



Local PRCA cowboy, Keith Hudson, will go to Pocatello, ID to compete in the Calf Roping at the Dodge National Circuit Finals from March 17-20. Hudson accomplished this by tying his calves in 10.2 (1st in the round), 11.6, 9.3 and a 10 flat (4th in the round) which led to his winning the average in his event at the Texas Circuit Finals held in Waco, TX over the New Year's holiday. Photo courtesy of Jennings Photography

Sutton County Junior Livestock Show Time

It is once again stockshow time in Sutton County and with or without all of the new facilities the show must go on. The first weekend, January 9, 1999, of the Sutton County Junior Livestock Show will be held at the Clint Langford Building of the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center Complex. This building has recently been expanded and the entire show will be held in the somewhat confined but sufficient space.

The show schedule has been changed this year and the show will begin with the market lamb show on Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m. Lambs will be exhibited in the new extension to the Langford Building. The lamb show will be followed by the Meat Goat Show. Each of these shows will be judged by Mr. Sam Kuykendall, retired county extension agent from Menard. All lambs and meat goats will need to be in the

barn by no later than 7:00 p.m. on Friday, January 8, 1999.

Numbers of youths competing in the show are about the same as in previous years with a bit different mix of animal species. There will be approximately 45 lambs in the show and about 95 meat goats. The second week-end of the show will feature approximately 20 pigs, 100 Angora goats and 4 beef animals which will all be exhibited on January 16.

County Extension Agent Preston Faris encourages everyone to come out to the show and support all of the youth with their projects. It may be a bit more crowded but the facilities should be heated by that time and fairly comfortable for spectators as well as the exhibitors and their animals. Come out and close out the old millennium in one facility and help us prepare for the new millennium in a new one.

McKissack's District 10 4-H Entry is Picture Perfect

Thia McKissack, daughter of Tommy and Darla McKissack, recently participated at the District Ten 4-H Food Show in San Antonio. In conjunction with the District Ten Food Show was the District Ten 4-H Photography Contest.

Thia's entry in "Picture Story" won 1st place.

"Picture Story" is made up of six photos that tell a story. Thia's selection of photos were: 1 - Sheep

in a pen waiting to be sheared; 2 - shearers spreading out a tarp for shade; 3 - Shearers set up - everyone ready to begin work; 4 - Men working - sheep being sheared; 5 - shearing finished - bags of wool being packed and special fleeces set aside; 6- Thia and Hensel Matthews at San Angelo Stock Show in March of '98 where Thia's fleece won Grand Champion in the Jr. Division.



Thia McKissack proudly displays her winning "Picture Story".

Merchants Association Plans Winter Promotions

The Sonora Merchants Association held its regular meeting on January 5, 1999 at noon in the Cauthorn Memorial Building. In attendance were Vallree Draper, Shelly Hughes, Ann Kay, Sharon Tinsley, Justin McGeath, Fran Pennington, and Storie Sharp.

The Christmas promotion, "Santa Has Lost His Buttons - Are They in the Hay?", was the first old business discussed and it was decided it wasn't the success that had been anticipated. Next year the planning for the December promotion will begin much earlier. The next item on the agenda to be discussed was the raffle held for the ELKS program. The Merchants

Association raised about \$600.00 toward the re-opening of the after-school program. The Merchants Association was pleased that the raffle awakened more awareness in the community.

The first item of new business to be discussed was the Valentine's Day promotion - "Unlock My Heart, Sweetheart". The program will be the same as last year where patrons that purchase \$20.00 or more in a participating store get a chance to dig in a bucket of sand for a buried key. Once the key is drawn, if it fits in the lock on the heart and unlocks it, the participant wins a prize. Prizes include a variety of fudge, flowers, dinners for 2,

and gift certificates from local merchants. The "Unlock My Heart, Sweetheart" promotion is scheduled to begin on January 14th and will end on February 14th.

The St. Patrick's Day promotion was discussed and it was agreed that more research needed to be done on this topic before a promotion was finalized.

The final order of business discussed was the Easter Egg Hunt. Plans are being started now to make this year's hunt bigger and better than last years.

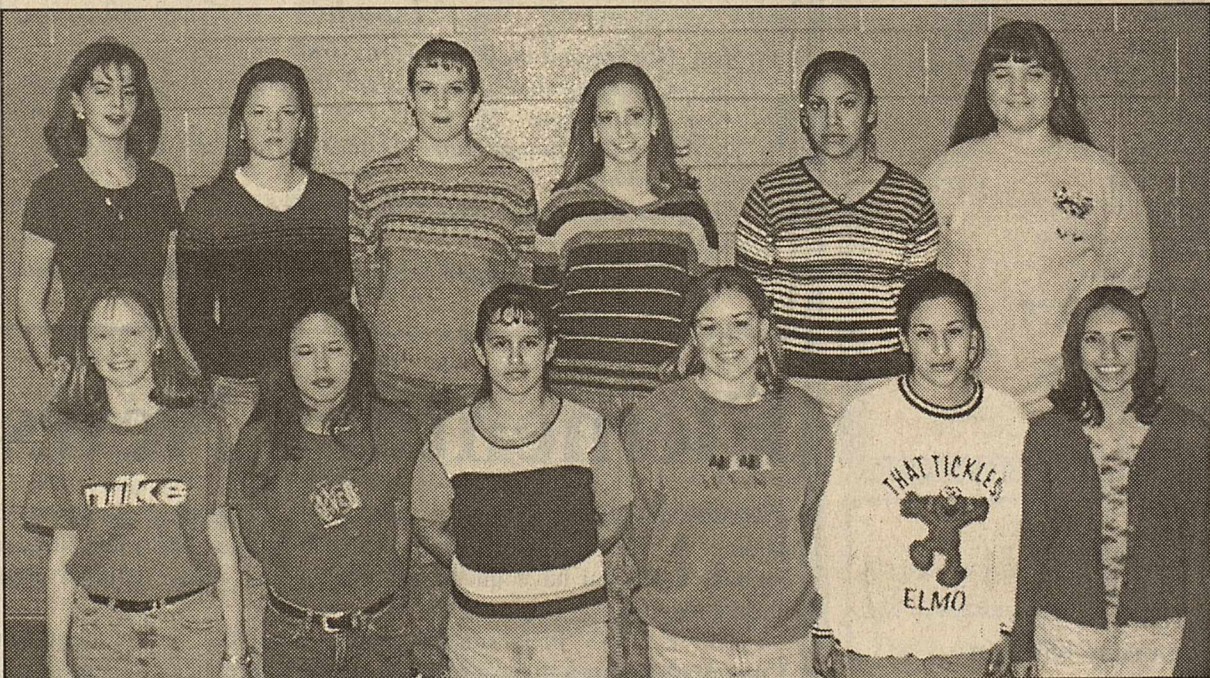
With no further new business to discuss the meeting was adjourned. The Merchants Association will meet again on February 2, 1999.



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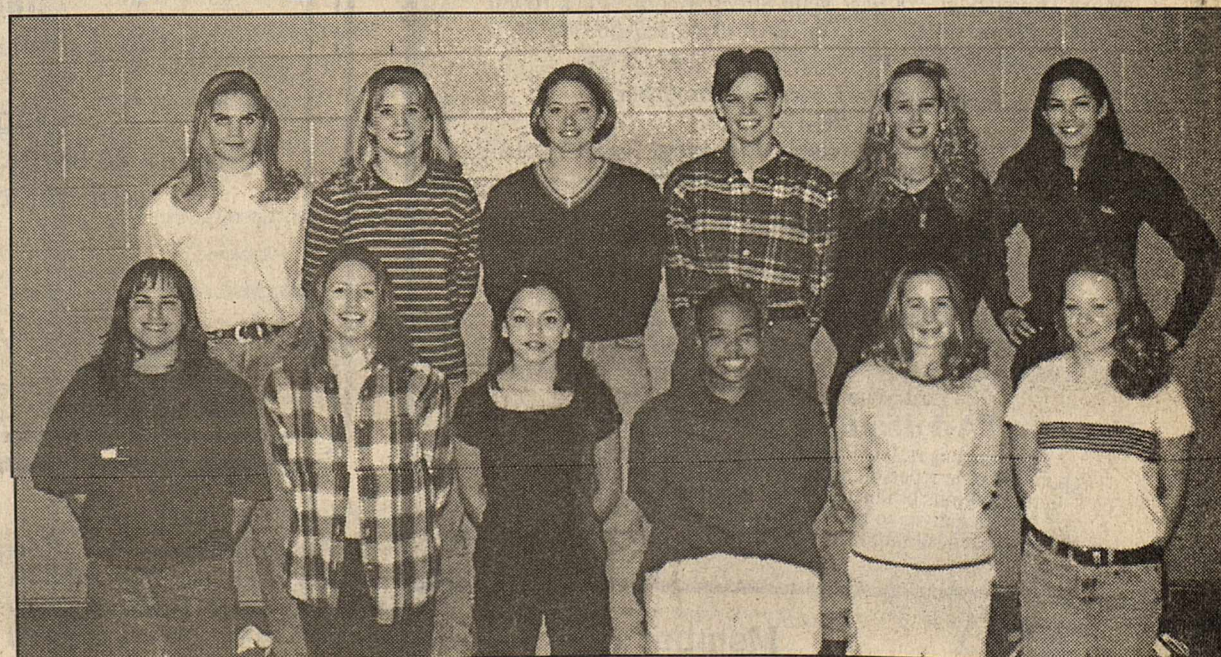
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Broncos
Back Row:(L-R)
Shalayne Hobbs,
Lindsey Bowers,
Stephanie Hard,
Kacci Lewellen,
Desiree Gonzales,
Tiffanie Henry.

Bottom Row:(L-R)
Heather Lawson,
Rita Lopez,
Veronica Velez,
Daisha Henson,
Monica Lira,
Lorena Lopez.

JV-Varsity District Teams Start District Games Friday Against Junction

Varsity Lady Broncos
Top Row:(L-R)
Cindy Jones,
Kari Purvis,
Dana Duhon,
Stacey Fox,
Heather Felts,
Daisy Mireles

Bottom Row:(L-R)
Japha Word,
Kara Eaton,
Liza Ramirez,
Kim Marshall,
Sarah Ball,
Marisha Henson
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Anniversary

Fredericksons Celebrate 25 Years

Mr. and Mrs. Duke Frederickson of Sonora celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary January 3, 1999, with a reception at the Sutton County Steakhouse.

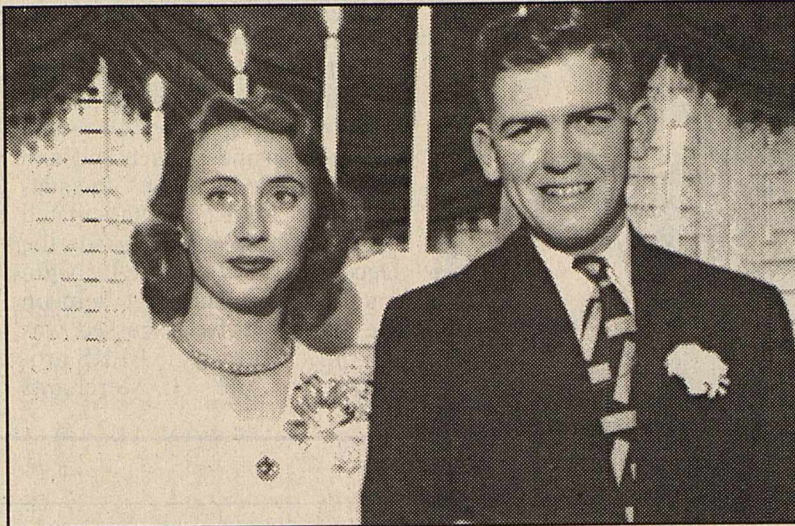
Earl Duke Frederickson and Gwendolyn Sue Stewart were married January 5, 1974, in Midland, Texas. They have one daughter, Gayla Frederickson of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederickson have lived in Stephenville, Odessa, Midland, and the last 15 years in Sonora.

Duke is a ranch foreman for the Rousselot Ranch in Sonora. After eight years with the Sonora Independent School District, Gwendolyn is a homemaker and loves spending her days helping her husband.

They attend The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church. Hosts for the celebration were the couple's family.

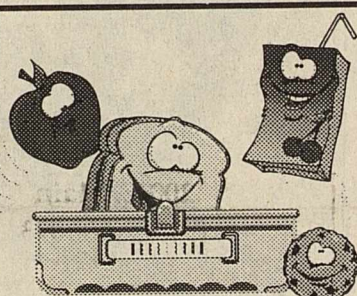
Willman-Sharp Wed.... 48 Years Ago



On January 5, 1951, Peggy Ann Willman became Mrs. Jack Sharp. Jack and Peggy have resided in Sonora for all of their 48 years of marriage. They have one daughter, Katherine Sharp Morris, who lives with her husband Ron in Clear Lake, TX and one son, Michael Joe (Mickey) Sharp, who lives with his wife Storie and their son Garrett in Sonora.

Jack is retired from El Paso Natural Gas and currently runs the Sonora Bus Station. Peggy has been with the Sutton County Tax Assessor & Collector Office - Vehicle Dept. for 21 years.

Jack says it has taken this long to get her trained just right... but those who know them know who does the training in this couple!



School Lunch Menu Jan. 11-15

Breakfast

Mon.-Pancakes, syrup, juice
Tues.-Cheese toast, fruit, juice
Wed.-Sweet Rolls, fruit, juice
Thurs.-Pigs in a blanket, juice, fruit
Fri.-Egg & ham burritos, juice

Milk and cereal offered with all breakfast

Lunch

Mon.-BBQ on a bun, baked beans, fruit, cookies
Tues.-Chicken Fried Steak or steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls & fruit
Wed.-Tamales, pinto beans, Mexican corn, Spanish rice, cherry cobbler
Thurs Turkey roast, baked potatoes, green beans, rolls, pudding
Fri.-Fried chicken burger, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fries, fruit

Elementary News

Sonora Elementary report cards were distributed Wednesday, January 6. Please review, sign, and return the report by Friday, January 8. If you have questions or concerns, please contact your child's teacher.

The E.L.K.S Program has space available for students in Kindergarten through grade 5. If you are interested in enrolling, please contact the elementary office at 387-5206.

Obituaries

Blanche Altizer Smith

Blanche Altizer Smith, 70, of Del Rio passed away Wednesday, December 30, 1998, in San Antonio. She was born July 16, 1928, in Del Rio.

Survivors are her husband, Bud Smith of Del Rio; sons, Olie Smith and wife, Carla Smith, of Sonora and Jim Smith of Del Rio; sister, Ora Riggs of Sanderson; sister-in-law, Minnie Lee Altizer of Del Rio; nieces and nephews, Ada Lee Robbins, of El Paso, Jackie Bob Cox and husband, George Cox, Mack Altizer and wife, Kathy Altizer, all of Del Rio, and Sherry Ingham and husband, Ben Ingham, of Sonora; and great-nieces, J.J. Robbins, Kelsey Cox, Steely and Stella Ingham.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Olin and Stella Altizer; and her brother, Jim Bob Altizer.

Viewing was held from noon until 9 p.m. Friday, January 1, at G.W. Cox Memorial Funeral Home. Funeral services were at 10 a.m. Saturday, January 2, in the G.W. Cox Memorial Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Timothy J. Vellom of St. James Episcopal Church officiating. Burial was in Westlawn Cemetery. Pallbearers were Art Looney,

Billy London, Mickey Powers, Clifton Lowry, Dennis Funderburgh, Jim Murdock, Ray Wharton and Vernon West. Honorary pallbearers were Bill Cauthorn, Johnny Watts, Roy Hindes, Junior Roberts, Harvey Smart, Jimmy Powers, Zane Powers, Benton Wardlaw, Hadley Wardlaw, David Winters, John Allen, Carl Parelli and Toots Hutto.

Mrs. Smith was the first secretary of the Girls Rodeo Association, and in 1950 she was the GRA Champion Calf Roper and Champion Team Roper. In 1976 she was inducted into the National Cowgirl Hall of Fame, now in Fort Worth. Mrs. Smith had spent many, many countless hours as a secretary of professional rodeos, junior rodeos, 4-H livestock shows and roping functions.

In lieu of usual remembrances, donations may be made to the Altizer Horse Endowment, 10223 Boys Ranch Road, San Angelo, TX 76904-9989.

Arrangements were by G.W. Cox Memorial Funeral Home, 114 Fletcher Drive, Del Rio, TX 78840; (830)775-2000.

Drexel Lee Hall Ragsdale

Drexel Lee Ragsdale, 92, of Bronte died Sunday, January 3, 1999, in the Bronte Nursing Home.

Graveside service were held at 3 p.m. Tuesday, January 5, in the Hylton Cemetery. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Drexel was born January 27, 1906, in Decatur to Robert L. and Dora Turney Hall. She married Charles Ragsdale in 1926. They lived in Blackwell before moving to Bronte in 1963. She was a lifetime member and a past matron of the Eastern Star at Blackwell, Chapter 786. She also joined the Bronte Chapter, No. 1048, when they moved to Bronte.

Before her health declined, Drexel was very dedicated to church and family. She was a member of the United Methodist Church.

Methodist Women, Diversity Study Club, Home Extension Club of Bronte and the Euterpean Club of Blackwell.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles, in 1994, her father, Robert Lee Hall; her mother, Dora Turney Hall; and one brother Joseph Turney Hall.

Survivors include one son, Robert T. Ragsdale and wife, Beverly, of Bronte; two grandchildren, Joe Bob Ragsdale and wife, Paige, of Sonora and Jana Brisbin and husband, Jeff, of Robert Lee; and four great-grandchildren, Lacy and Ashley Ragsdale of Sonora and Briana and Dawson Brisbin of Robert Lee.

Pallbearers were Jerry McShan, Arbrey Miller, Gerald Sandusky, John Macee, Jake McClure and

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Senior Center News

January 8- Run errands and pay bills! Elvis Presley's Birthday!

January 11- BINGO!

January 12- C.O.A meeting at 5:30 p.m.

January 14- Kooking with Kelly!!

Senior Center Menu

January 7- Meatloaf w/tomatoes, blackeyed peas, okra, corn-bread, banana pudding.

January 8- Chicken fried steak, oven fried potatoes, carrots, roll, vanilla pudding w/fruit.

January 11- Oven baked pork chops, noodles, carrots, toss salad, bread, jello w/pears.

January 12- Spanish meatballs, rice, green beans, slice tomato, rolls, pineapple rings.

January 13- B-B-Que chicken, blackeyed peas, beets, roll, pears/pineapples, chocolate chip cookie.

Lunch is served Monday thru Friday at 12:00 noon. \$1.75 donation is suggested for those 60+ and \$4.00 from all others.

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Sutton County Steakhouse
1306 N. Service Rd.
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Ask the Historical Society



Front row: Naomi Ramirez, Frances Ramirez, Frances Perez, Juanita Virgin, Rachael Chavez, Ramona Garza second row: Ms. McDade, Louis Perez, Consuelo Sanchez, Pat Brown, Beto Sanchez, Cecilio Cardona back row: Ramon Virgen, Theo Virgen and Isidro Virgin. Isidro was killed in action in WWII.

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer

Q. Do you have any information on the father of R. C. Vicars?

A. Devil's River News, Friday, June 30, 1944

Last rites were held last Friday at Wise, Virginia, for A. M. Vicars, father of R. C. Vicars of Sonora. He died at about noon at his home on Tuesday, after an illness of several years. He had been a member of the Wise County Bar for 50 years and was active in the practice of law up until the time of his death. He had served as the United States Commissioner for the Western District of Virginia for the past 48 years and was the oldest member serving in that position.

Mr. Vicars was a native of Scott County, Virginia, born on December 26, 1856. He was preceded in death by Mrs. Vicars two years ago. He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Leila Deskins of Whittier, California, Mrs. Ethel Bentley of Wise and Mrs. Sally Dean of Loyall, Kentucky; and two other sons, M. W. Vicars of Wise and Lacy Vicars of Lexington, Kentucky.

We will share a few other items we found in this issue with you now:

Honored guest at the Lions Club luncheon Tuesday was Sgt. Ramon G. Gutierrez, veteran of two years overseas service in Africa and Italy, who has just returned to the states. Sgt. Gutierrez, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Santano Gutierrez, has been decorated by both the American and Russian Governments, and his medals include the Order of the Purple Heart and two clusters to signify three wounds received in action, the Silver Star for gallantry in action and the Order of the Patriotic War of the USSR, given by the Russian Government when it learned of his heroism. Sgt. Gutierrez was a private in the now famous 36th Division when the landings at Salerno

were made. Acting as an automatic rifleman when his squad was attacked by five German tanks near Agropoli, Sgt. Gutierrez displayed the "stuff of which heroes are made" The official citation for his action, made by Major Gen. Fred L. Walker of the 36th, and read to the Lions Tuesday, is as follows: Gutierrez "placed his automatic rifle over a stone wall and opened fire on the tanks. The tanks returned his fire and the rifle was knocked from his hands while two bullets passed through the top of his helmet and one hit his right arm."

"Though wounded and armed with only hand grenade and knife, he moved past the tanks and advanced under machine gun fire. He flanked the machine gun next, expertly threw the hand grenade and knocked out the machine gun position, killing three enemy soldiers. Another enemy soldier, who appeared to be uninjured, attempted to kill Gutierrez, who quickly drew his knife and stabbed the enemy soldier to death."

Gutierrez was captured by the Germans later by Cassino and was taken to Rome where he was held a prisoner until three weeks before the Allies took that city. Of this Sgt. Gutierrez said, "An American plane dropped a bomb on the building where I was held, and knocked a corner off it. The Germans ran for cover and I ran for the Allied lines"

In describing the escape, the sergeant told how he overpowered an Italian, took his clothing and thus disguised, with his small knowledge of the Italian language, he was able to make his way back to the Allies. Sgt. Gutierrez has been in the Army since January 1941 and had been serving overseas duty since April 1942. On June 13th, just shortly before he returned to the States, his family heard from him for the first time in almost one year.

I couldn't find a picture of

Sgt. Gutierrez in our files. It would be very nice if we had one to add to our Veterans file.

We found this letter in the From Men In Our Service letters: Cpl. Enrique T. Cardona, somewhere in England, writes: "Today is a big day here in England and I suppose it's even greater back in the States. We are on our way to Berlin, and believe me this is no picnic. Hell tore loose this morning around six A. M. It is not going to be an easy job, but you can bet your last buck it won't be long before we all get to come home. This is what we all have been waiting for. Everyone is excited over here because we did not have the least idea as to when the invasion would take place. A few days ago the U. S. Army Band came to play for us. Capt. Thomas Dorsey is the director. It is made up of some of the Army's best musicians, and there are 82 in all. They played military and swing music. We did have a grand time. Now we have to really buckle down to business. I hope it won't take us long to get to Berlin and the Germans will give up and Japan will be all by itself. I'll tell you all about it when it's over and I get to come home. Don't worry, I am getting along swell and my morale is high, but write often as letters come in handy at a time like this."

Since this letter was printed in the June 30th paper we would assume that Cpl. Cardona is talking about the June 6, 1944 Allied landing in Normandy which many of you have seen parts of at the movie theaters lately.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton Co. history, send them to "Ask the Historical Society", P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885, e-mail them to schs@sonoratl.net, drop them off at the Devil's River News office or give me a call in the afternoon or evenings at 915-387-2855.



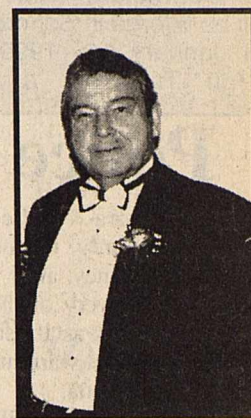
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West Texas Rehabilitation Center Gears Up For Rehab '99

January 9, 1999. That's the date for West Texas Rehabilitation Center's primetime telethon, Rehab '99 -- the night Rehab puts its best foot forward and launches its yearly funding program with a lot of help from celebrity friends, volunteers and viewers. January 9th is the date volunteers in 16 Concho Valley communities, including Ballinger, Big Lake, Brady, Bronte, Christoval, Del Rio, Eden, Eldorado, Menard, Mertzon, Miles, Ozona, Paint Rock, Robert Lee, Sonora and Sterling City, will be manning area phone banks and soliciting donations in support of Rehab Center services for children and adults with disabilities.

Television station across the state, including KLST-TV in San Angelo, will air this 29th annual show which originates live from the Abilene Civic Center. Major under-

writers for the production are American Airlines and West Texas Utilities.

Headliners Collin Raye and the Lynns will share the stage with Peter Marshall, Bill and Susan Hayes, Anacani Arthur Duncan, Barad Maule and Ana-Alicia Garza, a 15-year-old San Angeloan who has entertained at several Rehab events this year.

Viewers of KLST-TV will be able to see the network stage show as well as local interviews and Concho Valley phone bank updates from WRTC-San Angelo hosted Pat Atterbery, local television host and WRTC board officer. The telecast also can be viewed nationwide via satellite: Galaxy C7, Transponder 8.

Another popular segment of the telethon is the auction which features more than 180 retail and hand-crafted items donated by businesses

and individuals -- ranging from airline tickets to auto tires, saddles to sirloins. Major auction items and a tollfree bidding number will be publicized prior to showtime in the San Angelo Standard-Times.

"Rehab '99 is very special for us for two reasons," said WTRC President Jim Pethis. "As always, it launches our annual fundraising efforts, so its success is vital to our ability to meet our 1999 budget. Secondly, all that Rehab has accomplished in the past, and all we hope to do in the future is possible because of the support this organization receives from others -- volunteers like those working on area phone banks and people like those who respond in support of Telethon -- and for all these friends, we're truly grateful.

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SPECIAL TRASH PICKUP

A special quarterly trash pickup will begin January 18, 1999 and continue through the week for residential customers only. Trash of a bulky nature that cannot be put in the container's should be placed in disposable containers or tightly tied and bundled and placed in neat orderly piles, and placed adjacent to the alley or street, prior to Monday, January 18, 1999 in order that it can be removed conveniently.

Tree Limbs and hedge clippings shall not exceed four (4) feet in length and no single bundle, tree limb, stump shall exceed sixty (60) pounds Any debris with thorny or sharp points should be placed in a protective container as to protect employees from being injured.

White goods (refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, etc.) need to have all freon type coolant retrieved and tagged by an authorized representative Other rubbish will include furniture and other large items that cannot be put in containers.

During the designated pickup you may place items that cannot go in the containers in the alley or if you do not have an alley you may place the trash in front of the curb. Any other time it is unlawful for any person to place trash in an alley, street, or on someone else's personal property. Also, do not place trash in an alley or street so as to obstruct or hamper vehicular or pedestrian traffic. Tires, batteries, liquid waste, and hazardous waste will not be picked up.

For further information call City Hall at (915) 387-2558. All alleys and streets will be worked so it is not necessary to call for a special pickup.

F.Y.I

Anyone interested in playing **Little Dribbler Basketball** can sign up at the Devil's River News office, Monday - Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. There is a \$15.00 sign up fee. Practice will start in January.

An **Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)** course will be offered in Sonora beginning January 12, 1999. Meeting on Tuesdays and

Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. The course will end May 13, 1999. If you are interested in this course contact the Sutton County EMS office at 211 E. 3rd, or call 387-5132. Advance registration is required. The last day for registration is January 7, 1999.

Thunderbird is back in service. For more information call 387-2509.

Lillian Hudspeth Nursing Home & Hospital Auxiliary meets 2nd Monday of every month at 12:00 p.m. at the Sutton Co. Steakhouse. New members welcome.

Police Reports

12-30-98: Sonora Police Officer Bryn Humphrey seized \$2,212.00 of U.S. currency, after a traffic stop led to discovery of the contraband. One subject was arrested for outstanding Florida warrants and possession of marijuana.

12-31-98: Driving while license suspended- While on patrol Officer stopped a red 1991 Chevrolet pickup in the 400 block of Hwy. 277 South for speeding. After a drivers license check the check revealed suspect was wanted for a warrant issued by Erath County Sheriff's Department in Stephenville, Texas for theft/fraud. Suspect was arrested for driving

while license suspended and under warrant.

1-1-99: Officer was dispatched to Shot's #6 in reference to a person being intoxicated. Upon arrival officer met with a subject which seemed to be intoxicated. After further investigation subject was arrested for public intoxication.

1-3-99: Attempted Suicide- Officer was dispatched to 103 Dollie-Landmark Apartments in reference to a suicide. Officer communicated with victim until EMS personnel arrived. Victim was transported to Hudspeth Hospital for medical treatment.

EMS Report

12-02-98: Medical- Crockett Street to Hudspeth Hospital; Unit #100 - Accident- Glasscock & Hwy. 277 South to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100

12-07-98: Medical- Hudspeth Nursing Home to Shannon St. Johns. Unit #102

12-08-98: Accident- Glasscock Street to Hudspeth Hospital; Unit #100 - Transport- Hudspeth Hospital to Bexar County Medical Examiner; Unit #102 - Medical- Tayloe Street to Hudspeth Hospital; Unit #100 - Medical- Hudspeth Hospital to San Angelo Community; Unit #101 - Accident- IH-10 401 MM No Transport- Patient Refused service.

12-09-98: Medical- Hudspeth Nursing Home to Shannon St. Johns; Unit #102 - Medical- Hudspeth Hospital to Shannon Medical Center. Unit #101

12-11-98: Medical- Tayloe Street to Hudspeth; Unit #100 - Medical- Hudspeth Hospital to Shannon Medical Center. Unit #101

12-13-98: Medical- Tayloe Street to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100

12-14-98: Medical- New Street to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100

12-16-98: Accident- Tayloe Street- Patient refused Transport. Unit #100

12-17-98: Medical- Thompson Road to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100

12-18-98: Accident- Hudspeth Hospital to San Angelo Community Hospital; Unit #102 - Medical- Sinoloa Second to Hudspeth Hospital; Unit #100 - Medical- Hudspeth Hospital to Shannon Medical Center; Accident- 8 miles Hwy. 1691 to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100 2 patients

12-19-98: Accident- IH-10 383 MM to Hudspeth Hospital; Unit #100 2 patients - Accident- IH-10 383 MM to Hudspeth Hospital; Unit #101, 2 patients and Unit #102, 3 patients - Accident- IH-10 399

MM- Patient refused Transport; Unit #100 - Accident- Hudspeth Hospital to assist First Flight; Unit #100 - Accident- Hudspeth Hospital to Shannon Medical Center; Unit #102 Accident- Hudspeth Hospital to Shannon Medical Center; Unit #101 - Accident- IH-10 Hwy. 277 North- Patient refused Transport; Unit #100 - Accident- Glasscock Street- Patient refused Service. Unit #100

12-20-98: Transport- Shannon Medical Center to Sinoloa Second; Unit #101 - Medical- Sinoloa Second to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #101

12-21-98: Medical- 8 Miles West South Service to Hudspeth Hospital; Unit #100 - Medical- 13.6 Miles South Hwy. 277 to Hudspeth Hospital; Unit #100 - Medical- Hudspeth Hospital to Shannon Medical Center. Unit #101

12-23-98: Medical- Hudspeth Hospital to Shannon Medical Center; Unit #101 - Medical- Tayloe Street to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #101

12-24-98: Accident- IH-10 412 MM to Hudspeth Hospital; Unit #100 - Medical- Hudspeth Hospital to Shannon Medical Center. Unit #100

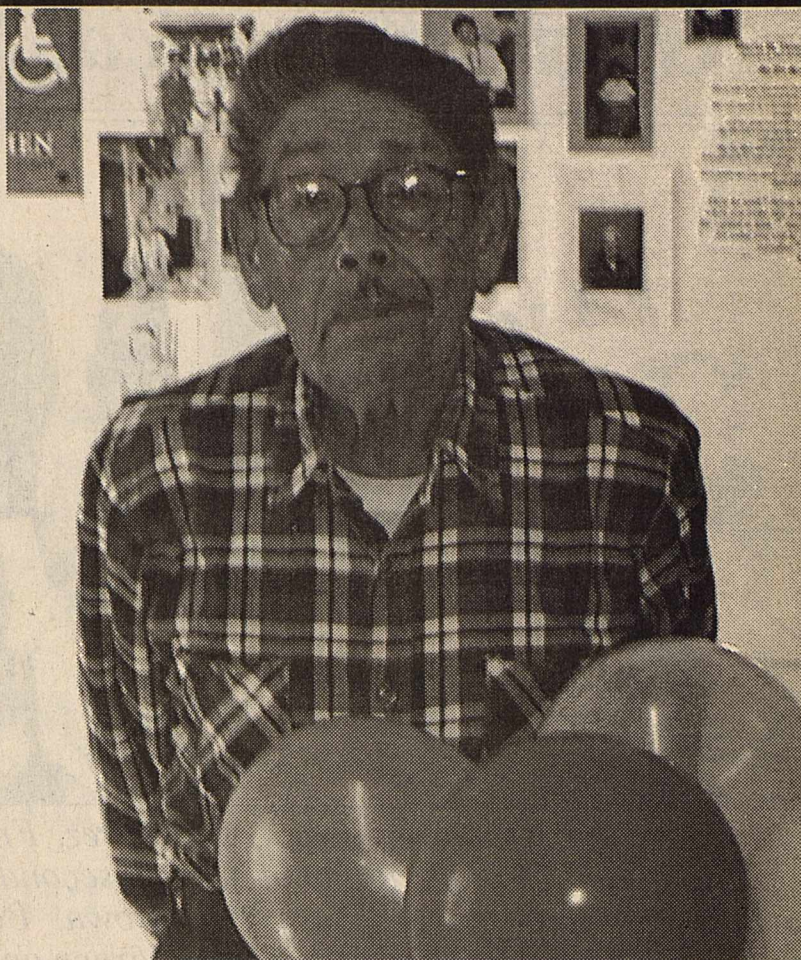
12-25-98: Accident- IH-10 431 MM to Hudspeth Hospital; Unit #100 - Accident- Plum Street to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100

12-27-98: Accident- IH-10 392 MM to Hudspeth Hospital- Unit #100, 2 patients; Accident- IH-10 387 MM Cancelled Enroute; Unit #100 - Accident- IH-10 386 MM Cancelled Enroute. Unit #100

12-29-98: Accident- IH-10 396 MM to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100

12-30-98: Medical- Hudspeth Nursing Home to St. Johns; Unit #102 - Medical- St. Johns Hospital to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #102

12-31-98: Medical- Hudspeth Nursing Home to St. Johns Unit #102



Pablo Favela celebrated his 93rd birthday January 1, 1999!!!

Happy Birthday**January 9**

Elena Gandar
Crispin Lira
Sue Smith

January 10

Delma Chavez
Cerissa White
January 11
Jalesa Coronado

January 12
Alfredo Ozuna Sr.

Chris Clifton
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January 13

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JV Broncos finish season with victory
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HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of January 10-16

ARIES
March 21-April 20

This is the week to take a look at your financial situation and decide where you want to head this year. Stay away from the gossip mill at work this week. Otherwise, it could mean some sticky problems for you in the workplace.

TAURUS
April 21-May 21

Remember when you promised your family your undivided attention? Well, the holidays are over, so it's time to make good on your promise. Take a creative approach to that time together. Try something new that everyone will enjoy.

GEMINI
May 22-June 21

Be on your best behavior this week at work. Do everything you can to cooperate with the plans or moves under way. Give some time to a special friend this week. It will be a great break for you and will improve your friend's week as well.

CANCER
June 22-July 22

This is the week to put your health first. It's time to see a doctor about a problem that's been bugging you. It will help put your mind at ease. It's also a good week to take care of those minor chores you've been putting off at home.

LEO
July 23-August 23

It's time to take a step back at work. You've been overdoing it, and your personal life is starting to suffer. This would be a great time to get away for a weekend or longer. Put work on the back burner for a few days and enjoy the time away.

VIRGO
August 24-September 22

You've been putting off a major decision for too long. It's time to get on the right track, listen to some friendly advice and make your decision. It's not going to get any easier. Once you've made your decision, do something special for yourself.

LIBRA
September 23-October 23

Keep your eyes and ears open at work. Changes may be on the horizon and could affect your job and personal life. You've been thinking about an old friend lately. Get in touch with him/her. It might just help relieve the stress of work.

SCORPIO
October 24-November 22

Pay attention to the demands of those who are counting on you. Don't look at it as a chore. A new attitude on your part will definitely work wonders. Escape with your partner or a friend for a few days at the end of the week, and your attitude will change.

SAGITTARIUS
November 23-December 21

Don't let the week pass without trying something new and different. You've been in a rut. Take a jump and get out of it. It's a good week to forget some of those ideas that have been ingrained in your head for too long. Think of a new approach.

CAPRICORN
December 22-January 20

It might be best for you to postpone that special occasion you had planned. It will actually go a lot better, and you'll enjoy it much more, if you reschedule for a later date. This is not the week to let your finances go. Stay on top of things.

AQUARIUS
January 21-February 18

There's nothing wrong with speaking your mind, just try to be considerate about it. Try not to hurt someone else's feelings with your words. Seek the advice of a financial professional, not a friend, and finalize some decisions.

PISCES
February 19-March 20

A change of circumstances might be just what you need this week. Whether you take the family or head out on your own, make it an adventure. Check your calendar and don't forget a close friend's special day. It's right around the corner.

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Second Half Of Lady Bronco Season Gets Started

Monday, December 28:

The Lady Broncos just couldn't wait to get the second half of the season started. So Monday, after a morning practice session, they loaded the bus and headed to the CellularOne Holiday Classic at Brownwood.

The first opponent for the Lady Broncos were the Brownwood Lady Lions. The Lady Lions fielded a solid team which eventually won the championship.

For three quarters the Lady Broncos kept the game close with good defense and fair freethrow shooting. But the Lady Broncos were ice cold from the floor, managing only five fieldgoals and five threepointers, shooting a season low 20%. Production from the freethrow line wasn't up to usual standards either. Still Brownwood led by only eight at the end of the third quarter.

The Lady Broncos managed a couple of rallies early in the fourth quarter before Brownwood slammed the door. An aggressive full court press rattled the Lady Broncos as Brownwood wins 62-45.

Kara Eaton played a good game defensively, as Cindy Jones and Kim Marshall led the scoring. Scoring: Cindy Jones-14, Kim Marshall-12, Kara Eaton-4, Daisy Mireles-3, Marisha Henson-3, Liza Ramirez-3, Kari Purvis-2, Japha Word-2, Sarah Ball-1 and Dana Duhon-1.

Tuesday, December 29, 1998:

Game two against Venus started at 8 a.m., usually not a good time for the Lady Broncos. But coaches Marshall and Allen found the answer "just didn't feed them," probably because they got out of bed too late. Whatever, it worked as the Lady Broncos made 27 fieldgoals and five threepointers on the way to a 78-46 win.

Team defense kept Venus off balance as Sarah Ball and Dana Duhon played well. Daisy

Mireles led the scoring with, a personal best, 20 points while Cindy Jones contributed 18 and Kara Eaton 14. Scoring: Daisy Mireles-20, Cindy Jones-18, Kara Eaton-14, Stacy Fox-8, Kim Marshall-4, Japha Word-4, Marisha Henson-3, Liza Ramirez-3, Sarah Ball-2 and Kari Purvis-2.

Tuesday, December 29, 1998:

The Lady Broncos were matched with 4A Marble Falls in the Consolation title game. The Lady Broncos were ready as they jumped out to lead 16-5 at the end of the first quarter. Marble Falls was never able to mount much of a threat as the Lady Bronco defense played very well. Although Marble Falls did rally in the fourth quarter the Lady Broncos came away with the win 56-48.

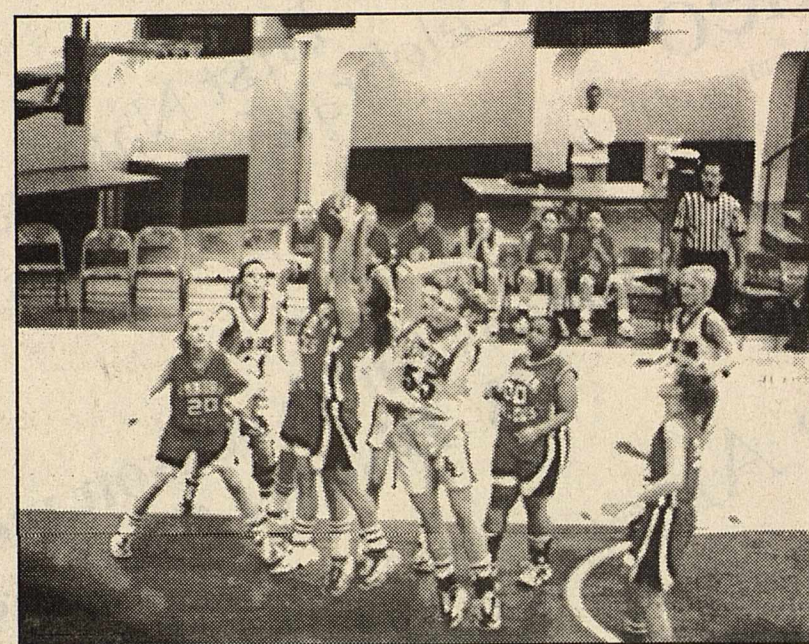
The Lady Broncos played as a team offensively and defensively. The scoring was spread evenly as the Ladies played unselfishly winning the Consolation trophy. Scoring: Cindy Jones-12, Japha Word-8, Marisha Henson-7, Kara Eaton-6, Daisy Mireles-5, Liza Ramirez-5, Kari Purvis-4, Sarah Ball-3, Dana Duhon-3, Stacy Fox-2 and Kim Marshall-1.

Saturday, January 2, 1999:

Saturday the Lady Broncos traveled to Boerne to take on the 4A Lady Greyhounds. The first quarter didn't go as planned as Boerne outscored the Lady Broncos 20-5. The second quarter started the same way as the Lady Greyhounds worked the low post relentlessly. The Lady Broncos were no match for the size and strength inside. Dana Duhon and Stacy Fox worked hard against the big post but foul trouble took its toll.

The Lady Broncos got back in the game in the third quarter as they cut the lead to 8 but the Lady Greyhounds were just too much as they pulled away at the end of the game to win 66-48. Scoring: Cindy Jones-19, Stacy Fox-6, Kara Eaton-6, Japha Word-4, Kim Marshall-3, Marisha Henson-3, Liza Ramirez-3, Daisy Mireles-2 and Sarah Ball-2.

With the loss the Lady Bronco season record fell to 12-6 as they prepare to end the non-conference schedule Tuesday against Grape Creek. District begins Friday as the Lady Broncos take on the Junction Lady Eagles at Sonora, 6:30 p.m., See You There!



Go Lady Broncos!!



JV Lady Broncos Meets Boerne

1-2-99: Sonora vs. Boerne

The J.V. girls interrupted their Christmas break a little early by traveling to Boerne and playing against a good 4-A team that had definite size and speed advantage. The Sonora girls gave a good effort and never gave up despite several girls getting into foul trouble early during the game. Despite their effort, the SONORA J.V. lost with a final score of SONORA- 18 and BOERNE- 59. Scorers for Sonora were Rita Lopez-6, Desiree Gonzales-6, Monica Lira-4 and Lindsey Bowers-2. **TEAM RECORD 7-7.**

7th Grade Lady Colts on Winning Streak

1-4-99: Sonora A Team vs. Eldorado A Team

The Lady Colts played a good game. Offensively they worked as a team. Defensively the Colts played very aggressively. Other team members are Jessica Martin and Isabel Ibarra. Leading scorers were Tamika Marshall-10, Cady Taylor-6, Dainah Hernandez-6, Brea Hughes-4, Laura Word-4, Paola Garcia-2, Kelly Kearney-2 and Elizabeth Elliott-2. The score was Sonora 36 and Eldorado 26.

1-4-99: Sonora B Team vs. Eldorado B Team

The 7th grade "B" team played a great game against Eldorado. Offensively the girls scored from every position. Defensively they showed a lot of hustle. The leading scorers were Nikki Samaniego-7, April Flores-2, Michelle Weingart-2, Susanna Street-2, Evangelina Martinez-2, Amy Vandivere-2 and Ruby Galindo-2. Other team members are Danielle Galindo, Kate Higdon and Denevra Gloria. The score was Sonora 19 - Eldorado 4.

Speech and Drama Practice Meet To Be Held In Sonora

On February 12th and 13th the Sonora High School Speech and Drama Department will host the 53rd Annual Speech and Academic Practice Meet. This tournament requires a lot of assistance from the community to be the successful competition that it is currently known for. This year's contest will be under the direction of Mr. Cody S. Eoff, Theatre Arts teacher at the high school. Preparation has been underway since before Thanksgiving but due to the fact that there are many things to be done, help from the community is being requested. The main thing needed for the tournament will be judges in the speaking events. Anyone can qualify to judge these events and a workshop is being planned prior to the tournament to answer any questions and clarify the rules in each contest. A judge's packet will also be made available to be a source of reference in all speaking events.

However, we also need other helpers in the roles of: contest managers, timekeepers, hospitality workers, information workers and registration workers. We are strongly encouraging anyone who feels that they will be able to help in any way during the tournament to contact the office of Speech and Drama at 387-6533 ext.313.

Scholarship Deadlines Loom for High School Seniors

Now is the time to act for high school seniors and college students who need scholarship money for college next fall. Many scholarships that will help families pay for tuition, room and board, text books, lab fees and a myriad of other related expenses will be awarded over the next several months. Although this is the season that students focus on applying to colleges, it is vitally important for families to have applications in soon for scholarship sources so that they can receive money when the scholarships are awarded.

Unfortunately many families delay seeking help in searching for scholarships that can help them and they miss out on money which they are qualified to receive. Many are forced into relying on burdensome debt to finance their education. According to the U.S. Department of Education and Financial Aid Experts, "many students miss out on valuable scholarship opportunities simply because they are not aware of all of various scholarships that can help them. Here are some sources that students can follow up on right now:

Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation: 150 Awards of \$4000-\$10,000. Based on leadership, academics, motivation and extracurricular activities. Coca-Cola Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 442, Atlanta, GA 30301-0442.

William E. Schmidt Foundation: Awards from \$5000-\$10,000. Deadline March 31. Student's age 16-20, request to 4445 Commerce Street, Evansville, IL 47710.

McNeil Consumer Products Company-Tylenol Scholarship: 510 awards of \$1000-\$10,000. For elected class officers; Write P.O. Box 8499, Clinton, IA 52736-8499.

The John Gyles Education Fund: Available to full time post-secondary students with US or Canadian citizenship. Awards up to \$3000. Send SASE to The John Gyles Education Fund, Attention James Cogle, Administrator, P.O. Box 4808, 712 Riverside Drive, Frederickton, New Brunswick, Canada E3B 5G4.

Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation: 200 scholarships of \$1000. GPA of "B" or higher. US Citizen. Send request to ECSF, 721 N. McKinley Road, P.O. Box 5012, Lake Forest, IL, 60045-5012.

Hitachi Foundation: \$5000. Grades 13-16. Awarded to students who have demonstrated community service. Requests to Hitachi Foundation, Yoshiyama Award, 1509 22nd St. NW, Washington, DC 20037.

Fortunately there are hundreds of thousands of scholarship and grant sources available to students who take the time to locate them. For additional updated information on other financial aid sources, a *Step-to-Success Timetable* for receiving scholarship aid and how to receive awards from 400,000 independent sources, send \$3.00 to cover handling to the National Academic Funding Advisory (NAFA), 188 Summer Street, Scholarship Dept. S1, Portsmouth, NH 03801.



1998 - 99 SONORA BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Sonora Colts

Jan. 18 Big Lake

Girls - There 5:00 pm & 6:15pm

Boys - Here 5:00 pm & 6:15pm

9th Grade

Jan. 7 Edison There - 6:00

Jan. 14 Glenn here 6:00 (tentative)

Bronco Junior Varsity

Jan. 9 Wimberly Here -6:00

Jan.12 There 6:00

Varsity

Jan.9 Wimberly Here - 7:30

Jan.12 Clyde Here 7:30

Lady Broncos

Jan. 8 Junction Here

Junior Varsity Here 5:00

Varsity 6:30

Jan. 12 Ozona There

Junior Varsity There 5:00

Varsity 6:30

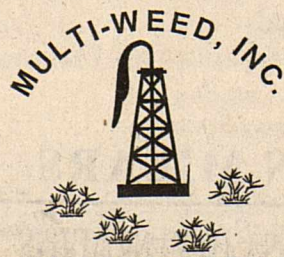
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Dangerous Foreign Affairs:

America's Starring Role as Superpower May Close to Bad Reviews - The Russians are talking to India and China about a new strategic alliance -- the three of them to offset the United States. . . . Got to admit that would be a formidable alliance -- three nuclear powers with 2 billion of the world's 5 billion people and a huge, huge chunk of its natural resources. It may not be easy to put together, but at least it shows that the Russian leaders are thinking about more than the stock market, the anatomy of interns and the latest public-opinion polls. . . . One should always keep in mind that just because America's politicians may, at some point, be shallow-minded fools, it doesn't mean that the rest of the world's leaders are. . . .

8:35 AM

Clinton DNA Test Over Prostitute's Son

The teenage son of a black Arkansas prostitute is awaiting the results of a DNA test to determine if he was fathered by President Clinton, it was reported yesterday. . . . The new claim came as the Senate wrangled over how to proceed with an impeachment trial of Mr. Clinton for high crimes and misdemeanors relating to his affair with Monica Lewinsky. Danny Williams, 13, whose mother Bobbie Ann has long insisted that he was the product of one of a number of sexual encounters with Mr. Clinton, was said to be in hiding last night. . . .

IMF Watchers:

Financier Soros Wants IMF to Become World's Central Bank - The International Monetary Fund should be transformed into a global central bank to help prevent new financial crises from wrecking economies around the world, American financier George Soros said Monday in the London-based Financial Times. . . . "If global financial markets are inherently unstable we need a stronger regulatory framework rather than the dismantling of existing institutions," Soros wrote. "To be specific, we need to convert the IMF into something resembling an international central bank. . . .

7:12 AM

Rehnquist Says Our Entire Federal System is Threatened

U.S. Chief Justice Says Too Many New Federal Crimes - U.S. Chief Justice William Rehnquist said Friday that congressional pressure to respond to sensational crimes by placing more of them under federal law was adding greatly to the federal caseload. . . . "Over the last decade, Congress has contributed significantly to the rising caseload by continuing to federalize crimes already covered by state laws," he said in a New Year's Day statement. . . . "The pressure in Congress to appear responsive to every highly publicized societal ill or sensational crime needs to be balanced with an inquiry into whether states are doing an adequate job in these particular areas and, ultimately, whether we want most of our legal relationships decided at the national rather than local level," he said. . . . "Federal courts were not created to adjudicate local crimes, no matter how sensational or heinous the crimes may be. . . .

Government Hiding China Buildup

China Makes Move on Spratlys - China is building military facilities on islands in the South China Sea some 800 miles from the mainland as part of an aggressive grab for undersea energy resources and control over strategic waterways, according to a senior House member. . . . "The U.S. government must end its silence about the Chinese military buildup in the Spratlys," said Rep. Dana Rohrabacher after a recent flight to the contested Spratly Islands on a Philippine military C-130 plane. . . . "It is dangerous for the administration to continue to hide this issue from the Congress and the American people," he said. "Now is the time to impress upon the Chinese the need to end their aggression toward their neighbors. . . .

"There's obviously a strategy here," the California Republican said. "By claiming territory at Mischief Reef, the Communist Chinese are not only going to be able to control one of the most important waterways in the world, but they are also in a position to grab huge energy resources". . . . Mr. Rohrabacher said he was upset that the State Department, which has announced its policy of seeking a strategic partnership with China, tried to block his aerial inspection of the reef. . . . Officials at the U.S. Embassy in Manila tried to prevent his visit to the area on several occasions, a congressional staff member said. A Nov. 25 embassy cable to the State Department stated, "We do not believe it would be in the U.S. interest for the [congressional delegation] to travel to Palawan, since the presence of a highly visible senior U.S. government official on the island at this time would be taken as signifying more U.S. involvement in the current dispute between the Philippines and China over Mischief Reef than U.S. policy supports. . . .

Judge Rules North Carolina Red Wolves Can Stay Wild

WASHINGTON, DC, December 31, 1998 (ENS) - Nearly 200 North Carolina red wolves will remain in the wild due to U.S. District Judge Terrence Boyle's rejection last week of a challenge to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) red wolf reintroduction program.

Two landowners and two North Carolina counties filed a lawsuit to overturn the FWS regulation that governs the killing or trapping of endangered red wolves on private property. The plaintiffs alleged that the federal regulation to protect endangered red wolves on private property was unconstitutional, but the court disagreed.

Intervening on behalf of FWS, Washington based environmental group Defenders of Wildlife began the court battle nearly a year ago to protect the reintroduction program.

"The reintroduction of the red wolf is one of the Endangered Species Act's greatest success stories and the first recovery program in the United States of any species that was officially extinct in the wild," explains Rodger Schlickeisen, president of Defenders of Wildlife. "This decision represents a significant victory for the endangered red wolf and the Endangered Species Act itself."

Considered the most endangered canine in North America, the red wolf is being reintroduced in several areas of the country with captive-born animals. Two of those reintroduction areas are in North Carolina - the Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge in Dare County and an area of the Great Smokey Mountains along the North Carolina/Tennessee border.

The red wolf, a smaller, slimmer cousin of the timberwolf, once roamed the eastern United States as far north as Pennsylvania and as far west as central Texas. The red wolf was shot, trapped, poisoned, and clubbed to death until 1967 when the federal government declared it an endangered species.

In 1975, in an effort to prevent the red wolf's extinction, FWS captured all remaining wild red wolves, fewer than 20, and began to breed them successfully in captivity. Reintroduction of the species began in 1987, when captive animals were released into Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge in northeast North Carolina, with later releases into nearby Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge.

More than 100 red wolves have since been born in the wild, and a stable population of about 60 adults has been established. "Most of the people who live in North Carolina are as pleased as I am in knowing that these wolves will remain safe and continue to add diversity to the ecosystem," Schlickeisen says.

Past studies indicated the majority of North Carolina residents support red wolf recovery. "The plaintiff's lawsuit was a threat not just to the red wolf but also to the entire Endangered Species Act program", Michael Senatore, wildlife counsel for Defenders of Wildlife says. "This ruling clearly reaffirms the authority of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to conserve our nation's endangered species and should bolster ongoing efforts to restore wolves in other parts of the country. The success of this case is likely to further educate the public and help generate a wider acceptance of wolves."

In addition to creating a more diverse ecosystem, the wolves have the potential to generate millions of tourist dollars for the eastern North Carolina region. "People love the wolves. They are exquisite, mysterious creatures that belong on this land," Schlickeisen says. "The people accept these wolves, the land accepts these wolves, and I am relieved to see that the law has accepted these wolves." *Environment News Service*

Extended Forecast

1/6 thru 1/10

Wednesday Night

Clear. Low in the mid 30s.

Thursday

Mostly sunny. High in the lower 70s.

Friday

Increasing clouds and cooler. Highs 60-65

Saturday

Partly cloudy and cooler. Lows 25-30. Highs 50-55

Sunday

Fair. Lows 25-30. Highs near 60

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Slaughter Bucks: 41.00-42.50 CWT.

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Billies and Muttons: 80-135 lb muttons 69.00-85.00; 85-150 lb billies 75.00-87.00 CWT.

Angora Goats: 70-120 lb muttons and billies 45.00-49.00; 65-95 lb nannies 42.50-48.00; 45-70 lb kids 73.50-77.50; 50-65 lb yearlings 61.00-65.00; thin nannies and muttons 30.00-41.00 CWT.

Source: Texas Dept of Ag Market News-USA Market News

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Slaughter Ewes:

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Slaughter Bucks: 30.00-41.00.

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79.00-82.50; 70-90 lb 73.00-80.00; 90-100 lb 70.00-73.00.

Medium and Large 2 50-70 lb 70.00-79.00; 70-90 lb 65.00-73.00.

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Goats:

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Angora: Choice 70-110 lb 39.00-45.00 cwt; Choice Kids 35-65 lb 77.00-84.00 cwt.

Replacement Goats:

Nannies: 65-100 lb 80.00-82.50 per head; 60-95 lb 59.00-63.00 cwt.

Source: USDA-Texas Dept of Ag Market News

Oil Down On No Supply Worry; Hogs And Corn Up

NEW YORK (Reuters) - Oil prices closed lower Tuesday ahead of a weekly report on oil usage and stockpiles with traders shrugging off the recent surge in heating demand in the United States and pointed to swollen world supply.

In other commodity markets, hog and corn prices soared on cold weather concerns while coffee prices dropped on supply.

At the New York Mercantile Exchange, crude oil for February delivery closed 35 cents lower at \$11.99 a barrel. February heating oil fell 0.92 cent a gallon at 34.22 cents and February gasoline closed 1.17 cents a gallon lower at 36.35 cents. "The market's long-term view is that supply is going to outpace demand and this continues to give the market a bearish tone," said analyst Joe Posillico at trading house E.D. & F. Man International.

The market has largely ignored the latest tensions over Iraq's no-fly zones, he said, as it has not affected Iraq's capacity to export oil. Iraq was reported Monday to have raised its January oil export schedule beyond two million barrels a day as it pushes sales to post-Gulf War highs.

That adds to already huge headaches among other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, which has failed to come to agreement on any significant cuts to daily oil exports. Many OPEC members are strapped for cash and want top exporters like Saudi Arabia to cut back more.

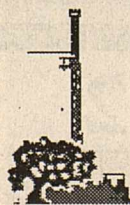
Weather forecasts indicated that the U.S. Northeast, the top heating oil consuming region, will remain colder than normal until late this week. "We have so much heating oil that even three weeks of weather like this will not cause a shortage," said Posillico.

In other commodity markets, cold weather continued to support hog and corn prices. Cold weather slows hog marketings and slaughter rates, reducing pork supplies. It also increases demand for corn, the main feed for hogs and cattle, as the animal consume more in order to stay warm.

At the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, February lean hogs closed up the 2.00-cent-a-pound daily trading limit at 32.725 cents. February pork bellies, the raw material for bacon slicers, rose 1.275 cents a pound at 44.050 cents.

Forecasts for another snowstorm in the Midwest by Wednesday and another bout of very low temperatures by the weekend boosted the markets, while traders also cited a Congressional hearing on the pork crisis which sent cash hog prices to 50-year lows before Christmas and sparked calls for farm aid.

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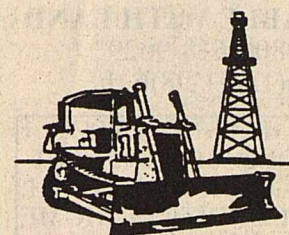
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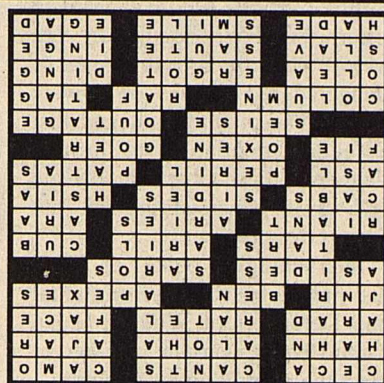
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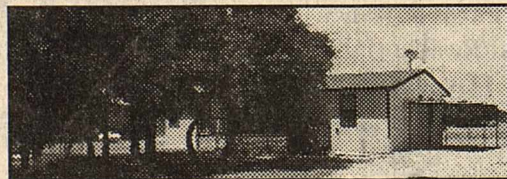
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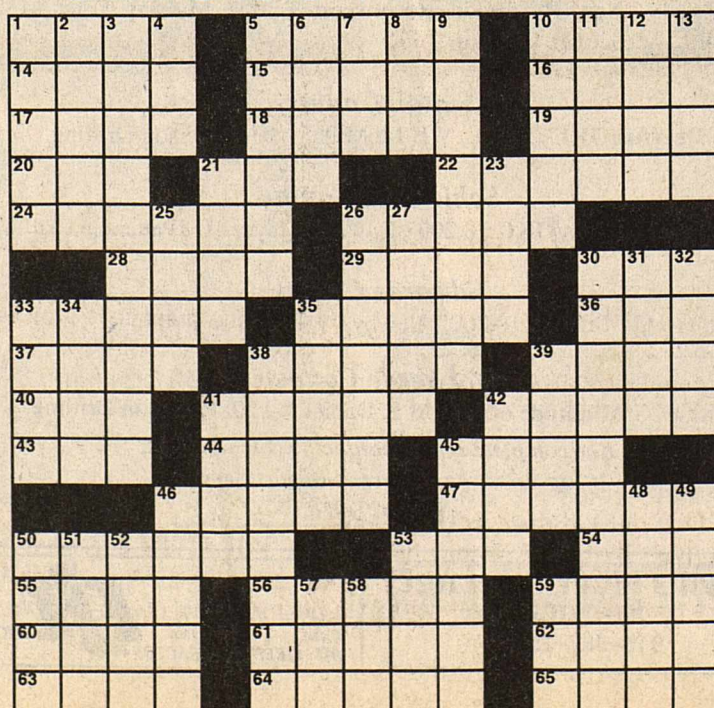
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- Actor Siller
- Vertexes
- Digressions
- Gulf of, in the Aegean
- Paves the asphalt
- Plant part
- Baby bear
- Mirthful
- Zodiacal ram
- Macaws
- Taxis
- Faces
- First Chinese dynasty
- Signing
- Danger
- Reddish long-tailed
monkey of W. Africa
- "Fee, ___, Foe, Fum"
- Paul Bunyan's pets
- One who departs
- Capture
- Loss of electricity, with
"power"

- Perpendicular to a row
- Royal Air Force: abbr.
- You're ill
- Evergreen trees and
shrubs having oily one-
seeded fruits
- Plant disease
- "___ dong, the witch is
dead"
- Individual
- A way to cook with fat
- German woman's
name
- Incline from vertical
- Facial gesture of plea-
sure
- Oh, God!

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- Largest crested
screamer
- Gains
- Word to describe one
who donates
- Not or
- Stroke
- Alda, actor
- "To be or ___ to be.."
- One and only
- Wages
- Restaurants
- A mythical Greek hero
- Medieval spiked club
- Minerals
- One part of the famed
"Sesame Street" duo
- Politicians: shortened
form
- Reporter Rather et al.
- Small, tightly-packed
fishes
- Spirit in The Tempest
- Spaying
- Diseased urinary condi-
tion
- Sheep sounds
- Canadian flyers
- Romanian city
- Gels up
- Eroticism
- A minute amount
(Scott)
- Ode
- Thick cushion used as
a seat
- Trendy facial hair
styling
- Smoothly agreeable
and polite
- Cannabis
- ___ on, encouraged
- Blackjack
- Leaf or ship from a leaf
of the talipot palm used
in India for writing
paper
- In the ___, winning
- Unit of weight near the
Mediterranean
- Animal represented by
the constellation Aries
- Visual metaphor
(Computers)
- Live and let ___