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The Bank and Trust Announces Participation In Community Bankers Scholarship Program

submitted

The Bank and Trust of Del Rio, Brackettville, and Sonora are pleased to announce its pledge to award scholarships to local high school students through the Community Bankers Scholarship Program. This pledge represents a long-term commitment to providing contributions that will enable scores of local youth to pursue post-secondary education. With college costs steadily rising, many high school graduates are unable to afford college tuition. The Bank and Trust has enthusiastically joined the Community Bankers Scholarship Program to help families offset the cost of post-secondary education, as well as to further demonstrate its commitment to the community.

"We're participating in the Community Bankers Scholarship because we believe our young people have the potential to make a positive difference in our community," said Mike Healy, President of The Bank and Trust, Sonora. "By

helping these kids pursue their dreams, we're investing in the development of our future civic and business leaders as well."

The Community Bankers Scholarship Program was designed to offer community banks an innovative way to help defray the cost of college for local students by providing a means to award tens of thousands of dollars in college scholarships. The goal of the program is to help banks throughout the nation award a combined total of more than \$1 billion in scholarships over the next 20 years.

The Bank and Trust of Sonora will introduce the scholarship program to the community in a special ceremony on January 16, 2002 at 4:00 p.m. in the Sonora bank's lobby at 229 Hwy 277 N. Special attendees will include Mayor Joann Hernandez, as well as members of the school board and the bank's board of directors. We would like to invite everyone to attend. A reception will follow the presentation.

Sponsors for the Summer Food Service Feeding Program Needed

AUSTIN — The Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) announces the availability of the Summer Food Service Program to eligible organizations this summer.

State and federal funds are available to operate the program. These funds are appropriated through TDHS and the United States Department of Agriculture. The program provides meals to children from needy areas when schools are closed for vacation. The program is to be offered without discrimination due to race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion, or political beliefs.

Organizations eligible to sponsor the program include public or nonprofit private schools, private nonprofit organizations, residential summer camps, and local, municipal or county governments. Community organizations are encouraged to form partnerships to develop summer feeding programs that combine educational and recreational activities with the provision of meals.

Interested organizations should contact TDHS for more information about the program training schedule.

Applications should be received by April 13, 2002.

Organizations may subcontract with food service management companies to provide meals.

Communities and schools that have the highest percentage of low income children will be targeted for participation in the SFSP.

For more information about the SFSP you can visit the following websites:

• <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/Summer/AboutSFSP/Default.htm>

• <http://www.dhs.state.tx.us/programs/snp/sfsp.html>

Organizations interested in sponsoring a summer feeding program should call (512) 467-5874 or 1-888-834-7406. Or you can call 1-800-847-8975 after 5/1/02. You can also write to:

Texas Department of Human Services

Special Nutrition Programs, Y-906

P.O. Box 149030

Austin, Texas 78714-9030

Attn: David X. Chavez

The local TDHS can be reached at 387-5066.

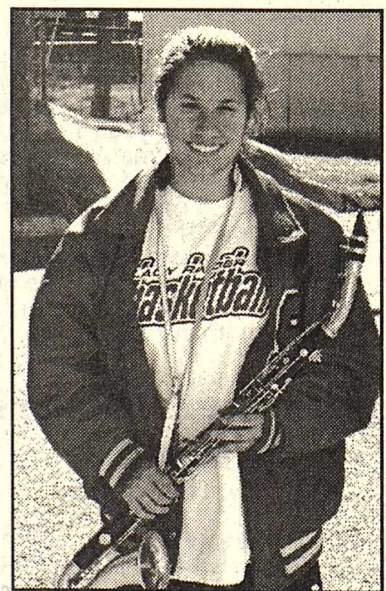
Street Makes All-State Band

Sugar Land - The Association of Texas Small School Bands is pleased to announce the selection of the 2002 ATSSB All-State Band. More than 7,000 high school band students from across Texas auditioned in twenty different regions for a place in their respective all-region bands. The top chairs in each region advanced to one of the five area auditions held this past weekend across the state and only 240 of these 1300 students were selected for All-State honors.

The ATSSB All-State Bands will meet in rehearsals in the historic Scottish Rite Auditorium in downtown San Antonio, Texas, from February 20-23 and will present a concert beginning at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, February 23, 2002 at that site.

Clinician-conductors for the event include Anthony J. Maiello from George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia, who will lead the Symphonic Band. Robert W. Smith, nationally known composer and clinician, will lead the Concert Band. ATSSB has also commissioned Mr. Smith to write a piece for the Concert Band. ATSSB has been commissioning works for concert band each year since 1995.

Susanna Street, a member of the Sonora High School Band, was selected as a member of this band. She was chosen for this honor in competitive auditions held this year across the state at region and area levels. Street plays the Alto Clarinet



Susanna Street

at school under the direction of Thomas Bedwell, who is a member of the Association of Texas Small School Bands, an 867-member group of band directors in class A, AA and AAA high schools in Texas. This is her first time to perform as a member of the ATSSB All-State Band. Her other interests at school include Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Basketball, Tennis, the Spanish Club and UIL Competition. She is also active in church activities at St. John's Episcopal Church and enjoys playing the piano as well. Susanna is the daughter of Mike and Robin Street of Sonora, TX.

Lady Broncos Bring Home Second From Iraan Tournament

by Storie Sharp

The Lady Broncos have kept busy over the holidays, and proved that they were still a team to be reckoned with by placing second in the 2001 Iraan Tournament last week.

The Ladies started off with a bang by defeating Monahans in their first game, 45 to 35. Monica Lira led the Lady Broncos with 11 points. Tamika Marshall and Morgan Hobbs were right behind Lira with 10 points each. Heather Lawson made a strong showing with 6 points. Ashley Parker made her return to the game after being injured with 4 points. Kasey Miller had 2 points and Brea Hughes and Kara Hard each sunk a free throw for 1 point each.

The Ladies second game against Stanton was a much closer game, with the Lady Broncos squeaking by for the win, 55 to 51.

Tamika Marshall led the girls, netting one from outside the line, two from inside and making 8 of 10 free throws, for a total of 15 points.

Monica Lira had another strong game, scoring 11 points and Heather Lawson followed closely with 9 points. Brea Hughes and Kasey Miller each had 6 points, Ashley Parker had 5 and Morgan Hobbs had 3 points.

The Ladies winning streak continued against the host team of Iraan, with a victory of 47 to 37. Morgan Hobbs was the lead scorer in this game, sinking 5 two pointers



The Lady Broncos proudly display their trophy from the Iraan Tournament.

and 4 free throws for a total of 14 points. Ashley Parker was right behind her with three 3 pointers and two free throws for a total of 11 points. Kasey Miller finished with 8 points, Monica Lira had 6 and Heather Lawson and Kara Hard each had 2 points.

The Ladies only loss came in the final game against Greenwood,

who defeated Sonora 54 to 44.

Morgan Hobbs once again led the Ladies with 5 two pointers and 3 free throws for a total of 13 points and Ashley Parker was right there with 12 points. Heather Lawson made two 3 pointers, for a total of 6 points, Monica Lira had 5 points and Tamika Marshall had 4 points. Desiree Gonzales and Kasey Miller

each had 2 points.

Tamika Marshall and Morgan Hobbs were both named to the All Tournament Team. Marshall made 10 free throws in a row, averaged 8 points a game and had 2 assists. Hobbs averaged 10 points a game, had 3 steals and 6 rebounds. Way to go Ladies!!

Thousands call to sign up for "Do Not Call List"

by Jeff Wentworth

State Senator, District 25

Beginning January 1, thousands of Texans annoyed by telemarketing calls began placing their names on a "Do Not Call List," but it will probably be June before telephone marketers stop calling.

There is a \$2.25 charge to register on the Public Utility Commission's list, which may include only residential numbers. Registration is valid for three years from the date your number is first published on the "Do Not Call List," which telemarketers operating in Texas are required to purchase.

The PUC also has a second don't-call list, which applies only to Retail Electric Providers (REP) and telemarketers calling residential and/or business numbers about retail electric service. There is a \$2.55 charge for each business and residential phone number to be registered on the "Electric No Call List," which is valid for five years. Residential numbers may be placed on both lists for five years at a cost of \$4.80.

You may register for either or both lists in one of three ways. Register online at <http://www.texas-nocall.com>.

Call toll-free 1-866-TXNOCALL (1-866-896-6225); or write for an application at Texas No Call, P.O. Box 313, E. Walpole, MA 02032, the address of the private vendor maintaining the Texas lists. Telemarketers may also use the Internet site and toll-free number for compliance information.

There are two lists because the Texas Legislature passed a law in 1999 requiring the PUC to create an "Electric No Call List." Then in 2001, we passed the Texas Telemarketing Disclosure and Privacy Act.

This act created a statewide "Do Not Call List" which applies to telemarketers doing business in Texas. Because the lists were established by two separate acts of the Texas Legislature, the PUC must maintain two distinct lists.

Registration on either or both lists does not mean telemarketing calls will stop immediately. The PUC's initial data base will be given to telemarketers on a quarterly basis beginning in April.

Because telemarketers have 60 days to "scrub" their lists, calls probably will not decrease until June. After June 1, if you receive

telemarketing calls 60 days after the first list on which your number was placed has been published, write PUC - Customer Protection Division, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. You also may call toll-free, 1-888-782-8477 (TTY 1-800-735-2988); access PUC's no call web site at www.TexasNoCall.com or e-mail customer@puc.state.tx.us.

These new laws will not stop all telemarketing calls. Representatives of non-profit organizations and/or charities may call. You may also receive calls if the telemarketer is a state licensee, such as an insurance or real estate agent and if the solicited transaction cannot be completed without a face-to-face presentation to complete the sale. Telemarketers may still call old customers to offer new or expanded services or to collect a debt.

The response to the list has been overwhelming. During the first week in January, more than 38,000 Texans had placed their names on the list. I hope their expectations of evenings uninterrupted by telemarketers are fulfilled. If they are not, then the Legislature should review the law when it convenes in 2003.

Speech and Drama Meet Seeks Volunteers

by Cody Eoff

It is that time again. Time for the 56th annual Speech and Academic Tournament at Sonora High School. As you may know, Sonora hosts the oldest consistent speech and academic tournament in the state of Texas; however, it is very difficult to put on such an event without help from the community. Please mark your calendars for Friday, February 8 and Saturday, February 9, 2002 as days to help out SHS. We will be seeking judges for a wide array of events on these days, people to help direct traffic and individuals to help in running the tournament. If you or anyone you know is interested in assisting, please contact Cody Eoff at the high school at (915)387-6533 ext. 313. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Short Time Left To Re-Register Brands

Reprinted from the TSCRA News Update

Brand re-registration is under way in Texas and will continue through Feb. 28, 2002. A visible brand is the best way to protect cattle and horses against theft; however, many persons who don't own either, register brands for historical or nostalgic purposes.

It is illegal to use a brand without first recording it, and re-recording it is required every 10 years by Texas law. Brands that are not re-recorded by Feb. 28, 2002, will become available for other persons to use.

Brands must be registered with the county clerk in every county where you intend to use them; there-

fore, if you run cattle in four counties, you must register your brands with each of those county clerks.

Brands used on horses must be registered separately, even if they are the same ones used on your cattle. Each county charges a small registration fee, ranging from \$8.00 to \$17.00.

A brand may be registered by more than one person in each county, if it will be used in a different place on the animal. Some ranchers prefer to register their brands in all locations to prevent others from using them.

For more information, contact County Clerk Betty Hernandez at 387-3815.

Don't Miss The Fisherman and His Wife

Sonora Community Arts & Theater would like to invite everyone to an evening of entertainment by the children of our community. The students have been very busy this week, working on the production of *The Fisherman and His Wife*. Missoula Children's Theater came to Sonora on January 7th and they have been steadily working with Sonora's youth to get ready for the two showings of the production.

An enchanted fish makes dreams come true and teaches the meaning of true happiness this Saturday, January 12, 2002 at 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Sonora High School Auditorium, when the Missoula Children's Theater and over 50 local students bring *The Fisherman and His Wife* to life on stage.

This production is part of Missoula Children's Theatre's unique international touring project and is presented locally by Sonora Community Arts and Theater (SCAT), Friends of Historic Sonora, Inc./Main Street Program, Sonora Dairy Queen, KHOS, Tedford Jewelry, Business Basics, The Bank & Trust, First National Bank, image apparel, Dr. Phillip Miller, D.D.S., and Texas Commission of the Arts.

Tickets are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students and are available at Tedford Jewelry, image apparel, Business Basics, and Friends of Historic Sonora, Inc./Main Street Program office.

For more information call D'Arcy Wagner at 915-387-5859 or Lisa Miller 915-387-6369 or Ann Kay at 915-387-2248.

Stockshow Schedule

Thursday, Jan 10, 2002

7:00 p.m. - Arrival & Weigh in deadline for Meat Goats, Market Lambs, and Swine.

Friday, Jan. 11, 2002

2:00 p.m. - Arrival deadline for Angora Goats & Futurity Ewe Lambs

4:30 p.m. - Market Lamb Show Approx. 6:00 p.m. - Meat Goat Show (immediately after Market Lambs)

Approx. 8:30 p.m. - Swine Show Saturday, Jan. 12, 2002

9:00 a.m. - Ewe Lamb Futurity interviews

9:30 a.m. - Angora Goat Show and Ewe Lamb Futurity judging Approx. 12:30 p.m. - Beef Cattle Show

6:00 p.m. - Buyers Appreciation Supper

6:45 p.m. - Premium Sale

8:00 p.m. - Awards Presented



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504 Santa Clara
387-2035

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Jerry Jackson
304 N. Water
387-3190

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
T. Wayne Price
Pastor
111 E Oak
387-2951

**ST. JOHN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH**
Rev. Ted W. Harris
404 E. Poplar
387-2955

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Rev. Conrad Archer, Pastor
201 N. Water
387-2466

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ASAMBLEA DE DIOS**
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387-5713

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387-5366

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DEL NOMBRE
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387-6072

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387-2616

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387-5886

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TEMPLE UNITED**
Randy Greenwood
Pastor
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387-5266

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387-2278

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387-2266

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134 Hwy. 277 N.
387-2118

La Mexicana
240 N. Hwy 277
387-3401

Pizza Hut
401 Hwy. 277 N.
387-3540

Sutton County Steakhouse
1306 N. Service Rd
387-3833

Stagecoach Grill & Cantina
407 South Crockett
387-0623

Taco Grill
232 Hwy. 277 N.
387-9127

Town & Country Subway
610 S. Crockett
387-6181

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

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Obituaries

Ivy Lou Spiller

Ivy Lou Spiller died Sunday, January 6, 2002, in Georgetown, Texas.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 9, 2002, at the First Baptist Church in Bronte with Reverend R.W. Blackmon officiating, assisted by Reverend Morris Johnson. Burial followed in Fairview Cemetery. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Ivy was born in Crowell, Texas on April 4, 1915. She was preceded in death by her husband, Travis "T.O." Spiller and her son, Bill Spiller.

She is survived by her sons,

Donald Spiller and wife, Anita of Sonora and Eddy Spiller and wife, Sue of Taylor; she is also survived by Bill's wife Kay Turley and husband Jim of Grandbury; six grandchildren, Decky Spiller and wife, Misti of Fredericksburg, April Murden and husband, Blake of Washington, Kevin Spiller and wife Sherri of Lubbock, Kelly Spiller and wife, Jennifer of Del Rio, Lance Turley and wife, Dianne of Ohio, and Lisa Martalla of Virginia; twelve great grandchildren; and one brother, L.D. Broadus and wife, Louise Calvert.

Harold R. Neal



He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Kilgore, where he had served as a deacon and an elder.

Harold is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Neal, of Lewisville; son and daughter-in-law, John and Leslie Neal, of Lewisville; sister, Martha Wallace, of Sonora, Texas; brothers, Kelly Neal of San Antonio, Texas, and Cameron Neal of Plano, Texas; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 3613 South Broadway, Suite 401, Tyler, Texas 75701-8732 or to the American Lung Association of Texas, P.O. Box 26460, Austin, Texas.

Services for Harold R. Neal, 85, of Kilgore were at ten a.m., Thursday, January 3, 2002 at the Rader Funeral Home Chapel with the Reverend Dr. William J. Ingersoll officiating. Burial was at three p.m., Thursday, in Pinecrest Cemetery, in Atlanta, Texas. Mr. Neal died Monday, December 31, 2001 in Lewisville, Texas.

Harold R. Neal died at the age of 85 on Dec. 31 in Lewisville, Texas.

He was born in Commerce, Texas, on August 25, 1916, and graduated from Greenville High School, where he was a member of the state championship football team. He attended East Texas State Teacher's College, now Texas A&M-Commerce, on a football scholarship, graduating with bachelor's and master's degrees.

After coaching a year at the high school in Kerens, Texas, he came to Kilgore in 1941 and then served in the Pacific during World War II. Following the war, he coached football at Kilgore High School, later becoming athletic director, then counselor and assistant principal.

From 1965 until his retirement in 1978, he was a counselor at Pine Tree High School in Longview.

Harold enjoyed officiating high school and college football games, and in 1994, he received a lifetime honorary membership in the Southwest Football Officials Association at a ceremony in Austin,

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School Lunch Menu • Jan. 14 - Jan. 18

Breakfast

Mon. - Oatmeal, 1 slice toast, juice.
Tues. - (2) Waffles, syrup, juice.
Wed. - Scrambled eggs, toast, juice.
Thurs. - Breakfast burrito, orange half, juice.
Fri. - Biscuits, sausage with gravy, juice.

Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts.

Lunch

Mon. - Grilled cheese sandwich, soup, orange wedges, crackers.
Tues. - Turkey hoagie, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fries or tots, gingerbread.
Wed. - Chalupas with bean & cheese, Spanish rice, salad, fruit cobbler.
Thurs. - Fish nuggets, macaroni & cheese, carrot/celery sticks, fruit.
Fri. - Chicken patty on bun, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fries or tots, cookie.

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Senior Center News

Jan. 14 - Kooking with Kelly! Nutrition Education. Noon. Bingo!
Jan. 15 - City Council. 2:00 p.m. City Hall.
Jan. 16 - Van to San Angelo!
Jan. 17 - Birthday party for January babies!

Senior Menu

Jan. 14 - Chicken fried steak, oven fried potatoes, carrots, roll, vanilla pudding with fruit.
Jan. 15 - Spaghetti meat sauce, zucchini squash, garlic bread, juice, white cake with caramel icing.
Jan. 16 - Liver with onions, scalloped potatoes, green beans, roll, apple juice, pecan pie.
Jan. 17 - Smothered steak with onions, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, orange juice, apple crisp.
Jan. 18 - Chicken enchiladas, pinto beans, Mexican corn, wheat bread, tossed salad, lemon pudding.

Lunch is served Monday thru Friday at 12:00 Noon.
\$1.50 donation is suggested for those 60+ and \$4.00 for others.

Menu is subject to change.

Marcela Zuniga

Our beloved mother, sister and "PePe" went to be with the Lord at 10 p.m. Monday, Dec. 31, 2001, at the age of 79 years. Marcela was born in Alpine, Texas, and lived more than 70 years of her life in Bronte, Texas. She attended school in Bronte and worked at the Bronte Nursing Center for 18 years.

Marcela was a loving mother and sister. Her husband, Willie Zuniga, preceded her in death. Survivors include her daughter, Mary Jane Foelker and husband, Dr. George A. Foelker Jr., of San Angelo; sons, Willie Zuniga and

wife, Stephanie, of San Angelo, Leroy Zuniga and wife, Amy, of Grape Creek, Bobby Zuniga and wife, Tina, of Sonora and Alfred Garza and wife, Janie, of Lubbock. She leaves behind four sisters, two brothers, 11 grandchildren and one special great-granddaughter, Erin.

Vigil services were at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 3, 2002, at Gutierrez Funeral Chapels/Knickerbocker. Funeral services were at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 4, at Gutierrez Funeral Chapels/Knickerbocker, 1102 Knickerbocker Rd. Interment followed in Bronte Cemetery.

Dempsey Gene Salter

Services for Dempsey Gene Salter, 72, Tyler, were Monday, January 7, 2002, at the Marvin United Methodist Church Chapel, Tyler, with the Rev. Dr. Michael Dent officiating, under the direction of Lloyd James Funeral Home.

Mr. Salter died December 31, 2001, at East Texas Medical Center, Tyler.

He was born March 9, 1929, in San Antonio, Texas, to Joseph E. "Pat" and Lura Salter. Dempsey's dedication to the ministry began upon his graduation from Trinity University in 1950, followed by Perkins School of Theology at SMU, and, on January 21, 1953, was ordained as a Methodist minister. He served in the United States Navy as a Lieutenant Commander-Chaplain, followed by civilian ministry until

retirement in Tyler, Texas, in 1990.

Throughout his life, Dempsey was an avid deer hunter, world traveler and historian, and had a love for Naval aviation and sea-going vessels.

Affiliations included the Lions Club, Rotary Club, and Military Order of the World Wars.

Survivors include his wife, Jo Ann, Tyler; his son, Mike Salter, Galveston; and his daughter, Cari Salter-Barrett, Los Angeles, California.

Memorials may be made to the National Parkinson Foundation, Inc., 1501 NW 9th Avenue, Bob Hope Road, Miami, FL 33136-1494 or to Parkinson's of East, Texas, c/o Pat and Joe Wann, 108 W. Pine, Winnsboro, TX 75494.

Do you wrap up Jesus and put Him away after Christmas is over?

Submitted

As I was wrapping up the figurines that go with my Nativity scene to put them away for another year, I got to wondering how many people wrap up Jesus and put Him away until next Christmas. Maybe they bring Him out of storage at Easter for a little while. But how many keep Jesus in their lives the entire year? How many let the joy of

knowing Jesus as their Savior shine in their daily lives? How many let the love of God shine in their daily lives? How about you? Do you wrap up Jesus and put him away with your Christmas decorations? I hope and pray your answer to this question is NO. Let your love of God shine all year long. God Bless!

Community

Jan. 11 -12
Sutton County Stockshow
Civic Center
January 12
Missoula Children's Theater Performance
7:00 pm. • High School Auditorium
January 14
County Commissioners Meeting
9:00 a.m. • Annex Bldg.

The Community Calendar

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Calendar

January 22
City Council Meeting
2:00 p.m. • City Hall
January 26
Cub Scout Pack 19
Pinewood Derby • Civic Center
January 28
County Commissioners Meeting
9:00 a.m. - Annex Bldg.

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Ask the Historical Society

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer, Secretary

Q. Were there articles on the weather at the end of 1946 and beginning of 1947? I seem to remember lots of snow and freezing weather that year.

A. Devil's River News, Friday, January 3, 1947 - Blanket by snow and sleet brought on by one Norther and frozen solid by another, Sutton Countians were digging themselves out of some of the worst weather seen here in recent years Thursday and Friday. The snow which began falling late Monday afternoon, totaled about nine inches Thursday morning. Ranchmen were, hard pressed to keep enough feed out during the cold spell. Traffic was brought to a standstill. The hotel and tourist courts were full every night and many stranded travelers were taken into private homes. Bus travel to San Antonio, Del Rio and El Paso was suspended for two days, but the mail and the San Angelo bus made every scheduled trip.

Old timers said that although this was not the worst cold wave in the history of the town it was certainly one of the most severe. An 11 above temperature was recorded at the Sonora Wool and Mohair Co, though some folks said it sure felt colder. In the winter of 1929-30 a low temperature of 10 below zero was recorded. Junction was reported as the lowest temperature in the country with a record temperature of 16 below.

Let's take a look at what else was happening in this issue: J. B. Nelson, using the name Nelson Building Supply, opened his own lumber, hardware and builders' supply business using the location of the old Sonora Trading Co. He will specialize in "hard-to-get" items.

Harold J. Elliott has been employed by Wesley Sawyer Jewelry as watch repairman and ring sizer. He is a WWII veteran and was an instrument repairman at Concho and Goodfellow Fields and later served in the Philippines. Mrs. Elliott and their daughter Jannette will join him later.

Dr. and Mrs. Jay T. Shurley of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania are the parents of a son born December 15. He weighed 8lbs and 11 ounces and has been named John Lawrence. Dr. Shurley is in Philadelphia doing post-graduate work in the field of psychiatry.

The traditional open house was held at the Savell home Christmas morning given by Mr. and Mrs. Theo Savell and Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Hunt. Mrs. Theo Savell greeted all the guests at the door and Mrs. Miers Savell and Mrs. Bryan Hunt served egg nog and coffee from the dining table, covered with a lace



Koenig/Craddock/Medical Arts Bldg. is the 2 story building on right in this approx. 1920's photo.

cloth with a centerpiece of red roses and red candles in silver holders. The mantle was decorated with holly, roses and white candles. The other rooms were decorated with poinsettias and red carnations. About 150 guests called.

H. P. Clothiers, A. B. Hightower and Preston Prater, had wool shirts and jackets from \$9.75 to \$29.95. Lawrence Nichols was selling a 5 room house and lot, 22 x 30 garage with concrete floor just 3 blocks from the school. The Sonora Grocery, Geo. E. "Bud" Smith, and R. D. "Ralph" Trainer, had Armour's Star pork sausages, 1 lb rolls for 45 cents, bunches of Texas carrots for 5 cents, 2 lbs of oranges for 15 cents, large stalks of celery for 17 cents, Delgado tamales for 22 cents a can and V-8 cocktail juice in the 46 oz can for 35 cents.

Q. When was the Craddock Building torn down?

A. Devil's River News, Friday, April 10, 1942 - The old Craddock Building, known to many as the "Medical Arts Building," was being wrecked here last week. Sold to Ruby Davis of Rocksprings several weeks ago, the old landmark was to be used to build goat sheds. Built by Fred Koenig in 1900 and then called the "Koenig Building," it was a rent building.

The structure assumed it's "Leaning Tower of Pisa" stance in 1911 as the result of an explosion. At the time Dr. A. L. Taylor had offices on the second floor and the first floor was used as a combination drug store and general merchandise store. In the general merchandise

store which was owned by Hagerlund Bros., was some dynamite which had been placed under a stand containing flour. A fire broke out in the building, setting off the dynamite. The concussion blew out 42 windows, sprung the doors in the Court House and set fire to half the business section near it. The explosion was heard for 25 miles. The bottom of the Craddock building stayed where it was but the top was moved back 3-4". Needless to say the interior was demolished, including a new x-ray machine owned by Dr. Taylor. The Decker Hotel next door was moved back exactly 1" on it's foundation.

E. C. Saunders witnessed the fire and explosion and stated that he started to warn two women standing in front of the hotel that there might be an explosion. "I had taken about two steps" he said, "when the dynamite blew, setting fire to the flour and blowing it high in the air."

In the same issue we find that Alvis Johnson, Sutton Co. Judge for nine terms announced his candidacy for reelection to office. Cloma Roberts of Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., was promoted to Private First Class. Clayton Hamilton is suffering from a broken ankle received Monday while vaulting. Sam Odom fell into a 20 foot hole in Felton's Cave and was taken to a San Angelo hospital with a broken jaw and severe head and face laceration. Ralph Trainer and John A. Ward were returned to their posts as School Trustees by substantial votes.

To honor her son George D. Wallace, a senior in Sonora High School, Mrs. J. D. Wallace gave a dinner and danced at her home Friday evening. A fried chicken dinner was

served and after dancing the guests were served ice cream. Favors of Easter hats were given. Rose Mary Whitehead, who attends Hockaday in Dallas was home over the Easter holiday. Libby Jo Wallace was home over the holidays from S.M.U. in Dallas.

Those who signed a pledge and planted a Victory Garden at least 150 aggregate square feet and of at least 5 different vegetables will receive free each month 2,000 gallons of water from the City of Sonora if they are a customer of the Water Department, as part of the Boost the Victory Garden Campaign.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history, send them to "Ask the Historical Society," P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or e-mail them to schs@sonoratr.net. Due to the high cost of cleaning viruses from the computer several times lately, we will not open any attachments in the near future. You may call me at 915-387-2855 any day but Tuesdays between 9AM and 9PM. When we get into the new building we will need lots of help with filing, setting up exhibits and preserving the written history of Sutton County. I have had people ask me if their was any other way they could help besides donating money. The answer is yes, help file, collect information for columns, set up exhibits in and clean the museums, conduct tours, etc. There will be plenty of work for anyone who wants to learn the proper way to store historical information, preserve donated items and help save the history of Sutton County for future generations to come here and enjoy it.

EMS Awards Members For Service

The Sutton County EMS held its yearly Christmas party on December 16, 2001. Awards were given as follows: Attendance Awards:

Carol Sessom - 18 of 24 meetings
Pascal Allison - 19 of 24 meetings
Rose Butler - 19 of 24 meetings
Keith Butler - 22 of 24 meetings
Leslie Thorp - 23 of 24 meetings
Tim Thorp - 24 of 24 meetings
 Past Officers for 2000-2001:
Monica McGee - President
Leslie Thorp - Vice President
Glenna Hulsey - Secretary
Pascal Allison - Treasurer
Tim Thorp - Trainer Officer
Echi Samaniego - Asst. Training Officer
Carla Luttrell - Reporter
Kate Kinder - Historian

Pat Campbell received the Gene West Memorial EMT of the Year Award. Congratulations to everyone.

The meeting was called to order by President Leslie Thorp. Minutes were read by Treasurer Rhea Benes. The Treasurer's report was given by Pascal Allison. Pat Campbell, EMT Coordinator, thanked everyone for their hard work and dedication for the past year. They were discussed holding an Emergency Vehicle Operating Class in April or May 2002. Everyone was reminded that the Blood Drive will be Friday, January 11th at Hudspeth Hospital. The next training meeting will be Monday, January 17, 2002 with a guest speaker. The subject will be Streets and Addresses in Sutton County. The road runs were read for December and roll call was taken. The meeting was then adjourned.

New Year New Hope

submitted

One of the gifts I bought my wife for Christmas was a little devotional book that we could read together daily. It has a passage of scripture and some inspiring thoughts followed by a blank space at the bottom of the page for prayers. On the first day after reading the scripture (Gen. 26:12) and talking about how it might apply to our lives, we began to recall some of the things that happened last year both good and bad. I made some lists and on one of them I wrote down problems and hardships, on another I wrote down blessings.

After a while I noticed that the blessing list began to get longer than the problem list. As I looked over the list of blessings I realized that God had truly blessed us last year and a feeling of joy came into my heart. We held hands and prayed and thanked God for last year. A few of the blessings mentioned were our health, our children, our new granddaughter, our relationship to each other, and most importantly our relationship to Jesus. (We both accepted Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior the same year, (John 1:12, 2 Corinthians 5:17). We also prayed and made ourselves available to God (Romans 12:1&2) for Him to use us in the upcoming year. I have no idea what the year will bring but I look forward to it with excitement because we have asked God to be in control and in charge (for His will to be done, James 4:13 - 15) of our lives.

See you in Church on Sunday,
 Brother J

Entries Open For Creative Arts At San Angelo Stock Show

San Angelo - In less than three months, San Angelo's hottest annual event hits town for its 70th anniversary. Plans for the annual San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo are in full swing for the ten-day show, which takes place

March 1-10.

Exhibit catalogs and entry information are available for all areas of competition. Act quickly, as entry deadlines for Creative Arts is rapidly approaching. Entry

deadline is Saturday, January 26, 2002.

Catalogs and entry forms may be picked up at the stock show office at 200 W. 43rd Street in San Angelo, or by contacting the stock

show office at (915)653-7785. More information is also available by e-mail at rodeo@wcc.net or on the internet at www.sanangelorodeo.com.

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Sonora Native Graduates From World's Largest Seminary

FORT WORTH, Texas - Sonora-native Bobby Albert Humphreys graduated from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 15.

Humphreys, 50, earned a Master of Arts in Christian education degree. He graduated from Sonora High School in 1970 and from Angelo State University in 1978. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Humphreys of Sonora.

Two hundred eighty-one graduates earned degrees during Southwestern's 202nd commencement ceremony at Travis Avenue Baptist Church. The fall graduating class included students from 26 states from Hawaii to Massachusetts and eight foreign countries. They earned 313 diplomas, master's degrees, and doctorates.

Southwestern President Kenneth S. Hemphill awarded the seminary's first Master of Arts in Islamic studies to Gregory Self from northern Alabama.

Obtaining an advanced degree in Islamic studies has been Self's dream for some time, he said. Nine years prior to enrolling in seminary, Self became acquainted with an orthodox Sunni Muslim family from Syria. His interest in their culture and desire to share Christianity with them and other Muslims led to his own personal study of Islam and a journey to the United Arab Emirates, Syria, Lebanon, and Jordan in 1992.

Only two other seminaries in the United States, Fuller

Theological Seminary and Columbia Seminary, currently award similar Islamic studies degrees.

The student who traveled the greatest distance for the commencement ceremony was Wai Ip "Ellis" Yau, who directs missions and evangelism for the Baptist Convention of Hong Kong. Yau traveled from his home in Kowloon, Hong Kong, to receive a Doctor of Ministry degree.

"We have the privilege of training future evangelical leaders who will be reaching the world for Christ in areas where we as North Americans could never hope to go," said Jan Johnsonius, director of International Student Services.

Students from 42 states and 46 countries are enrolled at Southwestern. More than 63,000 students have enrolled in the world's largest seminary since it was founded in 1908. More than 36,000 have received degrees.

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary is one of the largest evangelical seminaries in the world and is the global seminary of the Southern Baptist Convention. Founded in 1908, Southwestern traditionally has trained more than 50 percent of all SBC missionaries and more than 40 percent of all SBC pastors. The SBC is America's largest Protestant denomination with nearly 16-million members.

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High School Auditorium Performances
 Saturday, January 12, 2002
 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
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Tickets available at Tedford Jewelry, image, Business Basics, Friends of Historic Sonora, Inc./Main Street Program.

For more information call
 D'Arcy Wagner 915-387-5859 or
 Lisa Miller 915-387-6369 or Ann Kay 915-387-2248.

This production is part of Missoula Children's Theater unique international touring project and is presented locally by Sonora Community Arts and Theater, Friends of Historic Sonora, Inc./Main Street Program, Sonora Dairy Queen, KHOS Radio, Devil's River News, Tedford Jewelry, Business Basics, The Bank & Trust of Sutton County, Sonora First National Bank, image, Dr. Phillip Miller DDS, and Texas Commission of the Arts.



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F.Y.I.

The Petit Jury scheduled for January 14, 2002 has been canceled.

There will be NO Little Dribblers try-outs this Saturday, 1-12-02. Try-out will begin Saturday, 1-19-02. Times TBA next week.

The Pinewood Derby is scheduled for January 26, 2002 at the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center. Any Scout that has not received his Pinewood Derby car, please contact your Den leader or Tibba Edmondson at 387-3988.

Sonora Community Blood Drive - Friday, January 11, 2002 from 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. at Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital Annex.

Retired Highway Employees will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, January 14 at Zentner's Daughter's Restaurant, 1901 Knickerbocker Road in San Angelo. The purpose of the luncheon is for retirees of the Texas Highway Department, State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, and Texas Department of Transportation to get together to visit and renew friendships. Spouses are invited to the luncheon.

If you have ordered popcorn from the Cub Scouts and have not received it, please contact Tibba Edmondson at 387-3988 or 387-6115. All popcorn should have already been delivered.

Sonora City League Little Dribblers registration will be held at the Jr. High "Home" Basketball games or at Business Basics. The fee is \$20 per child. Little Dribblers is for 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th graders. For more information call Shelly Hughes at 387-6127.

If you missed any varsity or junior varsity football game, you can purchase the game tape from the S.H.S. Radio and T.V. Department. We also have all home 7th and 8th grade game tapes except Brady. Each game tape is only \$6. For more information call Kristen Keel at 387-6533 ext. 315.

The Cauthorn Memorial (Depot) Building is available for rent for weddings and parties. Please contact Jo-Ann Palmer at 915-387-2855.

Last Chance to Sign Up For EMT Course

An Emergency Medical Technician-Basic (EMT-B) course will be offered in Sonora beginning January 10, 2002 through May 9, 2002. The course will be sponsored by Sutton County EMS.

The EMT course provides emergency medical training in such areas as bleeding and shock, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, emergency childbirth, pediatric care and other emergency illness and trauma.

While attending the course, the student will be required to spend twenty-four (24) hours in the emergency department at San Angelo Community Medical Center. It is also necessary to make five (5) ambulance runs with a certified ambulance provider.

Upon completion of the course, a student will be trained to work for public or private ambulance firms, and in some hospital emergency departments.

EMT Courses normally cost approximately \$300.00 to \$500.00 per person, but Sutton County EMS will make this course available at \$50.00, which includes the cost of the book. The cost of the course has been reduced due to additional funding from the Concho Valley Regional Advisory Council and from a Critical Access Hospital - Rural EMS Education Grant acquired through Lillian Memorial Hudspeth Hospital.

If you are interested, contact Patrick Campbell, EMS Coordinator, at the Sutton County EMS Office between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The office is located at 211 East Third Street, and the phone number is (915) 387-5132. Pre-registration is required and the course is limited to twenty-five (25) students.

Brown Admitted to College of State Bar of Texas

submitted

Michael Brown, formerly with the 112th District Attorney in Ozona and now associated with J.W. Johnson's Law Offices in Sonora, has been selected for admission to the College of the State Bar of Texas. Membership is limited to attorneys who have completed at least 80 hours of Continuing Legal Education in a three year period, and who are members in good standing with the State Bar of Texas.

Mr. Brown, a graduate of the University of Texas Law School, is a former Special Agent with the FBI, and was an Assistant United States Attorney in Houston for 12 years. Brown is Board Certified in Criminal Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

Michael and his wife Susan, who works for Sonora Wool and Mohair, have purchased a home in Sonora, where they live with their son, Timothy, 4.

American Legion to Hold Meeting at Sutton County Steakhouse

submitted

Ray Rose Post No. 253 of The American Legion will hold a dinner/meeting on January 24 at 6:00PM at the Sutton County Steakhouse. The Big Lake group has quite a few members here in Sonora and likes to hold at least one meeting a year here for their convenience.

If you served in WWII between Dec. 7, 1941 and Dec. 31, 1946; Korea between June 25, 1950 and January 31, 1955; Vietnam between Feb. 28, 1961 and May 7, 1975; Lebanon and Grenada between August 24, 1982 and July 31, 1984; Panama between December 20, 1989 and January 31, 1990; Persian Gulf from August 2, 1990 to present date or the U.S. Merchant Marines from Dec. 7, 1941 to August 15, 1945 and were honorably discharged you qualify for membership

in this organization.

The American Legion, through the following community and youth oriented programs strives to further a strong sense of patriotism and loyalty: High School Oratorical Competitions, American Legion Baseball, Boys State/Boys Nation, School Awards, Scouting Sponsorship, Flag Education, American Legion Scholarship Program, Jr. Shooting Sports and Patriotic Holiday Observances. They also assist Veterans in obtaining services at local VA facilities and give much needed volunteer support services to these facilities.

If you have any questions concerning The American Legion or their programs or are interested in attending the dinner meeting at the Sutton Co. Steakhouse, call Mario Martinez at 915-884-2221.

Investment Services Now Available At The Bank & Trust

submitted

The Bank & Trust is pleased to announce the addition of an Investment Services Department, with securities and insurance products available through PrimeVest Financial Services, Inc. Now clients will have access to a full service brokerage department, as well as an experienced, licensed Representative to help with their investment decisions. The addition of these services gives The Bank & Trust the unique advantage of being able to offer traditional banking services and provide access to Investments, Insurance, and Financial Planning in one convenient location.

Anita Ortiz has recently joined The Bank & Trust family as their new Investment Representative. A graduate of The University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelors Degree in Accounting, Anita has over ten years of experience in the financial services industry. Her past experience in banking, real estate lending, and investment services gives her a well-rounded base of knowledge to help clients with any financial need that may arise.

For the last eight years, Anita was employed by Merrill Lynch, one of the largest and most respected financial services firms in the industry. Her most recent position was as the Financial Planning Specialist for central and south Texas, supporting 10 offices and over 150 brokers in the discipline of Financial Planning. Financial Planning is the process of prioritizing life goals and then putting in place the financially related actions that are necessary to accomplish those goals. "For most of our clients, making sure they achieve their retirement goals will be the number one priority. For others, it could be educating their children or leaving a lasting legacy for their heirs. Financial Planning can help you develop a road map to achieve those goals by using various investment vehicles, tax strategies, and insurance products." A Series 7 and 66 Registered Representative, Anita is able to provide investors with knowledgeable insight and guidance to help meet their investment goals. Although located out of the Del Rio branch, Anita will be readily available to the bank's valued Sonora clients.

Finding a trusted financial advisor to work with is an important step to investing. A good investment advisor will take the time to understand your financial and personal situation before making any recommendations. A financial advisor should help educate and guide you through the decision process so that you are aware and comfortable with the risks. This is more important than ever given recent events. Anita adds, "Recent events have shown us all that we must stand ready for the unexpected. Any sound investment plan can be interrupted by



Anita Ortiz

forces beyond our control. My job is to help clients understand that their personal financial security has never been more deserving of their undivided attention. Reviewing for proper insurance coverage and doing some basic estate planning with an attorney is just as important as having a solid investment portfolio."

To make this new venture a success, The Bank & Trust enlisted the help of an established company that could readily supply the products, operational, and compliance support necessary to provide excellent customer service. PrimeVest Financial Services, an independent broker/dealer provides product access and services to over 600 banks and credit unions across the country. Some of the products available through PrimeVest include stock, bond, and mutual fund trading, retirement products such as annuities and IRAs, educational planning products such as 529 accounts, and most insurance lines.

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With the new year just starting, now is the perfect time to review your financial picture. Anita invites you to call for a free consultation to review your existing investment plan or start a new one. She can be reached at 830-768-4000.

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January 10

Adam Mirike, Delma Chavez, Cerissa Hedgecock, Amy Davenport, Myrna Murillo, Jacob Lopez

January 11

Barbara Urbanski, Nolan Kinder, Krystal Gibbens, Laura West, Ty Fincher, Michelle Lopez

January 12

Maria Zaragoza, Kaitlyn Leigh Lopez, Stephanie Hulsey, Marty Lipham

January 13

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January 14

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December EMS Calls

12/01/01 - Medical - Tayloe Street to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
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12/03/01 - Medical - Ben Juarez Street to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
12/06/01 - Accident - Orient Street to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
12/06/01 - Accident - Hudspeth Hospital to Shannon Medical Center - Unit 102
12/07/01 - Accident - Cornell Street to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
12/07/01 - Accident - Hudspeth Hospital to San Angelo Community Hospital - Unit 102
12/07/01 - Transport - Hudspeth Hospital to Ben Juarez Street - Unit 102
12/08/01 - Stand-by - Structure Fire East Second Street - Unit 100
12/14/01 - Medical - West Poplar Street to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
12/16/01 - Accident - Hudspeth Hospital to Shannon Medical Center - Unit 101
12/18/01 - Transport - Hudspeth Hospital to Crockett County Care Center - Unit 102
12/19/01 - Medical - West First Street to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
12/19/01 - Medical - Hudspeth Hospital to Shannon Medical Center - Unit 101
12/20/01 - Medical - IH-10, 423MM to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
12/20/01 - Accident - IH-10 West Access Road to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 101
12/22/01 - Medical - East Chestnut Street to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
12/22/01 - Medical - Hudspeth Hospital - Assist AirMed 1 - Unit 100
12/22/01 - Medical - West Second Street to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
12/21/01 - Accident - IH-10 North Service Road to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
12/23/01 - Medical - Hudspeth Hospital to San Angelo Community Hospital - Unit 101
12/23/01 - Medical - Paso Del Norte Street to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
12/23/01 - Medical - Hudspeth Hospital to San Angelo Community Hospital - Unit 101
12/24/01 - Medical - Lorene Street to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
12/26/01 - Medical - Hudspeth Hospital to San Angelo Community Hospital - Unit 101
12/26/01 - Accident - Hudspeth Hospital to San Angelo Community Hospital - Unit 101
12/28/01 - Medical - Hwy 277 North to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
12/28/01 - Medical - Ben Juarez Street to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
12/29/01 - Medical - Ben Juarez to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100
12/29/01 - Accident - Hwy 277 North to Hudspeth Hospital, 2 patients - Unit 100
12/30/01 - Medical - Paso Del Norte to Hudspeth Hospital - Unit 100

G.E.D. Testing At Sonora Middle School

The Sonora I.S.D. GED Program will be held at the Sonora Middle School on January 1, 2002. Chief Examiner will be Ben Solis, with Marilyn Wood as the Alternate Examiner.

This center follows all rules set by the State GED Unit, governed by the Texas Education Agency, located at 1701 N. Congress Ave., Austin, Texas.

Fees for this center are \$65.00 for initial battery, \$25.00 for each sub test retaken and \$5.00 per transcript.

A. Age requirements - All examinees must be withdrawn from Public school and age 18, or 17 years old with parent permission, or 16 years old if ordered by a court.

B. A Certificate of High School Equivalency will be issued when a total score of 225 points is reached

and no sub test is below 40. (45 average of all 5 tests). Tests include Math, Writing, Literature, Science and Social Studies.

Testing is done by appointment. For information or registration call Ben Solis at the Sonora Middle School office, (915)387-3023, Monday - Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Upon approval by The Texas Education Agency accommodations will be provided for persons with disability.

A photo i.d. and Social Security Card are required at the time of registration.

GED Classes are offered at the Middle School at night from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information call Delia Samaniego at the Middle School, (915)387-3023.

College Information Hotline 2002

The Texas Association for College Admission Counseling (TACAC) and LoanStar Educational Loans will co-sponsor a toll-free Hotline.

1-800-347-3475 will be available on January 19th and 20th, 2002, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. to all Texans who desire to find out more about post-secondary educational opportunities and financial options.

Students and their parents will be able to call with questions about college selection, admission, testing, and financial aid. Questions will be answered by professional college admission counselors, high school counselors, and financial aid

personnel. Spanish-speaking counselors will also be available to answer questions.

Two scholarships in the amount of \$500 will be drawn from the pool of callers to the Hotline over the weekend.

In addition, there will be two prizes given to the schools that have the most callers:

First Prize: Your school will receive one \$500 scholarship to be awarded at the discretion of the Counseling staff of that school.

Second Prize: Your school will receive one \$250 scholarship to be awarded at the discretion of the Counseling staff of that school.

Lady Hawks Turn Back Lady Broncos

by Nancy Glasscock

The Lady Broncos were dominated by the Lady Wall Hawks last Friday night.

The relentless Hawk defense caused many turnovers. The Lady Broncos had a difficult time getting a good look at the basket. The ball just wouldn't fall for Sonora as many offensive rebounds resulted in missed layups.

The Lady Broncos did feature a female version of the Alley Oop. Heather Lawson fed the ball to a streaking Monica Lira for a layup. The final score was Wall 41, Sonora 17.

The next game will be Friday against the Junction Lady Eagles in

Junction.

WALL - S.Weishuhn 15, L.Weishuhn 5, Smith 12, Noel 4, Couley 3, Moore 2.

Totals 14 11-18 41.

SONORA - Lira 5, Hobbs 4, Gonzales 4, Hughes 2, Marshall 2.

Totals 7 3-5 17.

Score by Quarters:

WALL 15 9 7 10 41

SONORA 4 6 4 3 17

3-point goals - Wall 2

(S.Weishuhn, Couley).

Records - Wall is 15-2 overall,

L-0 in District 2-2A.

Sonora is 12-6 overall, 0-1 in

District 2-2A.

Broncos Fall To Bearcats

by Nancy Glasscock

After a slow start, the Broncos played a good second half. Caleb Gulley had the hot hand in the third and fourth quarters and finished as the high point man. He led the Broncos offense as they were able to match baskets with the Bearcats, but the Broncos were unable to overcome the first half deficit. The final score was Ballinger 62, Sonora 44.

The Broncos begin district play this week. The next game will be in Junction on Friday.

BALLINGER — Frech 2, Wall 8, Geistman 6, Smith 5, Jeromanous 10, Nicholason 4,

Carter 11, McGee 13, Brewer 3. Totals 23 11-22 62.

SONORA — Fields 3, Routh 10, Gulley 16, Segura 2, Yocham 2, Martin 3, Moore 5, Dillard 3. Totals 16 7-15 44.

Score by Quarters:

BALLINGER 20 11 18 13 62

SONORA 11 7 10 16 44

3-point goals — Ballinger 5

(Wall 2, Smith, Jeromanous 2,),

Sonora 5(Fields, Routh, Gully 2,

Moore).

Records — Sonora is 3-2

Ballinger 14-2.

The JV Broncos were also

defeated by Ballinger 61 to 20.

See You At Our Book Fair!

Would you encourage your child's love of reading if you could? Of course. What's more — you can!

Scholastic Book Fairs come to our school on January 14th through the 21st to share exciting books and educational learning products with our young readers. Parents and teachers will find plenty of items to interest them too. The Fair is open each day from 8 am to 4 pm.

We're hosting a Family Event on Tuesday, Jan. 15th from 8 am to 6 pm that will feature our theme "Dive into Reading", refreshments, and door prizes to be awarded before closing. Everyone is welcome.

When you visit the Fair, look for the Classroom Wish List display to see how you can help build your child's classroom library.

The Book Fair helps us promote learning while raising money for special school projects.

Don't miss out on the Scholastic Book Fair, Jan 14th-21st. Call Sonora Middle School at 387-5431 for more information.

TAAS Out Of School Registration

Individuals who are no longer enrolled in school and who have not previously met minimum expectations on all sections of the exit level TAAS test, may retake the necessary section(s) any time that the tests are offered. The next scheduled test for the exit level TAAS test will be February 19, 2002 (Writing), February 20, 2002 (Mathematics) and February 21, 2002 (Reading).

If you are no longer enrolled in a Texas public school and wish to register to retake the exit level TAAS test, pick up a registration packet from the Sonora High School counselor. The test registration form must be completed and returned in the pre-addressed envelope and must be received in Austin, Texas, no later than 5:00 p.m., January 18, 2002.

Taking the shot...



Debra Martinez takes a shot against Wall. The Wall Lady Hawks J.V. team defeated the J.V. Lady Bronco team 30 to 5.



Scottie Moore leaves the ground as he goes for a shot against the Ballinger Bearcats in Friday's game.



Caleb Gulley moves the ball down the court against the Bearcats.

Lady Colts Soar Over Junction Eagles

The 7th Grade Lady Colts traveled to Junction on Monday, January 7, 2002 and started off the New Year right with a dominate victory of 42 to 13. Meghan Krieg led the scoring for the Lady Colts with 18 points. Jena Teasley and Candace Chandler each had 6 points and Amanda Berry had 3 points. Jaimee Duran, Allyse Edmondson, Kayla Fields and Brandy Neff all scored 2 points each and Stacy Sanchez rounded it out with 1 free throw point. Of the 5 attempted free throws, 2 were completed for a 40% free throw average. Junction only completed 3 of their 12 attempts for a 25% average.

The 8th Grade Lady Colts also fared well against Junction, defeating the girls 28 to 11. Kristina Hernandez led the scoring for the 8th grade girls with 7 points. Jillian Gulley, Kayla McBride and Desirae Boldt each scored 4 points. Cerissa Hedgecock and Tissie Wagoner both had 3 points, Candace Martin had 2 and Christine Sanchez had 1. The girls had a 27% free throw average, only completing 6 of 22 attempts. Junction attempted 17 free throws, only netting 3, for an 18% average.

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Basketball Schedule

1/11
Junction (District Game) • There
JVA • 5:00 p.m. • Varsity • 6:30 p.m.

1/14
Ozona • There • JVB • 6:00 p.m.

1/15
Mason (District Game) • Here
JVA • 5:00 p.m. • Varsity • 6:30 p.m.

Spotlight on Lady Broncos

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Statement By Rep. Henry Bonilla Regarding Campaign For Re-Election



WASHINGTON, D.C. - Rep. Henry Bonilla (R-TX)

"As we enter a new year, our country finds itself under unique circumstances. We all understand the need to move forward as a nation. In order to continue on our current path, our nation -- and the 23rd district -- need proven leadership.

"We need leaders who have stood the test of time and know how to get the job done. We need leaders who can work in a bipartisan manner and put the needs of the people

first. We need leaders who are willing to fight for a stronger national defense, lower taxes, better education, improved healthcare and less burdensome federal regulations. I have fought these battles for almost a decade and have found great success.

"I look forward to running a vigorous and successful campaign. I've built my reputation on straight talk, honor for my office and respect for my constituents. I think the people of the 23rd district appreciate my dedication and the long-standing relationships we've built. We have worked well together for more than nine years. I look forward to representing them for many years to come."

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HOTEL/MOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX PUBLIC NOTICE PROPOSED USE HEARING

The City Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed hotel/motel occupancy tax budget on
January 15, 2002

at 2:00 p.m., City Hall, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas.

The primary and foremost qualification for the use of the hotel occupancy tax revenue is that the expenditure is spent in a manner which directly enhances and promotes tourism and the convention and hotel industry. The collected tax is allocated to five statutory expenditure categories as outlined in the Texas Local Hotel Occupancy Tax Law, and is limited to the following (1) the acquisition of sites for and the construction, improvement, enlarging, equipping, repairing, operation and maintenance of convention center facilities or visitor information centers, or both;

(2) the furnishing of facilities, personnel, and materials for the registration of convention delegates or registrants; (3) advertising and conducting solicitations and promotional program and convention delegates or registrants to the municipality or its vicinity; (4) the encouragement, promotion, improvement, and application of the arts, including instrumental and vocal music, dance, drama, folk art, creative writing, architecture, design and allied fields, painting, sculpture, photography, graphic and craft arts, motion pictures, radio, television, tape and sound recording, and other arts related to the presentation, performance, execution, and exhibition of these major art forms; and (5) historical restoration and preservation projects or activities or advertising and conducting solicitations and promotional programs to encourage tourists and convention delegates to visit preserved historic sites or museums.

All citizens, organizations or businesses are invited to attend and provide the council with written or oral comments on possible uses of approximately \$150,000.00 of hotel occupancy revenue expected by the city during 2002.

Rig Locations as of December 28, 2001

A Rig Location & Permit Report Service

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New Dominion; 6500' Shurley - 96 - #13, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 8700' Mayer - 21 - #5, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 6600' Kelly #115 - #15, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 8675' Hudspeth - 53 - #3, Patterson Drilling.
New Louis Dreyfus; 8550' H.E. Glasscock - 29 - #3, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 7700' L.B. Glasscock - 32 - #4, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 6000' Martin #14 - Patterson Drilling.

Crockett County

New RME Petro Co.; 9500' Couch - B - #8, Patterson Drilling.
New Anadarko Pet.; 8000' Childress Ranch South #301, Cleere Drilling.
New Ricks Exploration; 3350' Montgomery - C - #509, Cleere Drilling.

Val Verde County

Mustang Fuel Corp; 16000' Wardlaw State Gas Unit -1- #1, Nabors Drilling.

New Phillips Pet; 10600' Cauthorn - B - #8, Patterson Drilling.

Terrell County

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Exxonmobil Dev. Co.; 15500' Banner Estate #24, Patterson UTI.
Conoco; 13000' Culberson - 18 - #3, Nabors Drilling.
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Turner Hangs Up Political Hat and Spurs



AUSTIN --
Rep. Bob Turner
(D-Voss)

State Representative Bob Turner

announced today that he will not seek re-election to the Texas House of Representatives. Turner was elected in 1991 in a special election. During his tenure he led the charge for rural issues. They included private property rights, agriculture, and rural health care. He was appointed Chairman of the House Committee on Public Safety during the 76th and 77th Legislative sessions.

Turner said, "I leave my constituents and this wonderful building with a heavy heart. I came to Austin to make a difference for rural Texas, and I have completed many tasks. I have served my country 35 years and this state for 12 years. Now, I plan to see my wife more often and not put 150,000 miles on my car every two years."

Turner has many accomplishments under his belt. In 1995 he removed liability from corporations that donated used fire fighting equipment to volunteer fire departments. Prior to his legislation, corporations stopped their donations because of the risk of liability. At this point and time, more than six million dollars of equipment has been issued to rural Texas.

Besides being on point for our Second Amendment rights, he was also the author of the "Veggie Libel" bill and co-author of the major prop-

erty rights bill in 1995.

Even though Turner has announced his retirement, he would like everyone to know that he will continue to serve District 73 throughout 2002. "I want my constituents to understand that I am still their State Representative," Turner said. "That means my staff and I will be at work from open to close."

Turner said, "There is no more joy than being able to help someone when they need help, and there is nothing worse than not being able to help someone when they really need it." He went on to say, "Thanks to all the people who have made this experience enjoyable to me. I would not have traded this for the world."

Bob Turner Biography

State Representative Bob Turner is a fourth generation Texan from the City of Voss. A former small-businessman and military man, he is now a farmer/rancher and Executive Director of the Coleman Development Company, Inc.

Representative Turner lives, farms and raises sheep with his wife Ann Gale in Voss. The Turner family farm was established in 1903, and Bob works the same fields his father and grandfather did before him. He has three grown sons - Gary, Sam and Darrell.

Prior to working in rural economic development and serving in the Legislature, he owned and ran a well-known retail store for 20 years (Bob Turner's Western Wear), and served with distinction in the U.S. Army Reserve for 35 years.

Representative Turner represents the rural 73rd Legislative District in the Texas House of

Oil & Agribusiness

"Scrapie" Meeting Scheduled In San Angelo

Dr. Diane Sutton of USDA/APHIS in Washington, DC will be in San Angelo to meet with sheep producers concerning the new Scrapie regulations on Wednesday, January 16th. The meeting will be from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Holiday Inn.

Dr. Sutton will be available to handle questions regarding exotic breeds as well as domestic breeds.

TPWC Commission Meeting Coming Up In Austin

AUSTIN, Texas -- The next meeting of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission will be Jan. 16-17.

Key issues on the agenda are a review of statewide hunting and fishing propositions, review of fee proposals, a review of Proposition 8 projects, a report on parks and wildlife outreach, and the discussion and possible adoption of statewide oyster fishery proclamation.

The commission will act on proposals to raise some fee ranges for parks and proposals to raise boating fees that were brought up at the November meeting. Two public hearings on the fee issue were held in Garland and Corpus Christi and feedback has also been coming in

via the Internet. The boat fee proposal package includes increases of \$5-\$20 on registration and title fees for a two-year registration. Proposed fees for boat dealers and manufacturers would increase from \$130 to \$500 and they would have mandatory registration.

TPW's Sunset Bill passed during the last legislative session gave the department the authority to identify and classify participants in the vessel and outboard motor industries to help eliminate illegitimate dealers.

The park fee range proposal would allow increases in some user fee ranges. Fees would vary by site within these ranges with some sites having no change.

The last time fee ranges were changed was in 1991 and the way park entrance fees were calculated was changed in 1996, according to Suzy Whittenton, chief financial officer for TPW.

Gwyn Shea Sworn In As New Secretary of State of Texas

AUSTIN - Gwyn Shea, Dallas County Constable and former state representative from Irving, has become the 103rd Secretary of State for the State of Texas.

Shea was sworn-in Monday morning at a ceremony that included Governor Rick Perry, U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison, and other leaders from around Texas. Governor Perry named Shea to the post in December.

Shea expressed her gratitude for the opportunity to serve the people of Texas and to help shape the state in the 21st century.

"This is a tremendous opportunity for me to serve the people of the great state of Texas," Shea said. "This is a special chance to help shape the kind of Texas that we all want and that we all believe in."

Governor Perry said that Shea's appointment would be an asset for all Texans.

"As Gwyn Shea takes the oath of office today, Texans can know their newest Secretary of State is experienced in making public policy, a good steward of the public trust, and fully devoted to a brighter future for Texans from the border to the Panhandle."

Hutchison, who acted as mistress of ceremonies, called Shea a pioneer who has excelled at public service.

"Gwyn Shea has blazed trails throughout her life, and the milestone of becoming secretary of state is simply one more in her long and distinguished career. I am confident that she will be excellent in all of the responsibilities of this position."

Shea pledged to uphold the traditional duties of American Secretaries of State: serving as chief elections officer for the state as well as maintaining corporate and commercial filings. She also promised to provide solid leadership in two duties unique to the Texas Secretary of State: acting as the governor's liaison for Mexico and border affairs as well as serving as international protocol officer for Texas.

During her swearing-in speech, Shea touched on several of the areas that would be important to her as Secretary of State.

She will bring a strong personal commitment to her role of chief elections officer for Texas.

"The electoral process is something that has always been a special passion for me. Both of my parents were election judges and safeguarding the democratic American tradition of democracy will be one of my office's highest purposes," Shea said.

Shea also believes it is very important to increase voter turnout. She looks forward to working with young Texans to help them understand the importance of registering to vote and assuming the full range of responsibilities of citizenship.

"It is never too soon to begin teaching children this core value of democracy. By the time they graduate from high-school and turn 18, we want the young people of Texas to understand that voting is one of the basic responsibilities of living in a free society," she said.

One of the border issues Shea plans to focus on is improving the quality of life in the border communities known as colonias.

"As a team, the Governor, this Office, the Legislature, and our eight satellite offices, will work with local leaders to help give colonia residents the basic tools and services to help them raise the standard of living, with a special focus on today's children - tomorrow's leaders."

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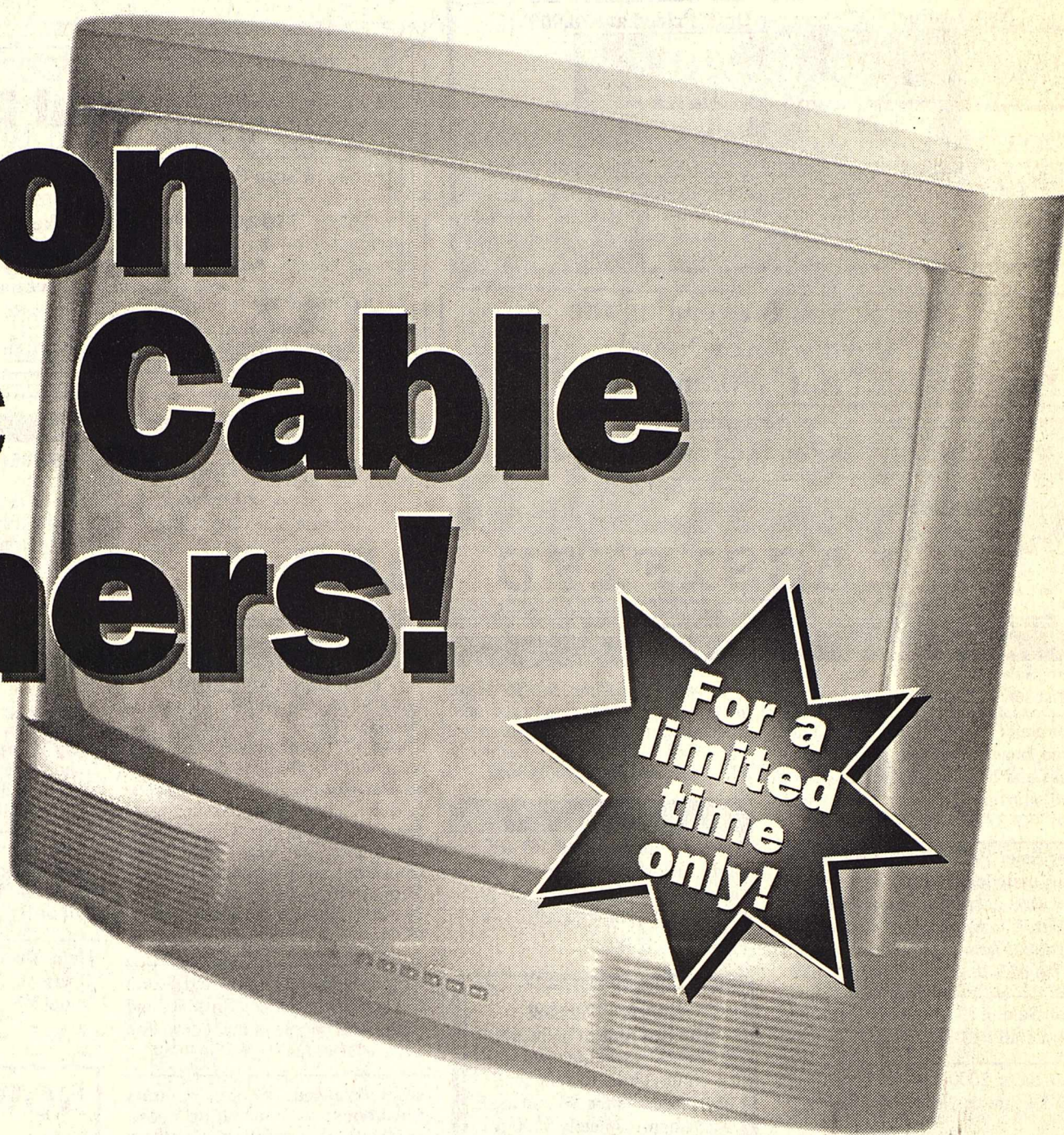
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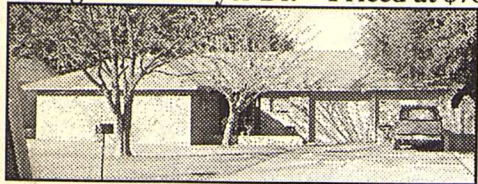
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