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“Becoming Better Hosts To Visitors”

Tourism Partnership Seeks to Expand Tourism With Texas Friendly Program

The area's first Texas Hospitality Instructor Workshop was conducted last week as the first step in implementing the “becoming better host to visitors” strategy of the Southwest Texas Tourism Partnership (SWTTP). Nine local volunteers were certified as instructors to conduct local “Texas friendly” workshops for employees and managers of local businesses. Participants included: Sharon Hunnicutt, Vickie Williams, Kelly Owen, Carmen Sutton, Kelly Thorp, Stacey Juracek, Lill Kothman, Ladonna Wardlaw and Nancy Lester. The instructor training was sponsored by SWTTP in cooperation with the Texas Cooperative Extension, Department of Recreation, Park and Tourism, Texas A&M, and the Texas Tech University Restaurant, Hotel and Institutional Management Program.

“Becoming Better Hosts to Our Visitors” is one of the strategies developed by the Southwest Texas Tourism Partnership (SWTTP) to increase tourism in the Sutton, Crockett, and Schleicher counties area. Justin McGeath, chair of the Partnership steering committee, noted, “One thing we have learned in the last year is that the service sector of our economy has great potential for expansion. Tourism is one economic development strategy that makes sense, but we have to be aggressive to make it work. We are fortunate to be part of a pilot project



Kelly Thorp, Ladonna Wardlaw and Kelly Owen discuss becoming better hosts at a Tourism Partnership Workshop held in Sonora.

with A&M and Texas Tech. Our next step is to make preliminary contacts with a few of the businesses in Ozona, Sonora and Eldorado. The business contacts will give us feedback that will be used by A&M and Tech to adapt the program for local businesses.”

Dr. Carson Watt, A&M professor and extension specialist, explained, “The SWTTP area was originally selected to be a model for rural communities seeking ways to enhance their economy and preserve a desired way of life. The tourism potential for this area was recognized early in the process. The enthusiasm and hard work led to the formation of the Partnership and the development of strategies to grow tourism. Implementation of the “Texas friendly” workshops is still several months away. This

delay will give us (A&M and Tech) time to customize the program for local implementation. The hospitality project is scheduled to be fully implemented within the next 5-6 months.”

Anyone interested in the activities of the South West Texas Tourism Partnership should contact Justin McGeath at (915) 387-6280 / side@sonoratx.net. Other members of the SWTTP steering committee include: Lolabeth Jones, Gerry Ingham, Shannon Biggerstaff, Stan Meadors, Dan Brown, and Stacey Juracek. The state manager of the Texas Hospitality Program is Diane Breeding, Texas Cooperative Extension, Department of Recreation, Park and Tourism at Texas A&M University (979) 845-0869 / d-breeding@tamu.edu.

Hospital District Forms Steering Committee

The Sutton County Hospital District Board of Directors held a special called meeting to host a dinner for potential Steering Committee members for the Sutton County Health Foundation. The following Directors were present: Alvis Johnson, President; Lewis Allen, Vice President; Virginia Epps; Lenora Pool; Preston Faris and Mike Healy. Also present were Keith L. Butler, CEO; Carolyn Lara, Alternate Board Secretary; and potential Steering Committee members.

Dr. Johnson called the meeting to order and declared a quorum was present.

Dr. Johnson gave a brief history of the Hospital. He stated that Roy Hudspeth, a rancher in Sutton and Crockett counties, donated the initial funds toward the construction of the Hospital, in memory of his wife; Lillian M. Hudspeth. Mr. Hudspeth passed away before the Hospital building was completed and endowed the Hospital with over 12,000 acres of ranch land, to support the operation of the Hospital. The Hospital opened July 2, 1951.

Dr. Johnson stated that the purpose of the meeting being held was to make a decision as to whether or not to establish the Sutton County Health Foundation. Dr. Johnson stated that the Sutton County Health Foundation would not be managed by the Sutton County Hospital District Board of Directors, but would be directed by its own board.

Dr. Johnson then introduced

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Local Youth Compete in Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition



Boys and girls ages 10 to 14 participated in the local level of competition for the 2002 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship on January 27, 2002 at 2:30 p.m.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually with winners progressing through local, district, regional, state and international level competition. International champions are announced by the K of C International headquarters based on scores from the state level competitions. Last year more than 218,000 sharpshooters participated in 3,453 local competitions.

The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic family fraternal service organization with nearly 1.6 million members in more than 11,000 local councils. Last year, the

Knights donated 50 million volunteer hours and \$105 million to charitable and benevolent causes, sponsoring projects to benefit their church, councils, communities, families and youth.

The winners for this year's local Free Throw Competition were: **First Place Winners (pictured above)**

10 Year-Olds – Cassie Krieg & Cash Jennings

11 Year-Olds – Whitney Perez & Derek Van Winkle

12 Year-Olds – Meghan Krieg & Riley Sanchez

13 Year-Olds – Kristina Hernandez & Cullen Parker

14 Year-Olds – Adriana Castillo & Cameron Cox

See more Free Throw winners page 4

Mayor Proclaims February “Volunteer Month”



Sonora Mayor JoAnn Hernandez and the City Council proclaimed February as “Volunteer Month” for Sonora. Without volunteers we would have no Downtown Christmas Lighting, Game Dinner, Sutton County Days, Chamber of Commerce Banquet, Lion's Club Auction and Queens Contest, Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest, the Annual Thanksgiving Lunch, American Cancer Society and the Relay for Life, the Annual Easter Egg Hunt, PTO, 4-H, Senior Center meals and parties, Firemen, EMS, Project Angel Tree, Ministerial Alliance and food drives, Boy Scouts and much more! Watch the Devil's River News in February as volunteer organizations are spotlighted.

CITY OF SONORA PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, there is always a need for citizens to willingly assist their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, volunteering is a powerful force in the solution of human problems, and the creative use of human resources essential to a healthy and productive society; and

WHEREAS, volunteering of one's time and expertise is a fundamental part of our community; and

WHEREAS, a great deal of time, energy, and talents is unselfishly expended by volunteers throughout our community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Sonora, proclaim the month of February, as

“SONORA VOLUNTEER MONTH”.

and encourage all citizens to recognize the positive impact volunteers make in our community.

PROCLAIMED this 15th day of January, 2002.

MAYOR

JoAnn Hernandez
JoAnn Hernandez

Conservation Essay Contest

Submitted

The Edwards Plateau Soil & Water Conservation District is sponsoring their annual Conservation Essay Contest. This is an open contest to boys and girls, 18 years of age and younger, and does not jeopardize Texas University Interscholastic League eligibility. The subject is “Soil and Water Conservation” and is limited to a maximum of 300 words. Cash prizes will be awarded locally and the top three entries will be sent to Temple for Area Competition. If you are interested and would like more information, call the Edwards Plateau SWCD office at 387-2730. Deadline for submitting your entry locally is Monday, February 11, 2002.

Scouts Compete In Pinewood Derby

The Cub Scouts held their annual Pinewood Derby on Saturday, January 26 at the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center. There were 32 Scouts that participated in this year's Derby. Those competing this year were: Tyler Edmondson, Blake Esparza, Tyler Creek, Nolan Kinder, Kody Word, Stephen Dominguez, Preston Lopez, Jesse Amador, Nathaniel Villa, Michael Stephens, Clayton Parks, Abran Luevano, Marcos Gamez, Taylor Velarde, Dustin Crittendon, James Bean, Ethan Morris, Cande Tobias, Stephen Bedwell, Manny Paredes, Reggie Hernandez, Aaron Hinsley, Mikael Samaniego, Stefan Ortiz,

Dakota Malik, Jared Hinsley, Michael Sanchez, Phillip Stephens, Paul Faz, Garrett Smith, Dustin Covey, and Cody Snyder.

After a long fought battle there were three boys that came out on top. **Winning 1st place was Mikael Samaniego, 2nd place went to Stephen Bedwell and Cody Snyder came in 3rd.**

Congratulations to all the winners and a job well done by each Scout who worked so hard to design and create their individual mini Pinewood Derby cars.

See more Pinewood Derby page 5



Mikael Samaniego, Stephen Bedwell and Cody Snyder were the big winners at the Annual Boy Scout Pinewood Derby.

Commissioners Award Bid For Sheriff's Vehicle

The Sutton County Commissioners met on Monday, January 28, 2002. Commissioners present were: John Wade, Belia Castaneda, and Milton Cavaness, and Sutton County Judge Carla Garner. Also present were: County Clerk Betty Hernandez, Sheriff Joe Fincher, Road and Bridge Department Manager Oscar Jimenez, EMS Manager Pat Campbell, County Attorney David Wallace, County Auditor Mara Weingart and Jesse Kerbow.

After a short discussion regarding credit card payments and the continuing rising cost of utilities at the Civic Center, the accounts payables were approved.

Commissioner Castaneda asked if the water at the cemetery had been turned off. Oscar informed that the caretaker was looking at adding faucets out there and may have had the water off for the weekend.

Judge Garner advised the Commissioners that Terry Johnson

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Sutton County Welcomes Allison As New Game Warden

by Storie Sharp

Sutton County recently welcomed a new Game Warden to town, Mr. Will Allison.

Allison and his wife Becky have two daughters, Hanna, a Sophomore at Sonora High School, and Serena Lee, a third grader at Sonora Elementary.

The family returns to this area after being in Paint Rock for 6 years, where Will was a Concho County Game Warden. Prior to living in Paint Rock the Allison's ranch in Rocksprings, where they continue to ranch today.

Allison said that he was very happy to return to this area because he feels comfortable in this ranching community. When the job became available in Sutton County it allowed for Allison to make a lateral transfer and get to return “home”. He said that being a Game Warden in this area gives him the opportunity to help others by enforcing laws of the state while providing for his family. He says that the two counties (Sutton and Concho) are very similar in that the people are all very supportive of fair law enforcement.

Allison said that his goals are to build a home and retire here after his time of serving the people of Sutton County. He continued, that he and his family enjoy being involved in their community and look forward to becoming involved in Sutton County activities. Many of the activities that he has been involved in are the Soil & Water Conservation Board and School Board in Edwards Co., Scoutmaster, 4-H and more.

If you have any questions on laws, seasons, or other Game



Will Allison

Warden related concerns you can contact Will Allison at the office at 387-5159 or at home at 387-5610. He welcomes the calls and advises to be sure to call in advance so as to prevent inadvertently breaking any laws.



Sonora Church Directory

**PRIMERA IGLESIA
BAUTISTA**
Rick Sanchez
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

**FIRST UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**
Rev. Conrad Archer, Pastor
201 N. Water
387-2466

**TEMPLO JERUSALEM
ASAMBLEA DE DIOS**
Rev. Santos Beserra, Jr.
306 W. 4th St.
387-5713

**HOPE LUTHERAN
CHURCH**
Rev. Charles Huffman
417 E. 2nd St.
387-5366

NEW LIFE MINISTRY CENTER
Jerry & Joy Wood
205 E. Main
387-3241

**LA IGLESIA HISPANA
PENTECOSTAL
DEL NOMBRE
DE JESUS, INC.**
387-6072

**THE CHURCH OF THE
GOOD SHEPHERD
PRESBYTERIAN**
Lewis Allen, Pastor
319 E. Mulberry
387-2616

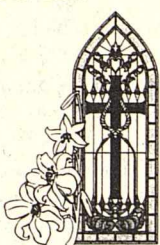
**LIGHTHOUSE BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Don Longoria, Pastor
707 Glasscock
387-5886

**PENTECOSTAL CALVARY
TEMPLE UNITED**
Randy Greenwood
Pastor
509 Amistad
387-5266

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CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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O.M.I.
229 W. Plum
387-2278

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387-2266

Cards of Thanks

The Sonora High School Tennis team would like to thank New Hope Baptist Church for supporting our recent fund raiser. A very special thank you goes to Kay Word and Mike Moore. You guys are great!
Sonora Bronco Tennis

Cub Scout Pack 19 would like to thank the following businesses and individuals for helping to make their Annual Pinewood Derby a winning event: T & C Village Market, The Bank & Trust, Alco, Civic Center, Bill Dempsey, Todd and Brandon Munn, Steven Barthelemy, James Edmondson, Paul Stephens, Pack 19 Leaders, Parents and the Sonora Volunteer Fire Dept. for donating the Pinewood Derby Cars. We appreciate your continued support of our scouting program.

Birth Announcement

**Proud Grandmothers
Becky Collins and Suzanne Whitworth**
would like to announce the birth
of their granddaughter,
ALYSSA NICOLE COLLINS
on January 22, 2002
at Lancaster Regional Hospital,
Lancaster, PA.
Alyssa is also welcomed by
her parents, Evan and Lindsey,
and her big brother, Nathaniel.

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Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m
Worship 11:00 a.m.

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Senior Center News

- Feb. 4 - Bingo.
- Feb. 5 - Exercise with video. 2:00 p.m. Sign up now!
- Feb. 6 - TRAX Van to San Angelo. Call 387-2509.
- Feb. 7 - Work on Valentine Crafts...after lunch.
- Feb. 8 - Run errands and pay bills!

Senior Menu

- Feb. 4 - Oven baked chicken, lima beans, broccoli, bread, chunky fruit mix, milk.
- Feb. 5 - Meatloaf with tomatoes, blackeyed peas, okra, cornbread, banana pudding, milk.
- Feb. 6 - Smothered steak with onions, green beans, mashed potatoes, roll, orange juice, apple crisp.
- Feb. 7 - Oven pork chop, noodles, carrots, tossed salad, bread, applesauce, milk.
- Feb. 8 - Spaghetti with meat sauce, zucchini squash, garlic bread, juice, white cake with caramel icing, milk.

*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.**

School Lunch Menu • Feb. 4 - Feb. 8, 2002

Breakfast

- Mon.* - Waffles, syrup, assorted juice.
- Tues.* - Pigs in a blanket, assorted juice.
- Wed.* - Scrambled eggs, toast, jelly, assorted juice.
- Thurs.* - Breakfast burrito, assorted juice.
- Fri.* - Student Holiday!

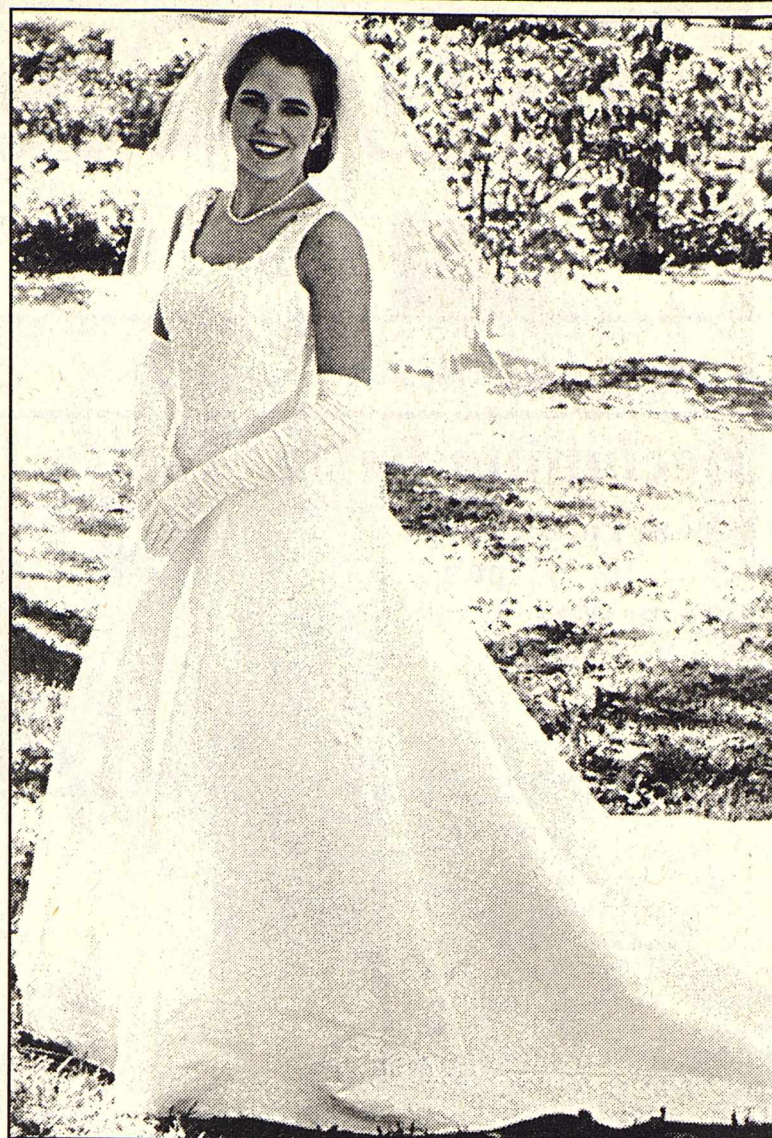
Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts.

Lunch

- Mon.* - Grilled ham & cheese, tator tots, carrot sticks, chocolate pudding.
- Tues.* - Lasagna, corn, tossed salad, fruit, roll.
- Wed.* - Crispy tacos (beef), cheese, salad, pinto beans, pineapple dump cake.
- Thurs.* - Chicken patty on bun, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fries, jello with fruit.
- Fri.* - Student Holiday!

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Wedding



Brumfield - Thompson

Allison Cheryl Brumfield of Grand Saline and Aaron Coley Thompson of Sonora were married Saturday, January 5, 2002, in a candlelight service at the Tyler Woman's Forum in Tyler, Texas. The bride, daughter of James and Cheryl Brumfield of Grand Saline, is a graduate of Southwest Texas State University and Grand Saline High School. She is currently attending graduate school at Southwest Texas State University on a graduate fellowship with the Geography Department. The bridegroom, son of Gene and Jeanette Thompson of Sonora, is a graduate of Southwest Texas State University. He is currently Assistant Manager of McCoy's Building Supply in Dripping Springs and serves in the 1st Squadron, 124th Cavalry Regiment of the Texas Army Guard.

The Reverend David Crain, of David Crain New Life Ministries in Grand Saline, officiated in the double ring ceremony. Pianist, Mrs. Carolyn Elliott of Grand Saline, a friend of the bride, sang "Because" to begin the ceremony. Candles were lit as Mrs. Elliott played "Jessica's Theme", a favorite of the bride and groom.

During a special tribute to the parents and grandparents of the bride and groom, Mrs. Kindle sang "Because You Loved Me". The ushers seated Mrs. A.T. Brumfield of Texarkana, paternal grandmother of the bride, and Mr. and Mrs. Garland E. Wells, of Dawson, maternal great-aunt and uncle of the bride. A grandparent's candle was lit by Kody Lancaster, cousin of the bride, honoring deceased grandparents of the bride and groom: Mr. A.T. Brumfield, Mr. and Mrs. Luther L. Copeland, and Mr. and Mrs. Lano Thompson. Parents of the bride and groom entered and lit the traditional Unity Candle.

The bridesmaids wore floor length gowns of teal taffeta and carried bouquets of Asiatic lilies, rumba roses, alstromeria, and statice. The groomsmen wore black tuxedos with teal vests and ties.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, entering to the Bridal Chorus by Wagner. She wore a sleeveless, princess style ivory satin gown with a cathedral train. The bodice was overlaid with lace accented with seed pearls, ending in points below the waist in front and back, and laying in soft scallops around the neck. The lace and pearls were repeated in a wide border around the hem of the dress and train. The veil of illusion was fingertip length with lace and seed pearls matching the dress. She carried a cascading bouquet of Konfetti and Rumba roses, lisianthus, alstromeria, freesia, Asiatic lilies, and statice and wore long gloves, pearl necklace and earrings belonging to her mother. She carried a white lace handkerchief given to her by her maternal grandmother.

The groom wore a black tuxedo with a charcoal vest and tie.

Matron of honor was Jennifer Kindle of College Station, Texas. Best man was Raymond Hubble of Corpus Christi.

Bridesmaids were Kaysie Lancaster of Angleton and Jennifer Vincent of Round Rock, cousins of the bride, and Wende Jones of Wimberly, Marcy Flores of East Lansing, Michigan, Ami Shively of Nacogdoches, and Teresa Nicklas of San Marcos.

Groomsmen were Walker Thompson of Sonora, brother of the groom, Kevin Brumfield of San Marcos, brother of the bride, Jeff Anderson, Shawn Hiatt, Joe Collins, and Stretch Allen of San Marcos.

Ushers and Candlelighters were Kody Lancaster of Angleton, cousin of the bride, and Chad Blanchard of Amarillo, friend of the bride and groom.

After the wedding vows and exchanging of rings a reception was held in the reception hall of the Woman's Forum. The adjoining hall displayed the bride's tiered cake decorated with latticework icing and adorned with the floral theme carried throughout the wedding. The chocolate groom's cake was decorated with camouflage icing and a hunting theme.

Serving in the House Party were Hollie Davis of College Station, Crystal Lyle, Missy McLelland, Shawna Stone of Grand Saline, and Jordan Anderson of San Angelo.

The bride chose tiger print organza pants and a black sweater set trimmed with faux fur for her going away suit. She wore a necklace and earrings given to her by the groom's parents. The couple enjoyed a wedding trip to Taos, New Mexico, and now reside in San Marcos.

Dining Out Directory

Dairy Queen
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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Community

February 11

County Commissioners Meeting
9:00 a.m. - Annex Bldg.

February 14

Chamber of Commerce Meeting
12:00 Noon • Sutton County Steakhouse

The Community Calendar



Member FDIC

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Calendar

February 19

City Council Meeting
2:00 p.m. • City Hall

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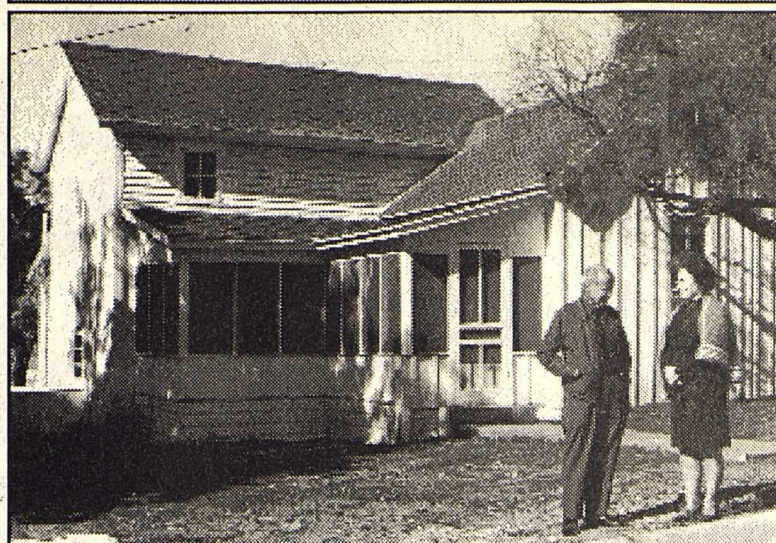
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Ask the Historical Society



The Miers Museum given to Sutton County. Velma Hunt and John Eaton, historian, standing in the yard. This is the old Miers home - the fifth in Sonora.

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer, Secretary

Q. Could you reprint the article on the death of John A. Nisbet in 1944 Devil's River News?

A. Devil's River News, Friday, December 8, 1944 - John A. Nisbet Reported Killed in Naval Action - One Sonoran Missing, Two Wounded.

As the fighting becomes more fierce and the battle fronts grow, the names of more Sutton County men appear on the War Department's casualty lists. The names of four Sutton County men were added to the list this week, one of whom was killed, another missing and two wounded in action.

Word was received here on Sunday that John Aldwell Nisbet, son of the late Mrs. Nisbet and John Lee Nisbet, former Sonoran now of San Angelo, was killed in action in the Pacific. He was a Quartermaster, Third Class, in the Navy and had been in service since last February.

Mrs. Hermina Munoz received word this week that her son, Pvt. Luis G. Munoz, stationed with the Air Corps in Germany, was slightly wounded in action on November 18. Pvt. Munoz has been in service since December 16, 1942.

Pvt. Jesus Ramos, son of Hilario Ramos, was also slightly wounded in action in Germany on November 21. He is in the infantry. His wife and four children live here.

Missing in action since November 13, is Pvt. Geronimo Munoz who was stationed in France with an infantry unit. He was a native of Laredo, but his wife, Juanita A. Munoz lives here. Pvt. Munoz had been in the service since November, 1943.

Nisbet, who was 29 years old was born and reared in Sonora. He studied engineering at New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, N. M., and later worked with the State Highway Department, with a ship-building firm at Houston, and then with high octane and synthetic rubber plants at Baytown and Baton Rouge, La.

J. L. Nisbet was informed of his son's death Monday while in Carlsbad, N.M., where he had gone on a business trip with his brother, Alex Nisbet of Plainview. Mrs. J. A. Nisbet, the former Miss Charlene McGeorge of Wellington, Kansas, returned to San Angelo from San Antonio on Tuesday. Survivors include, besides the father and widow, one sister, Mrs. Vaughn L. Johansen, of Abilene; the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Winnie R. Aldwell, of Sonora and San Antonio; the paternal grandfather, A. R. Nisbet of San Angelo; two aunts, Mrs. Frances Boiskou of Chicago and Mrs. T. A. Williams of San Antonio, sister of the late Mrs. J. L. Nisbet; and four uncles, Lea Aldwell of San Angelo, W. R. Nisbet, of the extension service at A. & M. College; Carl Nisbet of Kansas City and Alex Nisbet of Plainview.

In the same issue we found that Sergeant Raymond G. Gutierrez of Del Rio was the second person to be awarded "The Order of Patriotic War, Second Degree, Union of Soviet Republic." It is the second highest award in the Soviet Union and he got it for distinguished service in hand to hand combat in the Italian campaign. The medal is a red star with sabre and gun with center design of sickle and hammer and is mounted on a ribbon in the colors of the Soviet Union and includes a free trip to Russia after the war as a guest of the Soviet Union. He has also been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross; the Silver Star and the Purple Heart with two Oak Leaf Clusters. He wears the European Theater of Operations ribbon with two campaign stars, the American Defense ribbon, the good conduct, the Distinguished Unit Badge and the Combat Infantryman Badge. He is the son of Mrs. And Mrs. Santano Gutierrez of Sonora.

Rayford Hull was in the hospi-

tal in San Antonio for treatment of a broken collar bone. The Corner Drug Store had a new pharmacist, Ray C. Boyer. Lester Archer had leased the A. W. Awalt gas station and planned to renovate the building and outside area. He would carry oil, gasoline and other automobile necessities and sell staple groceries.

Sgt. Wayland Stubblefield who had been overseas for two years returned home on a 30 day furlough and must report to Fort Bliss at El Paso on January 9. Two brothers are also in the service, Wilton Stubblefield, Seaman, Second Class, who is stationed with the Navy at San Diego, California, and Sgt. Edgar Nelson Stubblefield who is with the United States Army in Belgium.

A trip to the Chicago Fat Stock Show, much coveted award from the Swift & Co., has been won by Eugene Alley, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Alley of Sonora for an essay he wrote in an animal husbandry class at A. & M. College. His subject of the winning essay was concerned with preparing livestock for the market.

Mrs. Sam Jones, the former Miss Betty Taylor, left on Thursday for Quantico, Virginia, to join her husband who is a private, first class in the Marine Corps and is stationed at the Marine Corps Base at Quantico.

Lomax and Trainer at the Piggly Wiggly Store would sell you a 1 lb jar of Maxwell House coffee for 33 cents, a bunch of carrots for 5 cents, nice fat dressed hens for 40 cents a pound, veal roast for 32 cents a pound, a quart of salad dressing for 37 cents and 2 boxes of Babo for 25 cents.

Miss Anne deBerry, daughter of Dr. E. M. deBerry of Sonora, has been elected a member of the French Honor Society of the Hockaday School in Dallas and will be initiated at the Christmas party of the society, December 7th.

Letters from servicemen came in from Lt. O. L. Richardson at Camp Van Dorn, Mississippi, Rex Merriman in France, John Jackson in San Diego, Pfc. T. C. Thiers in Italy. Visiting home were Pfc. Bob Ensley of Goodfellow Field spending time with his grandmother, Mrs. Mary McKee and Cpl. Basil Taylor of the Pratt Army Air Field, Kansas who was visiting his brother C. W. Taylor and family.

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@sonorax.net. You may call me at 915-387-2855 any day but Tuesday, and before 9 PM please.

The roof is going up on the new office/archival storage area. We were held up waiting for material made with special fire retardant material for the archival area and things should start moving right along now. We are looking forward to its completion and the Sutton County Historical Society finally having proper offices and archival storage. We are also working on getting all the walls downstairs in the Old Jail scraped, sealed and painted and setting up a Law Enforcement Exhibit, honoring all branches of former and present lawmen and women of Sonora and Sutton County. We will also have a Mexican American Heritage Room, a Ranching Exhibit and a room divided into 4 sections of miscellaneous items to be displayed. We have the volunteers and could use some donations for buying paint and materials.

We also need pictures of everyone who has ever served on the Sonora Police Dept., Sutton County Sheriffs and Deputies, DPS Officers, Texas Rangers, Probation Officers, Game Wardens, etc. who have had anything to do with law enforcement in Sonora and all of Sutton County. We are looking for photos from 1890 - 1940 for the Mexican American Heritage Collection.

Letters to the Editor

The Texas Downtown Association Board of Directors were recently in Sonora for a Planning Retreat. The fifteen members met at the T-Saucer Ranch on Friday, January 18, 2002 for the afternoon and stayed overnight. The rabbits and deer were great scenery and added to the country charm for these big city visitors.

The Friends of Historic Sonora, Inc./Main Street Board of Directors hosted a real Texas BBQ. Harold and Benita Martinez did the cooking and the barn was decorated in authentic Texas Style.

Some of the friends of Sonora came out to greet our guests with a warm Texas handshake. The Texas Downtown Board of directors were touched by the warm friendship of our community and they appreciated the Sonora hospitality.

Thank you,
Ann Kay, Manager - Friends of Historic Sonora, Inc./Main Street

Dear people of Sonora and Sutton County,

Most of you know that I have had a difficult last few years. I want to thank you for all the prayers you have offered up for me and those I love.

I wrote this story in early June. I know that I penned the words, but was guided. I think that maybe the butterflies you will read about might be all your prayers. I will think of you and all you have done for me and our family, and of God's amazing grace and power every time I see a butterfly (and I have several beautiful representations in our home).

I had intended to put this in the paper last June, but other things happened in my life that caused much more pain. A man told me a few days ago that he had pointed me out to his Sunday school class as a real miracle of God. I have been told by many doctors and nurses that, medically speaking, I should have died. I do believe it is by the grace of God that I am alive. Your prayers were very powerful. I ask for your continued prayers.

All that I have been blessed to experience the past few years has taught me many things. Pain and suffering is tough, but there is One tougher. And the second commandment is like the first -- Love one another. So reach out to those you love and tell them how much they mean to you. Reach out to those less fortunate and lend a hand, an ear, or a shoulder. Reach out in faith, hope and love, always believing that He can heal anything.

Thank all of you and God bless us all every one.

Love and butterflies,
Claudia Dempsey

Below is an article from Claudia Dempsey that tells of her ordeal last year.

On July 10, 2000, I went to bed feeling a little sluggish. But, I reasoned this past week has been, oh, so busy and I was so tired. Happy, but tired.

My husband, Bill, and I made the trip to Colorado for my parents' fiftieth wedding anniversary. My three sisters and their families and Bill and I had honored them with a come-and-go get together at their beautiful cabin amid God's remarkable landscape. Many of their friends from Texas had planned a vacation so that they could be with Mama and Daddy for congratulations and happiness. They have made so many wonderful friends there in Colorado, and the house was full of laughter and love. The party was a great success - good food, pretty decorations, good friends - and we felt blessed, and more special memories were made.

The party over, we cleaned and packed up things the following day and then all our family except my parents, Bill, and me left to return to Texas. The next day was kind of lazy for the four of us, walking around in the crisp mountain air, sitting on the front porch, playing a few hands of bridge, and eating popcorn. I welcomed the reprieve after the flurry of preparations. I had been diagnosed with Systemic Lupus in 1994 and tired to the point of deep weariness. I had just finished seven rounds of IV chemotherapy, took steroids and

other oral chemo meds, and methotrexate injections. My husband had had a lung hemorrhage in April of 2000, required critical, difficult surgery to remove one and a half lobes from his right lung, and had needed much support and help from me as he started on the road to recovery. I was physically and emotionally used up. Still, the party had been a joyous thing and well worth the effort. I knew that I would charge back up with the help of medications, some rest, and support of those I loved, and especially with God's blessing.

Then I went to bed that night. I woke up and felt really uncomfortable. Maybe all that I had eaten at the party was catching up to me now, or maybe it was the popcorn. I ached, but that was the usual with the Lupus; my doctor had even put me on another more powerful pain medication, explaining that we had to break the cycle of pain. It was too early to take that medication, so Bill gave me two Tylenol. I dozed. Then I awoke with more pain. I convinced Bill that something was really wrong and I needed to go to the hospital. I thought I was having an appendicitis attack. He awakened my parents, and we traveled to Alamosa, Colorado, some sixty miles from the cabin. There the emergency room staff took x-rays, concluded that I was constipated, and gave us a preparation often used to "clean patients out before surgery." They sent us home.

See Dempsey page 7

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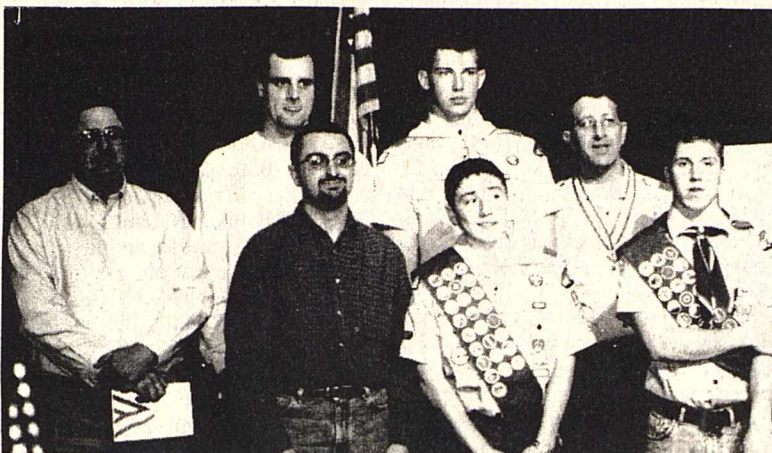
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Journalism U.I.L. Travels To Brownwood

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On Saturday, January 26th, several members of the Journalism U.I.L. Team traveled to Brownwood for the first academic meet of the season. Making the trip were Manuel Campos, Kate Higdon, Evangelina Martinez, and Susanna Street. Forty-four schools participated in the meet including several 4A schools. The journalism contests had over 60 competitors in each contest. In Feature Writing, Kate Higdon placed fifth. In Editorial Writing, Susanna Street placed fifth and Higdon placed sixth. The students are coached by Kristen Keel.

Local Scouts Attend Recognition Dinner



Back: Gary Hardgrave, Curt Dempsey, Trapper Valliant and Lewis Allen. Front: Junior Odom, Roland Solis and Wilson Wallace

submitted

On Saturday, January 12, 2002, the Concho Valley Council Boy Scouts of America held its Annual Recognition Dinner at the Houston Harte University Center in San Angelo, Texas.

Attending this special event were Lewis and Cindy Allen, Claudia and Curt Dempsey, Gary and Kathy Hardgrave, Junior Odom, Monte and Virginia Jones, Johnny and Viola Solis, Brenda Valliant, Beth Wallace and the following Boy Scouts: Roland Solis, Trapper Valliant, and Wilson Wallace.

The highlight of the dinner was the presentation of the Silver Beaver Awards. This award recognizes individuals who have given noteworthy service to Boy Scouts. It is the highest honor that the local council can bestow upon its volunteers for "distinguished service to boyhood".

A local recipient of the award was Troop 19 Scoutmaster Lewis

Allen. Reverend Allen was recognized for his great influence on Scouting in the Concho Valley Council. He is an Eagle Scout, the son of an Eagle Scout and the brother of two Eagle Scouts. He has served as Troop 19 Scoutmaster for 11 years and has made a significant impact on the boys who have been a part of his troop. In his troop, he has built a solid foundation for Scouting and has produced an impressive number of Eagle Scouts.

All of Sonora can be proud of Lewis Allen for his role in the lives of our boys. He works diligently with boys to attain the various ranks of boy scouting, serving as a great source of encouragement to them. Boys who have spent time with Lewis Allen develop camping skills, survival skills, and most importantly, learn to be good citizens.

The Scout Recognition Dinner also recognized the Eagle Scout Classes of 2000 and 2001. These boys were recognized as being outstanding Scouts, upstanding area citizens, great Texans and patriotic Americans. The boys that were present to receive a certificate signed by Governor Perry and a special Eagle neckerchief were Roland Solis, Trapper Valliant, and Wilson Wallace.

Other local Eagle Scouts from the Classes of 2000 and 2001 include Joseph Ainsworth, Stevie Hernandez, James Elliott, Matthew Glasscock and Laramie Hall.

Marvin Stevenson To Showcase Western Art In Sonora

submitted

The artist of the month of February is Marvin Stevenson from Odessa, Texas. The Friends of Historic Sonora, Inc./Main Street Program, The Bank & Trust of Sutton County, Sonora Art.com, Devil's River News, KHOS Radio, and Sutton County Steakhouse would like to invite you to an Art Reception, an oil painting demonstration and one day workshop, on February 16, 2002. If you would like to learn to start an oil painting or brush up your skills come and spend the day with Marvin Stevenson. The reception will be February 15, 2002 at the lobby of The Bank and Trust of Sutton County at 7:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend. Mr. Stevenson's work will be on display earlier in the week. At the reception he will be giving some demonstrations of oil painting.

The workshop will be on Saturday, February 16, 2002, at 204 East Main Street. If you need to know more information call Ann Kay at 915-387-2248. So come by, visit, and meet a great artist.

A long-time resident of West Texas, Marvin Stevenson has a great appreciation for the beauty of the state. Ranch life, in all its aspects, is depicted in many of his

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Winners



Second Place Winners - 10 Year-Olds: Samantha Tidwell & John Duke Hudson - 11 Year-Olds: Steely Ingham & Clayton Sahr - 12 Year-Olds: Amanda Berry & Colton Moore - 13 Year-Olds: Felicia Gamez & Mason Martinez - 14 Year-Olds: Candice Martin & Frank David Gallegos.



Third Place Winners - 10 Year-Olds: Jessica Snyder & Manuel Parades III - 11 Year-Olds: Hunter Lawson - 12 Year-Olds: Candace Chandler - 13 Year-Olds: Mackenzie Perez & Trent Reiner.

Airman Samaniego Graduates From Basic Training

Air Force Airman Juan L. Samaniego has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training and special training in

human relations.

In addition, airman who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Elbe and Juan Samaniego of Sonora, TX.

The airman is a 2000 graduate of Sonora High School.

F.Y.I.

The Devil's River Dancers will be giving beginner clogging lessons starting Feb. 7th. Call 387-9315 for more information.

The 2001 Varsity Football Highlight Tape is now on sale from the S.H.S. Radio and T.V. Department. The cost is only \$15. Also, if you would like to purchase any Varsity or J.V. football game or any Varsity Girls or Boys District basketball game, the cost is only \$6 per game tape. Call Kristin Keel at 387-6533 ext. 315 for more details.

The 2002 yearbooks are on sale. The cost is \$30 and the price will increase. You can send payment to the following address: S.H.S. Yearbook, 807 SE Concho, Sonora, TX 76950 or call Kristin Keel at 387-6533 ext. 315 for details.

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

Don't Lose Your Brand Register Today

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; therefore, 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.



Artist, Marvin Stevenson

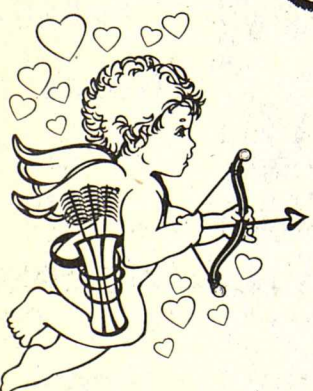
paintings. Though he works in various media, his preference is watercolor, and he specializes in Western and Wildlife subjects. "I think creating the mood or spirit of painting is more important than your technique or even the subject. I guess I would call myself a traditional impressionist," said Stevenson.

Marvin's work has been accepted and shown in national and regional exhibits. He has received numerous awards in New Mexico and Texas. A member of Watercolor Horizon, American Plains Artists and a signature member of the Southwestern Watercolor Society, he teaches and conducts workshops on location. Corporate and private collectors, from coast to coast, display this artist's work.

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J.V. Broncos Splitting Record In District

by Maray Cearley

At the mid season mark the Junior Varsity boys have a record of 2-4.

Their season opener was against a much larger and quicker Class 3A Ballinger Bearcats. The Broncos were plagued with turnovers and the final score was 18 to 61 in favor of Ballinger.

Leading scorer for the Broncos was Trapper Valliant with 8, followed by Clint Cearley and Stevie Hernandez with 4 a piece. Seth Prather added 2 and Diego Cardona had 1.

The J.V. Broncos opened District play with a trip to Junction, where they came away with their

first win, beating the Eagles 41 to 25. All the Broncos were able to contribute to the scoreboard, with Valliant leading the scoring with 13. Following closely was Austin Wagoner with 12. Wylie Wagoner had 4, Brian Payton and Dustin Creek had 3 each and Cearley, Prather, and Cardona each added 2.

The next game found the Mason Puncher guests at the Sonora Gymnasium. The red came away with another victory, 28 to 18. Valliant had a good Defensive game and added 13 points to the effort. Prather had 6, Cearley 5 and A. Wagoner and Creek rounded out the scoring with 2 each.

The J.V. Broncos next game

took them to Eldorado. The Eagles proved to be too much, handing the Sonora boys their second loss, 31 to 44. Scoring for the Broncos were Valliant with 11, Prather 8, Hernandez and Payton 4, A. Wagoner and Creek with 2 each.

Against the Wall Hawks the Broncos found themselves at a big disadvantage, with Valliant their leading rebounder and scorer being elevated to the Varsity, Sonora only suited up 7 to start the game. Wall had a big height advantage and the final moments found Sonora with only 4 on the court due to foul trouble. The final score was 26 to 60 in favor of Wall. Creek was the lead-

ing scorer with 8, followed closely by Prather with 7 and A. Wagoner with 6. Cearley and Cardona added 2 each and Hernandez had 1.

On Friday, Sonora played Grape Creek, with better team unity and hustle, although they still came out on the losing end, 28 to 50. The Broncos shot 43% on their free throws. Cearley led the Broncos with 17 points. Creek and Hernandez each had 4 and Prather added 3.

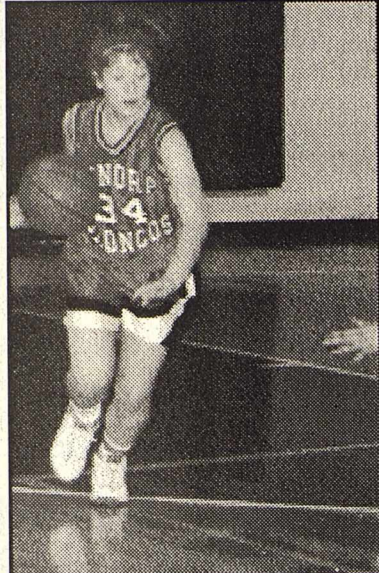
Sonora will travel to Mason on Friday. Come out and show your support as the Broncos start the second half of District play.

J.V. Lady Broncos Have Tough Week

submitted

The Sonora J.V. Lady Broncos had a very tough week, suffering two defeats. On Tuesday, January, 22, 2002, they lost to Wall by the score of 44 to 19 in Wall. Wall jumped out to an early 17 to 7 first quarter lead. In the second quarter, Sonora played better as they were only outscored by 1. The halftime score was 22-11. The third quarter saw Wall outscore 9-6. Sonora had a rough fourth quarter being outscored by 11. Scoring for Sonora were Brittany Longoria, and Alyssa Ibarra 4 points, Debra Martinez 3 points, and Susanna Street, Chelsea Seaton, Savannah Hedgecock and Leandra Perez 2 points.

On Friday, they played host to Grape Creek. The whole game was very competitive and close going into overtime. The first quarter saw Sonora jump off to an 8-7 lead. The Lady Broncos were able to increase the lead by halftime to 18-14. Grape Creek cut the lead by 2 in the third quarter and by two more in the fourth quarter, leaving the game tied at 32-32 as time ran



Chelsea Seaton moves the ball down the court.

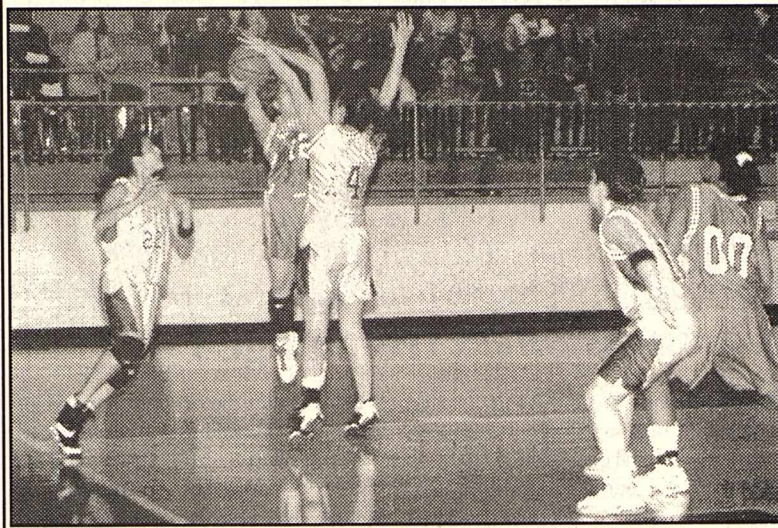
out. In overtime, Grape Creek made 7 out of 9 free throws and held on for a 43 to 41 victory. Scoring for Sonora was B. Longoria and Shannon Vick 8 points, Ibarra 7 points, Melissa Longoria 6 points, Seaton 4 points, Street and Hedgecock 3 points and Cady Taylor 2 points.

Lady Broncos Squash Grape Creek

The Lady Broncos hosted the Grape Creek Eagles on Friday, January 25th with Sonora being victorious, 58 to 32.

Scoring for Sonora was Heather Lawson 25, Morgan Hobbs 11, Tamika Marshall 7, Monica Lira, Ashley Parker and Kasey Miller 3. Score by

Lawson was hot, shooting 4 three pointers and Marshall and Parker also each had a three pointer. The Lady Broncos are now 17-7 and 4-3 in district.



Kara Hard struggles to pass the ball against Grape Creek.

More Pinewood Derby Winners



Other awards that were received at the Derby were: Dakota Malik - Best Design, Michael Stephens - Best Looking Car, Clayton Parks - Best Paint, Cande Tobias - Most Creative, Phillip Stephens - Most Unusual, and Cody Snyder - Most Original,



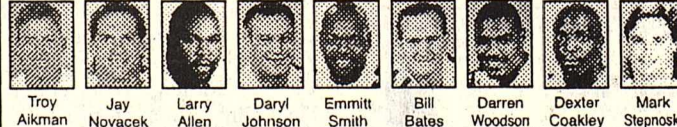
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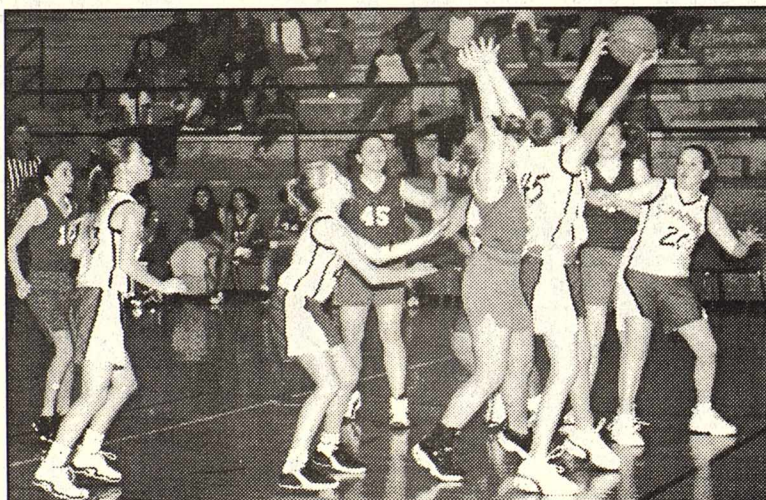
Lady Colts Play Last Home Game

The 7th grade Lady Colts hosted Wall on Monday, January 28, 2002 for their last home game of the season. The 7th grade girls were victorious in a close game, 30 to 28.

Leading the scoring for the 7th grade Lady Colts was Meghan Krieg with 16 points. Candace Chandler had 10 points and Madeline Higdon and Kayla Fields each had 2. The girls only complet-

ed 2 of 8 free throws, for a 25% average.

The 8th grade Lady Colts had a little tougher time against the Wall team, being defeated 33 to 11. Desirae Boldt was the lead scorer with 4 points, followed by Kayla McBride with 3 and Jillian Gulley and Kristina Hernandez with 2 each. The girls had a 50% free throw average, completing 1 of 2 attempts.



Candace Chandler rebounds against Wall.

Eagles Soar Over Broncos

The Sonora Broncos took on the Grape Creek Eagles on Friday, January 25th in their gymnasium. As hard as the Broncos fought, they just couldn't overcome the Grape Creek boys who ended up with the win 56 to 44.

Leading the scoring for the Broncos was Chance Dillard with 18 points. Caleb Gulley had 8, Justin Sims and Scottie Moore each had 5, and Donny Yocham and Dustin Martin each had 4. Score by Quarters was GRAPE CREEK 7 16 19 14 56 and SONORA 15 6 10 13 44. Sonora had 2 three point goals, one by Martin and one by Moore.

This game left Grape Creek with a 19-8 record, 4-1 in district. Sonora is now 5-5 with 2-3 for district.

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Public Library Receives Grant

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Loan Star Libraries is the first program of its kind in Texas. With a few exceptions, libraries receiving awards will have complete control on how they spend their funds. Funds from the program will enable libraries to expand existing programs and collections and implement new services the unique needs of their communities. The 77th Texas legislature appropriated \$2.9 million for the first year of the program.

According to Director and Librarian Peggy D. Rudd, the money couldn't come soon enough. "Texas was the largest of only six remaining states that don't provide some form of direct state aid to libraries. In fact, Texas rates 47th in the country in state support per capita for libraries. Loan Star Libraries is an exciting first step in changing that."

One goal of the program is to increase library access for all Texans

no matter where they live. Loan Star Libraries encourages libraries to lend their collections free-of-charge to those outside their legal services by offering incentives to remove these barriers. Although Texas has over 500 public libraries, roughly seven percent of Texans still do not have access to a public library and must pay a fee to use a neighboring library. Eligible libraries who do not charge non-resident fees or who eliminate their fees receive a higher level of funding from Loan Star Libraries. FY2002 grant awards range from \$47 to \$334,320, based on each libraries local operating expenditures and its provision for statewide access.

Rudd expects to roll out checks in spring 2002. She notes, "Texas libraries are doing a lot with what they have, and funds from Loan Star Libraries are going to make library services in Texas that much better. I can't wait to distribute the money."

Sutton County Public Library will receive a Loan Star Libraries grant award from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission for the amount of \$2,196.00.



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Commissioners from page 1

of Johnson Pest Control had requested use of the park area in front of the large baseball field at the Sutton County Arena complex, to hold a mower trade show on April 8th. The commissioners discussed the issue that this would be a for-profit show and thus would not be allowed, since it is a County facility.

Judge Garner also expressed a request from JoAnn Palmer for the use of the cemetery to have a Confederate Memorial Service. The commissioners approved the use of the cemetery for the event.

The quarterly treasurer's report was given.

Judge Garner expressed a request for Dean Rutland for the use of the Sutton County Arena on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays for a Roping Club. The club would not keep the livestock at the arena and would be charging an entry fee. Judge Garner stated that Rutland

had said that they do not have insurance, but would have all participants sign a waiver of responsibility. Attorney Wallace informed the Court that waivers were kind of tricky because you can't waive responsibility for the unknown and there is always something that could be "unknown". The Commissioner's decided to inform the club that it would be necessary to have insurance coverage in order to use the facilities for such use.

Judge Garner then opened bids for a vehicle for the Sheriff's department. Of the two bids, one from 1-10 Auto Ranch and one from Broncho Ford, the Broncho Ford bid was the lower at \$21,106.32. The commissioners voted to take the Broncho Ford bid and purchase the Ford F150.

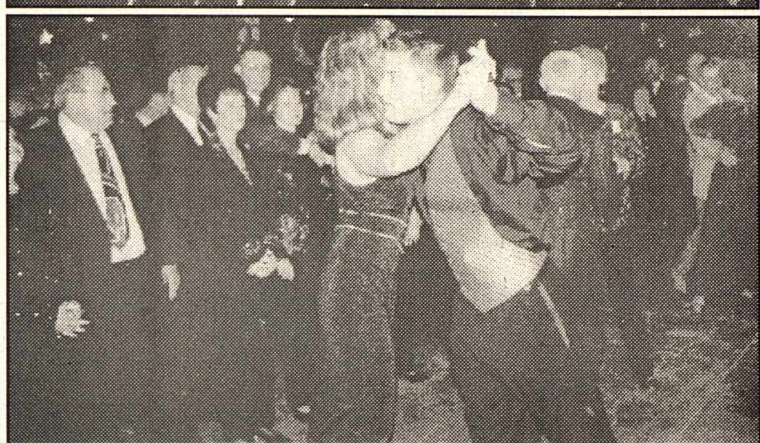
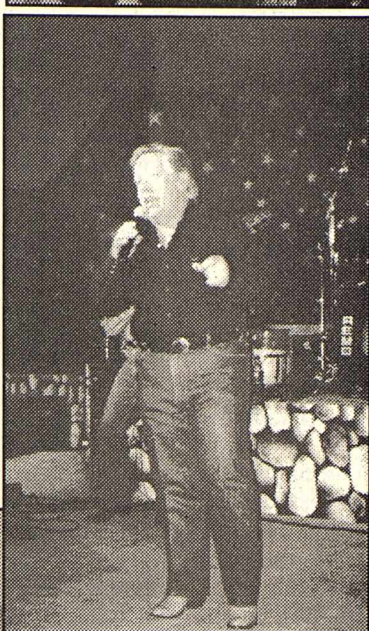
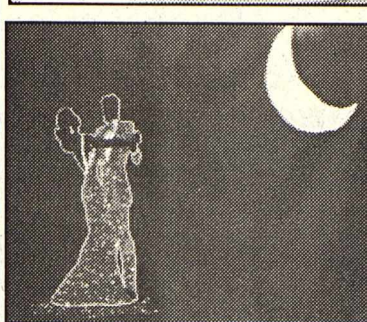
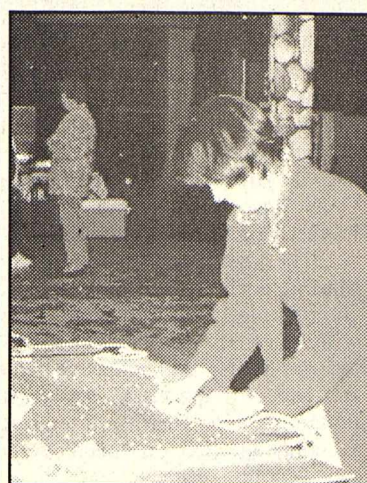
Having no further business, the meeting was then adjourned. The Commissioner's will meet again on Monday, February 11, 2002.

Steering Committee from page 1

Keith L. Butler, CEO. Mr. Butler stated that his would be an open forum meeting. Butler stated that the Board of Directors had been working with Health Care Funding Development Consultants for a year, to study the feasibility of establishing a foundation. At this time, decisions need to be made as to whether to proceed with the establishment of a foundation and if so, whether to contract with the Health Care Funding development Consultants or establish the foundation under the direction of citizens of Sutton County. The foundation could be funded by many means, which could include Estate Planning, Memorial Funds and Large Gifts. Butler reported that sample by-laws have been drafted. He went on to report that the Hospital is in very good financial condition at the present time and completed 2001 with a \$383,000 cash reserve. The Foundation would develop a corpus of funds of which the earnings would be used to lower the tax burden of the community. This long term strategy could greatly protect the future of health care in Sonora. Butler explained that earnings would not be realized in the short term. A foundation of this type would be looking down the road 10-15 years before earnings would reach the point of making an impact. This foundation would plan for a time when property and mineral values drop significantly, thus lessening the tax burden on our citizens.

Several recommendations were made by the guests. It was the consensus of the group that local citizens of Sutton County are capable of establishing the Foundation without hiring an outside firm and that those present and others that have expressed an interest from the committee. Those present recommended that Rev. Jim Stephen serve as interim Chairman of the Steering Committee. Rev. Stephen accepted. Meetings will be held at 6:00 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, beginning February 12, 2002.

A motion was made by Lenora Pool, seconded by Preston Faris, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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Dempsey from page 3

At the cabin Mama and Bill brought me the most vile, nasty tasting concoction. I was to drink a cup every fifteen minutes. I know I had to get it down, and I did my best. Unfortunately, I couldn't hold it down. I was retching violently. A call to the doctor at Alamosa secured permission to use suppositories to stop the horrible spasms of vomiting. They did soothe me and I drifted into a weary sleep. My parents and Bill decided to let me rest for an hour or so and then start back with only a half a cup every fifteen minutes. Mama came into the bedroom, and I found myself struggling to lift my hand to take the cup she had or even to speak. It was as if I was being sucked down into another world. Then I heard the panic in her voice as she screamed to Bill to call 911 and knew that she was not getting a blood pressure.

I remember, through a foglike trance, the paramedics bringing in the gurney. Then I remember the cold of the table in the Del Norte Hospital (smaller than, but nearer to the cabin than the hospital in Alamosa) and a feeling of floating but aware of urgency outside of myself. Bill was holding my hand and crying, and my mom was on the other side. Then the nurses would make them leave.

I woke up several weeks later in the medical intensive care unit of University Hospital in Denver. I drifted in and out, mostly out, of an awed consciousness. There were times of feeling a dreamlike consciousness. I felt so much love and caring, along with much anguish. I longed to comfort my family, but neither my body nor my voice would do as I asked. I floated through the pain and sedation. There were so many unknown people, machines, and strange things happening to me. It was dark, it was gray; it was dark again. Once I came out of the dream to a nightmare of awareness. In my unconscious state, I had "heard" the doctor say I was dying. I struggled to come back. I thought they were going to let me die, and I didn't want to die. From then on, my mom or Bill would stay with me at night, and one of my family members was there always.

Gradually, I became more aware. I couldn't move any part of me. I couldn't talk. I often felt as though I couldn't breathe. Then some things were told to me: I was very sick; I was in a Denver hospital; surgeries had been performed; a tracheotomy had been done, and a ventilator was doing most of my breathing; I had a colostomy and many drains; I had so many wires attached to me and IV's going; I had a catheter. I received blood and a nurse took blood often. I had so many x-rays. I had a tube in my nose to give me food. I took "road trips" (trips from ICU to another part of the hospital to have drains or tubes inserted or procedures done under radiology); the gurney was always moving fast.

Sometimes, probably most of the time, neither my body nor my mind could cope. But butterflies came - beautiful silver butterflies, some colorful ones, some white ones. Golden crosses floated around and brilliant hummingbirds stood in attendance. The butterflies cast out a fine but strong silver net and cradled me in it. They flew me away from the pain - my physical pain, the grief of my family and friends, and the doctors' dire predictions. I guess the first few times God just sent them because of His great love and compassion. Then I remember beginning to comprehend some of what was happening and asking for them, and He sent them over and over again. Did my mind ask, I wonder, or was my soul seeking some solace? I don't know, but I do know that I was lifted out of death by the grace of our Lord by His butterflies.

I spent 106 days in medical intensive care. I "died" several times - in the ambulance from the cabin, in the life-flight jet plane ride to Denver, in ICU. I went into systemic shock. My entire abdominal cavity was a mass of infection. I had surgeries and procedures. I swelled so much my skin cracked, and I sloughed one whole skin which was replaced with new. My blood pressure would go sky-high then drop out of sight; my heart rate did the same. Fever spiked and I had alcohol baths and fans blowing on me. I wore a "Do Not Resuscitate" orange bracelet. I was given less than a 5% chance of survival, and if I did survive, no chance of being a functioning human being. My lungs collapsed. My husband, sons, parents and sisters were advised to tell me goodbye and give me permission to die. But the doctors kept doing enough that I made it through that day and then the next, and so on. And God's butterflies carried me in the silver net above the pain and suffering.

And then it was decided that I would live. The nurses would lift me, bloated and bruised with tubes and wires, to a chair in the sunshine. Those wonderful nurses and respiratory therapists found a rolling chair to strap me and the portable machines to; then with several people pushing me and all the equipment, they took me out to a beautiful garden. And I saw a butterfly.

I was transferred to another hospital, Vencor Pulmonary

Rehabilitation Hospital, on October 23. I was still on a ventilator, had IV's, main line and "pick" lines, heart monitors, and a feeding tube in my nose, but I was conscious. First I got rid of the "pick" line and then the main line. I started eating some pureed food; then when the feeding tube came partially out, the doctors decided to remove it completely. The heart monitor was the next to go. IV's were discontinued and I only had ports for nightly meds and blood when necessary.

On the Monday before Thanksgiving a cap was placed over the tracheotomy hole for brief periods of time; this allowed me to speak my first words since July. On Thanksgiving Day, I was moved from the 5th (for critical patients) to the 3rd floor. Also on Thanksgiving, I was wheeled downstairs to the dining room and ate a special dinner with my husband, my 3 sons, my parents, and Bill's Uncle Dow. I had to go back to University Hospital in Denver to have another surgery on November 28, but was back at Vencor Hospital in a couple of days. On December 1 the tracheostomy was removed completely. While at Vencor, I began the journey away from total dependence on others. I learned to feed myself, wash my face, roll over in bed. I wrote a few words in a letter to my sons. I was hoisted out of bed and placed in a chair. Next I was hoisted to a standing position and stood with assistance for a few seconds. I exercised, also with assistance, in bed - legs, arms, neck, mouth. I struggled to stand, aided by 2 physical therapists and then to walk a few steps using a walker.

On the 19th of December, I flew back to San Antonio, Texas. I spent three and a half weeks at Warm Springs Physical Rehabilitation Hospital. I had two sessions each day of both physical and occupational therapy. Boy, the therapists worked me hard! But it was worth it. I went home to Sonora, Texas on January 13, 2001, over two hundred days after I had left for a ten-day vacation.

I continued physical therapy in Sonora, on an outpatient basis. I had another surgery to create another colostomy in a new site on, of all days, my 48th birthday. After 8 days, I left the hospital and stayed at one of my sister's home in San Antonio. During that time, things continued to not quite work out as hoped, and adjustments, re-suturing, and repositionings were made with very little or no deadening agents. Again, I called to the butterflies and my God. And he answered. I finally went home for good the middle of February.

My husband, Bill, was with me as much as possible during the 8 months of my ordeal; he periodically returned to Sonora and his job, as he knew he must. He was my legal guardian during my illness and faced so many difficult, daunting decisions - life support, telling his wife of 26 years goodbye, authorizing risky experimental medications. He had to support our precious 3 sons. My parents, being semi-retired, were able to stay with me when I was so critical and when Bill had to return to Sonora. Mama, a retired nurse, and Daddy struggled with despair and clung to hope during the really dark times and were rocks of support as I recovered. My sons, Curt, Drew and Russ, all students at Texas A&M University, made 3 trips to Denver and then more to San Antonio. My sisters from Texas came, also, to be with me, pray for me, comfort and strengthen each other. While there, and after returning home, my sister Connie wrote almost daily e-mails to a host of family and friends who passed them on. Several friends were able to come support my family and me. My church family in Sonora and all the churches there kept me on their prayer lists. My hometown of Sonora rallied around us by helping financially and especially with prayer. Teachers in our school district where Bill and I both taught gave "sick days" to Bill so that his paychecks were in full amount. Texas Aggies from all over added their voices to others in prayer for my family and me. People prayed without ceasing even in the face of grim prediction and little reason to hope. God heard their prayers and performed a miracle.

Today (June) I still have an open wound and a functioning colostomy. I have had to take disability retirement from teaching. I fill my days with mobility, flexibility and strengthening exercises. I am doing household tasks such as making beds, cooking, and light cleaning. The therapists call these "activities of daily living." I face one more (hopefully) surgery for reconstruction.

I have been so blessed with wonderful family and friends and dedicated compassionate medical care. I give thanks for the many people who lifted me up in prayer. I give thanks for the doctors, nurses, and therapists who did everything medically possible for me. I give thanks for my wonderful family and friends. I give thanks for butterflies. And most of all I give thanks to God in whom we have trust, joy, peace and love always and in all ways.

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Mohair Council of America Hold Annual Meeting In San Angelo

The Mohair Council of America held its Annual Membership Meeting January 17, 2002 in San Angelo, Texas. The Council works to promote the use of mohair and to support Angola goat producers. The Council has initiated several projects aimed at getting mohair into the marketplace.

Executive Director Zane Willard and President Jack Groff reported on results of the Mohair Council's container trials. Over the last eighteen months, MCA has sent 6 containers of original bag adult mohair to Prestige Fibres Processing Ltd. in the U.K. Prestige Fibres processes the mohair into top and negotiates sales to customers around the globe. Even in what has been a declining market, the majority of the top has been sold. Texas producers have received some valuable information about the quality of mohair that has been labeled "original bag adult."

Willard also updated the membership on the progress of the mohair carpet venture known as "Christoval Carpets." The Council will be represented at the 2002 Surfaces Expo, the largest floor-covering trade show in the U.S. New to the line this year are the wilton, or broadloom products manufactured in the U.K. Additionally, MCA will feature woven rugs out of Mexico. Each of the products in the Christoval line utilizes Texas mohair.

The Mohair Council was pleased to have Dr. Ed Huston present his Livestock Management Solutions software at this year's meeting. The software is the result of years of research aimed at providing ranchers with a tool whereby they can make an economic decision whether to breed for meat or for fiber. The software is available through the Texas A&M Research Center in San Angelo.

Dr. Diane Sutton of USDA-APHIS was on hand to review the new scrapie regulations. Her presentation helped to clarify compliance issues and give growers the information necessary to meet the new guidelines. Copies of handouts are available through the Mohair Council office.

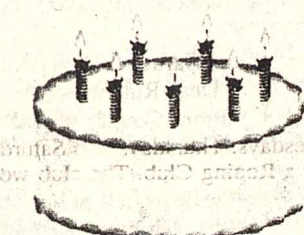
The Mohair Council elected officers for the upcoming year. Jesse Lockhart, Jr. of Barksdale was elected President. Pierce Miller of San Angelo was elected Vice President, and Gwynne Lundgren of Menard was elected Secretary/Treasurer.

The Council amended the by-laws to cap the number of District Directors at 30 rather than the previous 60. New directors elected through District Caucuses were: Pierce Miller, San Angelo; Neill Woodward, Ft. Stockton; Ginger Perner, Ozona; Tuffy Whitehead, Del Rio; Blake Lewis, Del Rio; Bill Zuberbueler, Comstock; Gwynne Lundgren, Menard; Bill Tullos, San Angelo; George Sultemeier, Ft. McKavett; Ben Epps, Sonora; Jimmy Holman, Sonora; Edward Earwood, Sonora; Jesse Lockhart Jr., Barksdale; Marty Graham, Rocksprings; John Davis, Rocksprings; Robin Giles, Comfort; Connie Dittmar, Rochelle; Tommy Reeh, Doss; Janet Willmann, Mason; Willie Ray Willmann, Mason; Lewis Bratton, Rochelle; Troy Duncan, Lometa; Jule Richmond, Blanket; Mark Langford, Lampasas; Mac Gilliat, Leaky; Hayden Haby, Brackettville;

Lanny Leinweber, Mt. Home; Dee Hadorn, Harrah, OK.; and Bennett Mitchell, Ashland, MO.

The 2002 Annual Meeting ended with a presentation to immediate Past President Jack Groff. He was presented with a mohair rug styled with his ranch brand. Additionally, a resolution was read on his behalf that will be entered into the official minutes of the meeting.

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 Accounts Receivable/Nursing
 Home Billing, Computer
 Bookkeeping Experience Required.
 Must be Proficient in Microsoft Word and Excel, Vacation, PDOs, Holidays, Retirement. Salary DOE.
 Send resume to:
 Attn: Beverly Minor
 P.O. Box V
 Eldorado, Texas 76936
 EOE

Help Wanted: Amigos Convenience Store. 601 Hwy. 277 North and I-10. Retirees welcome. Full or part-time. Apply at Texaco.

The Schleicher/Sutton/Val Verde County Farm Service Agency has an opening for a Temporary Program Technician that will work in Eldorado. This person will be responsible for helping with assigned duties and will be needed 16 to 32 hours per week. All candidates must be U.S. citizens, high school graduates or equivalent, and be at least 18 years of age. An application can be picked up at the Schleicher County FSA Office at 510 South Divide, Eldorado. These applications must reach the office by February 11, 2002. Candidates will be considered without discrimination for any non-merit reason such as race, color, national origin, gender, religion, age, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, and marital or family status or membership or non-membership in any employee organization.

Carrier Wanted

The San Angelo Standard Times is seeking mature individuals to deliver newspapers in the Sonora area. Make approximately \$700 per month. Must like working early morning hours. Must be bondable. Call Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. 915-653-1221 ext. 292.

Agriculture

Wanted: Lambs to feed. PCR Feed Yard, Custom lamb feeding. Robert Lee, Texas. Waldon Millican. (915) 453-2387 or mobile (915) 473-0222.

Public Notices
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for:
 ESTATE OF DEBORAH A. HAIL, DECEASED,

were issued on January 10, 2002, in Docket No. 1248, pending in the County Court of Sutton County, Texas to: STEPHEN HAIL. The residence of the Independent Executor is in San Angelo, Tom Green County, Texas, the post office address is:

3433 Silver Spur Drive
 San Angelo, Texas 76904
 All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
 DATED the 21st day of January, 2002.

SMITH, ROSE, FINLEY, HARP & PRICE
 A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION
 P.O. Box 2540
 San Angelo, Texas 76902-2540
 915/653-6721
 Fax No. 915/653-9580
 By: Allen L. Price
 State Bar No. 16283800
 ATTORNEYS FOR THE STATE

Ozona

TAMALE SALE Friday at noon. Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida. \$5.00 per dozen.

GARAGE SALE 102 Ave. E. Saturday, Feb. 2, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Clothes, shoes, and lots more.

GARAGE SALE 106 Ave. K. Friday and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Jackets and jeans. Women's, men's, children's and babies' clothes. Dishes, odds and ends.

3-FAMILY GARAGE SALE
 208 Sunset, Saturday, Feb. 2, from 9 until 7:00 p.m. Recliner, 5th wheel hitch, electric space heater, levered tailgate for Chevrolet pickup. Lots of miscellaneous.

GARAGE SALE 703 1st Street. 8:00 until 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 2nd, 3 until 6 Sunday. Stove, vacuum cleaners, computer, kids' stuff, adults stuff, clothes. Will be cleaning out another storehouse for the big sale on Sunday.

CLOTHING PANTRY The Ozona United Methodist Church Clothing Pantry will be open Tuesday, February 5 from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. Men's, women's and children's clothing and shoes will sell for \$2.00/bag.

For Sale

For Sale: 1989 Jaguar XJS-V12 Coupe. A/C, PW/W, Seat heaters, AM/FM/CD - 200W amp. \$8500 firm. Ph# 387-2508.

For Sale: 2001 F150 Super Crew Pickup. Must sell. 1-830-775-8809.

Real Estate

300 ACRES - \$147,900
 Why lease when you can own? Trophy Whitetails (5 deer limit). Tree covered hills and draws. Abundant turkey, quail, small game. Good water & access. More acreage available. E-Z terms. Call owner 1-866-989-5263.

For Sale: 3 BR, 2 BA, 2 big lots, additional house for rent, storage barn and horse pens. 501 E. 2nd. Call 387-2284 after 5:00 pm.

For Sale: 2 - 100' X 100' Lots joining W. 1st Street and 100' x 75' ft. Lot with a 2 BR home with a large den. All property joins each other and front is 500 block of W. 1st. Call 915-387-5104.

Home for Sale. Owner will finance. 302 5th Street West. Low down/low monthly. Please call (512) 431-4110.

For Sale: Nice Condominium, 1600 sq. ft., 2 BR, 2 BA, large living area with fireplace, built in bookcase, walk-in pantry, storage. Only \$55,000 a square foot. 107 Sonora Dr. Call for appointment 650-0225 or 392-2912.

I'M MAD...AT BANKS WHO DON'T GIVE HOUSE LOANS BECAUSE OF BAD CREDIT, PROBLEMS OR NEW EMPLOYMENT. I DO, CALL L.D. KIRK, HOMELAND MORTGAGES, (254) 947-4475.

Reward

\$5 REWARD \$5
 For identifying person or persons responsible for damaging a storage unit door @ Dunes Mini Storage (damage \$650.00). Call 387-2104.

Misc.

CAKES BY MAGGIE is offering Valentine Specials. 6 inch and 12 inch Heart shaped cakes for \$5.00 and \$10.00. Also, Valentine containers filled with pastries for your sweetheart, for only \$7.00. Call and place your order at 387-5492. **CASH AND CARRY ONLY.**

FIREWOOD FOR SALE: 1 cord mesquite \$100.00, Oak \$115.00 and Mixed \$100.00 Call 277-0105.

Brewer Refrigeration specializing in ice machines. Service, Sales and rentals serving Sutton and surrounding counties. Call 835-2141 (home) or 450-2793 (mobile). License # TACLBO12114C

Dozer Work, Road Work, Brush Clearing, Building Sites, Trenching, Custom Hauling and Backhoe Work. Call (915) 446-4395 or 446-7050 or leave a message at 1-888-433-3965 Mark Robinson.

Psychic and Tarot Card Readings by Lauren. Advice on love, business, marriage and health. Gives never failing advice. Specializing in affairs of the heart. The answer to your problems may be as close as your phone. Call 702-838-4487.

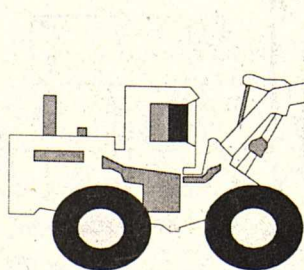
Hunters

Hunters! Save Time & \$\$\$. Have your deer feeders monitored and filled on a routine basis. For more info. Call D.E. (Danny) Reinhardt 915-387-2362 or 915-650-3662.

Found

Found: Motorola beeper at the Frontier Mini Storage. Call to identify 387-2104.

Dirt Construction, Roustabout and Conservation Work



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 Superintendent

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Fax: 915-387-2165

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