested that I change my approach to a more generic look. One of the calendars was titled 'New England Barns' which made me real mad at the narrow minded provincial jerks and I said, I'll show you that Texas will sell!" George, who had been Art Director of Texas Highways Magazine for six years before going full time as a Watercolor Artist, knew how popular Texas was, so he decided to publish and sell his own Texas Calendar.

George Boutwell's anger coupled with his love of Texas turned out to be the driving force that caused his career to skyrocket and now he publishes an annual Texas Calendar. George now has a thirty two page catalog called George Boutwell's Texas Collection which shows his Limited Edition Prints as well as note cards, post cards and greeting cards and gift items that reflect what George calls the "Real Texas" and not the phony stuff you see in the movies and on national

television! George Boutwell's 1998 Calendar features Texas Cowboys! Today, George says, "I'm not mad at those Yankees any more because if they hadn't been so dumb, I wouldn't be where I am today."

George travels all over Texas every year going to Art Shows that range from exclusive One Man Shows to some of the better Festivals and does a lot of exploring, "I love roaming the back roads and observing the everyday things that you never see from the freeway." In addition to inspiration from his travels, George gathers lots of inspiration from the Ranch in rural Bosque County near Clifton that he and his wife, Martha, call home. Viewing one of George's shows is like taking a tour of Texas because of the variety of subjects he paints.

George found the same foolish ideas that Texas wouldn't sell in most of the stores he contacted about selling his Calendar so he decided to do his own marketing. "I guess the buyers for the stores go to markets where the generic stuff is promoted and are afraid of taking a chance so they buy all the same things to sell." George started showing his calendar at his art shows and the orders came in like a landslide. You can meet George Boutwell at the Fiesta Del Concho in San Angelo where he will be showing his recent work. Show hours are from 4pm to 11pm on Friday, June 19; from 10am to 11pm on Saturday, June 20 and from noon to 6pm on Sunday, June 21.

Sharp and Earle announce additional indictments in West Texas fuel tax fraud investigation

(Austin) - State Comptroller John Sharp and District Attorney Ronald Earle announced today that a Travis County grand jury has returned indictments against two additional out-of-state residents in a recently completed a four-year investigation.

The most recent indictments stem from charges relating to a scheme to defraud the state of motor fuel taxes in the West Texas area. Indictments were returned against Ross Marquez, 44, Bloomfield, New Mexico, and his brother, Peter E. Marquez, 42, of Farmington, New Mexico, operators of Natco Petroleum, Inc.

Investigators allege that the out-of-state business, which sold fuel in Texas, collected motor fuels taxes but failed to remit the funds to the Comptroller's office.

"We want to send a message to those who try to cheat the State of Texas. Retailers collect state tax dollars from law-abiding citizens who pay their taxes in good faith. When retailers keep the money they have collected, it is the same as stealing," said Sharp.

The two Marquez brothers have each been charged with conspiracy to commit theft of Texas motor fuels taxes in excess of \$20,000 but less than \$100,000, a 3rd degree felony. If convicted, each man faces from two to ten years in prison and fines up to \$10,000.

Altogether, a total of six people have been indicted in this investigation conducted by Sharp's Criminal

Investigation Division, which works closely with the Travis County District Attorney's Public Integrity Unit to prosecute motor fuels tax fraud.

Michael Chagnon and Eddie Reynolds, both of New Mexico, pleaded guilty as individuals. In addition, ADCO Marketing and RAHA Enterprises pleaded guilty as corporations. The Marquez brothers are scheduled to make an initial appearance at the Travis County Courthouse in early June.

"This set of indictments demonstrates that tax cheats can run but they can't hide - even across state boundaries," Earle said. "It also sends the message that the Comptroller's office and the District Attorney's office are working together. Nothing scares crooks worse than law enforcement agencies cooperating with each other."

Several federal and state agencies provided information and assistance to the Texas investigators, including the Internal Revenue Service-Criminal Investigation Division; the New Mexico Attorney General's Office; the New Mexico Taxation & Revenue Department-Gasoline Tax Unit; the Lea County Sheriff's Department and the Lea County District Attorney's Office (New Mexico); the Arizona Department of Revenue Audit; the California Board of Equalization-Fuel Taxes Division; the Colorado Department of Revenue-Criminal Tax Enforcement Section; and the Bernalillo County District Attorney's Office (New Mexico).

Angelo State University Dean's List

May - Area students attending Angelo State University in San Angelo, are listed on the Dean's list for the Spring Semester at the University.

Those listed include Daniel L. Anderson, a Kinesiology major, Serina Torres Arispe, a Psychology major, David M. Davenport, a management major, Gayla C.

Frederickson, an accounting major, Michelee McGeath, an undecided major, Candra Jo Sessom, an Early Childhood major, and Robert Levi Zook, a Business and Marketing major all from Sonora.

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Saving for a Rainy Day-drought of '96 still fresh in our memory's

The severe problems caused by the drought of 1996 are still fresh in the minds of West Texans. Although we are currently no where near that stage of crisis, we still face some serious problems. Some areas of far west Texas have not had a significant amount of rainfall in nearly a year. In addition, the Edwards Aquifer, which is the main water supply for San Antonio and the surrounding area, has gone down almost 30 feet since late March.

No one feels the effects of a drought quite like farmers and ranchers. When there is not enough rain, the problems ripple throughout their very lives. They are the ones who bare the heavy burdens droughts cause.

No rain means no grassy fields. No grassy fields means no summer-time grazing for cattle and no hay to cut to feed the cattle through the winter. Dried out corn fields mean either a total loss of a crop or selling the crops for less than they cost to

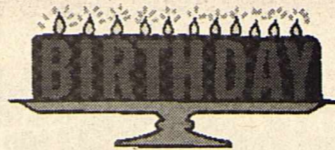
plant. Droughts are unlike any other natural disaster. When tornados strike or flash floods hit, their disastrous effects are felt immediately. When Hurricane Andrew flattened south Florida in 1992, the area was declared a federal disaster and the Federal Emergency Agency (FEMA) and the Red Cross rushed to the scene to help the community recover. That type of response to disaster happens with tornados, earthquakes, fires and almost every type of natural disaster except for droughts.

Since droughts happen over a period of time, the devastation they cause is spread out. People reeling from that devastation are getting an unfair shake. With any other natural disaster help would be on it's way almost as soon as the disaster is over. But that is because people only think about droughts when they're in the middle of one, there is currently no system in place that automatically

takes effect during serious dry spells to get aid to drought victims. This Congress hopes to change that.

There's a bill in Congress that would set up a federal strategy to prepare for and respond to serious drought emergencies. This legislation is a pro-active approach to dealing with the effects of droughts before they happen. We learned some hard lessons during the drought of '96 and this legislation would help ensure that when severe droughts occur, farmers and ranchers are not left standing in dry fields fending for themselves.

As much as Congress would like to pass legislation that would make it rain, that, unfortunately, would do no good. No one can predict when the rains will come. All we can do is pray for rain and work to set up a system that will help prepare us for droughts and ease the response time in getting aid to farmers and ranchers.



- June 12
Ross Davis
Socorro Avila
Santa Hinojosa
- June 13
Lilia Cervantez
Freddie Chavez Jr.
Evan Gully
Monica Chantal Lira
Antonio Murillo
- June 15
Bianca Arevalo
Patti Lopez
- June 16
Brigitte Rogers
Kevin Buitron
Davis Jimenez
Victoria Richardson
Olga Richardson
Olga Romero
Cynthia Ward
- June 17
Adrian Chevannes
- June 18
Virginia Epps
Anna Coronado
Caleb Mireles
- June 19
McKenzie Croy
Chrysta Marie Avila
Elaine Jimenez
Sergio Mireles
Gunter Pennington
Cecilia Ramos
Zale Santana

Grant Writing Seminar to be held in Brady

Did you know that there are over 2,000 private and community foundations located in Texas? And did you know that these foundations held over \$13.5 billion in assets and gave away almost \$710 million in grants in 1995?

These grants are available to Schools, Hospitals, Museums, Historical Societies, EMS Units, Law Enforcement, and Senior Service Centers to name just a few of the eligible organizations.

Knowing how to write an effective grant proposal will aid your organization to become more successful in obtaining funding for your project. Concho Valley RC&D will be sponsoring a Grant Writing II Seminar in Brady on June 15 through 17th. The Seminar will be held at the Brady I.S.D. Administration Building. "The cost of the seminar will be \$150.00 per registrant and will include grant writing materials," said Tony

Resendez, Coordinator. "The seminar will teach you the basic steps needed for developing skills for an oral proposal and structuring your written proposal for grant success," added Resendez. "There is a need for grant writers in your schools, hospital, EMS units, volunteer fire departments, cities, and community organizations and this is the perfect opportunity to attend a seminar like this close to home," he said.

The Seminar will be conducted by Dr. Don Udell. Dr. Udell has authored and published many articles and monographs. He has written and received funds for and directed over thirty federal, state, and philanthropic grants.

The deadline for registration has been set for June 10 and if you need more information on the seminar, contact Tony Resendez in Brady at 915-597-1860.

San Angelo Symphony Society concert scheduled for July 3rd

Once again the San Angelo Symphony, through the corporate underwriting of Town & Country Food Stores, will present a free concert of patriotic music and fireworks. This extremely popular San Angelo event is also made possible through the cooperation of the City of San Angelo, the San Angelo Standard Times and Goodfellow Air Force Base.

Taking place on the RiverStage, the evening will begin at 7:30 with a preconcert program by the "Band of the West" from Lackland Air Force Base. Then at 8:45, under the direction of David Phillips, the Band of the West will join forces with the San Angelo Symphony and the San Angelo Chorale to present a stirring evening of patriotic and popular music. Included in the concert will be: Salute to the Armed Forces,

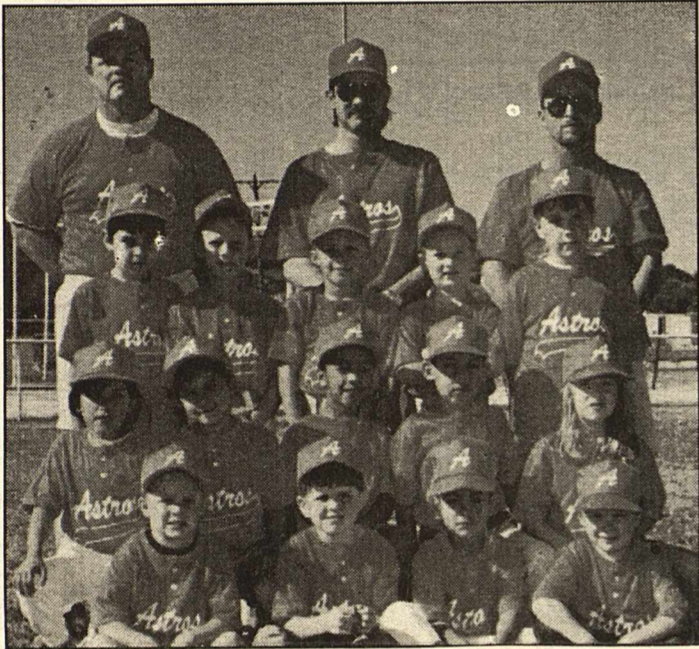
America, Battle Hymn of the Republic, 1812 Overture, This Land is Your Land, My Heart Will Go On from Titanic, Stars and Stripes Forever and many more. The music will be made even more enjoyable by the largest fireworks display ever.

In addition to the July 3rd concert, on July 2nd at 8:00 p.m. the Band of the West and The Nighthawks Jazz Band from Lackland Air Force Base will perform a concert at the RiverStage. Their concerts consist of everything from Broadway hits to Sousa marches, from serious symphonic band literature to top 40 hits. This concert is free to the public courtesy of Lackland Air Force Base.

Having become one of the largest events in San Angelo, this concert is a wonderful way to celebrate the birth of our nation.

For more information contact the Symphony Office at 658-5877.

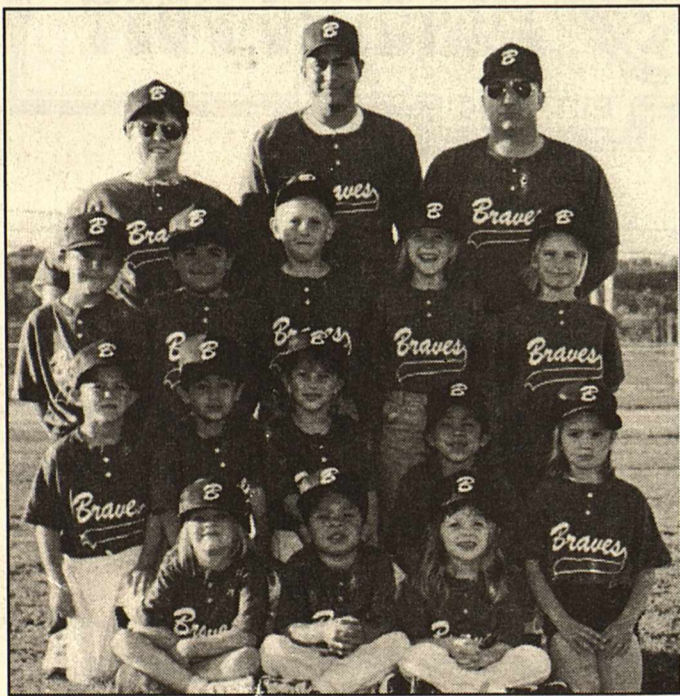
Little League



Astros: Front row Damon Johnson, Dustin Critterdon, Shane Patlan and Tanner Dobbs. 2nd row Britney Hernandez, Pablo Ramero, Jesse Perez, Randy Garcia and Morgan Smith. 3rd row Reggie Hernandez, Tyler Creek, Cash Jennings, William Otwell and Shane Johnson. Back row Coaches Johnny Creek, Arthur Crittenden and Devoe Smith.



Cardinals: Front row Timmy Sanchez, Coy Talley, Collier Dermody, Uvaldo Ramos, Bailey Joe Pennington, Christian Kenney. 2nd row Hugo Cardona, Cody Pena, Derek Van Winkle, Kara Voight, Brittney Mitchell. Back row Coaches Dean Dermody and Mary Ann Kenney.



Braves: Front row Jennifer Sanders, Jorge Villanueva, Rose Karnes and Sterling Love. 2nd row Ethan Morriss, Caleb Gonzalez, Stephani Morriss, Azeneth Villanueva. 3rd row David Lane, Julio Samaniego, Wesley Lipham, Karley Frasier, Lyndsey Frasier. Back row Coaches Lisa Karnes, Ronald Gonzalez and Benny Frasier.



Yankees: Front row Cassie Krieg, Cody West, Will Anderson and Dakota Malik. 2nd row Bubba Alewine, Dustin Neff, Kallie Humphrey, Cody Snyder and Eddie Hernandez. 3rd row Shelby Burris, Edward Hernandez, Danielle Rodriguez, Shelby Onofre and Alex Stevens. Back row Scott Neff, Kevin Snyder, not pictured Bryn Humphrey.

Mary and Bob Buchholz are proud to announce the birth of their son

Franklin Felix Buchholz

Franklin was born Thursday, May 28, 1998. He weighed 7lbs and was 18" long.

His grandparents are Frances and Joe David Ross. He was welcomed home by two brothers, Robert and Dalton.

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Employment



Employment Notice

Notice is hereby given that the City of Sonora is now accepting applications for laborers. Applications can be picked up at City Hall, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas 76950, and should be returned to the City Secretary's Office. Applications will be received until the positions are filled. The City of Sonora provides employee health insurance, retirement plan, vacation time and sick leave time, and has a Retirement plan. The City of Sonora is an equal opportunity employer.
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CNA's. Full time positions. Rotating shifts, experience preferred. LTC experience a plus. \$6.00 hr., differentials, paid vacations, sick days and holidays plus insurance and other benefits. Contact: Beverlee

Employment



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Maid required at Twin Oaks Motel. Apply in person. No Phone Calls Please.
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Help wanted: Full and part-time help-students are welcome. Apply in person at 107 South Plum.

Are you over 40? Children grown? Want to work 15-20 hours per week? Give us a call at 387-3493 and leave your name and number.
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SUMMER WORK
College students and '98 SHS grads, up to \$9.40. National firm expanding to Sonora. 1-915-482-8800

Employment



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Real Estate For Sale/Rent



Brushy Top for Sale: Located about mid way between Sonora and Eldorado on Hwy. 277. 2,300 sq. ft. living area includes 2 bedroom, 2 bath including large shower w/bench, large newly remodeled den w/fireplace, dining area, office space, screened in large covered porch, 528 sq. ft. detached double garage. Large pecan and oak trees, swimming tank w/deck. Approximately 3 acres. \$90,000.00 Call (915) 387-2357 after 6 p.m. or leave a message. Shown by appt. only.

Mobile Homes



For Sale: 1996 Solitaire 3 br/2 bath, 18x80 located at #6 Stadium Prk. \$500 assumable. 387-6199

For Sale: 3 bedroom/2 bath 16x80-1994 Palm Harbour. Hardboard siding, new roof, covered back porch, shed, oversized double carport. By appointment only 387-3414.
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'98 Fleetwood 3/2-Hurry!! \$21,900.00 Del., Set up and A/C. Only \$1,100.00 down, \$196.00 per mo. 10.50 APR 300 Mos. WAC STK #40031. 1-800-801-5451.
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Comfort Homes remodeling sale- '98 Fleetwood Doublewides 3-2, starting at \$29,950.00. 5% down 8.75% APR 360 mo. \$231.00 per mo. W.A.C. Includes Del. setup and air. 1-800-801-5451.

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Public Notice

CONTRACTOR'S NOTICE OF BUILDING MAINTENANCE WORK

Sealed proposals to REMOVE & REPLACE ROOF on the Sonora Maintenance Office Building located on US 277 North of Sonora and covered by Contract No. BMA-078XXR1006 will be received in the Assembly Room of the Texas Department of Transportation's District Complex located at 4502 Knickerbocker Road, San Angelo, Texas until **2:00 PM, June 23, 1998** and then publicly opened and read. **Only prequalified contractors are eligible to bid.**

A PREBIDDER'S MEETING FOR THIS PROJECT WILL BE HELD AT 1:00 PM ON TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 1998 AT THE SONORA MAINTENANCE OFFICE BUILDING IN SONORA, TEXAS.

Requests for proposals for the above mentioned contract can be made in the office of Mr. Dennis W. Wilde, P.E. Director of Operations.

Public Notice

915/944-1501, Loop 306 & Knickerbocker Road, San Angelo, Texas. Mailing address is 4502 Knickerbocker Rd, San Angelo, Texas 76904. Plans and specifications must be requested thru Austin Plan Rooms. Minority owned businesses are encouraged to bid. Usual rights reserved.
2(6-11-98)b

Public Notice

REQUEST FOR BIDS ON TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for 31.543 km to rehabilitate roadway on **FM 189** from Val Verde County Line to US 277 covered by **AR 962-18** in **Sutton County**, will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, 200 E. Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas, until **1:00 p.m., July 7, 1998**, and then publicly opened and read. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the sealed proposal arrives at the above location and is in the hands of the letting official, by the specified deadline regardless of the method chosen by the bidder for delivery.

Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office of Paul R. Chevalier, Area Engineer, Sonora, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested for the Construction and Maintenance Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

The Texas Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will insure that bidders will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and in consideration for an award. Usual rights reserved
7-D-72097 7-76-0962-01-008
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Lost

Lost-Hickory High Chair brought back from Pennsylvania by my grandfather. If found please return to Charlene.
1(6-11-98)p

Yard Sale

Yard Sale: 508 Glasscock. Saturday, June 13 from 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. Women's clothing and misc. items.
1(6-11-98)b

Big Lake

For Sale: boat & Motor \$800.00. Call 884-3241.

For Rent: small house, bedroom, kitchen, bath, new air conditioner. Also small efficiency apartment, air conditioned. Gas, water, electricity paid on both. Call 884-2309.

For Rent: Garage apartment for single man. \$65 a week--all bills paid. 884-2474.

All bills paid-clean furnished rooms and apartments for rent on daily and weekly basis, cable, color TV/HBO, refrigerator, microwave and phone. **NO DEPOSIT.** (915)884-2262/2521. Mobile home for rent.

House for Sale: See at 406 Plaza or call 884-2007 or 884-2074.

House for Sale: 1002 Penn. Ave. 3 bed/1 bath. Call 884-2849.

For Sale: 4 bedroom, 2 bath house. Call 884-3505.

For Sale: 1990 Chevrolet Suburban, loaded, \$8,700 or best offer. Call 884-3088 after 5 p.m. and weekdays.

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NEW LISTING

Val Verde County, just southwest of Sutton County. Excellent ranch with many improvements consisting of approx. 4554 acres, with 2 windmills and 2 submersible water wells, 3 fields, large home, several hunting cabins and out buildings.

***HERE'S YOUR CHANCE!!!** An excellent BUY at only \$250.00 per acre including 1/4 mineral interest for either an approximate 212 acre tract or an approximate 612 Acre tract. Excellent hunting, remote yet with highway frontage. Located SouthWest of Sonora, Texas. Call Today!

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Special job for special person. Call Linda at 387-3351 or go by Mr. D's Liquor.
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Make up to \$1500.00 in eleven days. Operate a fireworks stand just outside Sonora
June 24 - July 4.
Must be a responsible adult.
Phone 10 AM thru 5 PM
210-622-3788 or 800-364-0136

Automobiles For Sale

Pickup for sale: '96 Dodge 1 ton dually 4x4, extended cab, V-10, loaded, 42K, 915-387-3908 leave message.
tfn(5-14-98)b

1985 Chevy Silverado truck, new blue paint job, rebuilt transmission, good condition. Please contact Stacy at 387-5714.

Sales

For Sale: Used Maytag washer and dryer. Call Kathy Hardgrave 387-2227

Electrician's

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Wanted: Season deer lease for 5 to 6 guns. We have been hunting together for 8 years. Older group of hunters. Please call:
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940-665-0694 or 940-668-0878.
Rick Gamon
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Concealed handgun school-June 26th & 27th. Contact Jim Cusenbary at 387-2093.
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Need someone to take your kids to the pool? College student with life-guard certification available. Mon.-Fri.-Daily, Weekly or Group Rates. Call 387-5223
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Real Estate For Sale/Rent



Stephen's Ranch Real Estate

Brady, TX
40 acre ranch home, 2200 sq. ft., 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath beautiful yard, pool, fruit trees, barn, shop, horse stalls, office bldg., patio, nice pasture. 2 miles east of Eldorado on pavement. \$115,000.000 Call for an appointment.
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Stephen's Ranch Real Estate

Brady, TX
332 acre ranch, barns, pens, horse stalls, old house, good hunting-deer, turkey & quail. End of road hide-away. \$166,000.00 13 miles west of Eldorado.
4(6-11-98)b

Big Lake

camper, sleeps 6, has stove and ice box. Can be seen at 1102 N. Montana or call 884-2648

Eldorado

House for sale: 102 Honeysuckle; 3 BR, 2 1/2 BA; 1.1 acre; 853-3835.

For Sale: 1988 black Chevy Z-24 Cavalier. In good condition. Good A.C. power locks and windows. \$3,500 OBO. 658-3041 or 655-2793 (Ask for Jeremy).

Estate Sale: Friday-June 12th, 1998; 958 Co. Rd. 300, Rudd Rd. Eldorado, Tx. Furniture, 16ft boat, 91 Grande AM, books, dishes, lots of misc.

For sale: 8 acres river front-water well, Deer Valley Estates on Turkey Run Rd. Grape Creek. (915)684-4761.

For Sale: 102 Cedarwood, 3 bedroom, 2 full bath, 1 bath jet tub, central air and heat, sprinkler system, nice location will consider renting. Call 853-2083 or 853-2798.

For sale: 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home, fireplace, covered patio, 2 acres, large barn, outside city limits, 801 Lee Ave. 853-2072.

OZONA

For Sale: A super '92 Cadillac Seville fully loaded, keyless remote entry, AM/FM cassette, power windows-all in excellent condition. Call 949-2700.

For Sale: complete 10' satellite dish with upgraded electronics. IQ Prism with video Cypher II Plus. 392-3256

For Sale: 1990 Bronco II XLT. Air, pw/pl, cassette, new tires. Extra clean. 942-0190

Location Builders
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387-3881

OZONA

House for sale: 604 Ave. F. 3 bd/2bth, carport, fireplace and large lot. 392-3188.

New Home: 107 Quail Run. Brick 3/2/2, appliances/blinds included. Sits on large lot in quiet neighborhood. Possible owner financing. 392-4108

For Sale: Chairs in good condition. Can be seen at Comfort Inn Mon-Fri. 7-3 p.m. and ask for Terri.

1994 Ford Explorer-low mileage non smoker-clean, loaded with security. 392-2094.

Beautiful AKC Dachshund puppies. Black and tan. 4 females, 2 males. Very lovable parents with great personalities. Great with kids. Ready 6/23/98, deposit will hold. 915-392-2056 or leave message.

'89 Ford 4x4 Supercab short bed, AC, PB, PS, 5-speed, extra tinted windows, headache rack and tool box. Non smoker, low mileage. Page at 444-3260 or 392-3158. Camper towing package.

Moving must sell-107 Bluebonnet. Spacious, open bright living area with fireplace, 3 br/2bth, 1800+ sq. ft. on 1/2 acre. Country Club area. CA&H, energy efficient. Priced mid 60s, negotiable. 392-3612.

Moving must sell-3br, 1 bath, corner lot. Crockett Heights \$29,500. 392-3579

For Sale in excellent condition!! Fedders air conditioner, 15,000 BTU 12 volts \$400. Wood bunk bed set \$150. 392-2454

Moving must sell 1918 Baldwin antique upright piano-\$150, ESGO electric 3-wheel golf cart-\$350, king size tubed waterbed complete w/headboard, frame, box springs, and mattress, almost new \$250. 392-3579.

For sale: 1995 Chevrolet pick-up. 271 Silverado pkg. Low mileage-extra nice. Phone number 392-3466.

AGRIBUSINESS

Producers Livestock Auction

6/4/98

Compared with last week feeder steers weak to 1.00 lower, heifers weak to 2.00 lower; slaughter cows and bulls weak to 1.00 lower; stock cows and pairs slightly lower. Trading and demand moderate. Quality average. Supply included 60 percent calves, 30 percent slaughter cows and bulls, 50 percent stock cows and pairs, 5 percent yearlings.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1 300-400 lbs 95.00-98.00; 400-500 lbs 84.50-90.00; 500-600 lbs 78.00-88.00; 600-700 lbs 70.00-76.50, set 80.00; 700-800 lbs 68.00-70.00, set 74.50. **Medium and Large 1-2 200-300 lbs 95.00-107.00, 300-400 lbs 84.00-95.00, 400-500 lbs 76.00-85.00, 500-600 lbs 67.00-78.00, 600-700 lbs 64.00-70.00, 700-900 lbs 60.00-68.50.**

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1 300-400 lbs 77.00-85.00, 400-500 lbs 72.00-81.00, 500-600 lbs 67.50-75.00, 600-700 lbs 66.00-72.00.

700-800 lbs 63.00-66.00. **Medium and Large 1-2 200-300 lbs 75.00-85.00, 300-400 lbs 64.00-77.00, 400-500 lbs 63.00-72.00, 500-600 lbs 60.00-67.50, 600-700 lbs 60.00-66.00, 700-800 lbs 59.00-63.00.**

Slaughter Cows: Breaking Utility 2-3 32.00-36.00; Cutter and Boning Utility 1-2 30.50-37.00, high dressing 37.00-37.50; Canner and Low-Cutter 1-2 23.00-31.00.

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2 1400-2200 lbs 44.00-48.50; low dressing 1100-1600 lbs 40.00-44.50. **Pregnancy Tested Stock Cows and Heifers:** Medium and Large 1-2 525.00-550.00 per head. Medium 1-2 400.00-500.00 per head.

Cow/Calf Pairs: Medium and Large 1-2 cows with 100-300 lbs calves 610.00-680.00 per pair; Medium 1-2 cows with 100-300 lbs calves 450.00-600.00 per pair.

Stocker and Feeder Cows: Medium and Large 1-2 (young) 800-1100 lbs 50.00-53.00; (young and middle age) 700-1100 lbs 40.00-45.00; (middle age) 700-1100 lbs 32.50-38.50.

Source: USDA-Texas Dept of Ag Market News



Spraying mesquite leaves by hand averaged 80 percent control at a cost of eight cents per plant in Texas A&M University tests. All-terrain vehicles make hand-spraying mesquite easier on a large scale, as demonstrated by research workers from the Texas A&M station at San Angelo, Texas: from left, Joe Petersen, Dr. Darrell Ueckert and Keith Shaffer.

How to control your mesquite?

SAN ANGELO, Texas--Two easy methods of hand-treating mesquite averaged 80 percent control for less than 12 cents per plants of "Brush Busters" trials by the Texas A&M University system.

The results demonstrate the practicality of "do-it-yourself" hand spraying even on a large scale, say Dr. Allan McGinty and Dr. Darrell Ueckert, the San Angelo-based range scientists who conducted the research. McGinty is a range specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Ueckert is a range research scientist with the Texas Agriculture Experiment Station. The two scientists have demonstrated several methods of individual plant treatment they call "Brush Busters" that are both cost-effective and environmentally friendly.

In 1995, the scientists established five large scale mesquite control demonstrations from the Hill Country through West Texas. It should be applied only during the summer after leaves change color from a light green to a uniform dark green when the soil temperature is at least 75 degrees F one foot below the surface. In East and South Texas, the recommended cut-off date is July 31, elsewhere September 30.

For leaf spraying, the scientists used a mix of 1/2 percent Reclaim® herbicide, 1/2 percent Remedy® herbicide and 5 percent diesel fuel in a water carrier. An emulsifier was included at the rate of 1 ounce per gallon of diesel used. The scientists also added between 1/4 percent and 1/2 percent blue dye to the mix to mark the sprayed plants.

Leaf spraying can be done with pump-up garden sprayers, backpack sprayers or cattle sprayers, but the scientists used sprayers mounted on four-wheel-all-terrain vehicles (ATV's). ATV time was charged at \$2.50 per hour; labor at \$5 per man-hour. The ATV's were equipped with three spray wands each allowing a driver and two walkers to cover a 40-foot swath.

Costs for leaf spraying averaged eight cents per plant across all sites,

with a range of five to 15 cents. McGinty and Ueckert attribute the variation to the density (plants per acre) and to plant size. The scientists were able to leaf spray more than 400 mesquites per acre before approaching the cost and quantity of herbicide applied using the most effective broadcast aerial treatment.

The stem spray, also known as low-volume basal spray, works best on small young mesquites that have smooth bark, few basal stems and no stems bigger than four inches in diameter. The method can be used anytime of the year, though the best results occur during the spring and summer growing season.

For stem spraying, the scientists used a mix of 15 percent Remedy herbicide in a diesel fuel carrier. For plants with rough bark or stems more than 1.5 inches in diameter, the scientists recommend increasing the herbicide concentration to 25 percent Remedy.

The scientists applied the stem spray with backpack sprayers equipped with a small-orifice nozzle, the Conejet 5500 X-1. Compared to standard nozzles, the small-orifice nozzle can reduce the quantity of spray applied by 80 percent, making more efficient use of spray mix.

Stem spray costs generally were higher, averaging 11 cents per plant with a range of six to 15 cents. Variations in stem spray costs also were related to density, and more important, to stems per plant.

The scientists were able to treat up to 300 mesquites per acre with the stem spray before approaching the cost and quantity for herbicide applied using the most effective broadcast aerial treatment.

Evaluated two years after treatment, both the leaf spray plots and the stem spray plots averaged 80 percent root kill of mesquite. Control on individual plots ranged from 61 percent to 93 percent for the leaf spray, and 61 percent to 90 percent for the stem spray.

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New Cross Timbers; 9,100', Helen Henderson West A #4, Patterson Drilling.
J.Cleo Thompson; 8,000', Clayton 7-#1, Patterson Drilling.
Pioneer Natural; 8,700', Helbing #13, FWA Drilling.
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New U.P.R.; Hoover 49-#14, Patterson Drilling.
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Altura Energy, LTD; 6,500', Hallie Black 3-#1, Key Energy.

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